# The Panther Press

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# Pine View Middle School

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### **PVMS Mission Statement:**

Our mission is to provide a rigorous, world-class education which inspires students to become active, compassionate, and collaborative lifelong learners who understand and respect other people and their differences.

## **Upcoming Events:**

Pink Out every Wednesday!

### **August**

8/22 Years 2 and 3 Open House 6:30-7:30

8/22 Years 2 and 3 Band Parent Meeting 7:30

### <u>September</u>

9/4 No school- Labor Day

9/5 PVMS Football v. Cypress Creek (@LOLHS)

9/12 PVMS Football v. Centennial (@LOLHS)

9/14 PVMS Volleyball v. Rushe (@PVMS)

9/18 PVMS Volleyball v. PBSMS (@PBSMS)

9/19 PVMS Football v. Pasco (@LOLHS)

# Learner Profile of the Month: Principled

As a PVMS Family, we will focus on a different Learner Profile (see below) every month. For August, we are focusing on being *Principled*. We are *Principled* when we act with integrity and honesty and take responsibility for our actions. PVMS staff members have purple #IBSTRONG tickets that they are giving out throughout the month to students who are displaying that they are *Principled*. Teachers will also be choosing students for "Student of the Month" who are an example to others in exemplifying that they are *Principled*. We encourage students and staff to wear purple on Fridays during the month of August to represent our Learner Profile of the month.

# #IBKnowledgeable



### What are the Learner Profiles?

The Learner Profiles are a group of traits that we strive to display to become the best people possible. As International Baccalaureate (IB) learners, we strive to be: Inquirers, Knowledgeable, Thinkers, Communicators, Principled, Openminded, Caring, Risk-takers, Balanced and Reflective.

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### #IBInvolved

## **MYP Parent Council**

We are excited about going through the authorization process this year to become Pasco County's first



Middle Years Programme World School. The MYP Parent Council is a newly formed group that will be meeting throughout the year and will be representing PVMS Parents when the visiting team from the International Baccalaureate comes to the school both in September and then after Winter Break. If you are interested in this opportunity, please go to <a href="http://pvms.pasco.k12.fl.us/mform/view.php?id=42191">http://pvms.pasco.k12.fl.us/mform/view.php?id=42191</a> (or scan the QR code to the left) to register your interest. Please contact our MYP Coordinator, Becky Cardinale, at <a href="mailto:rcardina@pasco.k12.fl.us">rcardina@pasco.k12.fl.us</a> or at 813-794-4800 with questions.

### Parent volunteer opportunities



Calling all Panther Parents! We are looking for Volunteers to help run concessions at home games for football and volleyball. Please contact Michelle Cruz at <a href="mailto:mlcruz@pasco.k12.fl.us">mlcruz@pasco.k12.fl.us</a> for sign ups, additional information, or with questions/concerns.

### Yearbooks!

Ms. Fromm is the new Yearbook advisor this year. She is excited to be in this role and is looking for a great Panther staff to make this yearbook one to remember! Applications are available in room 210 and are due to her by September 1st.



Have a great pic?? Tweet it to @PVMSPawPrints

### Want a yearbook?

- Purchase for \$30 now! Price will increase in January.
- You can purchase your yearbook through Acorn.

# Odyssey of the Mind at PVMS

Odyssey of the Mind is a creative problem-solving program for students in grades K-12 and in college. It provides participants with the opportunity to learn creative problem solving, teamwork, brainstorming, self-reliance, and respect for individual strengths- unique, unforgettable experiences that will serve them in every aspect of their lives now and in the future.



If you and/or your child are interested in participating in Odyssey of the Mind this school year, please visit our website at <a href="http://pvms.pasco.k12.fl.us/odyssey-of-the-mind-2017-2018/">http://pvms.pasco.k12.fl.us/odyssey-of-the-mind-2017-2018/</a> or scan the QR code to the rightto read more about Odyssey of the Mind and to complete the form on our website and return it to our school OM Coordinator, Nilsa Calabria.

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# **Solar Eclipse**

A total solar eclipse will occur next Monday, August 21st, in some parts of the country; Pasco County will see between a 60 percent and 80 percent solar eclipse.

At this time, all Pasco County Schools will operate on their regular schedules. PVMS dismissal time is at 2:50 p.m., the time when looking directly at the eclipse can cause the most damage to the eyes. PVMS will be facilitating a controlled dismissal with staff members supervising and reminding students to not look at the sun and to act in a *Principled* manner. It is important for students not to look directly at the sun without approved solar viewers.

All PVMS PE classes will be meeting in the gym on 8/21. On their way to the gym, students are expected to act in a *Principled* manner and not look at the sun. Staff members will be on hand to remind students as they are walking to class. Agriculture classes will be held indoors and all Language Acquisition classes will be meeting inside as well. Teachers will be instructing students of their new meeting locations by Friday, 8/18.

If a viewing activity is organized by a teacher as part of a science lesson, parents must complete a signed parent permission form for each participating student and return it to their teacher by Monday morning, August 21st. Forms have been passed out by participating science teachers. Students who do not return a form will have an alternate assignment. Parents who do not want their children to be a part of any outdoor eclipse plan must let their school know in advance.

It is important that you speak with your child about the dangers of looking at the sun during a solar eclipse so that students are getting a consistent message from both home and school.

Additional resources can be found on the Pasco County Schools webpage by clicking here.

# What's going on at PVMS?

### **PVMS Back to School Dance**



When: Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup> 3-5 pm Where: PVMS Cafeteria

Tickets sold during lunches 8/30 – 9/1
Pre-Sale: \$5.00
At the Door: \$7.00

Pizza, candy and drinks will be sold!

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<u>Dance Club Tryouts</u>
Panther Dance Club Auditions are Friday 8/25 from 3pm-4:30pm in the dance room. Please pick up an audition packet from Mrs. James (409) before tryouts. Thank you!!!

# After School Theatre Program

Are you interested in the after school Theatre program? Please attend the meeting next Wednesday 8-23 from 3:00 to 4:00 in room 511. See the board outside room 511 for more information.





### FFA Events

FFA officer interview 8/24 3-4p FFA chapter animal project applications due 8/29 interviews 8/31 3-4p FFA officer retreat 9/15-17 FFA meeting 9/14 3-4 p FFA barn meeting 9/21 3-4p

# Year 3 End of Year Activities



It may seem early, but now is the time to begin thinking about the end of your child's middle school experience. We have several promotional activities planned. We will highlight details of the activities throughout the school year.

Friday, May 18, 2018: Year 3 Universal Studios/Islands of Adventure's Gradventure

Wednesday, May 23, 2018: Year 3 Dance Thursday, May 24, 2018: Year 3 Awards

Thursday, May 24, 2018: Year 3 Lunch/Field Day

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### Join Remind! Class Remind Codes

Want to be in the know as to what's going on in your child's class? Join Remind!

Class of 2022 (Year 3 Students and Families): Text @pvms2022 to 81010

Class of 2023 (Year 2 Students and Families): Text @pvms2023 to 81010

Class or 2024 (Year 1 Students and Families): Text @pvms2024 to 81010



### **Attendance Reporting**

Student absences must be submitted in writing. As parents, you have options as to how to do that.

- 1. Electronic reporting of an absence
  - Go to <a href="http://pvms.pasco.k12.fl.us/">http://pvms.pasco.k12.fl.us/</a> or directly to the form at <a href="http://pvms.pasco.k12.fl.us/absences/">http://pvms.pasco.k12.fl.us/</a> or directly to the form at <a href="http://pvms.pasco.k12.fl.us/absences/">http://pvms.pasco.k12.fl.us/absences/</a>
  - Under the banner, click on the Absences link under Attendance Reporting on the right side.
  - Complete the form to report your child's absence
- 2. Send a note in with your child upon his or her return to school. Notes should include:
  - Student name
  - Student number
  - Year level
  - Date(s) of absence
  - Parent/Guardian name
  - Phone number
  - Reason for absence

Thank you for your help in making the attendance reporting process seamless!

# The Scoop from the Café

### New a la Carte Line

Do you want a snack to go with your lunch but don't want to wait in the regular lunch line? You're in luck! We now have an a la carte line in the Panther Pit! The a la carte line features Bosco sticks, chicken fingers, cookies, salty snacks and treats. Don't know where the Panther Pit is? If you're walking through the café to the back of the school, it's on the right side once you've passed the café.

### **MySchoolBucks**



Pay for school meals, check balances, and view purchases right from your very own computer. Visit **MySchoolBucks.com** to create an account today. Download the mobile app so you can stay up to date and connected while on the go. You can also schedule automatic payments so that your child never goes without lunch money.

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### MySchoolApps - New!

Applying for school meal benefits just got easier! For the 2017/2018 school year you will be able to apply for free and reduced meals on-line using <a href="https://www.pascoschoolmeals.com">www.pascoschoolmeals.com</a>. The website will direct you to



MySchoolApps, an online application software that makes applying for school meal benefits fast and secure. Applications will be available starting July 15, 2017. What does this mean for you?

- **Convenient** applying online allows your school to process your application faster so that you can receive your meal benefits quicker.
- Secure your information is protected using the highest security standards in the industry.
- **Easy** MySchoolApps walks you through the entire application process, ensuring it's complete and ready to submit.

### MealViewer



MealViewer makes navigating the school breakfast and lunch menus a breeze! This school year we have **replaced Nutrislice with**MealViewer. Parents can search and favor multiple schools to help keep track of what's being served at each location. Students can like their favorite meal choices and quickly see when they will be served

again. Allergen icons are easily recognizable to help accommodate those with dietary restrictions. An interactive carb calculator is also available to make eating in the lunch room easy & fun!

# **Support our supporters!**

A HUGE thank you to our local businesses who support us. If you own a business or know of one who would like to support our school, please contact <u>Becky Cardinale</u>.

### Thank you to our supporters:

Florida Hospital Wesley Chapel
- Thank you for providing wrist bands for our students of the month!

JB's Sweet Addictions
- Thank you for providing us with a generous donation toward our service t-shirts!

The Law Offices of Lucas/Magazine
- Thank you for providing gift cards for our students of the month!

McDonald's- Land O'Lakes (and partner restaurants)
- Thank you for providing certificates for our students of the month!

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# NOTICE TO BUILDING OCCUPANTS AND PARENTS

# NOTIFICATION OF INSPECTION FOR ASBESTOS CONTAINING MATERIALS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a final rule, 40 CFR Part 763, Asbestos Containing Material in schools, commonly referred to as AHERA. This rule requires all Local Education Agencies (LEA's) to identify asbestos containing materials (ACM) in their school buildings and to take appropriate actions to control the release of asbestos fibers.

All inspections for Pine View Middle School have been completed and a Management Plan describing the results of the inspection and the action plan to control any asbestos found during the inspection, where applicable, has been submitted to the governor for approval. A copy of this plan is located in the administrative office of this school and at the Pasco County Schools Maintenance & Facility Services Department and is available for review upon request.

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