Our District Vision

Our vision is to create a community which works together so all Pasco County students will reach their highest potential.



Funds received from Educational Enhancement Trust Funds (Lottery) in 2009-2010:

Pasco County received: \$186,637.00

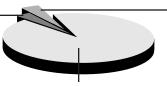
Amount distributed to schools: \$187,547.00

Our school received: \$2,697

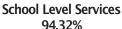
General Operating Budget

The 2010-2011 budget for all funds in the district included a General Operating Fund of \$480,271,190.00

Curriculum and — Staff Development 2.3%



District Services 3.35%





A more detailed report of the NCLB SPAR (No Child Left Behind School Public Accountability Report) or a complete copy of the school improvement plan is available in the school office for review.

Paul R. Smith Middle School

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District School Board of Pasco County 2010–2011 School Profile

Paul R. Smith Middle School

Principal: Dr. Chris Dunning

Message from the Superintendent

The 2010-2011 school year is off to a great start, as we have a strong team of talented educators working throughout our schools every day. We are eager to partner with you to make this a successful school year for your child. One important way we can work together to maximize your child's potential is to reinforce the expectation of good attendance. When students prioritize being at school on time, they are more likely to have a successful experience. We appreciate your help in achieving this important goal.



Heather Fiorentino Superintendent

Our theme for the year is *Learning in the 21st Century*. You will notice an emphasis on the integration of technology into your child's learning as we strive to prepare all students for the challenges of tomorrow and provide equitable access to the tools he or she will need for success. Additionally, our focus is on developing the 21st Century Literacy skills that are needed in our ever-changing world. We want to help our students become better problem solvers, engaged in the world around them and equipped with the critical thinking skills that are needed for analyzing, developing innovative solutions and sharing their creativity with others. Today's students are tomorrow's leaders and we are fostering a supportive learning environment that will help them to reach their dreams.

As we immerse students in an enriching educational environment, we will be expanding the availability of digital learning content. With the use of these resources comes the need for a higher level of personal responsibility for students. We want to help your child develop an understanding of how to navigate online resources in a responsible and safe manner. As part of the cultivation of those skills, we will enforce high expectations that all students will appropriately use these tools to enhance their education. Your help in reminding your child to use technology in an appropriate manner would be greatly appreciated.

As you are probably aware, our District still faces significant financial challenges. In addition to a third consecutive year of multi-million dollar budget shortfalls, districts throughout the state are required to implement the final phase of the class size amendment this year. Despite these challenges, we remain committed to prioritizing the needs of students and ensuring a high quality educational experience for the children of Pasco County.

Again, thank you for your support of our school district. We look forward to working with you to maximize your child's success this year.

Heather Fiorentino, Superintendent of Schools

Message from the Principal

As we enter into our fifth year at Paul R. Smith Middle School we find an influx of new families, which adds wonderful opportunities to our school. We have added additional high energy staff which are a great fit to our already extremely dedicated staff who are willing to do whatever it takes to make sure every student succeeds. The successes we have seen in our athletic programs and in our community outreach have been wonderful, but most important is the success we have seen with our students. Our students are making great academic gains and are socially developing into mature young adults.

School Mission Statement

Our mission at Paul R. Smith Middle School is to develop self-motivated, lifelong learners who reach their highest potential. This occurs through a challenging and stimulating curriculum and the establishment of positive relationships between teachers, students, parents, and the community.



Students with good attendance perform better in school.

Learning Environment

The District School Board of Pasco County provides an environment conducive to teaching and learning.

School Membership Total Students

(September 2010)

890

Percentage of students on free or reduced price lunch:

71.8%

School Improvement Plan 2010-2011

Writing Across the Curriculum, Reading Across the Curriculum, and Student Attendance were all major school wide focus areas of the School Improvement Plan this year. Staff continued their work with writing and, additionally, the staff was trained on how to incorporate several reading strategies within their classes. By instructing students on reading and writing in all content areas, we were able to see excellent growth in our students' academic abilities. In regards to attendance, the school implemented new processes and procedures to increase communication with the families. This coupled with an incentive program should help us to continue to see improvement in this area. In the end, progress continues to be made in each area of our plan and we will continue to strive towards improvement for all.



Text Tip: Text"CSTB plus your message" to CRIMES (274637)

Teachers and Staff

The schools, district and state ensure professional teachers and staff.

Total Number of Instructional Staff 61

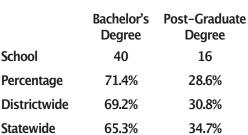
Number of newlyhired instructional staff members and administrators at this school:

13

Percentage of outof-field teachers in 2009-2010: Percent of instructional/administrative staff who were newly hired in 2009-2010:

School District State 20.3% 13.3% 14.8%

Degree Level of Teachers





Pasco County is proud to have 192 National Board Certified Teachers employed in our schools.



Family and Community Involvement

Families and community members are encouraged to volunteer in our schools. There are many areas in which volunteers assist: assisting teachers, working with students, supervising students, and helping with school activities to name just a few. To register to be a volunteer at a school go to www.pasco.k12.fl.us and click on the Volunteer Application.

Family and community involvement make a significant difference in a child's success.



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Volunteer Hours

Number of hours volunteered at this school during the 2009-2010 school year: 401

Number of hours volunteered district wide during the 2009-2010 school year: 361,704



Student Performance

Our students successfully compete at the highest levels nationally and internationally and are prepared to make well-reasoned and healthy lifelong decisions.

School wide proficiency data by subgroup

The state target proficient percent for this year is 72% for reading and 78% for mathematics.

	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	American Indian	Disabled	Economically Disadvantaged	ELL
Reading								
Grade 6 %	66	22	71	77	100	21	61	25
Grade 7 %	67	8	58	80	40	32	60	37
Grade 8 %	45	23	37	34	50	18	38	0
Mathematics	5							
Grade 6 %	46	6	35	50	100	10	37	0
Grade 7 %	59	8	51	80	60	29	51	25
Grade 8 %	64	33	62	50	50	33	58	29



Florida School Grade and Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)

The percent of students scoring at certain levels are used to calculate school accountability results.

Our school
was assigned
the grade of
B
for the 2009-2010
school year.

FCAT Achievement

The Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) provides feedback on students' performance on the Sunshine State Standards. Data reported from spring 2010.

	Reading					Math					Science				
Level	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	_5
Grade 6															
School %	19	17	35	24	6	36	22	26	12	4					
Pasco %	14	16	35	26	9	25	21	31	17	6					
State %	17	16	32	26	9	23	19	29	19	9					
Grade 7															
School %	17	21	33	22	7	25	21	30	19	5					
Pasco %	11	18	37	26	9	19	20	33	20	7					
State %	14	17	34	24	10	19	20	32	21	9					
Grade 8															
School %	25	34	33	7	1	16	24	38	17	6	33	37	26	4	0
Pasco %	16	29	36	16	3	12	19	41	19	9	21	35	35	7	2
State %	17	27	34	17	4	12	20	38	19	12	25	32	32	8	2

Grade 8 FCAT Writing

Scores range from 1 (low) to 6 (high).

School 3.7 Pasco 3.9 State 4.1 No data are reported when less than ten students were tested.

School guidance counselors are available to help your child be successful in school.

