

**Palm Bay Elementary**

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# PALM BAY ELEMENTARY

## MISSION STATEMENT

Our Mission is to empower our diverse community to LEAD and learn.

## VISION STATEMENT

Our Vision is to be the first choice for innovative LEADers and learners.



**#LitPirateProud**

**PALM BAY ELEMENTARY**

**Lauren Hollis**  
Assistant Principal

**Michael Mahl**  
Principal

**HOME OF THE LI'L PIRATES!**



### Student Instructional Hours

Monday through Thursday 7:55am to 2:30pm,

Friday 7:55am to 1:15pm.

Students may enter the building at 7:30am for breakfast.

Title I is a federal grant that ensures students have the opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and to reach proficiency on state standards and assessments. The primary focus of the Title I program is to support the students most at risk for academic failure. Title I provides supplemental funds to school districts to help schools with high concentrations of poverty to meet educational goals. Our School Improvement Plan (SIP) serves as our Title I Plan. The administration team collects data (including student assessment data) and feedback throughout the year from parents, teachers, and our School Advisory Council (SAC) to determine the goals for our SIP. The Title I budget is created to support the SIP goals. At PBE, Title I pays half of the salary of our Literacy Coach and the entire salary of our Math Coach, Science Lab Teacher, and Reading Interventionist. Some Title I funds are spent on family engagement and others on technology.

The Parent & Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) contains information on how Palm Bay Elementary School works with the community, volunteers, and business partnerships to increase student achievement. Title I schools provide training to both staff and parents, designed to increase student achievement and support family engagement. The plan describes how the school will carry out parent involvement requirements including developing the school-family compact for learning. The compact outlines the responsibilities of the student, parent, and teacher in striving to raise student achievement. Title I also ensures that parents/guardians receive information in an understandable language, hence translations for English Language Learners.

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Florida's academic content standards establish high expectations for all students in the areas of reading, writing, science, and math. The BEST standards for ELA reading and math identify what students need to know. Cpalms.org is the state of Florida's official website for standards information. Title I families have the Right to Know teacher certification. PBE has a Title I binder located in the front office with this information. Title I schools ensure that parents are provided information regarding their child's achievement level on all state assessments, and PBE provides families with learning activities to help the student at home.

Stay informed about Title I by visiting Palm Bay Elementary School's website. Title I information can be found under the Faculty and Staff tab. For translation needs, click the icon in the top right hand corner and select the desired language.

Some tips for success include:

- sign up for and use your FOCUS account to check your child's grades
- communicate with your child's teacher/ attend our monthly SAC meetings/school events
- check out materials from our Title I Parent Resource Room to use at home.

Karen Reid, *PBE Title I Coordinator*

### **Parent Resource Room**

PBE has a parent resource room that includes materials for families to borrow free of charge. Some examples are learning games for reading and math, manipulatives to help with reading and math, and parenting books. No matter your child's grade level or ability, PBE has materials to help! If you would like to see what we have to offer for parent check out, please contact Mrs. Reid at 723-1055 ext. 48298 or [reid.karen@brevardschools.org](mailto:reid.karen@brevardschools.org) to schedule a time.

### **District and School Report Cards**

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), requires that a Local Educational Agency prepare and disseminate an annual Local Educational Agency report card and provide information on state, local, and school performance and progress in an understandable and uniform format.

District and School grades provide an easily understandable way to measure the performance of a school. Parents and the public can use the grades and their components to understand how well each district and/or school is serving its students. District and school grades for the 2022-2023 school year serve as an Informational Baseline using the new assessment cut scores. Use the links provided below to view either the 2022-2023 Brevard School District Report Card or Palm Bay Elementary School Report Card. If you would like a printed copy or need translation assistance, please notify PBE's front office.

Palm Bay Elementary Report Card Link:

<https://edudata.fldoe.org/ReportCards/Schools.html?school=2081&district=05>

Brevard School District Report Card Link:

<https://edudata.fldoe.org/ReportCards/Schools.html?school=0000&district=05>

## **Don't Miss Out on Cherished Memories!**

Capture the precious moments of your child's school year with the  
**Palm Bay Elementary Yearbook!**

Our yearbook team has worked tirelessly to compile the highlights, achievements, and memories of this academic year into a beautifully designed keepsake.



### **Yearbook Details:**

**Price:** \$20

**Purchase Link:** <https://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A09858530>

**Last Day for Online Sales:** May 10th

**Expected Delivery Date:** May 10th

**Act Now! Don't Let Memories Fade Away!**

\* Visit <https://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A09858530> to secure your copy.

\* Hurry! Online sales close on May 10th.

\* Mark your calendars for the *expected delivery date* on May 10th.

Your child's school year is full of priceless memories waiting to be cherished.

# **STEAM SHOWCASE**

## **Thursday May 2, 2024**

**Join us at PBE for a showcase event!**

### **Activities include:**

**Hands-On STEAM Activities**

**PBE's Destination Mars Team**

**PBE Orchestra**

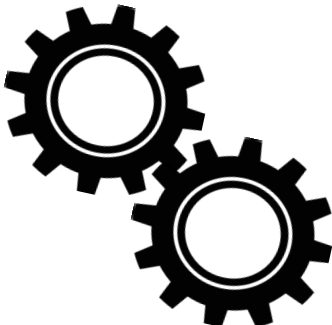
**PBE Chorus**

**PBE Praise Dancers**

**PBMHS VEX Robotic Team**

**PBMHS TSA Team**

**Brevard Ed Tech**



Adults interested in becoming a Brevard Public Schools Approved Volunteer must become approved by completing the application and fingerprinting process through Brevard Public Schools. The initial cost to become an approved volunteer is \$35. Act now! The fee is currently waived, but the District will again charge the initial \$35 at the end of this school year. There is an annual \$8 renewal fee. The online application for a VECHS Level II background check must be completed prior to fingerprinting. Brevard Public Schools has published a list of felony offenses that will disqualify applicants from eligibility. Fingerprinting must be completed at the BPS Educational Services Facility at the Office of District and School Security in Viera.

An applicant will be notified once approved to serve as a BPS Volunteer. Then, an approved applicant should alert Mrs. Miller at PBE of their volunteer status. Visit [www.brevardschools.org/Page/11104](http://www.brevardschools.org/Page/11104) for additional information and a list of FAQs about the BPS volunteer application and fingerprinting process.

Palm Bay Elementary is grateful to the parents, grandparents and friends of PBE who assist with special activities and field trips. If you have questions about becoming an approved BPS volunteer, please contact Mrs. Miller at [Miller.Barbara@BrevardSchools.org](mailto:Miller.Barbara@BrevardSchools.org).



### Upcoming Calendar Events!

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| April 22nd NO SCHOOL  | May 9th Field of Dreams trip (Parks, Bisbal, Scardina)   |
| April 23rd STARBASE trip (Rockhill)                           | May 10th Kona Ice at Knecht Park fundraiser 1:15pm       |
| April 23rd End 4th Interim                                    | May 13th SAC meeting 5pm                                 |
| April 24th STARBASE trip (Rockhill)                           | May 14th STEM event grades 3rd-6th                       |
| April 26th Field Day PreK through 2nd                         | May 14th Girls In STEM 2:45pm                            |
| April 26th Kennedy Space Center ATX gr. 3 (Cubero, Nock)      | May 14th DOVE Bible Club 2:45pm                          |
| April 29th SAC meeting 5pm                                    | May 15th Success Celebrations grades 1st, 2nd, 3rd       |
| April 30th Kennedy Space Center ATX gr. 3 (Dormer, O'Connell) | May 16th Success Celebrations 4th, 5th                   |
| May 1st FAST ELA 3rd-6th                                      | May 16th LEAD Loot Store                                 |
| May 2nd FAST Math 3rd-6th                                     | May 17th Success Celebrations Kindergarten               |
| May 2nd LEAD Celebration 1:20pm                               | May 22nd Sixth Grade Promotion                           |
| May 2nd STEAM Showcase 5-7pm                                  | May 23rd PreK Promotion                                  |
| May 3rd PreK Touch A Truck event                              | May 24th Last Day for Students/ Progress Reports go home |
| May 4th Parent FOCUS / Enrollment Verification 9am-1pm        | May 27th NO SCHOOL                                       |
| May 6th-10th Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week              | May 28th Last Day for Teachers                           |
| May 8th State Science Assessment, 5th grade                   |  |
| May 8th PreK Muffins With Moms                                |  |

# UPCOMING EVENTS



Benefiting Brevard Public Schools

Register your CCU Visa Credit or Debit Card using the simple and secure online form at [www.CCUFlorida.org/bucks](http://www.CCUFlorida.org/bucks) and CCU will make a \$5 donation to Palm Bay Elementary. Urge your friends to do it too! If you have more than one card (from a joint account), please register each card. Any CCU member with a valid CCU Visa Credit Card or Debit Card can participate in School Bucks! It doesn't cost anything!