



Newsletter

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Let's Honor Our History

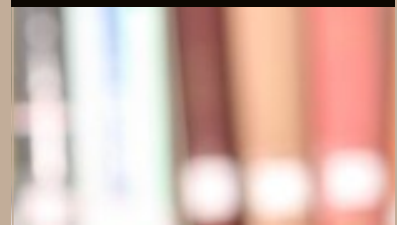
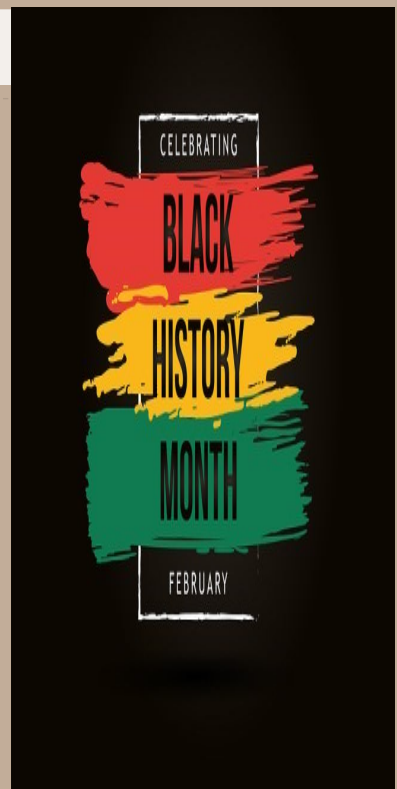
Black History Month is a time for all Americans to celebrate and honor the pivotal members of our history. It is a time for us to marvel in the groundbreaking changes that has changed our society. The brave trailblazers of the Underground Railroad, the Montgomery Bus Boycott, the Civil Rights Movement, and much more certainly deserves our remembrance. Take time this month to have important conversations about our history with your family. Let's celebrate Black History together!

Educationally Yours,

Dr. Henry L Brown III

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- February 11th–Interim Reports
- February 21st– No School
- March 17th– Early Release
- March 18th-No School
- Spring Break- March 21st-28



NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH

January is National Mentoring Month Join Broward County Public Schools in amplifying the value and importance of mentoring in the lives of youth. Mentoring has tangible benefits. Did you know that with a mentor, young people are: • 52% less likely to skip a day of school • 78% more likely to volunteer regularly in

their communities • 130% more likely to hold a leadership position in a club or sports team?

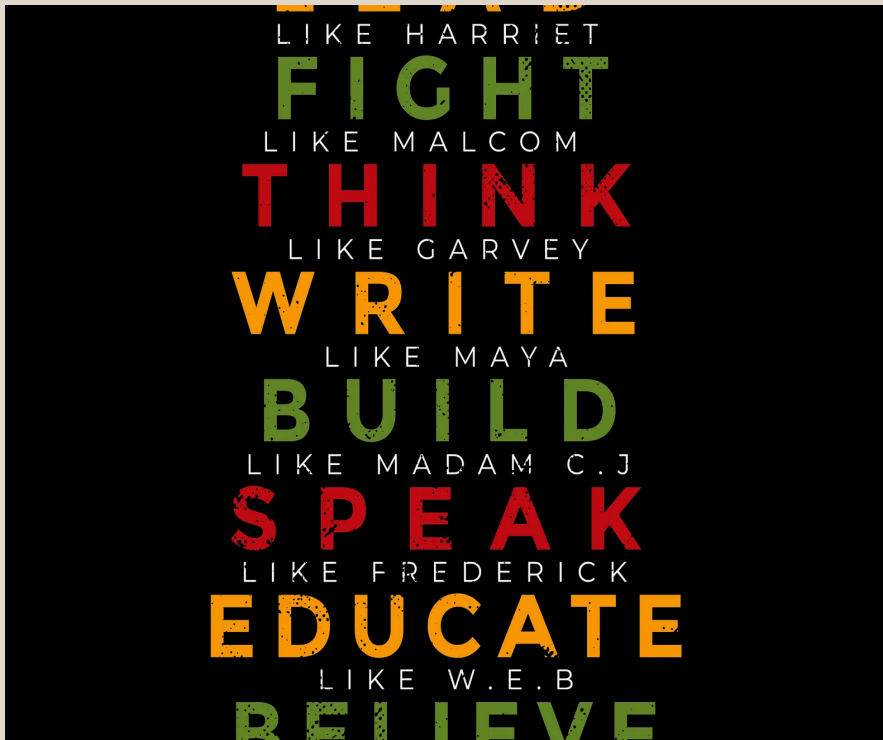
Pine Ridge Education Center has a mentoring program where each teacher has a student he or she mentors. We believe in “Making Moments with Our Students.”

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FSA TESTING TIPS/STRATEGIES

8 Tips to Help Your Child Prepare for Testing

- 1. Prioritize attendance and homework**-If your student is absent for a day, make sure they can make up what they missed.
- 2. Communicate with teachers**-Regular communication with your child's instructor can help you gain insight into his or her progress.
- 3. Talk to your child about test taking**-You can also use this opportunity to ask your students how they feel about testing.
- 4. Offer positive reinforcement**-Praise your child for the work that he or she does to prepare for testing, and when they're struggling support and encourage them.
- 5. Support healthy habits**-On testing days, it's especially important to make sure that your child gets a good night's sleep, starts the day with a filling breakfast, and goes to school with a water bottle to help stay hydrated.
- 6. Give your child a study space**- Make sure your child has a quiet space to complete homework assignments
- 7. Keep testing in perspective**- Try not to put too much pressure on your child regarding test scores
- 8. Debrief after the test**- Talking about testing can also help your child process the experience and overcome any anxiety that he or she might have had.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

"Black History Month is an amazing time of reflection and celebration as we celebrate where we came from, where we are, and where we are going as an African American race. Many of our African American Leaders paved the way so that we can become educators, doctors, lawyers, and the list goes in. In the words of the late Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. we are Free at Last! This month helps to provide a sense of Equity as we celebrate with all races and cultures. Blacks, Whites, Hispanics, and the list goes on are now able to live and work together in harmony in an ever-changing world. Our children are encouraged to be whatever they put their too. The road to success is always under construction and every day we wake up we are continuously building. Always remember, the sky is NOT the limit! There is a universe far beyond the sky, so never limit yourself but keep climbing and moving forward!

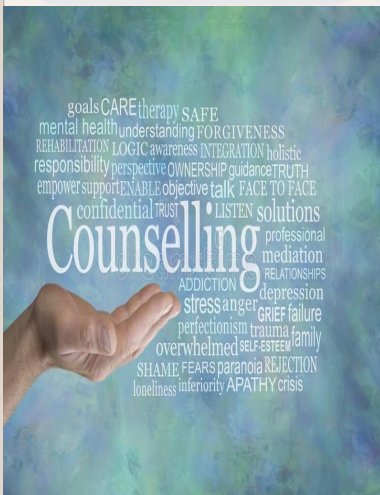
-Mr. Shedric McGauley, Jr. "

PARENTRY TIPS

Internet Safety

- Use the internet with your children.
- Teach your children never to give out personal information.
- Instruct your child never to plan a face-to-face meeting with online acquaintances.
- Establish clear ground rules for internet use with your family.

Tell your children not to respond if they receive offensive or dangerous emails, chat requests, or other types of communication; and to tell you.



BULLDOGS PARENTS CORNER

Tips on Academic Success/In and Out of School for Parents

- After a punishment is all forgiven? Pressing restart and beginning again is critical to change. Children thrive on love, tolerance, and acceptance. Bonus: They will feel safe which also increases self-esteem and confidence.
- Our emotions are mirrored by our children. If we yell at a yelling child to stop yelling, they may do so temporarily or they may yell louder. Ultimately, they learn that yelling

solves the problem. All of our actions are copied by our “little mirrors.” When they go high, it is important to go low in tone of voice and posture to communicate effectively and to stop the acting out and start the positive interactions. Praise is the number one way to change behavior.

- If you see behavior that you like praise, praise, and PRAISE some more! Rewarding (bribing) a child to stop a behavior causes them to do it more often.

“Fight the Power”

GUIDANCE CORNER

The Broward County character trait for the month of February is HONESTY. Honesty-Being truthful, trustworthy, and sincere.



FAMILY COUNSELING

Tips for Care Givers

How to ask your child and your student about their day
How many times have you asked a child, “how are you today?” or “how was your day?” only to be met with, “good,” or “fine.”

Such broad questions often lead us to the same response. Instead, let’s look at being both creative and specific. Here are some questions that accomplish this:

- Play the high low game: What was the low part of your day? What was the high part of your day?
- Can you name 5 things that made you happy today?
- What is something that you did new? How did it make you feel?

These questions will reduce boredom and monotony, will help deepen your relationships and will create something fun to look forward to at the end of the school day.

SAC/SAF UPDATES

Pine Ridge appreciates Parent Involvement and the SAC/SAF meetings are to inform parents what is happening on in our school and keep them abreast of upcoming activities, festivities, and academic goals for the upcoming school year.

February 24th,2022

March 30th,2022



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TEACHER SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH

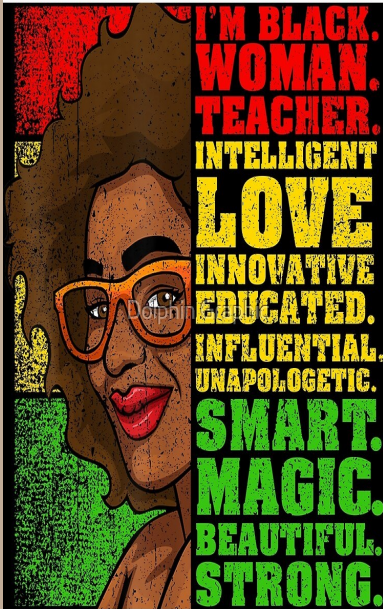
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CONGRATULATIONS!

Mr. Pericles



PINE RIDGE EDUCATION CENTER



Pine Ridge Education Center is a school where second chances are given. We're the only Alternative Center for grades K-6; we also house the Promise Program (K-12), The R.I.S.E Program (7), and the AES Program (K-6). Even though we are an alternative center, we have high expectations for our students as it relates to academics and behavior. Our curriculum is the same as every other elementary school in the District, but we do implement the Social Emotional Learning (SEL) standards through our Life Skills class. We teach our students if no one else believes in them, they have to believe in themselves first.

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