

# Choices Abound

## District Application Programs Guide

### 2016 - 2017



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# Message FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT



Thank you for making Pinellas County Schools your first choice for your child's education. Our district offers families a wealth of educational choices based on students' interests, talents and abilities. We strive to meet the needs of today's students with a growing list of 70 choice programs.

We are listening to families and will continue to develop new educational choices based on your feedback. Please take the survey after you complete your application for the 2016-17 school year.

I invite you to discover all the choices our District Application Programs provide based on your child's grade level and interests. As you will see, we offer a wide variety of high-quality, academic programs designed to inspire students and provide them with the skills they need to achieve success in college, career and life.

This guide will provide an overview of the District Application Programs and direct you to where you can find out more about them. There are Parent Information Sessions, where you can learn about the application process and how to apply. I also encourage you to attend one of our Information Fairs. These events give parents and students a chance to meet program representatives and obtain more information about programs that interest them. In addition, schools will hold Discovery Nights and school tours to provide you with even more program specifics. Please contact the school directly for details.

We are proud of our academic programs and the families, students and teachers that help make them a success. Thank you for your involvement in your child's education.

Michael A. Grego, Ed.D.

**Vision:** 100% Student Success

**Mission:** "Educate and prepare each student for college, career and life."

## Glossary

**APPLICATION AREAS** are geographic locations where students must live in order to apply for certain programs. These areas are usually based on the schools that students are zoned for. Some programs have unique application areas. Many programs do not have application areas and are available to students countywide. See the back cover of this guide or review the District Application Programs procedures manual at [www.pcsb.org/choice](http://www.pcsb.org/choice).

**APPLICATION RANKINGS** allow applicants to rank their first-through-fifth program choices in order of preference (first ranked choice being the top choice). Priorities (see page 3) only apply to top-ranked applications.

**DISTRICT APPLICATION PROGRAMS** are programs to which students must apply for admission. These programs offer a wide range of options to address students' talents, interests and abilities.

- **FUNDAMENTAL PROGRAMS** follow the district application process. These schools are family-oriented schools that provide a very structured environment, "back to basics" approach and joint parent-teacher-student commitment to provide quality education for all students. Important features include a focus on student responsibility and self-discipline, daily homework, a dress code that exceeds that of the school district, and required attendance at conferences and monthly parent meetings.

**ENTRANCE CRITERIA** are specific requirements for certain programs. Programs that have entrance criteria are identified with an asterisk in this guide. You can find specifics in the District Application Programs Procedures Manual available at [www.pcsb.org/choice](http://www.pcsb.org/choice). Please contact programs directly if you have questions regarding criteria.

**TRANSPORTATION** is available via arterial bus transportation (buses that operate on main roads with a limited number of stops) for students in District Application Programs who live more than two miles from their school, with the following exceptions:

- At programs with limited application areas, arterial transportation is limited within the application area.
- Parents of countywide elementary fundamental and most middle fundamental school students must provide transportation for their children.
- Arterial bus transportation is provided for Thurgood Marshall Fundamental Middle.
- Students entering the fundamental programs at Osceola (Mid), Boca Ciega (South) and Dunedin (North) high schools receive arterial transportation within the boundaries of the high school application areas.
- Gulf Beaches and Kings Highway elementary schools have limited transportation areas. Gulf Beaches families who live in the school zone for Azalea, Bear Creek or 74th Street elementary schools and Kings Highway families who live in the school zone for Belleair, Dunedin, Sandy Lane or Skycrest elementaries will be eligible for transportation.

**ZONED SCHOOLS** are designated for each student in the district based on the student's residence.

# What You Need TO KNOW

## Apply Jan. 6-15, 2016

Pinellas County Schools offers families a wealth of educational choices suited to students' interests, talents and abilities. District Application Programs offer rigorous educational pathways to guide students based on their interests from kindergarten through 12th grade.

When applying to District Application Programs, there are several factors to consider:

### RANKING

When applying, parents will be able to select five programs that their child would like to attend. The selections should be placed in "rank order." Your first choice is the top program you would like your child to attend. The second choice is your next most favored program with your last choice ranked fifth.

### PRIORITIES

Priorities are available to applicants **ONLY** during the initial application and acceptance period, and are **ONLY** applied to your **top-ranked** (first choice) program. **Priorities DO NOT apply to any late application.**

- **Feeder Pattern** - Students attending certain schools or programs are given a priority to attend certain programs at the next level. Fundamental students receive a priority for a seat in a fundamental school at the next level, provided they submit an initial application and accept the invitation during the acceptance period. See program descriptions for other feeder pattern priorities.
- **Sibling** - Priority is given to students who have a sibling who is already attending the program and will be there at the same time as the applicant, providing the applicant meets eligibility criteria.
  - ✓ If a student attends a school-within-a-school, sibling preference does not extend

to the traditional portion of a school or to any other programs at that school.

- ✓ If a student is invited to an application program and has an eligible sibling who applied, but was not invited, the parent must contact the school's program coordinator directly during the week immediately following the acceptance period to claim newly invited priority status. Newly invited priority status is only applicable during the initial acceptance period each year and is not granted to siblings of students invited from waiting lists later in the school year.

- **Professional Courtesy** - Priority is given to a child of a staff member of Pinellas County Schools who lives in the district and works full-time at the school to which they are applying.
- **Proximity** - After feeder, sibling, and professional courtesy priorities have been applied, a proximity priority will be applied to the remaining available seats for kindergarten, sixth- and ninth grade applicants. Proximity means the distance a student lives from the school and all proximity distances are computed to the nearest hundredth of a mile. Refer to the District Application Programs procedures manual, available at [www.pcsb.org/choice](http://www.pcsb.org/choice) for more info.

### Stay Connected

Visit [www.pcsb.org/choice](http://www.pcsb.org/choice) for more information about how to apply to District Application Programs, school program brochures, entrance criteria, dates of Discovery Nights and links to program information.

- Request a tour - Contact schools directly to schedule a tour.
- Attend Discovery Nights - Contact schools directly or visit [www.pcsb.org/choice](http://www.pcsb.org/choice) for dates and times.
- Attend Information Fairs:
  - Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015, 6-8 p.m., Gibbs High School, 850 34th St. S., St. Petersburg
  - Saturday, Nov. 14, 2015, 9 a.m. to noon Pinellas Park High School, 6305 118th Ave. N, Largo

# MARK YOUR calendar!

**Nov. 12, 2015**

Information Fair  
Gibbs High School  
6-8 p.m.

**Nov. 14, 2015**

Information Fair  
Pinellas Park High School  
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Jan. 6-15, 2016**

Application period for  
District Application  
Programs

**Jan. 19, 2016**

Deadline for documentation  
of program eligibility to be  
submitted to each program  
office

**Feb. 3-10, 2016**

Acceptance period

**Mar. 16, 2016**

Late application  
period begins

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# Elementary School Programs

\* Entrance criteria required

## The Arts

### CENTER FOR THE ARTS AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

#### Perkins Elementary School

(Countywide application area)  
2205 18th Ave. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 893-2659  
[www.pcsb.org/perkins-es](http://www.pcsb.org/perkins-es)

This internationally recognized Visual and Performing Arts program allows students to explore other cultures through vocal and instrumental music, theater, art and dance. All students have daily instruction in Spanish. Our facility boasts three Visual Arts classrooms, four music rooms, a Theater and a Dance Studio. Students in grades 3-5 benefit from the Apple Distinguished School one-to-one laptop initiative. Students who attend this program have a feeder pattern priority to attend the Center for the Arts at John Hopkins Middle School.

## Fundamental

(Countywide application area)

#### Bay Vista Fundamental Elementary School

5900 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. St. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 893-2335  
[www.pcsb.org/bayvista-es](http://www.pcsb.org/bayvista-es)

#### Curtis Fundamental Elementary School

531 Beltrees St., Dunedin; (727) 738-6483  
[www.pcsb.org/curtis-es](http://www.pcsb.org/curtis-es)

#### Lakeview Fundamental Elementary School

2229 25th St. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 893-2139  
[www.pcsb.org/lakeview-es](http://www.pcsb.org/lakeview-es)

#### Madeira Beach Fundamental Elementary School (K-5)

591 Tom Stuart Causeway, Madeira Beach; (727) 547-7838  
[www.pcsb.org/mb-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/mb-ms)

#### Pasadena Fundamental Elementary School

95 72nd St. N, St. Petersburg; (727) 893-2646  
[www.pcsb.org/pasadena-es](http://www.pcsb.org/pasadena-es)

#### Tarpon Springs Fundamental Elementary School

400 E Harrison St., Tarpon Springs; (727) 943-5508  
[www.pcsb.org/tarponfund-es](http://www.pcsb.org/tarponfund-es)

## Gifted

### CENTER FOR GIFTED STUDIES\*

#### Ridgecrest Elementary School

(Countywide application area)  
1901 119th St. N, Largo; (727) 588-3580  
[www.pcsb.org/ridgecrest-es](http://www.pcsb.org/ridgecrest-es)

Ridgecrest is the only elementary school in Pinellas County that offers full-time gifted services. The curriculum is based on best practices in gifted education. It provides students with opportunities for acceleration, enrichment, research, integration of technology and serves to allow children to explore their interests.

By the application deadline, students applying for first grade must:

- Complete a formal evaluation with a qualifying IQ score
- Submit a copy of their psychological report
- Be awaiting gifted placement

By the application deadline, students applying for grades 2-5 must:

- Meet all of the state requirements for gifted placement
- Provide a copy of their Educational Plan upon request

Failure to provide this information by the application deadline may result in ineligibility for the applicant. Students who meet eligibility criteria after the deadline may submit a late application. Students who attend this program have a feeder pattern priority to attend a middle school gifted center in their geographic application area.

## International Studies

### ELEMENTARY INTERNATIONAL STUDIES CENTER

(Pursuing an International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme)  
**Mildred Helms Elementary** (MS Mid and North application area)  
561 S. Clearwater-Largo Road, Largo; (727) 588-3569  
[www.pcsb.org/mildred-es](http://www.pcsb.org/mildred-es)

This program provides an intellectually challenging environment that encourages students to become critical and reflective thinkers in preparation for success in college, careers and citizenship in the 21st century global environment. This program's transdisciplinary approach reflects real life by encouraging learning beyond traditional subjects with meaningful, in-depth inquiries into relevant global issues. Spanish, art, music and P.E. teachers promote imagination, communication, creativity and original thinking to help strengthen the IB curriculum framework. Students who attend this program will have a feeder pattern priority to attend the International Studies program at Largo Middle School.

### INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAMME

#### James Sanderlin PK-8, an IB World School (Countywide application area)

2350 22nd Ave. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 552-1700  
[www.pcsb.org/sanderlinib](http://www.pcsb.org/sanderlinib)

Sanderlin's IB Primary Years Programme, for grades K-5, focuses on stimulating curiosity and inquiry in order to foster a spirit of discovery and enjoyment of learning. Through the 10 attributes of the IB learner profile, this program's intellectually challenging approach reflects real life by encouraging learning beyond traditional subjects with meaningful, in-depth inquiries into relevant global issues. Spanish, art, music and P.E. teachers promote imagination, communication, creativity and original thinking to help strengthen the IB curriculum framework. Students who attend this program have a feeder pattern priority to attend middle school International Studies programs at James B. Sanderlin IB World School, John Hopkins Middle School or Largo Middle School.

## Journalism

### CENTER FOR JOURNALISM AND MULTIMEDIA STUDIES

#### Melrose Elementary School (Countywide application area)

1752 13th Ave. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 893-2175  
[www.pcsb.org/melrose-es](http://www.pcsb.org/melrose-es)

Nationally recognized for its unique program of study, students learn about the world around them by becoming better writers, effective communicators, and informed, involved citizens. This program places technology directly into students' hands with iPads and digital cameras. Students who attend this program have a feeder pattern priority to attend the Center for the Arts or the Center for Journalism and Multimedia at John Hopkins Middle School.

## Montessori

### MONTESSORI ACADEMY

#### Gulfport Elementary School (MS South County application area)

2014 52nd St. S, Gulfport; (727) 893-2643  
[www.pcsb.org/gulfport-es](http://www.pcsb.org/gulfport-es)

Incoming kindergartners and other eligible students only.

Children explore the world through hands-on learning materials and achieve understanding beyond the memorization of simple facts. A life-long love for learning is the result of the work in the Montessori environment. Grace and courtesy lessons teach children of different ages and abilities to treat each other with respect and courtesy. Montessori education is character building, and encourages children to become responsible members of their learning community. Students who attend this program have a feeder pattern priority to attend the International Studies program at John Hopkins Middle School.

## Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)

### CENTER FOR ADVANCEMENT OF THE SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY

#### Bay Point Elementary School (Countywide application area)

5800 22nd St. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 552-1449  
[www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es](http://www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es)

The goals of this program are to increase student achievement and interest in the STEM related fields of science, technology and mathematics. Students will grow to understand their roles in a global society through Spanish immersion. Students are highly engaged in hands-on activities in our on-site computer lab, science lab, Spanish lab, pond and gardens. Students who attend this program have a feeder pattern priority to attend the Center for Advancement of the Sciences and Technology at Bay Point Middle.

## CENTER FOR INNOVATION AND DIGITAL LEARNING

### Gulf Beaches Elementary (unique transportation zone - see page 2)

(See back of guide for application area)

8600 Boca Ciega Drive, St. Petersburg, 727-893-2630

[www.pcsb.org/beaches-es](http://www.pcsb.org/beaches-es)

### Kings Highway Elementary (unique transportation zone - see page 2)

(See back of guide for application area)

1715 Kings Highway, Clearwater, 727-223-8949

[www.pcsb.org/kings-es](http://www.pcsb.org/kings-es)

Personalized learning is the focal point of the Center for Innovation and Digital Learning, ensuring that lessons are geared to each student's individual needs.

Students are engaged in dynamic project-based lessons, interactive online activities and face-to-face lessons that encourage them to be critical thinkers. The Center for Innovation and Digital Learning provides a technology-rich environment with iPad devices for all students in grades K-5. Students are encouraged to bring home their iPads for specific guided activities that will enhance their lessons in the classroom. Families play an important role in their children's learning and the use of technology

in the school and at home. Students who attend these programs have a feeder pattern priority to attend the Center for Innovation and Digital Learning at Tyrone Middle School.

## CENTER FOR MATHEMATICS AND ENGINEERING

### Douglas L. Jamerson Jr. Elementary School

(Countywide application area)

1200 37th St. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 552-1703

[www.pcsb.org/jamerson-es](http://www.pcsb.org/jamerson-es)

This national award-winning program allows students to integrate math, science, reading, writing and social studies into their assignments in order to complete engineering design challenges, projects and activities. Students get to conduct research, design solutions, construct models, test effectiveness, analyze results and communicate solutions. Jamerson Elementary has been recognized as a "School of Excellence" by Magnet Schools of America for 7 consecutive years. Students who attend this program have a feeder pattern priority to attend the Center for Advancement of Sciences and Technology at Bay Point Middle and the Gateway to Technology Engineering program at Azalea Middle.

\* Entrance criteria required

# Middle School Programs

## The Arts

### CENTER FOR THE ARTS\*

#### John Hopkins Middle School

(Countywide application area)

701 16th St. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 893-2400

[www.pcsb.org/hopkins-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/hopkins-ms)

The Center for the Arts offers students an opportunity to focus on one of nine areas: art, band, dance, drama, guitar, orchestra, piano, vocal music and world drumming. Students will benefit from "focus classes" in their art, while also receiving challenging and engaging core curriculum in the school's international studies program. Students who attend the Center for the Arts and International Studies at Perkins Elementary or the Center for Journalism and Multimedia Studies at Melrose Elementary have a feeder pattern priority to attend this program.

### LEADERSHIP CONSERVATORY FOR THE ARTS WITH PRE-CAMBRIDGE ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION\*

#### Tarpon Springs Middle School

(MS North County application area)

501 N Florida Ave., Tarpon Springs; (727) 943-5511

[www.pcsb.org/tarpon-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/tarpon-ms)

The Tarpon Springs Middle School Leadership Conservatory for the Arts creates a unique learning environment for students to explore, develop and apply their leadership skills in a high-level performing arts program. The conservatory combines leadership training, character education, performing/visual arts instruction, Pre-AICE Cambridge core academics, and technology into a program that prepares tomorrow's leaders today.

## Fundamental

(Countywide application area)

### Clearwater Fundamental Middle School

1660 Palmetto St., Clearwater; (727) 298-1609

[www.pcsb.org/clearwaterfund-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/clearwaterfund-ms)

### Madeira Beach Fundamental Middle School

591 Tom Stuart Causeway, Madeira Beach; (727) 547-7697

[www.pcsb.org/mb-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/mb-ms)

### Thurgood Marshall Fundamental Middle School

3901 22nd Ave. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 552-1737

[www.pcsb.org/marshall-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/marshall-ms)

Arterial bus transportation (buses that operate on main roads with a

limited number of stops) is provided to Thurgood Marshall. Please contact the school directly for more information.

## Gifted

### MIDDLE SCHOOL CENTERS FOR GIFTED STUDIES\*

These Centers are designed to deliver challenging and detailed curriculum that promotes creativity, as well as critical and complex thinking. Through inquiry and investigation, students will concentrate on significant, real-world problems.

By the application deadline, students applying for grades 6-8 must:

- Meet all of the state requirements for gifted placement
- Provide a copy of their Educational Plan upon request

Failure to provide this information by the application deadline may result in ineligibility for the applicant. Students who attend the Center for Gifted Studies at Ridgecrest Elementary have a feeder pattern priority to attend a middle school gifted center in their geographic application area. Students who meet eligibility criteria after the deadline may submit a late application.

### Dunedin Highland Middle School

(MS North County application area)

70 Patricia Ave., Dunedin; (727) 469-4112

[www.pcsb.org/dunedin-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/dunedin-ms)

### Morgan Fitzgerald Middle School

(MS Mid-County application area)

6410 118th Ave. N, Largo; (727) 547-4526

[www.pcsb.org/fitzgerald-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/fitzgerald-ms)

### Thurgood Marshall Fundamental Middle School

(MS South County application area)

3901 22nd Ave. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 552-1737

[www.pcsb.org/marshall-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/marshall-ms)

## International Studies

### CAMBRIDGE PRE-ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION\*

#### Pinellas Park Middle School

(MS Mid County application area)

6940 70th Ave. N, Pinellas Park; (727) 545-6400

[www.pcsb.org/pp-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/pp-ms)

The Cambridge Pre-AICE program is designed for academically talented middle school students. The Pre-AICE curriculum is written and administered by the University of Cambridge in Cambridge, England and is offered to 6th, 7th and 8th grade students. This innovative and accelerated method of study provides rigor and relevance in preparation for seamless transition into any advanced academic program at the high school level.

# Middle School Programs

\* Entrance criteria required

## INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAMME\*

### James Sanderlin PK-8, an IB World School

(Countywide application area)

2350 22nd Ave. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 552-1700

[www.pcsb.org/sanderlinib](http://www.pcsb.org/sanderlinib)

Sanderlin's middle school program provides an intellectually challenging environment that encourages students to become critical and reflective thinkers in preparation for success in college, careers and citizenship. This program's interdisciplinary approach builds connections between traditional subjects and the real world. Through the 10 attributes of the IB learner profile, this program's intellectually challenging approach reflects real life by encouraging learning beyond traditional subjects with meaningful, in-depth inquiries into relevant global issues. Students who attend James B. Sanderlin IB World School Primary Years program have a feeder pattern priority to attend James B. Sanderlin Middle Years Programme.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDIES PROGRAM \*

(Pursuing an International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme)

The International Studies middle school program provides an intellectually challenging environment that encourages students to become critical and reflective thinkers in preparation for success in college, careers and citizenship. This program's interdisciplinary approach builds connections between traditional subjects and the real world. Students who attend James B. Sanderlin IB World School Primary Years program or Gulfport Montessori Academy have a feeder pattern priority to attend John Hopkins Middle International Studies program. Students who attend the International Studies Center at Mildred Helms will have a feeder pattern priority to attend the International Studies program at Largo Middle School.

### John Hopkins Middle School

(MS South County application area)

701 16th St. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 893-2400

[www.pcsb.org/hopkins-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/hopkins-ms)

### Largo Middle School

(MS Mid & North County application area)

155 Eighth Ave. SE, Largo, (727) 588-4600

[www.pcsb.org/largo-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/largo-ms)

## Journalism

### CENTER FOR JOURNALISM AND MULTIMEDIA\*

#### John Hopkins Middle School

(Countywide application area)

701 16th St. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 893-2400

[www.pcsb.org/hopkins-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/hopkins-ms)

Students in the Center for Journalism and Multimedia contribute to the national award-winning school newspaper, the **J. Hop Times**, and explore print, television and web-based media. This award winning program was a finalist in the 2014 Pacemaker awards for journalistic excellence from the National Scholastic Press Association for the third year in a row. Students will benefit from hands on experience in producing news, while also receiving challenging and engaging core curriculum in the school's international studies program. Students who attend the Center for Journalism and Multimedia Studies at Melrose Elementary have a feeder pattern priority to attend this program.

## Leadership

### LEADERSHIP CONSERVATORY FOR THE ARTS WITH CAMBRIDGE PRE-ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION (See The Arts)

#### Tarpon Springs Middle School

(MS North County application area)

501 N Florida Ave., Tarpon Springs; (727) 943-5511

[www.pcsb.org/tarpon-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/tarpon-ms)

## Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)

### CENTER FOR ADVANCEMENT OF THE SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY\*

#### Bay Point Middle School

(Countywide application area)

2151 62nd Ave. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 893-1153

[www.pcsb.org/baypoint-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/baypoint-ms)

Bay Point's CAST offers students a rigorous academic program in which engineering is naturally integrated through our advanced math, science, world languages, and technology classes for a true STEM experience. Many students compete in science, math and technology competitions that create a stimulating environment for academic growth and inquiry that is needed in today's challenging world. Students who attend the Center for Advancement of the Sciences and Technology at Bay Point Elementary or the Center for Mathematics and Engineering at Douglas L. Jamerson, Jr. Elementary have a feeder pattern priority to attend this program.

### CENTER FOR INNOVATION AND DIGITAL LEARNING

#### Tyrone Middle School

(Countywide application area)

6421 22nd Ave. N, St. Petersburg, (727) 893-1819

[www.pcsb.org/tyrone-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/tyrone-ms)

Personalized learning is the focal point of the Center for Innovation and Digital Learning, ensuring that lessons are geared to each student's individual needs. Students are engaged in dynamic project-based lessons, interactive online activities and face-to-face lessons that encourage them to be critical thinkers. The Center for Innovation and Digital Learning provides a technology-rich environment with electronic devices for all students. Students are encouraged to bring home their electronic devices for specific guided activities that will enhance their lessons in the classroom. Families play an important role in their children's learning and the use of technology in the school and at home. Students who attend the Center for Innovation and Digital Learning at Gulf Beaches or Kings Highway elementary schools have a feeder pattern priority to attend this program. Please note that this program will only be accepting applications for sixth- and seventh-grade students for the 2016-17 school year.

### MIDDLE GRADES ENGINEERING GATEWAY TO TECHNOLOGY

The Middle Grades Engineering Gateway to Technology (GTT) program, based on Project Lead the Way curriculum, features a project-based curriculum designed to challenge and engage the natural curiosity of middle school students. They are introduced to and use the design process to solve problems and understand the influence that creative and innovative design has on our lives. The knowledge students gain and the skills they build from GTT create a strong foundation for further STEM learning in high school and beyond.

### Azalea Middle School

(MS South County application area)

7855 22nd Ave. N, St. Petersburg; (727) 893-2606

[www.pcsb.org/azalea-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/azalea-ms)

Students who attend the Center for Mathematics and Engineering at Douglas L. Jamerson, Jr. Elementary have a feeder pattern priority to attend this program.

### East Lake Middle School Academy of Engineering

(MS North County application area)

1200 Silver Eagle Drive, Tarpon Springs, (727) 940-7624

[www.pcsb.org/eastlake-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/eastlake-ms)

## Personalized Learning

### Lealman Innovation Academy

(Countywide application area)

4900 28th St. N, St. Petersburg, (727) 528-5802

[www.pcsb.org/lia](http://www.pcsb.org/lia)

This school for students in grades 6-12 creates self-directed learners who will graduate college and career ready. Our learners' experiences are highly personalized, allowing students to choose their personal paths and accomplish learning tasks through collaborative projects and problem-based activities. Lealman Innovation tailors what, how, when and where students learn to their individual needs, skills and interests. Our school enables students to take ownership of their learning and participate in college- and career-preparatory opportunities. Lealman Innovation provides a technology-rich, flexible environment that blends face-to-face lessons with virtual learning. Our teachers are prepared to facilitate learning, embrace personalized learning and adapt to the needs of learners.

# High School Programs

\* Entrance criteria required

## The Arts

### LEADERSHIP CONSERVATORY FOR THE ARTS\*

#### Tarpon Springs High School

(Countywide application area)

1411 Gulf Road, Tarpon Springs; (727) 943-4900

[www.pcsb.org/tarpon-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/tarpon-hs)

This world-class learning center creates a discovery zone for developing musicians, dancers and artists. This four-year program combines leadership skills, performing arts, rigorous academics and technology into a program of study that prepares today's students for the shift to tomorrow's challenges. Students who want to develop their talent and have the desire to be leaders should apply. Graduates pursue both performing arts and academic post-secondary degrees.

### PINELLAS COUNTY CENTER FOR THE ARTS (PCCA)\*

#### Gibbs High School

(Countywide application area)

850 34th St. S, St. Petersburg;

(727) 893-5452

[www.pcsb.org/gibbs-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/gibbs-hs)

The Pinellas County Center for the Arts (PCCA) is modeled after college arts conservatory programs. This four-year program allows students to choose a major area of study in dance, design technology, instrumental music, musical theatre, performance theatre, visual arts, or vocal music. Students who apply for the program must complete an audition during the application review period to be accepted into the program. PCCA students receive individualized instruction in their arts area and are able to participate in various performances and exhibitions during their high school career. PCCA trains talented students who are interested in pursuing an arts profession, as well as those interested in postsecondary academic degrees.

### GRAPHIC ARTS ACADEMY

#### Dixie Hollins High School

(Countywide application area)

4940 62nd St. N, St. Petersburg;

(727) 547-7876

[www.pcsb.org/dixie-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/dixie-hs)

The Graphic Arts Academy is for students who have a strong interest in the creative arts through the use of technology. This career and college preparatory academy is designed for students with an interest in the creative fields of Cinematography, Photography, Graphic Design, 3D Animation, Gaming Production Digital Music Development and Web Design. The academy courses are taught by instructors who have worked in the creative field. The students will produce real world work while utilizing industry standard equipment and may earn industry certifications in Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, Premiere, InDesign, Dreamweaver, and Flash.

## Automotive

### AUTOMOTIVE ACADEMY

#### Northeast High School

(Countywide application area)

5500 16th St. N, St. Petersburg;

(727) 570-3138

[www.pcsb.org/northeast-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/northeast-hs)

Course work helps prepare students for careers in the areas of auto service technician, automotive salesperson, dealership manager and insurance adjuster. First year students will be scheduled for one period of Automation and Production in the Auto building. The Automation and Production course can be taken for more than one year if requested by the student for a second year. Required traditional subjects (English, math and science) are taught with automotive themes woven throughout the program.

## Business, Finance and Technology

### BUSINESS ECONOMICS TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY (BETA)\*

#### Gibbs High School

(Countywide application area)

850 34th St. S, St. Petersburg;

(727) 893-5452

[www.pcsb.org/gibbs-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/gibbs-hs)

This program blends business and technological skills into academic courses. Critical thinking and hands-on curriculum are evident throughout the program. Students can earn industry certification in their chosen pathway in this program. The pathways they can choose from are:

- Business Supervision and Management
- Digital Media Technology
- Network Support Specialist (CISCO)
- Game/Simulation/Animation Programming
- Digital Design

### ACADEMY OF FINANCE

#### Northeast High School

(Countywide application area)

5500 16th St. N, St. Petersburg;

(727) 570-3138

[www.pcsb.org/northeast-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/northeast-hs)

This program introduces students to the financial services industry by providing a rigorous, industry-validated curriculum. The program uses teaching strategies that weave the financial career theme across core subjects such as math, English, history and science. Current industry standards and practices informed by industry experts, business partners and local and national advisory board members representing finance prepare students for the real world. This college-preparatory program provides students with course work in computers, economics, finance, accounting, banking and financial planning. Students also work with mentors in job shadowing and internships. Students gain experience by working in the on-campus Viking Branch, a real credit union sponsored by Achieva Credit Union, as well as through the IRS/VITA program preparing tax returns for the local community. Students have the opportunity to earn certification in Microsoft Office and QuickBooks.

## Construction

### ACADEMY OF ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN AND BUILDING TECHNOLOGIES

#### Dunedin High School

(Countywide application area)

1651 Pinehurst Rd., Dunedin; (727) 469-4100

[www.pcsb.org/dunedin-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/dunedin-hs)

Students in the Architectural Program gain experience in the skills of architecture through the

use of drafting tools, computer-assisted-drawing (CAD), various orthographic and pictorial drawings, floor plans, elevations and landscaping. The Electricity Program allows students to explore a multitude of careers in the field of electricity and communications. Students will use and apply the concepts and theories of physics, mathematics and technology learned in the classroom in "hands-on" activities. In the Building Construction Technology Program, students explore different fields in the construction trade including masonry, carpentry, roofing, plumbing, HVAC, dry wall, ceramic tile and painting.

### CENTER FOR CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGIES St. Petersburg High School

(HS South County application area)

2501 Fifth Ave. N, St. Petersburg; (727) 893-1842

[www.pcsb.org/stpete-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/stpete-hs)

This career/apprenticeship/college preparatory program allows students to develop skills in the five construction fields including carpentry, electrical, HVAC, masonry and plumbing. In grades 9 and 10, students have the opportunity to earn NCCER CORE Certification while learning skills within the five trades. In grades 11 and 12, students choose a construction major and spend three periods per school day attending Pinellas Technical College St. Petersburg where they have the opportunity to earn NCCER certification and up to 900 Pre-apprenticeship Hours in their major while enrolled in this Center of Excellence, or they may take 3rd and 4th level construction classes at St. Petersburg High School.

## Culinary Arts

### CENTER FOR CULINARY ARTS

#### Dixie Hollins High School

(HS Mid-County application area)

4940 62nd St. N, St. Petersburg;

(727) 547-7876, ext. 2007

[www.pcsb.org/dixie-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/dixie-hs)

#### Northeast High School

(HS South County application area)

5500 16th St. N, St. Petersburg;

(727) 570-3138

[www.pcsb.org/northeast-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/northeast-hs)

This program provides students training in the culinary arts and hospitality industry. Students will explore and study worldwide cultures while developing specialized skills in food identification, selection, purchasing and preparation. Students will have the opportunity to receive certification in culinary work as they prepare for advanced post-secondary culinary training or a career in food preparation and restaurant management.

### JACOBSON CULINARY ARTS ACADEMY

#### Tarpon Springs High School

(HS North County application area)

1411 Gulf Road, Tarpon Springs;

(727) 943-4900

[www.pcsb.org/tarpon-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/tarpon-hs)

Pinellas County students are fortunate to have a state-of-the-art culinary facility. This 11,600 square-foot facility includes two complete teaching kitchens with 48 student cooking stations, a 50-seat teaching kitchen/auditorium, and a 100-seat dining

room/restaurant that provides students with one of the most sophisticated high school culinary arts academies in the United States. Upon graduation, students are prepared to pursue advanced culinary training or start careers in the growing field of food preparation and restaurant management.

## Education

### EXPLORING CAREERS & EDUCATION IN LEADERSHIP (ExCEL)

**Largo High School** (Countywide application area)  
410 Missouri Ave., Largo; (727) 588-4622  
www.pcsb.org/largo-hs

The ExCEL program promotes career and college readiness, as well as leadership development through hands-on learning. Students engage in real-world problem solving and gain valuable experience through career shadowing opportunities. ExCEL embraces the philosophy and strategies of the AVID program through building a culture of positive peer influence and support, tutoring, mentoring and an emphasis on developing academic independence and increased rigor. Incorporating the AVID elective course into the ExCEL curriculum helps our students prepare for life after high school while building on the success they may have experienced in middle school AVID programs. Non-traditional instructional methods such as project-based learning, alternative assessment and educational opportunities beyond the classroom are what make the ExCEL magnet program a unique and rewarding high school experience.

### CENTER FOR EDUCATION AND LEADERSHIP **Seminole High School**

(HS Mid-County application area)  
8401 131st St. N, Seminole; (727) 547-7536  
www.pcsb.org/seminole-hs

This program promotes teacher training opportunities and academic rigor by preparing students for academic and career areas requiring post secondary education. Students will take Teaching Assisting courses for all four years of high school to explore and develop instructional delivery. Students will spend a minimum of 150 observation hours and participate in focused learning activities. Students may earn college credits as part of the program.

## Environmental

### ACADEMY FOR AQUATIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS AND ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY

**Lakewood High School**  
(Countywide application area)  
1400 54th Ave. S, St. Petersburg;  
(727) 893-2926

www.pcsb.org/lakewood-hs  
This program is for students who have a strong personal commitment to the study of environmental and marine sciences. Students explore these new areas of interest through studying aquaculture and environmental resource management, offering special training in ecology, environmental sciences, marine biology, agroponics, aquaculture, and water resource conservation. The program makes use of

the on-campus, two-acre, outdoor classroom and several community based projects.

## Fundamental

(Countywide application area)  
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**Boca Ciega High School**  
924 58th Street S, Gulfport; (727) 893-2780  
www.pcsb.org/bocaciega-hs  
"School-within-a-school program"

**Dunedin High School**  
1651 Pinehurst Rd., Dunedin; (727) 469-4100  
www.pcsb.org/dunedin-hs  
"School-within-a-school program"

**Osceola Fundamental High School**  
9751 98th St. N, Seminole; (727) 547-7717  
www.pcsb.org/osceola-hs  
"School-wide program"

## International Studies

### CAMBRIDGE PROGRAM - ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION (AICE)\*

The Advanced International Certificate of Education program, developed by Cambridge University, provides a high-quality academic curriculum that prepares students for post-secondary education while offering students the opportunity to tailor their studies to their individual interests, skills and future goals.

**Clearwater High School**  
(HS Mid-County application area)  
540 S Hercules Ave., Clearwater; (727) 298-1620  
www.pcsb.org/clearwater-hs

**Dixie Hollins High School**  
(HS South County application area)  
4940 62nd St. N, St. Petersburg; (727) 547-7876  
www.pcsb.org/dixie-hs

**Tarpon Springs High School**  
(HS North County application area)  
1411 Gulf Road, Tarpon Springs; (727) 943-4900  
www.pcsb.org/tarpon-hs

### INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) PROGRAMME\*

The IB program provides a challenging and rigorous college-preparatory liberal arts curriculum. There are six areas of study - Language (English), Second Language (Spanish or French), Individuals & Societies, Experimental Sciences, Mathematics and the Arts. The core of the IB Program is the Theory of Knowledge class, the Extended Essay and the Creativity, Action & Service community service component.

**Largo High School**  
(HS Mid-County application area)  
410 Missouri Ave., Largo; (727) 588-3758  
www.pcsb.org/largo-hs

**Palm Harbor University High School**  
(HS North County application area)  
1900 Omaha St., Palm Harbor;  
(727) 669-1131  
www.pcsb.org/phuhs

**St. Petersburg High School**  
(HS South County application area)  
2501 Fifth Ave. N, St. Petersburg;  
(727) 893-1842  
www.pcsb.org/stpete-hs

### CAREER ACADEMY FOR INTERNATIONAL CULTURE AND COMMERCE (CAICC)

**Clearwater High School**  
(Countywide application area)  
540 S Hercules Ave., Clearwater;  
(727) 298-1620  
www.pcsb.org/clearwater-hs

This academy provides students with an introduction to international business with an emphasis on global studies and multicultural diversity. The program offers courses in information technology, business software applications, international business systems, accounting and international finance and law. CAICC students are exposed to a wide variety of career paths in the field of international business. They are also offered opportunities for achieving industry certification in Microsoft Office Specialist. The integration of core academic classes and academy-themed classes provides students with a multifaceted approach to achieving success during high school and beyond.

## Journalism

**CENTER FOR JOURNALISM AND MULTIMEDIA  
Lakewood High School**  
(Countywide application area)  
1400 54th Ave. S, St. Petersburg; (727) 893-2926  
www.pcsb.org/lakewood-hs

The Center for Journalism and Multimedia (CJAM) at Lakewood High School is designed for students who have a strong interest in journalism and communications. The students in CJAM focus on real-life journalism experiences, building skills in writing, photography, videography and design, and publish their work in print, on the web and through TV broadcasts.

## Leadership

### EXPLORING CAREERS & EDUCATION IN LEADERSHIP (ExCEL)\* (See Education)

**Largo High School** (Countywide application area)  
410 Missouri Ave., Largo; (727) 588-4622  
www.pcsb.org/largo-hs

### LEADERSHIP CONSERVATORY FOR THE ARTS (See The Arts)

**Tarpon Springs High School**  
(Countywide application area)  
1411 Gulf Road, Tarpon Springs; (727) 943-4900  
www.pcsb.org/tarpon-hs

### CENTER FOR EDUCATION AND LEADERSHIP (See Education)

**Seminole High School**  
(HS Mid-County application area)  
8401 131st St. N, Seminole; (727) 547-7536  
www.pcsb.org/seminole-hs

## Medicine, Public Safety & Law

### CENTER FOR WELLNESS AND MEDICAL PROFESSIONS\*

#### Boca Ciega High School

(See back of guide for application area)  
924 58th St. S, Gulfport; (727) 893-2780  
[www.pcsb.org/bocaciega-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/bocaciega-hs)

#### Palm Harbor University High School

(See back of guide for application area)  
1900 Omaha St., Palm Harbor;  
(727) 669-1131  
[www.pcsb.org/phuhs](http://www.pcsb.org/phuhs)

This program prepares students for careers in the medical field and helps them develop a commitment to personal wellness and the prevention of disease. The program curriculum provides educational opportunities for students to pursue postsecondary degrees or entry-level medical and wellness jobs.

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY \*

#### Pinellas Park High School

(Countywide application area)  
6305 118th Ave. N, Largo; (727) 538-7410  
[www.pcsb.org/pp-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/pp-hs)

This four-year program is designed for students interested in pursuing a career in law, law enforcement and other criminal justice-related fields. Students will learn about police operations, court and corrections procedures, civil law and forensic science investigations.

### FIRST RESPONDERS: NATIONAL GUARD CENTER FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT\*

#### Pinellas Park High School

(Countywide application area)  
6305 118th Ave. N, Largo; (727) 538-7410  
[www.pcsb.org/pp-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/pp-hs)

This program is designed for students wanting to enter a career in a first responder or firefighting field. This is a unique and challenging program that includes a four-year emergency management focus, and a three-year Firefighter 1 course. Instruction focuses on broad, transferable skills, and stresses understanding and demonstration of elements used in these fields. Certification in First Aid, CPR, AED, Homeland Security, and NIMS courses can be earned. Students taking Firefighting 1 and Dual Enrollment EMS classes have the ability to earn industry certifications. Students will be ready to enter college, technical training, the military or workforce after graduation.

## Personalized Learning

### Lealman Innovation Academy

(Countywide application area)  
4900 28th St. N, St. Petersburg, (727) 528-5802  
[www.pcsb.org/lia](http://www.pcsb.org/lia)

This school for students in grades 6-12 creates self-directed learners who will graduate college and career ready. Experiences are highly personalized, allowing students to choose their personal paths and accomplish learning tasks through collaborative projects and problem-based activities. Lealman Innovation tailors what, how, when and where

students learn to their individual needs, skills and interests. The school enables students to take ownership of their learning and participate in college- and career-preparatory opportunities. Lealman Innovation provides a technology-rich, flexible environment that blends face-to-face lessons with virtual learning. The teachers have been specifically prepared to facilitate learning, embrace personalized learning and adapt to the needs of learners.

## Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)

### INSTITUTE FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS (ISTEM)

#### Countryside High School

(HS North County application area)  
3000 State Road 580, Clearwater; (727) 725-7956  
[www.pcsb.org/countryside-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/countryside-hs)

The ISTEM program provides students rigorous, college preparatory academic opportunities across all academic subjects while providing an emphasis on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). The interdisciplinary ISTEM curriculum prepares students for postsecondary education and careers at the forefront of research, innovation and technology. Students have opportunities to study and apply emerging technologies in real-world scenarios. ISTEM students are required to complete Advanced Placement and/or college dual enrollment courses prior to graduation.

During their freshmen year, students learn about the STEM field in Technology Studies. At the end of their freshmen year, students then choose to follow their studies in one of four strands, all of which lead to various industry certification(s). Strands include Cyber Security, Biotechnology, Engineering, and TV Production/Mass Media.

### CENTER FOR ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES (CAT)\*

#### Lakewood High School

(Countywide application area)  
1400 54th Ave. S, St. Petersburg;  
(727) 893-2926  
[www.pcsb.org/lakewood-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/lakewood-hs)

This college-preparatory program prepares students for entry into engineering, medicine, science, multimedia, communications and computer science careers. Students experience hands-on projects with robotics, satellite communications and multimedia technologies. CAT students participate in a variety of science, technology, and engineering competitions. Students receive real-world experience through partnerships, mentorships, and apprentice opportunities with community businesses.

### ACADEMY OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

#### Northeast High School

(Countywide application area)  
5500 16th St. N, St. Petersburg;  
(727) 570-3138  
[www.pcsb.org/northeast-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/northeast-hs)

This broad-based computer program is designed to provide students with the computer skills they need in today's high-technology work force. Courses include IT systems and applications, web technologies, networking, databases, programming, web development, cybersecurity, multimedia and music technology. Industry certifications are offered in Microsoft Office, Microsoft Technical Associate and Adobe software.

### ACADEMY OF ENGINEERING

#### East Lake High School

(Countywide application area)  
1300 Silver Eagle Dr., Tarpon Springs;  
(727) 942-5419  
[www.pcsb.org/eastlake-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/eastlake-hs)

This four-year program focuses on science, technology, engineering and math. The program format is provided by Project Lead the Way through Rochester Institute of Technology and offers an introduction to engineering, aeronautical engineering, computer-integrated manufacturing, digital electronics, principles of biotechnology engineering, civil architecture, and engineering design and development.

### ACADEMY FOR AQUATIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS AND ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY (See Environmental)

#### Lakewood High School

(Countywide application area)  
1400 54th Ave. S, St. Petersburg;  
(727) 893-2926  
[www.pcsb.org/lakewood-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/lakewood-hs)

### CENTER FOR COMPUTER TECHNOLOGIES

#### Countryside High School

(HS North County application area)  
3000 State Road 580, Clearwater; (727) 725-7956  
[www.pcsb.org/countryside-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/countryside-hs)

The Center for Computer Technologies (CCT) is a career/college preparatory program that provides students with the skills needed in the IT field. Students choose to focus on one of three strands while in the program: Computer Systems and Information Technology (CSIT), Web Design, and Digital Design. They have an opportunity to earn industry certifications in Microsoft Office, CompTIA A+, CompTIA Network+, and CompTIA Server+. Students who have an interest in a hands-on curriculum will thrive in this program that leads to college or entry into the workforce with credentials.

### VETERINARY SCIENCE ACADEMY

#### Tarpon Springs High School

(Countywide application area)  
1411 Gulf Road, Tarpon Springs; (727) 943-4900  
[www.pcsb.org/tarpon-hs](http://www.pcsb.org/tarpon-hs)

This academy prepares students for careers in veterinary medicine, veterinary day care, grooming and agility, and veterinary technology as veterinarians, veterinary surgical assistants and technicians. Students operate a doggy day care, groom animals, and serve as surgical assistants to veterinarians during live animal surgery in the on-site surgical suite.

# How to Apply

## Step 1: Get a Parent I.D. and Password

- If you do not already have a User ID and password for your family, go to a nearby school and ask for one. Bring a photo ID with you.
- Only one User ID and password is needed per family.

## Step 2: Apply Online Jan. 6-15

- Log on to the Student Reservation System (SRS) on the district's website, [www.pcsb.org](http://www.pcsb.org), using your User ID and password.
- Select District Application Programs.
- Enter your five program selections from the list of programs.  
**REMEMBER:** Non-PCS students must deliver all documentation of program eligibility, to the appropriate program office(s) by the close of the school day on Jan. 18, 2016.

## Step 3: Accept Invitations Feb. 3-10

- Log on to the Student Reservation System (SRS) with your User ID and password during this period to accept a program invitation. If you do not accept during this period, your child's invitation(s) will no longer be valid.
- Review your child's status in all programs to which you applied.
- It is not necessary to accept waiting list positions.
- If you accept any ONE program's invitation during the acceptance period, the student's name will be removed from all other lists, (except the center for Gifted Studies) including waiting lists. You have the option to change your mind and select a different program before the Feb. 10, 2016 deadline.



## Frequently asked questions

### Q. May I apply to more than one program?

- A.** Yes, you may apply to up to five programs in order of preference (first ranked choice is the top choice). Priority preferences will only apply to the first ranked program (the top choice). There are some programs that have eligibility criteria that applicants must meet. The District Application Programs procedures manual contains the entrance criteria for each program. You can find it at [www.pcsb.org/choice](http://www.pcsb.org/choice).

#### NOTE:

- You may only apply to one of the two Center for Wellness and Medical Professions Programs at Boca Ciega High or Palm Harbor University High or The Centers for Innovation & Digital Learning at Gulf Beaches and Kings Highway (based on student's address).
- For application area programs, parents may only apply to the program located within the application area in which they live.

### Q. How long can my child stay on a waiting list if no invitation is received?

- A.** Applicants stay on the waiting list for all of the programs to which they apply until they accept an invitation to one of the programs. Accepting an invitation to a program automatically removes a student's name from all other waiting lists (except for the Centers for Gifted Studies). For grades K-7, waiting lists expire on March 1. For grades 8-12, waiting lists expire on the 11th day of the second semester.

### Q. If I apply to a magnet or fundamental, does my child lose the seat at the current school?

- A.** No, students do not lose their current seat by applying to one of these programs. The seat is surrendered for the following year only if the parent receives and accepts an invitation to a program.

### Q. Is there any advantage to applying early in the application period?

- A.** No, applications are NOT processed on a first-come, first-served basis. All applications received during the application period Jan. 6-15, 2016, are given equal treatment.

### Q. What happens if my child is invited to a program but I do not log back into the Student Reservation System (SRS) during the acceptance period?

- A.** To guarantee your child's seat at the school from which an invitation was offered, you must log in during the appropriate dates to accept the invitation (Feb. 3-10, 2016). If you do not log back into the SRS system to accept an invitation during this period, your child's invitation will no longer be valid.

### Q. If I apply to one of these schools and accept an invitation, can I change my mind and try to get a zoned school instead?

- A.** You may, but there is no guarantee that a seat would be available in the zoned school. Students entering kindergarten, sixth, or ninth grade are assigned to their zoned school in most cases. Students in other grades will be assigned based on seat availability.

### Q. Will I receive any official written notification if my child is accepted into one of these programs?

- A.** No, you must log into the Student Reservation System (SRS) during the acceptance period, Feb. 3-10, 2016, to find out which school/program you have been accepted to, then you either accept the invitation or take no action to remain on all wait lists.

### Q. What can I do if I have a question or problem with the application process?

- A.** If it is a technical question about the online system, parents may contact the Tech Help center at (727) 588-6060 or email [help@pcsb.org](mailto:help@pcsb.org). For all other questions, call Student Assignment, (727) 588-6210.

# Program Names

KEY ▲ Application Area ■ Entrance criteria

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROGRAMS

- Center for Advancement of the Sciences and Technology at Bay Point Elementary
- Center for the Arts and International Studies at Perkins Elementary
- Center for Gifted Studies at Ridgecrest Elementary ■
- Center for Innovation and Digital Learning at Gulf Beaches Elementary ▲
- Center for Innovation and Digital Learning at Kings Highway Elementary ▲
- Center for Journalism and Multimedia Studies at Melrose Elementary
- Center for Mathematics and Engineering at Jamerson Elementary
- IB Primary Years Programme at James Sanderlin IB World School
- International Studies Center at Mildred Helms Elementary ▲
- Montessori Academy at Gulfport Elementary ▲

## FUNDAMENTAL SCHOOLS - ELEMENTARY (K-5)

- Bay Vista Fundamental Elementary
- Curtis Fundamental Elementary
- Lakeview Fundamental Elementary
- Madeira Beach Fundamental Elementary (K-5)
- Pasadena Fundamental Elementary
- Tarpon Springs Fundamental Elementary

## MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Some of these programs have entrance criteria. Deliver all documentation of program eligibility, to the appropriate program's school office(s) by the close of the school day on Jan. 19, 2016.

- Cambridge Pre-AICE at Pinellas Park Middle ▲ ■
- Center for Advancement of the Sciences and Technology at Bay Point Middle ■
- Center for the Arts at John Hopkins Middle ■
- Centers for Innovation and Digital Learning at Tyrone Middle
- Center for Journalism and Multimedia at John Hopkins Middle ■
- Centers for Gifted Studies at Dunedin Highland Middle ▲ ■
- Centers for Gifted Studies at Morgan Fitzgerald Middle ▲ ■
- Centers for Gifted Studies at Thurgood Marshall Middle ▲ ■
- IB Middle Years Programme Candidate School at James Sanderlin IB World School ■
- International Studies Program at John Hopkins Middle ▲ ■
- International Studies Program at Largo Middle ▲ ■
- Leadership Conservatory for the Arts with Cambridge Pre-AICE at Tarpon Springs Middle ▲ ■
- Lealman Innovation Academy (6-8)
- Middle Grades Engineering Gateway to Technology at Azalea Middle ▲
- Middle Grades Engineering Gateway to Technology at East Lake ▲

## FUNDAMENTAL SCHOOLS - MIDDLE (6-8)

- Clearwater Fundamental Middle
- Madeira Beach Fundamental Middle (6-8)
- Thurgood Marshall Fundamental Middle

## HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Some of these programs have entrance criteria. Deliver all documentation of program eligibility, to the appropriate program's school office(s) by the close of the school day on Jan. 19, 2016.

- Academy of Architectural Design and Building Technologies at Dunedin High - Architectural Drafting  
- Electricity  
- Building Construction Technology
- Academy of Engineering at East Lake High
- Academy for Aquatic Management Systems and Environmental Technology at Lakewood HS
- Academy of Finance at Northeast High
- Academy of Information Technology at Northeast High
- Automotive Academy at Northeast High - Automotive Technology
- Business Economics Technology Academy at Gibbs High ■
- Cambridge Program - Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) at Clearwater High ▲ ■
- Cambridge Program - Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) at Dixie Hollins High ▲ ■
- Cambridge Program - Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) at Tarpon Springs High ▲ ■
- Career Academy for International Culture and Commerce at Clearwater High
- Center for Advanced Technologies (CAT) at Lakewood High ■
- Center for Culinary Arts at Dixie Hollins High ▲
- Center for Culinary Arts at Northeast High ▲
- Center for Construction Technologies at St. Petersburg High ▲
- Center for Computer Technology at Countryside High ▲
- Center for Education and Leadership at Seminole High ▲
- Center for Journalism and Multimedia at Lakewood High
- Center for Wellness and Medical Professions at Boca Ciega High ▲ ■
- Center for Wellness and Medical Professions at Palm Harbor Univ. High ▲ ■
- Criminal Justice Academy at Pinellas Park High ■
- Exploring Careers & Education in Leadership at Largo High ■
- First Responders: National Guard Center for Emergency Management at Pinellas Park High ■
- Graphic Arts Academy at Dixie Hollins High
- Institute for Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (ISTEM) at Countryside High ▲ ■
- International Baccalaureate (IB) at Largo High ▲ ■
- International Baccalaureate (IB) at Palm Harbor Univ. High ▲ ■
- International Baccalaureate (IB) at St. Petersburg High ▲ ■
- Jacobson Culinary Arts Academy at Tarpon Springs High ▲
- Leadership Conservatory for the Arts at Tarpon Springs High ■
- Lealman Innovation Academy (9-12)
- Pinellas County Center for the Arts (PCCA) at Gibbs HS ■
- Veterinary Science Academy at Tarpon Springs High

## FUNDAMENTAL SCHOOLS - HIGH (9-12)

- Boca Ciega Fundamental High (School Within A School)
- Dunedin Fundamental High (School Within A School)
- Osceola Fundamental High

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# Locator Map

In most cases application areas are based on which school your child is zoned for

## MIDDLE SCHOOL (MS) APPLICATION AREA SCHOOL ZONES

### NORTH

- Carwise Middle
- Dunedin Highland Middle
- Palm Harbor Middle
- Safety Harbor Middle
- Tarpon Springs Middle

### MID-COUNTY

- Largo Middle
- Morgan Fitzgerald Middle
- Oak Grove Middle
- Osceola Middle
- Pinellas Park Middle
- Seminole Middle

### SOUTH

- Azalea Middle
- Bay Point Middle
- John Hopkins Middle
- Meadowlawn Middle
- Tyrone Middle

## HIGH SCHOOL (HS) APPLICATION AREA SCHOOL ZONES

### NORTH

- Countryside High
- Dunedin High
- East Lake High
- Palm Harbor University High
- Tarpon Springs High

### MID-COUNTY

- Clearwater High
- Dixie Hollins High\*
- Largo High
- Pinellas Park High
- Seminole High

### SOUTH

- Boca Ciega High
- Gibbs High
- Lakewood High
- Northeast High
- St. Petersburg High

\* The Cambridge Advanced International Certificate of Education Program (AICE) at Dixie Hollins High School is a South County application area program

## HS CENTERS FOR WELLNESS & ELEMENTARY CENTERS FOR DIGITAL LEARNING PROGRAMS ONLY

### How to apply based on your address.

- Applicants living north of SR 60 (Gulf-to-Bay) may apply only to the HS Center for Wellness at Palm Harbor University High or Elementary Center for Digital Learning at Kings Highway.
- Applicants living south of Ulmertown Road may apply only to the HS Center for Wellness at Boca Ciega High and Elementary Center for Digital Learning at Gulf Beaches.
- Applicants living south of SR 60 (Gulf-to-Bay) and north of Ulmertown Road may apply to one of the HS Center for Wellness or Elementary Center for Digital Learning programs.

