

The Panther Playbook

Pines Lakes Elementary
A School Wide Title I School



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BACK TO SCHOOL - ONLINE LEARNING NEWSLETTER

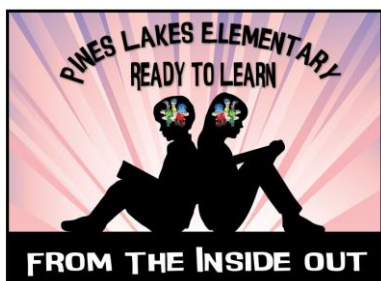
FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, Mrs. Sasse.....

I hope all our families are continuing to stay safe and healthy! I miss having our boys and girls on our campus and interacting with them throughout the day. Starting the 2020-2021 school year without being able to look into their eager and excited faces will definitely not be the same. As we enter the school year virtually, I look forward to connecting with our students via the online tools offered to us. Like you, I cannot wait for the day when we can see each other again in person! We hope this newsletter is helpful in ensuring a smooth start for our Panthers and their families.

We are pleased to provide our students with an improved and enhanced eLearning experience this year! Our teachers have dedicated themselves to creating engaging and exciting lessons through the Canvas platform. Combined with five hours of interactive learning, we are confident that our students will get the most out of their virtual school experience. This year, our school learning theme is **“Ready to Learn – From the Inside, Out”!** We know our students are ready to learn, and our staff is ready to provide them the nurturing they need on the “inside” as well as the structure and academics they need to produce on the “outside”.

Remember to visit your child’s Canvas page and our school website for the most updated information. We look forward to staying connected during the time of eLearning and hope that it won’t be long before we see our Panthers return to PLE!

Mrs. Sasse



STAY CONNECTED:

A weekly Parent Link robo-call message is sent to our PLE parents. This is sent to the phone numbers and/or email address in our system. If you are not receiving these notices, please provide your updated cell phone, home phone and/or email address to your child’s teacher or the front office.

PLE MISSION STATEMENT:

“Preparing the next generation to be problem solvers and innovative thinkers through S.T.E.M. project based learning.”

DEVICE DISTRIBUTION:

Laptops will be available for students to sign-out if they are new or do not currently have a BCPS issued device.

The schedule is posted on our website, and was communicated through Parent Link.

Please read through the Property Pass issued to you for expectations on laptop care and internet use.

Keep in mind that with a loaner device, it's important students do not place permanent marks such as stickers or writing on the devices.

MATERIALS DISTRIBUTION:

Students and teachers have access to digital materials such as textbooks and math manipulatives.

Classroom teachers will instruct students on how to access and use these valuable tools. As such, there should be a limited need for these items to be distributed in person. However, they will be provided to parents, if requested in writing.

Online Safety Practices

Since Digital Curriculum and Resources provided by SBBC will be frequently accessed by students during online learning, this is an opportune time to remind everyone of online safety practices. While these systems deliver a huge number of resources to our classrooms, their ability to serve students and teachers depends on the responsible and ethical use of every device and system. Use of the school district's technology and/or software for any unauthorized purpose is prohibited. This includes the unauthorized use of a computer/technology, including, but not limited to, accessing or breaking into restricted accounts or networks, creating, modifying or destroying files/records without permission, copying software, entering, distributing or printing unauthorized files/records, uploading to the Internet and/or sharing or distributing, offensive or inappropriate material, including video, and any other misuse or violation of the School Board of Broward County Technology-Acceptable Use Policy 5306, Section 6.

**First day of school via online learning is
Wednesday, August 19th**

Each student in BCPS has a suite of grade level appropriate academic tools available to them around the clock, every day of the year.

Access to adopted textbooks, Canvas learning management system and dozens of other resources are available through this Clever portal.

Students can access their suite of resources via the [Single-Sign-On Clever LaunchPad](#). Some of the resources may require the teacher to provide access before the student can initiate the activities.

**VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE
Wednesday, August 19th**

**Grades PreK-2 @ 6pm
Grades 3-5 @ 7pm**

Open House will be held virtually through Teams. The link will be posted in your child's Canvas course.

If you are unable to attend, a link to the recorded version will be posted to your child's Canvas account within 24 hours after the event.



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19th

First Day of School

Virtual Open House:

Lower School- Grades PK- 2 @ 6:00pm

Upper School- Grades 3-5 @7:00pm

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th

Labor Day Holiday- NO SCHOOL

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th

Interim Reports Issued

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th

PRE-K RESOURCES:

We are dedicated to keeping our young families connected with the latest online resources and information needed to support their children's learning. Visit the link below for some educational resources, including a list of free online resources and daily schedules:

<https://www.browardschools.com/Page/52428>

CLASS LISTS

Class lists are not finalized until the first day of school. Any teacher assignments you see online may change before that date.



Meal distribution will begin on the first day of school, Wednesday, August 19, 2020. Thereafter, meals will be available to our families on Tuesdays and Thursdays during two time periods, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Families who wish to pick up a meal should enter west carpool, accessed from 103rd Avenue.

LEARNING NEVER CLOSES!

We are committed to helping children reach their maximum potential as lifelong learners.

Our goal is to provide parents, guardians, and caregivers with guidance and resources needed to help ensure their child is successful during eLearning.

Click on the link below for helpful resources:

<http://bit.ly/SupportingYoungLearners>



STAY INFORMED!

This site includes important resources regarding Coronavirus and information regarding keeping children healthy. Please note information is always changing and we will provide the latest updates as soon as possible.

<https://news.browardschools.com/>

STATE TESTING DATES:

English Language Arts (ELA), Mathematics, and Science	
Dates	Assessment
April 5–16, 2021	Grades 4–10 ELA Writing Grade 3 ELA Reading
May 3–14, 2021	Grades 4–6 ELA Reading Grades 3–6 Mathematics
May 3–28, 2021	Grades 7–10 ELA Reading Grades 7 & 8 Mathematics
May 10–21, 2021	Grades 5 & 8 Science

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