

# ESOL Family Outreach Newsletter



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## Pinellas County Schools News/ Upcoming Events

**The first day of school is  
Monday, August. 12th!**

### **Back to School Information 2024-2025 School Year**

#### ◇ **Student Registration:**

Families who have moved to Pinellas County or have a child transitioning into Pinellas County Schools need to reserve a seat at the zoned school for the 2024-25 school year. For more information about the registration process, please go to: <https://www.pcsb.org/Page/2862>. For assistance with registration or Student Assignment issues, please contact the Student Assignment Office at: [StudentAssignment@pcsb.org](mailto:StudentAssignment@pcsb.org) or (727) 588-6210.

#### ◇ **Transportation:**

Transportation information for the 2024-2025 school year will be sent to families via email or text on August 2. If you have any questions or need assistance with school transportation, please call 727-587-2020.

<https://www.pcsb.org/transportation>

#### ◇ **Free and Reduced Meals:**

If your child had an approved free/reduced meal status last year, it will expire on Sept. 25. A new application must be submitted for the 2024-25 school year to continue receiving meal benefits. Online application for free meal benefits are available at [www.myschoolapps.com](http://www.myschoolapps.com).

**More information go to:** <https://www.pcsb.org/food>

#### ◇ **Open House Nights:**

Please check your school's website or contact your school to verify the date of your Back-to-School Night/Open House. Most events occur in mid-August or early September.

#### ◇ **Back-to-School Electronic Forms:**

Parents can fill out their child's back-to-school forms online in one place. Use your parent ID and password to log into your Focus account at <https://focus.pcsb.org/focus/index.php> and complete the form. **For more details go to:** <https://www.pcsb.org/backtoschoolforms>

#### ◇ **2024-2025 School Bell Times:**

<https://www.pcsb.org/belltimes>

◇ **Student Calendar:** <https://www.pcsb.org/Page/40293>

#### ◇ **Student Code of Conduct:**

<https://www.pcsb.org/code>

## Free Events for English Learner and Hispanic Families

### **Live Virtual Sessions**

1. **Let's Talk! About Pinellas County Schools** Live virtual session for English Learner and Hispanic families. |

**Dates:** Thursday, August 29 and  
Wednesday, September 25

**Time:** 4:30 –5:30 p.m.

**Link to join the session:**

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

2. **Live Virtual Sessions for Newly-Arrived family in Pinellas**

Monday: 12:30-1:30 p.m. and 4:30-5:30 p.m. | September: 9, 16, 30

**Link to join the session:**

[Click here to join the virtual meeting](#)

### **In Person workshops**

1. **Meeting School Academic Expectations and High School Graduation Requirements** | Wednesday, September 11 | 4:40-5:30 p.m.

2. **FOCUS -Student Information System (SIS)** | Wednesday, September 11 5:30-6:00 p.m.

#### **Location for event #1 and #2:**

Clearwater East Public Library located at SPC Clearwater Campus: 2465 Drew St, Clearwater, FL 33765

**Room:** East Community

3. **ESOL Parent Leadership Council Meeting** | Tuesday, September 17 4:30-5:30 p.m.

4. **Meeting School Academic Expectations and High School Graduation Requirements** | Tuesday, September 17 | 4:40-5:30 p.m.

5. **FOCUS -Student Information System (SIS)** | Tuesday, September 17 | 6:30-7:00 p.m.

#### **Location for events #3-#5:**

Largo Public Library: 120 Central Park Dr, Largo, FL 33771  
**Room:** Jenkins Wing Room C

5. **Bright Futures Scholarship Program Presentation for Spanish-speaking families** | Monday, September 30 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Clearwater East Public Library located at SPC Clearwater Campus :2465 Drew St, Clearwater, FL 33765  
**Room:** Community Room

**For more details and upcoming events scan the QR**



## Resources for Families and Students

### **Free Virtual Tutoring for English Learner students (ELs) on Microsoft Teams**

**No registration is needed.**

#### ◇ **GRADES K-5 ELs**

##### **BEGINNING VIRTUAL TUTORING**

September 18, 2024 – May 22, 2025

KG – 2nd Grade: Wednesdays from  
4:00pm – 5:00pm

3rd – 5th Grade: Thursdays from 4:00pm  
– 5:00pm

#### ◇ **GRADES 6-12**

##### **NEWCOMER ELs**

##### **VIRTUAL TUTORING**

September 17, 2024-June 26, 2025

Tuesday & Thursday

**Time:** 5:15 PM - 6:00 PM

#### ◇ **HIGH SCHOOL ELs**

##### **VIRTUAL TUTORING**

September 30 to June 26th

**English:** Monday and Wednesday

**Algebra:** Tuesday and Thursday

**Time:** 5:30pm- 6:30pm

For more details and join to the virtual tutoring, [Click here to access to the EL Virtual Tutoring](#)

Or scan the QR Code



### **Pinellas County Schools en Español Facebook page**

Connect with us on social media through Pinellas County Schools en Español— <https://www.facebook.com/PCSBespanol>

The page connects Hispanic families with news and information about the school district and ESOL events in Spanish!

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