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Principal Message

November is one of my favorite months of the year. The temperature is finally cooling down! The fall colors are in full swing. And the holidays that are focused on family and gratitude and caring are upon us.

We have much to be grateful for here at Clearwater Intermediate. We have a wonderful, caring staff from our custodian, our Paraprofessionals, our office staff, to all of our teachers. I am grateful every day for the opportunity to work with all of them and I know your children are in good hands with them. We have supportive parents and community to which we all say thank you for all that you do to make us a success. And finally, we have incredible students, who challenge themselves every day to learn and be engaged as well as challenging us to become better people. They are why we are here every day!

We want to invite you to become more connected to Clearwater Intermediate. Please make sure our office has the correct phone number and/or email for you. For some of you, it may be that your email settings block our messages

and for others, it may be that we do not have accurate information. Our website, www.pcsb.org/clearwater-ms, has contact information as well as calendar information that you can use to help plan your year. We try to keep it up to date as well with our Newsletters and important information throughout the year.

I am here to assist you to ensure that your child has a successful year. Do not hesitate to contact me at 298-1616 or by email at mitchellto@pcsb.org or the Assistant Principal, Dr. Melissa Porter, at 298-1616 or via email at porterm@pcsb.org

Clearwater Intermediate a **GREAT** place to be!

Tonya Mitchell
Principal



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Students can access the I-ready reading program from a home computer that has internet. Spectrum has a program for \$15.00 a month for internet service for students.

Keep Reading all those great books!



In an effort to promote high student achievement, we are offering additional support to our students through our **Extended Learning Program (ELP)**. This program is available after school (4:05 – 5:05 pm) on Tuesdays and Wednesdays for tutoring or course recovery.

We, at Clearwater Intermediate School are excited about the possibilities for the school year.

Please consider volunteering at our school. Below are some ways to do so:

Tutor

Tutors assist students either on an individual basis or in small groups to re-inforce basic skills in academic subjects. Placements are made depending on what the tutor feels comfortable with.

Mentor

Mentors work with struggling students. By serving as role models, mentors can provide encouragement and friendship to a student needing to build self-esteem.

Activities Volunteer

Activities Volunteers lend a hand to support any special activities hosted by the school. One example this year would be the school book fair held on the second week of school.

Great American Teach-In

The Great American Teach-In is part of the American Education Week celebration. It is a special opportunity for you to visit our school and share what you know with a group of students. This year's event is scheduled for Wednesday, November 15th. Please consider participating!

We hope that you will consider volunteering at our school in some way. Volunteer registration forms are available in the front office, or from the school's Family and Community Liaison.

Mr. Romeyn
Family and Community Liaison
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PTA Annual Dues \$6.00



Please consider joining our PTA

PTA is the largest non-profit voluntary association committed solely to children and youth. Organized in 1897, its basic concern has always been to create a better life for every child. In the process, PTA has united parents, teachers, administrators, legislators and communities in this effort. The concerns have changed and evolved, but the Purposes of PTA have remained the same.

PTA membership is open to everyone. PTA is inclusive of all people who care about children and schools. PTA builds bridges between homes, schools, and communities to help children succeed academically and personally.

Be a part of that mission. Let's build a strong PTA at our school to help our students and all children! We can make a difference one child at a time.

DOES PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS HAVE YOUR CORRECT CONTACT INFO? Don't Miss Out on Important Information!

Parents can now log onto the Student Reservation system to update their phone numbers and email addresses

Providing up-to-date contact information will enable you to receive:

- Communications about emergencies or severe weather events
- Timely information about school or district events
- Information and status updates about choice and other special application opportunities

To update your information:

1. Visit <https://reservation.pcsb.org> and log in with your parent username (P.xxxxxx) and password. If you do not have a parent ID, you can get one by going to any school and presenting a valid photo ID.
2. Select the option: "Change Phone and Email Address Only"
3. Enter your child's name and date of birth or student ID number, and then update your phone number and email address.

Remember: Updating the emergency contact card at your child's school does not update your contact information in the system used for automated phone calls and emails.

Please check and update your contact information as soon as possible.
Questions? Call the Student Assignment Office at 727-588-6210.

November Upcoming Events

| MON | TUES | WED | THURS | FRI |
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| | | Nov 1 ELP (4:05 to 5:00) | Nov 2 | Nov 3 |
| Nov 6 | Nov 7 ELP (4:05 to 5:00) | Nov 8 ELP (4:05 to 5:00) | Nov 9 | Nov 10 |
| Nov 13 | Nov 14 Victor Woods (10:00 am -11:00 am) ELP (4:05 to 5:00) | Nov 15 ELP (4:05 to 5:00) | Nov 16 | Nov 17 |
| Nov 20 | Nov 21 | Nov 22 | Nov 23 | Nov 24 |
| Thanksgiving Break School Closed November 20 th - November 24 th | | | | |
| Nov 27 | Nov 28 ELP (4:05 to 5:00) | Nov 29 ELP (4:05 to 5:00) | Nov 30 | |

Pinellas County Schools Parent University will be held 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Saturday, November 11, 2017 at John Hopkins Middle School, 701 16th St S, St. Petersburg. Parent University is an opportunity for parents and caregivers to move about the Resource Café and speak with district leadership and staff about ways to support their children’s academic life from kindergarten through 12th grade. In-depth information will be provided about a wide variety of PCS programs. The departments represented at the Café include:

- Elementary Education
- Secondary Education
- College and Career Readiness
- Exceptional Student Education
- STEM Academies
- Gifted/Advanced Education
- Student Services
- Guidance
- Family & Community Relations
- Juvenile Welfare Board
- Pinellas Education Foundation

The First Book *Fall in Love with Reading* book distribution program will also be available to families from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. There will be approximately 40,000 books that will be free of charge to participants. Families will have an opportunity to build their home libraries. Parents can receive five free books for each child that attends.

Spanish interpreters will be on hand.



Dear Community Partner,

"It's NOT where we start...it's where we FINISH!" This is the motto of nationally renowned motivational speaker and coach Victor Woods. Mr. Woods is partnering with the Pinellas County School Board and other leaders in Pinellas County to strengthen our schools, students, and community by facilitating a week-long summit to bring all stakeholders together to continue our diligent work to provide the best community for our youth to prosper!

Too often our children are depicted in tragic stories in the media, with the communities left asking themselves what can we do to reach our youth and provide them with positive proactive pathways. Victor Woods is able to help our community create a pathway towards peace from a unique vantage point. ***He was the child depicted in the media and spent subsequent years in prison for his crimes.*** During his time in prison he became determined that when he was released, he would become a motivational speaker and help others to avoid the same mistakes that he made. From this perspective, Victor Woods has partnered with other communities in Florida and across the nation to reduce crime and empower our youth to live prosperous and fruitful lives. **If we truly believe in restoring our community and youth, we must answer the call to action. We must open our hearts, ears, and mind to simply listen and engage in courageous conversations and collaboration.** We ask that you take the time and pledge and attend our summit to strengthen our community one student at a time.

Educational Alternatives Services presents Victor Woods—Strengthening our Community One Student at a Time

PLEASE do not miss your chance to be part of making history in our community!

Consider partnering with us to provide wrap-around support within the community not only on the day of the event, but in the days and months that follow. Let this not be a one time occurrence, but rather a starting point for continuous growth within Pinellas County!

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| <p>Clearwater Intermediate School Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2017 ~ 9 a.- 11 a. 1220 Palmetto St., Clearwater, FL 33755</p> | <p>Lealman Innovation Academy Wednesday, Nov. 15 ~ 8:30 a.–11:30 a 4900 28th St. South, St. Pete, FL 33714 <i>Community Members are invited to attend</i> <i>***Lunch will be provided to invited forum participants (RSVP Required)</i></p> | <p>Boca Ciega High School Community Cadre- Public Welcome Wednesday, Nov. 15, ~ 6:30 p. -7:30 p 824 58th St. S, Gulfport, FL 33707</p> |
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COMMUNITY SPONSORS

- ✦ Pinellas Community Foundation
- ✦ Judge Patrice Moore
- ✦ Ray Tampa
- ✦ Vice-Chairperson Rene Robinson-Flowers/School Board Member
- ✦ Mendee Ligon
- ✦ Deborah Figgs- Sanders

PCSB SPONSORS

- ✦ Area 1 Superintendent's Office/Ward Kennedy
- ✦ Area 3 Superintendent's Office/Robert Poth
- ✦ Clearwater Intermediate School/Tonya Mitchell
- ✦ Educational Alternative Services/Michelle Topping
- ✦ Area 2 Superintendent's Office/Dr. Barbara Hires
- ✦ Area 4 Superintendent's Office/Patricia Wright
- ✦ Lealman Innovations Academy/Connisheia Garcia
- ✦ Strategic Partnerships/Dr. Valerie Brimm



Monday – Red, White and Blue

Tuesday – Camo

Wednesday – Peace Sign/Tie Dye

Thursday – Career

Friday – School Spirit



Principal List (All A's)

Katie Lee Barquera
Tabitha Leann Gazarek



Honor Roll

5th Graders

Calvillo-Salvador, Alan
Debarros, Da'markus Leigh
Dimeo, Caleb
Domingos, Naujae Jeremiah
Jerelds, Tre'vaughn
McDaniel, Ta'nyce
Moore, Cassius
Morgado-Baxcajay, Abigail
Pate, Savion
Perez-Hernandez, Angel
Pollock, Jeremiah Fred
Rojas, Carlos
SanJuan-Granadino, Sorely
Scott, Willie

6th Graders

Campbell, Nevaeh
Carter, Tia Aurielle
Contreras-Pena, Arlet
Cortez, Joshua
Cowsky, Keith
Cunningham, Dantrell Labar
Davis, Shayna
Frary, Eliciana Marie
Hamilton, Dominic
Harris, Theanna
Marshall, Jayvionna
Mason, Troy
Mejay, Angel
Moran, Ethan
Mullen, Colin Shea
Pena Cadena, Ruby

6th Graders

Pena, Jose
Peterson, Leo
Ponds, Zakyah
Salas-Morales, Victor
Samuel, Donovan Basy
Sullivan, Ma-Shiya Quiara

7th Graders

Collins, Ray'veon
Crosby, Terrell Devon
Dezha-Agua, Diana
Fields, Khari
Gutierrez-Suarez, Susana
Miller-Walker, Dymin
Mitchell, Demeatric
Morales-Duque, Jessica
Pastrana, Aiden Luis
Perez-Binuelo, Yenny
Perez-Cordova, Juan Manuel
Rescia, Zabion
Sanjuan Nonthe, Zaida
Simpkins, Myles
Skerret, Sahira Julianna
Sourie-Blakely, Damir Rahsaan
Tatum, Dmari Keshawn
Torres, Giovany Abiezer
Wheeler, Terence
Williams, Larry

8th Graders:

Aguazul, Kevin
Cruz-Cathi, Emiliano
Dixon, Shalise
Gazpar, Fernando
Green, Jordan
Hernandez Acosta, Elizabeth
Hernandez, Guadalupe
Hernandez-Perez, Andy
Johnson, Micheal Warren
Keasey, Kenneth
Knott, Travis
Marshall, Jon'marien
Mejay, Ivan
Miller, Ti'asia
Moore, Quinton
Pena-Perez, Edwin
Reyes, Tomas
Silis Hernandez, Juan
Silis-Reyes, Bryan
Weldon, Zabriasia
Zea-Ceron, Karina





Electronic Device Policy

Effective September 5, 2017

Clearwater Intermediate recognizes that the appropriate use of electronic devices can provide great potential for enhanced learning opportunities for all students. However, there are many other uses of electronic devices which can be a major distraction from the learning process; thus the use of electronic devices while on Clearwater Intermediate campus is prohibited. Effective September 5, 2017 All electronic devices are required to be check in at the beginning of the school day before students enter the building. Electronic devices will be housed in a pre-labeled bag which will be stored in a safe in the front office. Electronic devices will be returned at the end of the day.



Dress Code Policy

- No rips, holes, or cuts in clothing.
- Clothing must cover undergarments. Undergarments should not be visible. The outer clothing should not be transparent so as to reveal the undergarment.
- Pants and shorts should not be worn well-below the student's waist, in such a way that their undergarments are revealed.
- The student's torso, including the midriff area, must be covered at all times.
- Shoes must be worn at all times. No flip-flops, slides or slippers. Prefer closed toes shoes to promote safety. May wear sandals with back straps
- No leggings, jeggings or form-fitting pants.
- Students may wear shorts, skorts, or skirts as long as they are longer than mid-thigh. We define "mid-thigh" as being half way between the bottom of the buttock and the knee. We recognize that very short shorts/skirts are popular however they are not appropriate for a school setting and students will be asked to change or cover-up should they violate the stated length minimums.
- Female students should refrain from wearing any t-shirt, blouse or top that reveals undergarments or excessive cleavage.
- Tops must cover the shoulder (no off-the-shoulder sweaters or sweatshirts, spaghetti straps or tank tops). Boys may not wear tank tops or sleeveless shirts
- Hats, headbands, head scarfs of any kind and sweatshirt hoods worn over the head are not acceptable during school hours. Students will be instructed regarding this expectation at the beginning of the school. Subsequent violations may require the students to relinquish the item and a parent or guardian to come in to the school to retrieve the hat, headbands, head scarfs or sweatshirt.
- Apparel which advertises, promotes, or displays illegal substances, (alcohol, drugs, tobacco products, etc), illegal activities, or alcohol establishments, profanity, sexual innuendos or double meanings are not acceptable.