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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- Arrival and Dismissal

Dear PCCA families,

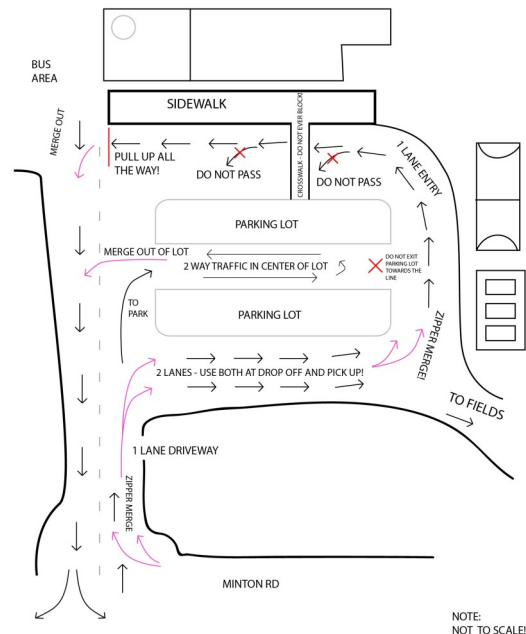
Please understand that we stress courtesy and self-government with our students on a daily basis. This is a cornerstone of who we are as a school and we are proud of the compliments our scholars receive in these areas when we interact with the public. I know we are all in a rush in the morning to get everyone where they need to be, but please know that courtesy and patience with each other in the carloop is essential to the safety of our students. We have noticed cars speeding through the parking lot, cutting each other off at merges, or refusing to let others in to merge. On more than one occasion, teachers have almost been hit by cars. There should be two lanes of cars lined up in the outer loop at both drop off and pick up as this keeps cars off Minton Rd and keeps the City of Palm Bay happy. If we allow each other to merge effectively and politely, the loop will continue to move efficiently.

Please also be wary of the crosswalk as there is always an adult monitoring so children and adults may cross safely. Finally, please utilize hands-free devices in your car if you must be on the phone during arrival or dismissal. It only takes a second for one to look down at a phone when a child may be crossing or step off the sidewalk. Adherence to these policies as well as consistent use of car tags and established dismissal procedures will reduce the amount of time it takes to dismiss students and keep our students safe- which is always our ultimate goal.

Warmest Regards,
Mrs. Gunter

Morning Drop Off Times

Before Care: 6:30
Safety Patrols: 7:20
All other students: 7:30



Curriculum Spotlight

During our September Professional Development Day, we welcomed Mrs. Jill Hitchman, a Riggs trainer and interventionist at Ridgeview Classical Academy in Colorado. Mrs. Hitchman met with our new-to-PCCA teachers to

provide more instruction in Riggs to our new faculty. The following day, Mrs. Hitchman observed and provided feedback to our new teachers in this comprehensive reading, spelling, and handwriting

program. For K-2 scholars, ask them about their phonograms! For 3-7, ask them to show you the Riggs mnemonic marking system.

Mark Your Calendar

Book Fair– Our Book Fair will be held from October 24- November 1 and will also be open during our Halloween Festival. All classes will have the opportunity to visit the Book Fair with their teacher. Please ensure any money sent with scholars is in an envelope marked with their names.

Spirit Shirt Day– Don't forget that scholars can show their Patriot pride on the last Friday of every month by wearing their spirit shirts to school.

Halloween Festival– Our Fall Festival is scheduled for October 29 The event will take place at PCCA. Please look for more information to come home from PTO.

Curriculum Day– On Monday, October 31, PCCA will celebrate a curriculum day. On this day, students will dress as a person from the time period currently studied in class. Students will give presentations about the person they are dressed as and participate in time period specific activities. Look for more information to come home with your scholar.



10/3	Volleyball Pictures for 5th, 6th, and 7th grade teams
10/5	National Junior Honor Society Inductions (7th grade only)
10/7	Basketball forms and money due
10/13	End of first nine weeks
10/20	Report cards issued
10/24	Conference Night 5:00—7:00
10/25	7th grade field trip– Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde
10/24-11/1	Book Fair
10/28	-Spirit Shirt Day -Soccer forms and money due
10/29	Halloween Festival
10/31	Curriculum Day

National Junior Honor Society

With the commencement of our middle school program, PCCA is proud to announce the addition of our National Junior Honor Society!

Mr. Ottinger is sponsoring this

service-oriented honor society to recognize those students who have achieved the highest echelon of academic success. The following students will be inducted in our first ceremony on October 5th:

- Orionne Burbea
- Lilliana Cearra
- Evan Cobb
- Joey Garcia
- Riley Haley
- TaborLee Montefu
- Gavin Phimvilayphone
- Sara Quintero
- Brianna Sheetz
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Fundraising Spotlight

Thank you to our families for supporting the continued fundraising efforts of the PCCA PTO. We were one of the top-achieving schools for Box Tops and Shoparoo during the last year. We also were the top sales in the county for Domino's cards this year– contributing over \$2,600 to our fundraising efforts! This year's goal is to provide a shade structure in our playground area. Keep up the great work!

“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