



Pembroke Pines Charter School Charter Chat 2018-2019

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Empowering Students for the Possibilities of Tomorrow!

Vision - Our vision, as a community, is to cultivate character, and foster life-long learning through a challenging educational experience in a safe environment.

Mission - It is our mission to prepare students to succeed in a global society by providing a personalized and rigorous curriculum through excellence in teaching.

General Information

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year. Our students are off to a terrific start. We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new students and parents. Please contact us if we can assist you in making the transition a smooth one.

Advisory Meeting

The next Advisory Board meeting for East, West & Central will be on September 4, 2018 at the Central Campus. You will receive service hours for attending.

Arrival/Dismissal

PPCS is committed to providing students an education in a safe and secure learning environment. Please know that for school safety, children are not to arrive at school prior to 8:15 am (8:05 West Campus) or to remain on school grounds after 3:45 pm. The school has a supervised before and after school child care program for students who need to be dropped off or picked up earlier or later than the times listed above at a cost.

Email Communication

In an effort to assist with going green, Pembroke Pines Charter Schools will be sending messages and information via technology. It's very important that you keep your contact information up to date, including your email address. There are three (3) ways for you to obtain information:

1. Messages will be sent via Parent-Link, which is by telephone and/or email. FOCUS for the FSU Campus.
 2. Messages will be posted on-line on our website, pinescharter.net.
 3. Messages will be sent via Jupiter Grades and/or Pinnacle.
- Please be sure to keep the school informed of any changes in your address, phone number(s) and email address.

Employee Performance Assessment

Parents have the opportunity to provide input into the faculty and administration performance evaluations. If you are interested, please provide the Principal with your input in writing by April 30, 2019.

Newsletter

This is the first newsletter of the year. The newsletter will be distributed 2-3 times per year. Please visit the school website for up to date news and information.

Parent Liaisons

The Pembroke Pines Charter Schools have a parent liaison assigned to each campus. The liaisons are listed below:

- East Campus** - Mr. Sean Chance
- Central Elem.** - Mr. Michael Castellano
- Central Middle** - Mr. Peter Bayer
- FSU Campus** - Mr. Sean Chance
- West Elem.** - Dr. Lisa Libidinsky
- West Middle** - Mrs. Channale Augustin
- AV Middle & High School** - Mr. Aner Gonzalez

Service Hour Policy

Information - Revised

Effective as of January 9, 2018, the policy is being changed at the direction of the Broward County School District to comply with Florida Department of Education requirements. Monetary donations will no longer count towards a family's service hour requirement.

We understand that parent involvement is an essential aspect of what makes our schools great and we encourage parents to continue to actively participate in their child's education by providing time and resources.

Uniform Policy

All students must be in uniform each day. Navy blue bottoms, appropriate uniform shirt as well as uniform sweater and/or jacket. Please assist in making sure your child's shirt is properly tucked in. ID's should be displayed at the middle and high school levels. Solid navy blue jacket/sweater may be used. Please remember to put your child's name on all sweaters, jackets and sweatshirts. The uniform policy may be viewed at www.pinescharter.net.

Important Phone Numbers

City Manager/ Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Charles Dodge
954 - 450-1040

Central Campus

Sean Chance - Principal
Jenny Iznaga - A.P. Elem.
Dr. Linda Montoto -
A.P. Middle
Elem. - 954-322-3330
Middle - 954-322-3300

East Campus

Channale Augustin - Principal
Dr. Maria Garcia - A.P.
954 - 443-4800

FSU Campus

Dr. Lisa Libidinsky - Principal
Dr. Kimberly Pizzo - A.P.
954 - 499-4244

West Campus

Michael Castellano - Principal
JoAnna DiGioia - A.P. Elem.
Alan Pfau - A.P. Middle
Elem. - 954-450-6990
Middle - 954-443-4847

Planet T Uniforms

954 - 538-0066

Transportation Authority

954 - 364-4790

Advisory Board Dates

Date	Campus	Time
Tuesday, September 4, 2018	Central Campus	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 2, 2018	West Campus	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 13, 2018**	East Campus	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 4, 2018	Central Campus	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, January 8, 2019**	West Campus	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, February 5, 2019	East Campus	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 5, 2019	Central Campus	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 2, 2019	West Campus	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 7, 2019	East Campus	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 4 or 11, 2019	Central Campus	6:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT DATES:

School Fees:

Cash or money order only after May 1, 2019.

Service Hours Due:

Friday, May 24, 2019

Activity Fee for the FSU

Campus due:

Tuesday, June 4, 2019

Important Dates**September**

4 - Dress Down Day - CC
 5 - First Mat Breakfast - WE
 5 - 6th grade Open House - WM
 6 - Dance Team Tryouts - CM
 6 - 7th & 8th grade Open House - WM
 6 - **Early Dismissal at 12:00 p.m.**
 5 - Kids Care Club Meeting FSU
 10 - Day Off
 11 - SOS Dress Down Day
 11 - 14 - Grandparents Breakfast - WE
 11 - City Center 911 Memorial - FSU
 12 - 4th Grade parent Night - WE
 13 - All Pro Dad Breakfast - FSU
 13 - PTA Board Meeting - FSU
 14 - Golf Team Tryouts - CM
 17 - Interim Reports Issued
 17-21 - Peace Week!
 18 - Dress Down Day - CM
 19 - Day Off
 25 - Dress Down Day - CM
 25 - PTA General Meeting - WE
 26 - Dads, Take Your Child to School Day!
 26 - Book Club - FSU
 26 - FSA Night for Parents Gr. 3-5 - FSU
 26 - Kindergarten Parent Night - WE
 27 - Curriculum/Technology Night - CM
 27 - Dress Down Day - FSU
 9/27 - 10/5—Scholastic Book Fair! - FSU

October

2 - Dress Down Day - C
 3 - Kids Care Club Meeting - FSU
 3 - Fall Pictures - WE
 3 - Scholastic Book Fair Family Night and Multicultural Night - FSU
 4 - **Early Dismissal at 12:00 p.m.**
 6 - Train Show - C
 6 - PTA Fall Photo Fundraiser - WE
 8 - 13 - Scholastic Book Fair - WE
 9 - SOS Dress Down
 9 & 11 - SOS In-House Field Trip - FSU
 10 - Student's Individual Picture Day - FSU
 10 - Raising Positive Children Event
 11 - PTA Family Night - WE
 11 - PTA Board Meeting - FSU
 12 - Charter Family Night
 16 - Dress Down Day - C
 17 - Career Day - WE
 17 - SOS Habit Burger Family Night
 18 - **Early Release at 12:45 p.m.**
 18 - Staff Volleyball Technology Fundraiser - WE
 18 - Monster Mini Golf Fam Night - C
 19 - Employee Planning Day
 22 - 26 - Red Ribbon Week
 26 - Fall Dance - CM
 31 - Kindergarten storybook Parade - WE

CE= Central Elementary CM=Central Middle
 E=East Campus FSU=FSU Campus
 WE= West Elementary WM= West Middle

**NEW
2018-2019****Early Release Days and Staff Professional Development Days**

Pembroke Pines Charter Elementary and Middle Schools will be dismissing their students at **12:00 p.m.** on the selected days below and 12:45 p.m. on the remaining early release days so that teachers can attend educational workshops. **Starting in the 2018-2019 school year the Pembroke Pines Charter School system will have 4 additional Early Release days to allow the teachers to participate in Professional Development:**

Thursday, September 6, 2018-Dismissal at 12:00 p.m.*	Thursday, October 4, 2018-Dismissal at 12:00 p.m.*
Thursday, October 18, 2018-Dismissal at 12:45 p.m.	Friday, December 21, 2018- Dismissal at 12:45 p.m.
Thursday, February 7, 2019-Dismissal at 12:00 p.m. *	Thursday, February 21, 2019- Dismissal at 12:45 p.m.
Thursday, March 7, 2019-Dismissal at 12:00 p.m. *	Thursday, March 21, 2019- Dismissal at 12:45 p.m.
Thursday, May 9, 2019- Dismissal at 12:45 p.m.	Tuesday, June 4, 2019- Dismissal at 12:45 p.m.

Faculty Expanding Their Areas of Expertise

We would like to recognize the following teachers at Pembroke Pines Charter Schools who are expanding their expertise beyond their current certification by pursuing college coursework and/or training sessions to become certified in another subject(s). While doing this they are teaching those subjects to students. They have been approved to teach out of field by the Pembroke Pines Charter School's Governing Board.

Academic Village Middle and High School

Carina Blanco - ESOL
 Annette Dallera - Chemistry
 Nahomi Hernandez - ESOL
 Theresa Seiler - ESOL
 Ariel Taylor

Central Campus

Michelle Delgado - Gifted

Latrice Hubert - ELA
 Alejandra Jimenez - Gifted
 Carline Martin-Hernandez - Gifted
 Salim McDowell - Law/Critical Thinking
 Kristin Reid - Gifted
 Keisha Stevens - Gifted
 Jillian Taylor-Smith - Gifted
 Pauline Tucker - Gifted
 Vivian Vergara - Gifted

East Campus

Mercedes Becerra - Gifted
 Yessenia Darna - ESOL
 Maria Delgado - Media Specialist
 Damaris Hernandez - ESOL
 Carlene Lopez - ESOL
 Jennifer Lugo - ESOL
 Donald Nicolas - ESOL
 Sherryl Ogden - ESOL
 Dina Ronshausen - Reading

FSU Campus

Dan Capiro - ESOL
 Elizabeth Fisher - ESE

Kristine Little - ESOL
 Ana Pacini - ESOL
 Olga Perez - ESE
 Elizabeth Slaski - Guidance
 Maryann Tuttle - ESOL & Autism

West Campus

Caridad Alfonso Guzman - Reading
 Tania Alfred - ESOL
 Angelica De Pons - Gifted
 Michelle DeValle - Elem. Ed
 Jennifer DeVesa - ESOL
 Michelle Dougherty - Gifted
 Tranika Fagan - ESOL
 Kimberly Farinella - Gifted
 Shauna Gloudon Blair - ESOL
 Hector Martinez - Gifted
 Natalia Reeves - ESOL
 Jeanine Rodriguez - Gifted
 Dara Sangiovanni - Reading
 Desiree Sielaff - ESOL
 Fermin Vasquez - Gifted
 Lisa Vickers - Science

