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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

October was a quite a busy month for our scholars! We wish to extend a sincere thanks to our PCCA PTO. Our Halloween Festival was a huge success! With their organization and preparation, families enjoyed a great day filled with face painting, games, food, vendors, music, books, and a dunk booth. Students had a blast putting teachers in the dunk tank. Thanks to Mr. Ottinger, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Ader, Ms. Hamm, Ms. Lamb, Ms. Contreras and Mr. Racke for being such good sports. The overwhelming support from our families and community businesses helped to raise over \$3300.00! These funds will be used to purchase a shade cover and benches for the playground. We are very appreciative of everyone’s support and look forward to our next family event in December.

The month ended with our students celebrating all of the content learned this year. Curriculum Day was fun for all. We loved seeing students dressed up as Johnny Appleseed, fairy tale characters, figures from Greek and Roman times, and volcanoes, just to name a few. Students prepared thorough presentations and shared information about the figure/topic they represented in class.

As we move into November, we will begin our Annual Food Drive to support families at our school. If you would like to participate, please send in any food items to the donation table just outside the front office. Any families wishing to donate gift certificates to grocery stores would be greatly appreciated.

For the most part, our car loop continues to run smoothly. Please keep the following in mind when driving through the loop:

- Please keep the area in front of the school a cell phone-free zone. We are seeing many parents on their phones while driving in the loop. This presents a possible safety hazard for students and families crossing the road and walking on the sidewalks.
- Many students have been arriving to school prior to 7:30. Please be aware that there is NO supervision at this time. Please do not release your child until there is a school employee in the car loop.
- When arriving in the morning or afternoon, please pull all the way to the end of the walkway. When cars stop in front of the office/aftercare doors, it prohibits the loop from running efficiently.

We appreciate your assistance in following these guidelines.

Warmest Regards,

Mrs. Gunter and Mrs. Wheeler

Thank you to the Tutor Doctor of Palm Bay for providing lunch for our Support Staff on November 1st! We appreciate all of the parent support in voting for PCCA!

Middle Schools

Our Middle School teachers are working diligently to provide a quality learning experience for all of our 6th and 7th grade scholars. The Middle School transition can be difficult for students as they learn to organize and complete materials for multiple classes. As students

work on this transition of work and responsibility, it is so very important that parents continue to play an important role in their child’s education. One way to do so is a daily check of the Middle School website. Teachers are uploading many valuable resources to the site, such as daily homework, resources

used during instruction, and links to related videos.

Middle School Website: (can also be found from the PCCA page)

<https://sites.google.com/a/pineapplecoveclassicalacademy.com/pcca-middle-school/home>

Mark Your Calendar

Moe's Customer Appreciation Day- Moe's of Palm Bay has selected us to be the recipient of their Customer Appreciation Day. On Saturday, 11/6, PCCA will receive 25% of all sales! Please take some time during the day to enjoy lunch or dinner at Moe's!

Food Drive- We will be collecting food for PCCA families during the month of November.

Spirit Shirt Day- Don't forget that scholars can show their Patriot pride on the last Friday of every month by wearing their

PTO General Membership Meeting- ALL parents and families are encouraged to attend the general membership meeting of the PTO. This is a chance for everyone to learn about upcoming events and opportunities for volunteering.

Picture Makeups and Retakes- If you wish to have your child's pictures taken again, or were absent for our first picture day, makeups will be taken on 11/16. Please bring in the picture package already received.

Thanksgiving Feasts- Order forms for Thanksgiving Lunch went home this week. Parents are required to preorder meals for students and guests (3 guest limit) by November 17. Payments will not be accepted on the day of the feasts.



11/4	Kindergarten Field Trip to Brevard Zoo
11/6	Moe's Customer Appreciation Day
11/7	PCCA Food Drive Begins
11/8	Election Day
11/11	Veteran's Day- NO SCHOOL
11/15	6th Grade Field Trip to Kennedy Space Center
11/15	PTO General Membership Meeting (6:00)
11/16	Individual Make Up Pictures
11/17	Thanksgiving Feast orders due
11/18	Food Drive Ends Spirit Day
11/21-11/22	Thanksgiving Feasts in Constitution Hall
11/23-11/25	No School- Thanksgiving
11/28	Christmas Food/Toy Drive begins
12/3	PCCA in the Palm Bay Christmas Parade

Congratulations to the Chess Club

On October 22, PCCA hosted a Chess Tournament. Our Scholastic Experts division won FIRST place! In addition, our K - 3 division won third place. We are very proud of these

students and thank the Cobb family for their continued efforts in supporting the Chess club.

Office Hours

Please be reminded that our office hours are 7:30—3:30. Should you need assistance with clinic or office needs, please call or visit between these hours.

National Junior Honor Society

Haiti Food Drive

Our NJHS scholars worked to collect and pack food items to donate to Haiti victims in the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew. They wish to thank the efforts of the following for their support:

Ms. Sheetz- Collecting food at two places of business

The Garcia Family- Collecting food at their office

The Morin Family- Proposing the food drive idea to the school AND delivering all items to South Florida

Aftercare- Making cards to accompany the food donations

Thanks to all for helping our scholars practice the virtue of Service.

Fundraising Spotlight

Thank you to our families for supporting the continued fundraising efforts of the PCCA PTO. Here are our fundraising totals for the most recent fundraisers:

Dominos Pizza Cards- \$2615.00

Chick-Fil-A- \$1001.00

Texas Roadhouse (Gift Cards and Rolls)- \$1969.00

Halloween Festival- \$3308.07

We are eagerly anticipating the results of the Book Fair sales!

"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."