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As we hop into April please don't forget to continue to check on students grades in focus. It is important that students stay on top of their assignments as this last quarter will factor into students' overall semester/ year grades. Parents please check the testing calendar and mark your calendars - it is imperative that students are here to test those days. If you have questions, please ask. PTA has started their annual fund-raiser -School Supply kits are available to order up to June 30th. Reserve yours today and it will be delivered to the school and you won't pull your hair out trying to find school supplies at the beginning of the year.

The PTA sponsored Eighth Grade dance will have tickets for sale April 29th, 30th and, May 2nd, & 3rd during lunch. Also be sure



Principal Karen Huzar

check the upcoming events so you do not miss out on any of the end of the year activities that are planned.

MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

6[™] GRADE



Sarnai Chimidkhorloo





Kacper Chojnowsky

7TH GRADE



Brooke Slater



Nathan Lwin

8TH GRADE



Kaelyn Mohr



Norrich Pongkeasorn

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- · Apr. 1 FSA Writing Tests all grades
- Apr. 3 Walk to School Day 8:15 a.m.
- Apr. 9 Spring Band Concert 7:00 p.m.
- Apr. 10 Engineering Board Meeting 7:30 a.m. conference room
- Apr. 11 SAC meeting 5:30 Performing Arts Building
- Apr. 16 NJHS Induction Ceremony 6:00 6:00 p.m.
- Apr. 23 Dancing with the Eagles 7:00 p.m. H.S. Auditorium
- Apr. 26 PTA Board Meeting 8:00 a.m.
- Apr. 30 PTA General Meeting:00 p.m.
- · May. 1 FSA Reading Test all grades
- Mar. 1 FSA Reading Test all grades

ELMS SECOND SEMESTER TESTING SCHEDULE

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Mar. 4,5, & 6			RY	I U A	IAN	į	
8 only	Sat	Fri	Thu	Wed	Tue	Mon	Sun
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Mar. 21 & 22	12	11	10	9	8	7	6
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April 29 & 3							
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May 6 & 7 F			21	20	19	18	17
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May 9 – 8			21 28	20 27	19 26	18	17 24

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Mar. 4,5, & 6 Cycle 3 Science GAP grade		APRIL							
8 only & Mar. 5 & 6 Civics	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
		1	2	3	4	5	6		
Mar. 21 & 22 Math cycle 3, EOC	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		
courses only	14	15	16	17	18		20		
April 1 – FSA Writing All Students, all	21	22	23	24	25		27		
classrooms	28	29	30						
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April 29 & 30 SRI Reading cycle 3 ELA and Reading Classrooms				4	,		7		

May 1 & 2 FSA Reading 2 days / all students / all classrooms

May 6 & 7 FSA Math all grades, various classrooms 2 days no Algebra or Geometry

h Grade Science SSA & 7th EOC – multiple classrooms
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May 16 & 17 Algebra & Geometry EOC various classrooms 2 days Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat 1 8 3 4 5 6 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

May 22, 23, 24 & 28 Final Exams – all grades in regular classrooms

= Special Observance Days – No Testing

In January, East Lake Middle held its annual Geography Bee competition. After a tough competition, 7th grader Finnian Murphy became the school champion. He then qualified for the state competition early this month. He got to go to Jacksonville University in Jacksonville, FL to compete in the Florida Geography Bee against the top students from around the state.





STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

The ELMS Silver Beat Band performed at the Florida Bandmasters Association's Music Performance Assessment at Dunedin HS. For the first time in our school history, they received an overall superior rating! Not only did they play well, they received numerous compliments about how well disciplined they were (even from the sight-reading judge!).





Make Sure Your Children are Up-to-Date

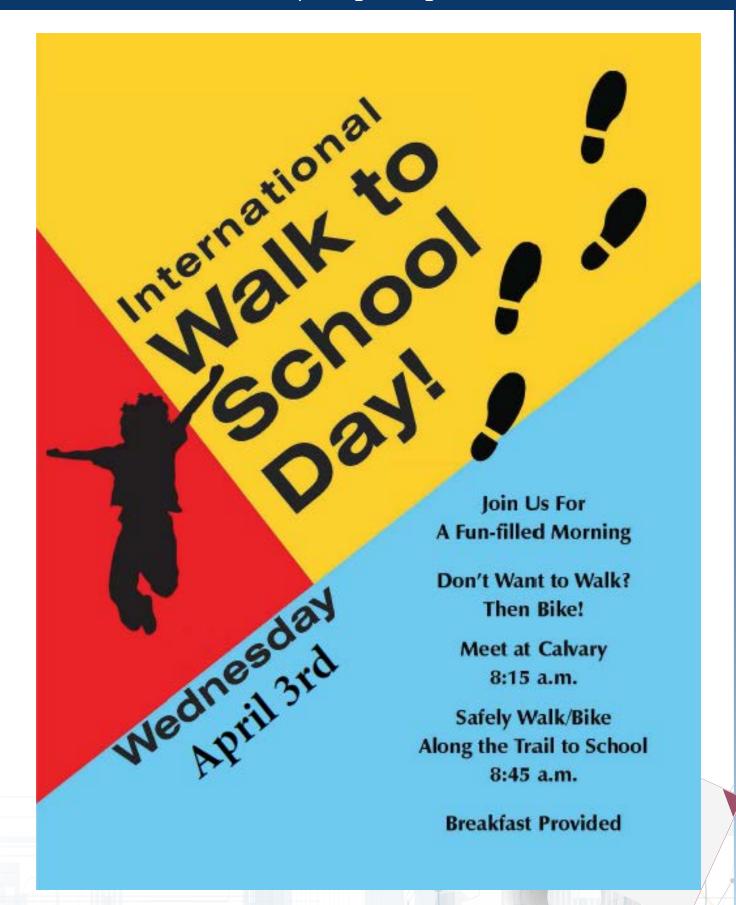
Hello Parents of 6th graders. Did you know that all students entering 7th grade are required to receive the Tdap (Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis) vaccine? This must be documented on an updated *Florida Certification of Immunization* (DH 680 form) and submitted to the school prior to the start of 7th grade. Most students can receive this vaccine now while in 6th grade, so please reach out to your Pediatrician or stop by your local Department of Health (no appointment necessary) to ensure there is no delay in entering class on the first day of the 19/20 school year. Protection from some early childhood vaccines can wear off. Review your child's immunization records with a health care provider to make sure all vaccines recommended for adolescents are up-to-date. Florida immunization requirements are found in the *Immunization Guidelines for Florida Schools*, *Childcare Facilities*, and *Family Daycare Homes*, which is incorporated by reference in Rule 64D-3.046, *Florida Administrative Code*.

Thank you,

Lorraine St. Leger BSN, RN

School Nurse for East Lake Middle & High School stlegerl@pcsb.org

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Make an Impact Be a Mentor



To Register Sign up for the

March/April Mentor Workshops

or go to pcsb.org/mentor

If these workshops are not convenient, click on the workshop link and let us know.

Tuesday, 03/05/2019, Noon to 1:00 p.m.

Pinellas County Schools, Administration Building, 301 4th Street SW, Largo, FL

Thursday, 03/07/2019, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. New



Mentor Workshop Webinar – R.S.V.P. Attendees will receive an email the day of the workshop.

Wednesday, 03/13/2019, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

City of St. Petersburg Water Resource Building, Conf. Rm. 1650 Third Ave., North, St. Petersburg, FL

Thursday, 03/14/2019, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Pinellas Education Foundation, Wells Fargo Conference Room, 12090 Starkey Road, Largo, FL

Wednesday, 04/10/2019, 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

City of St. Petersburg Water Resource Building, Conf. Rm. 1650 Third Ave., North, St. Petersburg, FL

Thursday, 04/11/2019, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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The Mentoring Effect – One in three young children are growing up without a mentor. With a mentor at-risk students are:

- 52% less likely than their peers to skip a day of school
- 55% more likely to be enrolled in college
- 46% less likely than their peers to start using drugs
- 81% more likely to report participating regularly in sports or extracurricular activities
- 78% more likely to volunteer regularly in their communities
- 130% more than twice as likely to say that they held a leadership position in a club or sports team
- 90% respondents who had a mentor said they are now interested in becoming a mentor

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will take the paper-based Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) Grade 6 ELA Writing, Reading and FSA math assessments on April 3rd, May 1st and 2nd and May 6th and 7th (see school website for more details).

Your student will have had an opportunity to participate in a practice session to become familiar with the item types and response formats he or she will see on the FSA assessments. If you or your student would like to review the materials, paper-based practice tests and answer keys are available at http://www.FSAssessments.org/students-and-families/practice-tests/paper-based-practice-test-materials/.

For information regarding test session lengths for all Spring 2019 FSA assessments, please visit the FSA Portal at www.FSAssessments.org, click on the Students and Families icon, select the Frequently Asked Questions card, then select the question: "How long are the tests?"

Please review the following policies with your student before testing:

- Electronic Devices—Students are not permitted to have any electronic devices, including, but not limited to, cell phones, smartphones, and smartwatches, at any time during testing or during breaks (e.g., restroom), even if the devices are turned off or students do not use them. If your student is found with an electronic device, his or her test will be invalidated.
- Calculators—Calculators are not permitted during Grades 3–6 Mathematics tests.
- Testing Rules Acknowledgment—All FSA tests include a Testing Rules Acknowledgment printed in the student's test and answer book that reads: "I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated." Prior to testing, test administrators read the rules to students, and students acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by signing below the statement in their test and answer book.
- Discussing Test Content after Testing—The last portion of the testing rules read to students before they sign below the Testing Rules Acknowledgment states: "Because the content in all statewide assessments is secure, you may not discuss or reveal details about the test content (including test items, passages, and prompts) after the test. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, or posting online, for example, on Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, or Instagram." Please make sure your student understands that "discussing" test content includes any kind of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, posting to social media, or sharing online. While students may not share information about secure test content after testing, this policy is not intended to prevent students from discussing their testing experiences with their parents/families.
- Working Independently—Students are responsible for doing their own work during the test and for protecting their answers from being seen by others. If students are caught cheating during testing, their tests will be invalidated. In addition, the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) employs Caveon Test Security to analyze student test results to detect unusually similar answer patterns. Student tests within a school that are found to have extremely similar answer patterns will be invalidated.
- Leaving Campus—If your student leaves campus before completing a test session (e.g., for lunch, an appointment, illness), he or she will not be allowed to return to that test session. If your student does not feel well on the day of testing, it may be best for him or her to wait and be tested on a make-up day. Please remember not to schedule appointments on testing days.
- Testing Accommodations—If your student has an Individual Education Plan (IEP), a Section 504 plan, or is an English Language Learner (ELL), please contact the school to discuss the testing accommodations that will be provided for your student.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Melissa Broner (<u>bronerm@pcsb.org</u>) or Dave Reid (<u>reiddav@pcsb.org</u>). For more information about the FSA program, please visit the FSA Portal at <u>www.FSAssessments.org</u>.

Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him or her to do his or her best during this test administration.

Sincerely,

Karen Huzar

Karen Huzar; Principal

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will take the computer-based Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) Grade 7 or 8 ELA Writing/ELA Reading and FSA Mathematics and or Algebra 1/ Geometry End-Of-Course assessments on April 3rd, May 1st & 2rd, May 6th & 7th and May 16th & 17th (depending on which test they will be taking.) Please see the ELMS website for more details.

Your student will have had an opportunity to participate in a practice test to become familiar with the computer-based testing platform, item types, and response formats he or she will see on the FSA assessment(s). If you or your student would like to review the computer-based practice test at home, the practice tests and answer keys are available at http://www.FSAssessments.org/students-and-families/practice-tests/.

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- Calculators—For Grades 7 and 8 Mathematics, approved calculators may be used during Sessions 2 and 3 only. For EOC assessments, approved calculators may be used during Session 2 only. If students have handheld calculators during Session 1, their tests will be invalidated.
- Testing Rules Acknowledgment—All FSA tests include a Testing Rules Acknowledgment that reads: "I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated." Prior to testing, test administrators read the rules to students, and students acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by signing below the statement on their planning sheets, worksheets, or work folders.
- Discussing Test Content after Testing—The last portion of the testing rules read to students before they sign below the Testing Rules Acknowledgment states: "Because the content of all statewide assessments is secure, you may not discuss or reveal details about the test content (including test items, passages, and prompts) after the test. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, or posting online, for example, on Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, or Instagram." Please make sure your student understands that "discussing" test content includes any kind of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, posting to social media, or sharing online. While students may not share information about secure test content after testing, this policy is not intended to prevent students from discussing their testing experiences with their parents/families.
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For more information about the FSA program, please visit the FSA Portal at www.FSAssessments.org.

Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him or her to do his or her best during this test administration.

Sincerely, Karen Huzar

Karen Huzar; Principal

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will take the Grade 8 Statewide Science Assessment on May 9th. The Statewide Science Assessment measures Grade 8 student achievement of the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards in Science.

The Grade 8 Statewide Science Assessment consists of two 80-minute paper-based test sessions administered in one day. If you or your student would like to gain familiarity with the item types and response formats your student will see on his or her Statewide Science Assessment, sample questions and answer keys are available at http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/science.stml.

Please review the following policies with your student before testing:

- Electronic Devices—Students are not permitted to have any electronic devices, including, but not limited to, cell
 phones, smartphones, and smartwatches, at any time during testing or during breaks (e.g., restroom), even if the devices
 are turned off or students do not use them. If your student is found with an electronic device, his or her test will be
 invalidated
- Calculators—Four-function calculators will be provided to students for Grade 8 Science at the time of testing. No other
 calculators may be used. For the Grade 5 Science assessment, calculators may not be used.
- Testing Rules Acknowledgment—All Statewide Science Assessments include a Testing Rules Acknowledgment that reads: "I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated." Prior to testing, test administrators read the rules to students, and students acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by signing below the statement in their test books.
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Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him or her to do his or her best during this test administration.

Sincerely,

Karen Huzar Karen Huzar (Feb 1, 2019)

Karen Huzar; Principal

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will take the computer-based Civics End-of-Course Assessment on May 9th. Each NGSSS EOC assessment is administered in one 160-minute session, but students may work up to the length of a typical school day.

Your student will have had an opportunity to participate in a practice test to become familiar with the software, item types, and online tools he or she will encounter and use during testing. If you or your student would like to review the computer-based practice test at home, you can access a practice test at PearsonAccess Next (https://fl.pearsonaccessnext.com). Your student may practice as often as necessary prior to testing.

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- Calculators—For Biology 1 EOC assessments, students may use the built-in calculator, or they may use a handheld four-function calculator. No other calculators may be used.
- Testing Rules Acknowledgment—All NGSSS tests include a Testing Rules Acknowledgment that reads: "I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated." Prior to testing, test administrators read the rules to students, and students acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by clicking a radio button next to the statement.
- Discussing Test Content after Testing—The last portion of the testing rules read to students before they acknowledge the Testing Rules Acknowledgment reads: "Because the content of all statewide assessments is secure, you may not discuss or reveal details about the test content (including test items and passages) after the test. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, or posting online, for example, on Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, or Instagram." Please make sure your student understands that "discussing" test content includes any kind of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, posting to social media, or sharing online. While students may not share information about secure test content after testing, this policy is not intended to prevent students from discussing their testing experiences with their parents/families.
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Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him or her to do his or her best during this test administration.

Sincerely,

Karen Huzar Karen Huzar (Feb 1, 2019)

Karen Huzar; Principal

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School Grades







Middle Schools in PINELLAS COUNTY





Middle Schools in the STATE OF FLORIDA



Top Five Middle Schools ın Pinellas County'ı Florida

1 East Lake Middle School
Academy Of Engineering
2 Clearwater Fundamental
Middle School
3 Thurgood Marshall Fundamental
4 Joseph L. Carwise Middle School
5 Palm Harbor Middle School

Top Ten Middle Schools in the State of Florida

	State of Florida
1	Doral Academy Of Technology
2	Archimeden Middle Conservatory
3	Okaloosa STEMM Center
4	Bak Middle School of the Arts
5	George Washington Carver Middle
6	Somerset Academy South Miami
7	Terrace Community Middle School
8	Just Arts and Management Charter
9	East Lake Middle School Academy of Engineering

Don Estridge High Tech middle

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rayam@pcsb.org, or 727-940-7624

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