



**BAY POINT ELEMENTARY
MAGNET SCHOOL**

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Greetings Bay Point Families and Friends.

Our 2nd marking period is underway. Our students are staying focused and working hard. They are working to reach mastery of all their grade level standards. If you have not already done so, please be sure that you are checking your student's grades in parent portal. Hard copy report cards will be available for our Face to Face students, while a PDF will be available for all our MyPCS students in their FOCUS. This is a great resource for parents not only about their child's grades but also any attendance issues they may be having. This portal will be with your child all the way through high school, so it's great to begin practicing use of it now.

We want to remind all of our families of the importance of attendance. Even a few minutes late impacts your child's day. What may seem like only one day here or there adds up. Students with regular attendance show academic gains greater than their peers who miss even one day a month. It is something simple that has a great impact. A few helpful hints for our families and visitors about attendance:

1. If you are picking up your child from school early for an appointment, please be sure that you bring the proper ID and that you do so before 2:00pm. Without the proper ID, even if you are a regular visitor to campus, we will not be able to release your child to you.
2. If you are changing your child's going home instructions, please be sure to let your child's teacher know in writing in their planner as well as notifying the front office. We do not take student's words for those changes.
3. School starts promptly at 8:45am. If your child is arriving at that time or later, they are considered tardy to school. Please be sure though that your child does not arrive to campus prior to 8:15am as there is no adult supervision until that time.
4. If your child is going to be absent from school, please be sure to send a note in to the school and/or use our online absence reporting tool to let us know why (more info available in this newsletter).

Finally, we wanted to ask all of our families' support in making sure that your student is regularly using their CLEVER program to get onto their iReady practice site as well as their other school resources. This site allows them at-home practice in Reading and Math to help grow their understanding of grade level concepts or supports in areas that they need growth. We recommend that each student should at least try for 45 minutes in Reading and 45 minutes in Math each week. Your child can show you how to check if they are getting their minutes.

Sincerely
Mrs. Sara Broom
Principal



Calendar: November

- 9-17 Food Drive
- 18 Virtual Great American Teach-in
- 19 Virtual Discovery Night 6pm
- 20 Fall Pictures (in person students only at this time)
- 23-27 Thanksgiving Break (Schools closed)**

Upcoming in December

Dec. 23-Jan.6– Winter Break



Office Hours

7:45 AM—3:45 PM

Office Phone: 727-552-1449

Dial "0" for the Front Office

School Website:

www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es

TIP: Bookmark this page in your browser!

Commitment to Character

Citizenship

Being law abiding and involved in service to the school, community, and country

MISSION STATEMENT

Educate and Prepare Each Student for College, Career and Life.

Great American Teach-In

JOIN US VIRTUALLY FOR THE GREAT AMERICAN TEACH-IN

We invite our school community to volunteer to share information about their jobs, hobbies or special areas of interest during our annual Great American Teach-in, Nov. 18th. This year's event is virtual. If you would be interested in sharing a recorded video or going live online with our students for a session or two please contact Mrs. Krampert at the school at 727-552-1449. Or complete the online form at

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=BZM8c9c5GkaGb_3ye_PH_8jxLYTCJ9VKoH8Xh2OAmDFUNTFSNDRQWTZKWIZNTUdUSjFKNIYyMzRESi4u

Tech News



Our students have several online programs that can be accessed at home. Every student has their own username and password to access all of our online programs. If you have any questions or are having issues with your students getting on Clever to access these programs, please contact your child's teacher 727-552-1449 so that they can get you assistance.

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Time is Important

School Times:

Gates Open	8:15am
Free Breakfast	Begins at 8:15
Gates Close	8:45am
Classes Start	8:45am
Classes Dismiss	2:55pm



November notes:

- ◆ Students should not be dropped off on campus prior to 8:15am unless they are part of the YMCA. This is a safety issue as adult duty does not start until then as well as students are monitored for social distancing.
- ◆ Students should not be picked up early as they are missing vital learning. Every minute counts.
- ◆ If your child is going to be absent, please be sure to call and send a note in when they return explaining their absence; this includes are online students as well. You can also report a student absence on our website at <http://www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es>

Every Minute Counts...

Every minute counts in learning, so if your child is absent or tardy more than 10% of the time, they are missing vital instruction. With that, we are sending home attendance notices to those students who are frequently absent or tardy (excused or unexcused). Regular, on-time attendance, is part of the magnet agreement. It is important that you talk to us if your child is having difficulty getting to school. Call us at 727-552-1449. If your child must be absent, don't forget to send a note letting us know why. You can even do it online at <https://www.pcsb.org/Page/20892>. We are here to help!



Magnet News

...Mrs. Stetz

The Application Period for new students entering Kindergarten, 6th grade, or 9th grade in the 2021-2022 school year or students wanting to move into an application program is Jan. 6-15, 2021.

Bay Point's Virtual Discovery Night will be held

November 19th at 6 pm.

- * If your student is already a student here at Bay Point in Kindergarten-4th grade you do not need to reapply.
- * The Zoom link is <https://zoom.us/j/98456224543>

Safety First

See something....same something

Saysomething.net

Don't Forget

ID AND MASKS ARE REQUIRED IF YOU OR YOUR REPRESENTATIVE ARE PICKING UP YOUR CHILD EARLY OR LATE FROM SCHOOL. ALSO, ALL THOSE SENT MUST BE ON THE STUDENT'S INFORMATION CARD FOR US TO RELEASE THEM- SO PLEASE KEEP THAT UP TO DATE!!!!



It's never okay!
If you have a bully concern, please submit a report.
<https://www.saysomething.net/>

Dress for Success...we are a uniform school

Just a gentle reminder that the school dress code must be followed at all times:

Bottoms

- ◇ Solid khaki/tan or navy blue (free of writing and designs)
- ◇ Shorts, skirts, jumpers or long pants
- ◇ No denim (jeans) material

Tops

- ◇ Solid navy blue or white, short or long sleeve, polo-style with collars (free of writing and designs)-No powder or light blue is permitted
- ◇ Bay Point Elementary School logo T-shirts sold by the PTA- Order forms available in the office or online at: www.bpepta.org
- ◇ White or navy blue turtlenecks are allowed in the winter months

Sweatshirts and Sweaters

- ◇ Solid navy blue or white sweatshirts or sweaters for use in classrooms

Non-uniform jackets may be worn to and from school, but not in the classrooms



Congratulations to BPE Alumni

Davon Miller, former Bay Point student and author/illustrator of the Mr. Tickety-Toc Clock series, started a GoFundMe campaign with the help of city council member Deborah Figgs-Sanders called #Imagine2020ChildrenStories. His goal was to purchase books by African American authors for local elementary schools, early childhood centers and the Enoch David center. I am proud to say that Davon remembered his elementary school and proudly donated 23 books to our library and classrooms. Thank you so much Davon Miller for your efforts to give back to your community in such a thoughtful and meaningful way!



BAY POINT ELEMENTARY MAGNET SCHOOL PTA

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Facebook: Bay Point Elementary PTA

March has become October and though many things have changed one thing remains unchanged – The COVID-19 pandemic. Yet during these trying times it is more important than ever to focus on gratitude – the practice of noticing and being thankful for what is valuable and meaningful to you. It's good for your mental and physical health, it can help you relax and its effects can help you stay well during the pandemic and beyond. For the Bay Point Elementary Magnet PTA Board...One thing that is certain is our gratitude for our Amazing Staff at Bay Point Elementary that ceaselessly give of their time and talents. For that we are Grateful.



Janine Lewis, BPE PTA President

Did someone say MASKS?

PTA is considering pre-sale/pre-order masks **IF** there is enough interest. With a minimum of 100 masks, the price will be \$5/monogram mask. The kid's masks (4-1/2"x7") are blue 2-ply cotton with white school logo, binding/ear loops are cotton/spandex, washable, and reusable. Yes, adult monogram masks will be sold for the same price if 100 pre-orders are received. They are 5"x7", 4-ply cotton, washable, and reusable. Interested? Notify us the # of masks (kids or adults) you are interested in ordering by November 4th baypointpta@gmail.com or call Kathryn at 727-631-6035. SUPPORT your PTA.



Kids/grandkids returning to school ... you can purchase school approved t-shirts (\$8/each) and join PTA for \$5 online. A portion of your membership fee will help us provide programs for Bay Point students. To order your t-shirts or join PTA, copy and paste the link in your browser. <https://baypointelemmagnet.new.memberhub.store>. You can order and pay online; orders will be sent home by kids or other arrangements made with Kathryn. Questions, call 727-631-6035.



WE LOVE OUR VETERANS – kids can send a picture, poem, or note to post on Facebook showing appreciation to people who have served in the military/armed forces. baypointpta@gmail.com or text 813-966-4098.



¡NOTICIAS OLÉ!



¡Estamos en Noviembre, si, si si! What an exciting month! Our students are looking forward to learning all about *El Dia de los Muertos*. This is a world wide cultural celebration, where many hispanic countries honor their loved ones who have passed away. Our scholars will enjoy learning how to make altars, mexican flowers and even papel picado.



Our scholars are making progress in their Spanish classes. This month our Kindergarteners, First and Second graders will learn their alphabet and vegetables in Spanish as well as continue to work on their greetings and numbers. Our Third and Fourth graders will be learning about the food groups and continue working on their numbers and personal pronouns in Spanish. And finally, our Fifth graders will be learning about food as well as their likes and dislikes during each meal of the day.

Wishing our Bay Point families a happy Fall.

¡Gracias!

Sra. Jakubik, Sra. Morejon and Sra. Pernía

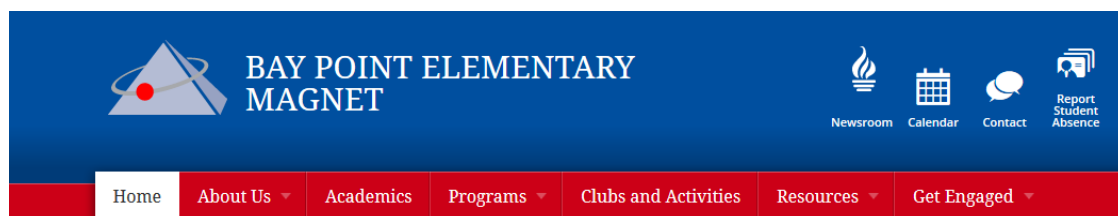


Reporting Absences Online

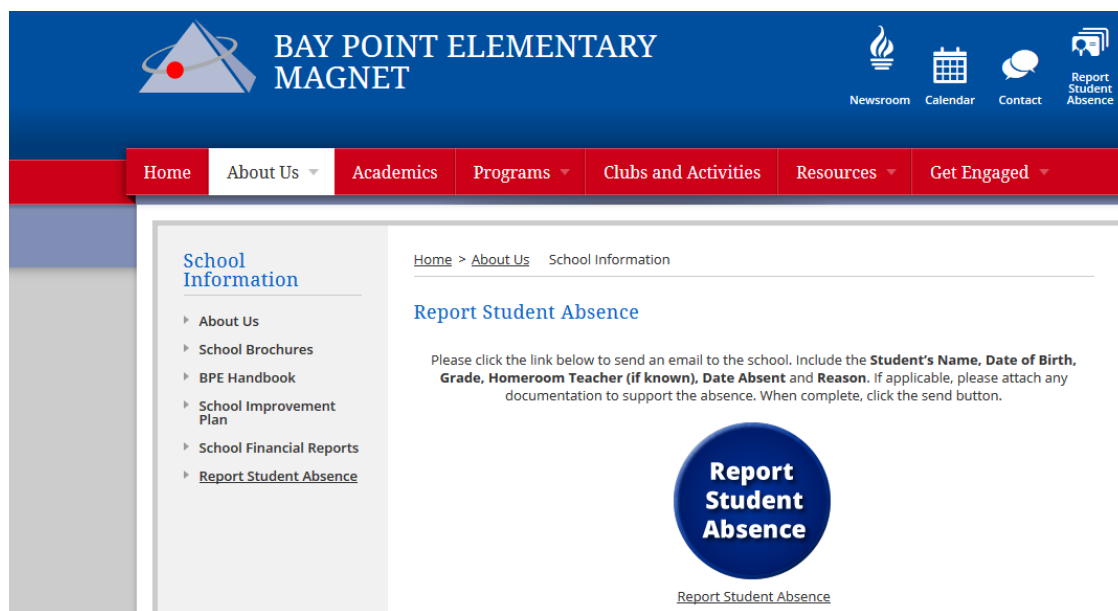
Attendance Goal: To reduce the number of students missing 10% or more of school (*10% is equal to missing about 2 days of school per month during a school year*).

Families may log on to our school's website at www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es to report their child's absence that day. Please see the specific directions and visual displays below.

The top of the website looks like this with the icon on the right.



Click on the icon "Report Student Absence" and it will direct you on how to report your student's absence. The page will look like this (see below). Click on the blue circle and it will create an email to the school directly.



Don't forget to include your student's name, date of birth, grade, date absent and the reason when reporting. It is that easy! No more waiting on the phone to talk to someone.

****Other ways to report an absence include sending a note to your child's teacher in the agenda book or turning in the note directly to our schools DMT (Data Management Technician) in the front office.***