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Pineapple Perspective

-A Classical Conversation

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PCCA Mission:

“The mission of Pineapple Cove Classical Academy is to develop graduates in mind and character through a classical, content-rich curriculum that emphasizes the principles of virtuous living, traditional learning, and civic responsibility. We are building intelligent, virtuous American citizens.”

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School Updates– School Expansion

Dear PCCA families,

It is certainly an exciting time for Pineapple Cove Classical Academy! Mr. and Mrs. Moran started this venture with the hope of spreading classical education, free of charge, to as many families as possible in our area. Their vision continues to grow as we are proud to announce that we have been approved for a second K-8 school!



During the summer, I authored an additional charter application for a new school, tentatively located in West Melbourne. Our application was approved unanimously in October. It is our vision to continue to provide a world class education to our students and continue this mission in our new, additional location. Our goal is for this second school to be open in August of 2018.

In addition, I will be working on a high school application this spring so that we can truly offer a K-12 option unique and different than any other school in this county. It is our goal to have this open in time for our current seventh grade students to continue seamlessly through their high school program.

We are ever thankful for the continued support of our families and the community.
Warmest regards,

Mrs. Gunter, Principal

Curriculum Spotlight– Riggs Spelling Program

One of the things that makes Riggs so different is the way it teaches children to spell. Riggs teaches children to spell by applying the 47 rules of English spelling. This provides students the tools to spell any word they come across

by identifying the spelling patterns rather than relying on memory alone to spell. Our teachers review each word with their students. First they syllabicate the word, then they sound the word out phonetically. Then, teachers go through and

mark each word according to the phonograms and the roles these sounds play in spelling the word. We have seen amazing gains in student spelling using this method!

Mark Your Calendar

Holiday Penguin Patch– The Holiday Penguin Patch provides students an opportunity to shop for their loved ones. Look for more information and money envelopes from our PTO shortly!

An Old-Fashioned Christmas– Come visit us for this PTO-sponsored event and experience the magic of an old-fashioned Christmas! Enjoy holiday movies, caroling, hot cocoa, and Christmas stories. We hear there may be a very special visitor in his jolly red suit!

Winter Concert– Ms. Pariseau is proud to bring you holiday cheer with our chorus, strings, Kalypso Kids and World Drumming groups! Come get in the spirit and celebrate with our musically-talented scholars!

Early Release Days– Just a reminder that December 19, 20 and 21 are Early Release days before Winter Break. K-2 students release at 1:15 and 3-7 students at 1:30. Drop in aftercare is available for those who need it.



12/3	Come see PCCA in the Palm Bay Christmas parade!
12/5-12/9	Holiday Penguin Patch Store Open
12/10	An Old-Fashioned Family Christmas Event
12/14	Winter Concert 6 p.m.
12/19-	Early release days
12/21	End of Second Nine Weeks
12/22-1/8	PCCA Closed for Winter Break
1/9	Students Return to School
1/12	Report Cards Issued

Thank you!

Thank you to our families who donated food to our Thanksgiving food drive! We were able to serve eight families Thanksgiving meals and

gift cards to Publix. Thank you to the Wood family, who is providing the use of their truck and trailer to carry our float for the Palm Bay Christmas Parade.

We appreciate the support of our PCCA family!



“By training the young in the liberal arts, Hillsdale College prepares students to become leaders worthy of that legacy. By encouraging the scholarship of its faculty, it contributes to the preservation of that legacy for future generations. By publicly defending that legacy, it enlists the aid of other friends of free civilization and thus secures the conditions of its own survival and independence. “

-Hillsdale College

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2017-2018 Application Window

Our application window opens January 17, 2017 for next school year. Current students need not reapply, but siblings not currently attending our school must have an application completed. Commitment letters will go home in March for the next school year. As always, applications will be on our website and can be faxed or dropped off in our front office.