

Learning in the 21st Century

2010-2011

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District School Board of Pasco County
Heather Fiorentino, Superintendent

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It is our District's vision to *create a community which works together so all Pasco County students will reach their highest potential*. We believe students are individuals with varying abilities and talents. Each student develops his/her unique characteristics while growing and learning in school, at home and in the community. We also believe learning should be relevant and prepare students for rewarding careers in a changing professional environment. Our District's design and vision for education is based on the concept of **A Community of Connected Schools**. The concept is founded on the three guiding principles of **Continuous Progress**, **Continuity of Caring** and **Ensuring Equity and Excellence**.

Continuous Progress schools and classrooms allow and encourage students to learn in a continuous progression as unique individual learners, each needing different learning plans or paths toward the achievement of high standards of education. Thus, the education of our students is focused on the whole child – his/her academic, social, emotional, physical and artistic growth.



Superintendent's Staff



Ruth B. Reilly
Assistant
Superintendent
for Curriculum
and Instructional
Services

In a day and age of rapidly occurring changes, schools are confronted with challenges that require educators to actively engage in collaborative efforts so all students can reach their highest potential. Aligning resources, ensuring evidence-based practices, creating timely and systematic responses to address problems, increasing collaboration and efficiency and using evidence of student learning to make important decisions will assist the district in creating an integrated system to elevate our school improvement efforts and assist all students in meeting their individual educational goals. Together, we will reach our shared purpose to ensure high levels of learning for all students.



Olga Swinson
Chief Finance Officer

The economy continues to play a significant role in our State and our District. Every school district in the State has struggled with funding from time to time but not to the extent of what we are currently experiencing. It was a challenge to put together a comprehensive budget for this year. Our primary goal was to ensure that each student would not be affected. The funds received through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 will provide the needed assistance to keep us going during this school year.

We are constantly monitoring our resources and evaluating our costs. We are very aware that the decisions that are made today will affect the future of our school district and the children of Pasco County.



Renalia S. DuBose, Esq.
Assistant
Superintendent
for Administration

While the instructional programs comprise the core function of our District, support for the instructional programs is vital to the success of our students. As the largest employer in Pasco County, it is vital that District staff provide services to support the instructional programs of the District. Human Resources, Employee Relations, Information Services, Pasco Education Foundation, Transportation and Charter Schools are committed to providing quality service to our students, parents and community. As a support to our schools and community, we understand our commitment to creating a community that works together to ensure that all students reach their highest potential.



David Scanga, Ed.D.
Assistant
Superintendent
for Elementary Schools

The focus of our elementary schools is on educating the "whole child" by addressing the academic, social, physical and emotional needs of every child. Highly trained teachers and staff are dedicated to creating a learning environment where students thrive as unique and capable individuals. Encircled by parents, teachers, staff and classmates, elementary children develop deep and lasting connections with the world around them.



Tina Tiede
Assistant
Superintendent
for Middle Schools

Our middle school program is designed to provide all students with an energetic learning environment that focuses on academic success. Teachers utilize a variety of teaching and learning approaches to help students achieve standards and demonstrate high quality work. The team approach creates a supportive structure where students feel comfortable, safe and accepted. Our middle schools are an integral part of each community and parents are welcome partners.

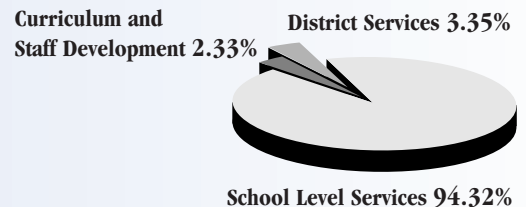


James T. Davis
Assistant
Superintendent
for High, Adult and
Alternative Schools

Pasco is proud to offer a well-rounded curriculum and a supportive learning environment for all students. We facilitate hands-on learning environments through the integration of technology in every classroom, relevant and rigorous curriculum, personal relationships and state-of-the-art career education programs. Our goal is to engage students in becoming active participants in their education as we prepare them for success in the global economy.

Operating Budget

The 2009-2010 total budgeted appropriation is \$480,271,190.



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.

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

Heather Fiorentino, Superintendent of Schools

A View of Pasco Schools (as of fall 2010)

Number of Students 67,477 <i>(Prekindergarten – 12th grade)</i>	Ethnicity
	White 69%
	Black 6%
Number of Schools 84	Hispanic 18%
Elementary 46	Asian/American Indian/Pacific/Alaskan Native/Other . . 7%
Middle 15	Free and Reduced Lunch 53%
High 13	Students with Disabilities 17%
Educational Centers 4	Number of Employees 9,811
Virtual School (K-12) 1	Teachers 5,412
Charter Schools 5	Instructional Support 4,085 <i>(e.g., secretarial, transportation, custodial)</i>
	School-Based & District Administrators . . 314

2010 School Board Members



Allen Altman
Vice Chairman, District 1

The Pasco County School Board is committed to strengthening the community by securing a strong foundation for student success. The Board carefully prioritizes its resources to ensure all children have access to quality educational opportunities that will prepare them for global citizenship. We are proud of the progress we have made as we strive to support all students in reaching their highest potential and look forward to building upon these achievements during the upcoming year.



Joanne Hurley
Chairman, District 2



Cynthia Armstrong
District 3



Alison Crumbley
District 4



Steve Luikart
District 5

Pasco Fast Facts

- 2010-2011 New School Openings** **3**
2 Elementary Schools, and 1 High School
- Student lunches served daily** **39,400**
- Student breakfasts served daily** **18,500**
- Total meals served during the 2009-2010 school year** **10,404,674**
- Student bus riders daily** **36,142**
- Total bus miles traveled during the 2009-2010 school year** **7,677,444**
- Times eSemblar is accessed daily** **25,000**

Our Vision At Work For ALL Students

Advanced Academic Opportunities

International Baccalaureate Diploma Program

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IB) offers challenging and rigorous courses to highly motivated students pursuing college credit during high school. The IB diploma affords students many benefits and is widely accepted at universities and colleges throughout the world. International Baccalaureate programs in Pasco County serve students throughout the county and are offered at Land O' Lakes and Gulf High Schools. The IB program consists of four years of intensive study in English, mathematics, history, foreign language, experimental sciences and an academic elective. Students are required to complete the theory of knowledge component, submit a 4,000 word extended essay, take the related IB examinations and donate at least 150 hours of service to the community. For more information, please visit www.ibo.org.

Advanced Placement

Advanced Placement is rigorous, college-level coursework taught on the high school campus. This is a national program accredited through the College Board. There are 37 AP courses and exams offered in 22 subject areas in Pasco. Students can earn college credit by scoring a 3 or better on the national AP Exams given annually each May. College credit may vary from one college to another; therefore, students are advised to plan with their chosen college admissions counselor. For more information, please visit www.collegeboard.com.

Dual Enrollment

By meeting the entrance requirements of Pasco-Hernando Community College (PHCC) and with the approval of parents and the principal, students may take advanced academic courses

on their school campus or at PHCC and receive both high school and college credit. Tuition and most required materials are free to students. Students who are considering taking dual enrollment courses must be socially mature and able to handle the requirements of college. Study habits should be strong and consistent. Students should be able to balance other activities with college courses. Coursework completed through PHCC becomes part of the student's official high school and college transcripts.

There are registration deadlines for dual enrollment. Interested students should see their guidance counselor for paperwork and approval. PHCC academic advisors are also available to students.

Gifted Students

The District School Board of Pasco County offers a comprehensive gifted program with specialized instruction for addressing the unique needs of gifted students while promoting their academic, social and emotional growth within the global community. Gifted students are those children and young adults whose abilities and potential for accomplishment are exceptional and for whom differentiated educational programs are necessary for development. These students possess the capabilities for outstanding performance in various future pursuits, and they need to acquire the skills of critical thinking, problem solving, leadership, self-awareness, and decision-making. For more information about gifted services, please contact the Exceptional Student Education Department.

Exceptional Student Education

A variety of services and programs are offered to our special needs students throughout the county to provide supportive learning environments. Accommodations and/or modifications in

assignments, courses, teaching methods, instructional materials and assessment methods are individualized to enhance the learning experience for each student.

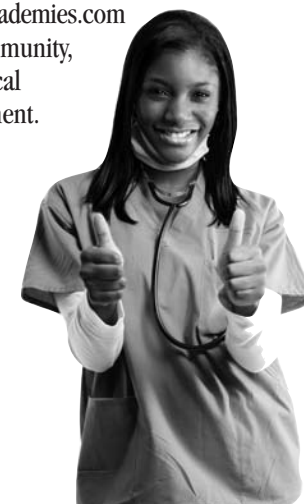
The Exceptional Student Education staff is committed to meeting the needs of all students with disabilities and assisting families of these students in Pasco County. Our goal is to maximize opportunities for all students so that they can reach their highest potential.

Certified Career Academies

www.pascocareeracademies.com

The Certified Career Academy initiative offers rigorous and relevant career education by providing a vital link between education and industry. It is an effort to prepare students to meet the challenges of the 21st century and for success in the global marketplace.

Future opportunities for Certified Career Academy students are unlimited. Students who earn industry certifications have a distinct competitive advantage in entering their chosen field of employment and/or in continuing their career preparation through higher education. For more information, visit www.pascocareeracademies.com or contact the Community, Career and Technical Education Department.



A Well-rounded Curriculum

An important part of preparing students for global citizenship and global awareness is the development of the “whole child.” Therefore, the District provides access to a well-rounded curriculum that engages students in learning, which includes rigorous programs in the arts, world languages, language arts, social studies, mathematics, science and technology. In addition, the District provides a health and physical education curriculum that emphasizes healthy behaviors. The District provides hands-on learning and project-based opportunities to reinforce the concepts learned in the classroom. Such activities include field experiences, guest speakers and interactive learning environments. For example, to engage students in the science curriculum, the District’s Environmental Education program features three off-site learning centers that allow students to explore natural habitats as they develop a sense of collective and individual responsibility for the preservation of Florida’s precious ecosystem.

Additionally, the District understands that today’s students will confront new challenges as they strive to meet the demands of our changing global environment. To better prepare students for these challenges, the District has embarked upon a global initiative that provides opportunities for staff and students to network with their international peers. Through collaboration, we can ensure that all students are equipped with the skills they need for success.

The District also offers an array of extra-curricular and co-curricular activities designed to provide students with multiple opportunities to develop or refine skills in a specific area. Creativity, innovation and exploration are encouraged as students discover their talents and abilities.

Head Start, Early Head Start, Voluntary PreK (VPK) and ESE Pre-K Programs

Research clearly identifies school readiness as an important indicator of student achievement. In an effort to close the achievement gap for at-risk students and ensure that all children are prepared for success, our District provides a variety of services to young children. Our school district is the provider of the federally funded Head Start and Early Head Start programs. The Early Head Start Program provides early intervention services to infants, toddlers and pregnant women from at-risk populations. Both programs effectively serve income-eligible children and families at school sites in an effort to promote and support school readiness. Since 2006, our school district has participated in the state’s Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) Program for all four-year-olds through summer VPK. In order to extend services, the District’s Head Start program also dually enrolls students in a yearlong VPK program. To learn more about how your child can take advantage of these opportunities, please contact the Pre-Kindergarten Department or the Exceptional Student Education Services Department.

Title I Programs

Each year, in accordance with federal guidelines, the District designates schools with the highest populations of economically disadvantaged students (based upon participation in the Free or Reduced Priced Meals Program) as Title I schools. These schools receive additional federal funding to ensure that all of their students have a fair and equitable opportunity to obtain a high quality education. One primary way this is achieved is by focusing these resources on additional behavioral and academic support services. This often includes additional classroom and resource teachers, school psychologists and social workers, supplementary classroom materials, updated technology and extended school day and school year programs.



Pasco eSchool

In accordance with state law, all K-12 students are entitled to access a virtual education program. The District School Board of Pasco County now offers exciting opportunities for students residing in Pasco County through Pasco eSchool. This progressive choice program will provide expanded educational services to a wider student community for anytime, anywhere learning. Virtual schooling meets the demands of today’s digital learners through individualized instruction that moves beyond the walls and time constraints of the traditional classroom.

Pasco eSchool will provide two programs for students – a full-time K-12 virtual school and a full or part-time 6-12 virtual school. Students must meet eligibility requirements in accordance with Florida Statute to enroll in the full-time virtual program.

Students in Kindergarten through 5th grade must be enrolled full-time with one of the chosen virtual providers: Florida Virtual School’s Connections Academy or K12’s Florida Virtual Academy. Students in grades 6-12 can take one or more virtual courses through our franchise with Florida Virtual School (FLVS) on a full-time or part-time basis. This program is open to currently enrolled home education, private, charter and public students, as well as to students new to Pasco County.

Pasco eSchool offers course materials, technical assistance, access to a highly qualified teacher and a comprehensive curriculum that is aligned with the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards. There are no costs for this program to students residing in Pasco County. For more information, please contact the Pasco eSchool or visit the school’s website at www.pasco.k12.fl.us/pvip.

2010-2011 Employees of the Year



**Administrator
of the Year**
Kevin Shibley
*Director
Employee Relations*



Teacher of the Year
Sean Gaudet
*Teacher
Wesley Chapel High School*



**School Related
Personnel of the Year**
Clara Barlow
*Instructional Assistant
(ESOL/Bilingual)
Lacoochee Elementary School*



**Non-Instructional
Non-Bargaining
Employee of the Year**
Edward Flicker
*Custodial Services Coordinator
Facilities and Maintenance Services*

Student Services

Student services are provided by a well-trained and dedicated professional staff. Serving as student advocates, staff work together with school personnel, families and the community to help students succeed in school and in personal endeavors. The Student Services Teams consist of school social workers, school psychologists, school nurses, career specialists, guidance counselors and prevention-intervention counselors.

The Most Important Hour Of The Week May Be The One You Give Away...Be A School Volunteer!

The District School Board of Pasco County is proud of volunteer and partnership involvement in schools throughout the District. The active participation of parents, business leaders and community members in the classroom enhances the effectiveness of teachers and staff. Volunteers also help the District deliver valuable services to students and schools that would not be possible without the support of the community. All registered volunteers are screened through the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Sexual Predator/Offender database and the Pasco County Sheriff's Office. Annually, volunteers donate thousands of hours of service to benefit students. The encouragement, patience and boost in self-esteem volunteers and partners bring are vital to our students.

Volunteering Shapes Futures

Across the District, schools and the community work together to improve education. These partnerships are the key to a strong local economy, a good quality of life and a brighter future for everyone.

Come join us and become a volunteer today! Call (727) 774-2207, (813) 794-2207 or (352) 524-2207 or go to www.pasco.k12.fl.us/communications/volunteer for more information.

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program

The District School Board of Pasco County and the Corporation for National and Community Service have sponsored the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) for the past 37 years. The District School Board of Pasco County makes a commitment to provide additional funds to supplement this valuable program.

The RSVP program, one of the largest volunteer efforts in the nation, matches volunteers to community needs. Annually, volunteers donate thousands of hours of service that benefit students and teachers in Pasco County schools. Additionally, volunteers assist members of the community who utilize community resources such as hospitals, the American Cancer Society, Hospice, CARES, Elderly Nutrition, the Sertoma Speech and Hearing Center, St. Jude's Resource Center for Homeless Veterans, the Pasco County Sheriff's Department, and many others who are partners of the RSVP program in Pasco County.



Volunteering is as Easy as 1, 2, 3!

1. Log on to the District School Board of Pasco County's website at www.pasco.k12.fl.us.
2. Click on volunteer application.
3. Complete the simple application and submit.

Join Our Team!

Get Connected Through Your School Advisory Council

Each school has an elected School Advisory Council (SAC). The SAC allows parents and community members to get involved and support Pasco County schools. The SAC members participate in identifying the needs of the school and developing plans for school improvement.

Adult & Community Education Program

Adult and Community Education programs are offered to adult students, 16 years of age and older, who desire to improve their basic or functional literacy skills, complete high school education requirements needed for a standard diploma, complete preparation coursework and pass the General Educational Development (GED) exam needed for a state of Florida high school diploma and to prepare for or improve employability skills needed for a chosen career. Adult and Community Education serves Pasco County residents through a number of programs, such as Adult Basic Education (ABE), GED Preparation, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) and high school credit completion classes. Programs and classes are offered throughout the county during day and evening hours. Free online courses are also offered in ABE and GED, as well as credit courses in various subject areas. The Reading Assistance Program (RAP) provides one-on-one tutoring for adults who want to learn to read or need more intensive reading assistance. Additional information may be obtained from any adult education staff member housed at each Pasco County high school, Moore-Mickens Education Center in Dade City or Marchman Technical Education Center in New Port Richey.

Equal Education and Employment Opportunities

Students and Applicants for Educational Services:

The District School Board of Pasco County is committed to the belief that the right of a person to participate fully in classroom instruction, extracurricular activities or other educational services shall not be abridged or impaired because of discrimination or harassment based on age, gender, race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, disability, pregnancy, parenthood, marriage, political beliefs, social and family background or for any other reason not related to his/her individual capabilities.

Employees and Applicants for Employment:

The District School Board of Pasco County is likewise committed to its policy of offering equal employment opportunities for all persons regardless of race, religion, color, gender, national origin, ethnicity, age, marital status or disability. The District also acknowledges veterans' preference in employment. The goal is to ensure a work environment that is free of discrimination or harassment for any of the reasons stated.

Complaint Procedure:

Any student, parent of a student, applicant for educational services, employee, or applicant for employment who believes that he/she has been denied participation in or access to an educational program, activity or employment, or who has otherwise been discriminated against due to any of the reasons cited above, may file a grievance according to the procedures established in School Board Policies 1470, 3470, 4470, 5710 and 9310.

For additional information related to the above policies or for a copy of the grievance procedures, contact Kevin Shibley, Director of Employee Relations
7227 Land O' Lakes Boulevard, Land O' Lakes, FL 34638
Telephone: (813) 794-2503, (727) 774-2503 or (352) 524-2503
e-mail: kshibley@pasco.k12.fl.us

Our District is Connected to Our Community!

- Studies show that parent involvement is a key indicator in student achievement. The District provides the web-based eSembler program, designed to increase parent involvement and awareness of their child's performance by allowing online access to view their high school or middle school child's assignments, grades and attendance records.
- School Connects is a valuable tool implemented in our schools to improve parental communication. School Connects is used to call parents and to remind them about upcoming school events. It is also used to notify middle and high school parents of student absences. Additionally, School Connects serves as a fast and efficient communication tool during inclement weather and school emergencies.

Living the Vision 2008–2013

An Overview of the District's Strategic Plan

Prepare Students for Global Citizenship:

Goals:

- All students will meet or exceed high academic standards.
- The achievement gap will close, as demonstrated by the results of NCLB subgroups meeting proficiency.
- All students will be prepared for success in the present and future economies.
- The District will support and be accountable for results.
- Teachers and students will use data as the basis for teaching and learning.

Provide Equitable Support Systems:

Goals:

- The District and schools will recruit, retain and train highly skilled employees.
- The District will establish and maintain safe, well-maintained, attractive and student friendly facilities.
- The District will increase its technological capacity.
- The District will ensure fiscal responsibility and equitable distribution of resources.

Engage Families, Communities and Businesses:

Goal:

- The District and schools will communicate with and engage all stakeholders in the educational process.

The Strategic Plan is a foundational framework for the District. It is an ever-evolving document that will be updated continuously to reflect the changing needs of the District. More detailed information regarding key objectives, strategies and metrics of the Strategic Plan can be viewed on the District website at www.pasco.k12.fl.us.

Our Vision Leads to Results

The Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) is based on the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards, which represent what our children should know and be able to do at various stages of their education. The FCAT was designed to provide feedback on students' performance on the state standards.

FCAT-SSS Achievement															
Level	Reading					Mathematics					Science				
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Grade 3															
Pasco %	18	11	33	31	7	13	16	34	27	10					
State %	16	12	33	31	8	9	13	32	30	15					
Grade 4															
Pasco %	16	13	33	29	8	12	19	39	22	8					
State %	16	13	32	29	11	10	16	36	27	12					
Grade 5															
Pasco %	15	15	34	29	8	16	28	27	23	6	18	35	34	9	2
State %	15	15	33	28	9	14	23	27	27	9	19	32	35	11	4
Grade 6															
Pasco %	14	16	35	26	9	25	21	31	17	6					
State %	17	16	32	26	9	23	19	29	19	9					
Grade 7															
Pasco %	11	18	37	26	9	19	20	33	20	7					
State %	14	17	34	24	10	19	20	32	21	9					
Grade 8															
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 9															
Pasco %	20	32	29	13	6	13	22	34	23	8					
State %	21	30	28	13	7	13	20	33	24	10					
Grade 10															
Pasco %	30	32	19	7	11	9	18	31	36	7					
State %	32	29	18	8	14	10	17	29	35	9					
Grade 11															
Pasco %											26	37	31	4	1
State %											28	34	32	6	1

FCAT Writing			
Grade	4	8	10
Pasco	3.6	3.9	3.8
State	3.8	4.1	3.9

Scores range from 1 (low) to 6.0 (high)

Two widely used tests to determine college admission are the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) and the American College Test (ACT).

ACT*		SAT**	
Pasco	20.0	Pasco	1010
Florida	19.5	Florida	994
Nation	21.1	Nation	1017

* Scores range from 1 (low) to 36 (high)

** Scores range from 400 (low) to 1600 (high)

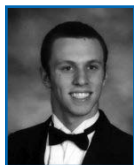
Scores are for school year 2007-08

Scores for school year 2008-09 have not been received.

Pasco's Points of Pride

- Pasco's global partnership program provides students and teachers with the opportunity to work with their international peers on learning projects. They communicate via Skype. This year, the list of participating countries have expanded to include: China, Sweden, Mexico, Brazil, Iran, Denmark, Russia, Canada, Germany and Australia.
- Twelve (12) of our teachers achieved National Board certification in 2009, for a total of 189 teachers and six administrators in our District who have achieved National Board Certification. This is the highest level of certification a teacher can achieve.
- Our District has received many state and national recycling awards, including the 2009-2010 Governor's Serve to Preserve: Green School Award. This award reflects the District's comprehensive recycling and conservation practices combined with an innovative curriculum designed to help students understand the value of protecting the environment.
- The Pasco Education Foundation advanced student achievement in Pasco's public schools by funding over \$700,000 in classroom grants, scholarships and curriculum programs throughout the District School Board of Pasco County.
- The Pasco Education Foundation is proudly celebrating 20 years of advancing student achievement in classrooms, careers and community. Last year the Pasco Education Foundation awarded more than \$300,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors, over 46,000 in Creative Classroom Teaching Grants, and nearly \$50,000 in scholarships to teachers seeking an advanced degree to enhance their teaching ability.

2009-2010 Valedictorians



Jackson Loop
Gulf High School



Kelvin Tran
*International Baccalaureate
Gulf High School*



Lauren Webb
Hudson High School



Kristina Crane
J.W. Mitchell High School



Matthew Schwartz
Land O' Lakes High School



Victoria Dahl
*International Baccalaureate, Co-Valedictorian
Land O' Lakes High School*



Shaina Maldonado
*International Baccalaureate, Co-Valedictorian
Land O' Lakes High School*



Amanda J. Newlon
Pasco High School



Anh-My Nguyen
Ridgewood High School



Christopher McBride
River Ridge High School, Co-Valedictorian



Derek Wasilewski
River Ridge High School, Co-Valedictorian



Taylor Rowand
Sunlake High School



Shantel Houston
Wesley Chapel High School, Co-Valedictorian



Brittany Troast
Wesley Chapel High School, Co-Valedictorian



Taylor Flitt
Wiregrass Ranch High School



Brandy Compton
Zephyrbills High School

Anclote Elementary School P*Carole Baird, Principal*3610 Madison Street • New Port Richey, FL 34652
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(727) 246-3000**Bayonet Point Middle School***Michael Asbell, Principal*11125 Little Road • New Port Richey, FL 34654
(727) 774-7400**Calusa Elementary School P***Kara Merlin, Principal*7520 Orchid Lake Road • New Port Richey, FL 34653
(727) 774-3700**Centennial Elementary School***Cynthia Harper, Principal*38501 Centennial Road • Dade City, FL 33525
(352) 524-5000**Centennial Middle School***Jim Lane, Principal*38505 Centennial Road • Dade City, FL 33525
(352) 524-9700**Chasco Elementary School P***Hilda Martin, Principal*7906 Ridge Road • Port Richey, FL 34668
(727) 774-1200**Chasco Middle School***Christine Wolff, Principal*7702 Ridge Road • Port Richey, FL 34668
(727) 774-1300**Connerton Elementary School P***Anna Falcone, Principal*9300 Flourish Drive • Land O' Lakes, FL 34637
(813) 346-1800**Cotee River Elementary School P***Barbara Kleinsorge, Principal*7515 Plathe Road • New Port Richey, FL 34653
(727) 774-3000**Rodney B. Cox Elementary School***Yvonne Reins, Principal*37615 Martin Luther King Boulevard • Dade City, FL 33523
(352) 524-5100**Crews Lake Middle School***Chris Christoff, Principal*15144 Shady Hills Road • Spring Hill, FL 34610
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(727) 774-6000**Gulf Trace Elementary School P***Hope Schooler, Principal*3303 Gulf Trace Boulevard • Holiday, FL 34691
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(352) 524-5300**Sand Pine Elementary School P***Todd Cluff, Principal*29040 County Line Road • Wesley Chapel, FL 33543
(813) 794-1900**Schrader Elementary School P***Tammy Berrybill, Principal*11041 Little Road • New Port Richey, FL 34654
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Charter Schools

Pasco County has five Charter Schools for the 2010-2011 School Year: Academy at the Farm (K-8), Athenian Academy of Pasco (K-8), Countryside Montessori (1-6), Dayspring Academy (K-8) and Imagine School at Land O' Lakes (K-8). For more information, contact the charter school directly or contact the District's Charter School Office.

Five Star School Award

Forty-eight (48) of our schools received the Florida Department of Education's 2009-2010 Five Star School Award. This prestigious state award is presented each year to schools that have shown evidence of exemplary community involvement. A school must achieve 100% of the set criteria in the categories of Business Partnerships, Family Involvement, Volunteers, Student Community Service and School Advisory Councils to qualify for this award.

The Chancellor of Education and the Commissioner's Community Involvement Council established the Five Star School Award to recognize the vital role community involvement plays in the success of every student.

Five Star Schools for 2009-2010

Anclote Elementary School
Anclote High School
Calusa Elementary School
Centennial Elementary School
Chasco Elementary School
Cotee River Elementary School
Rodney B. Cox Elementary School
Cypress Elementary School
Deer Park Elementary School
Double Branch Elementary School
Fox Hollow Elementary School
Dr. Mary Giella Elementary School
Gulf Middle School
Gulfside Elementary School
Gulf Trace Elementary School
Hudson Elementary School
Hudson Middle School
Mitty P. Locke Elementary School
Longleaf Elementary School
James M. Marlowe Elementary School
James W. Mitchell High School
Moon Lake Elementary School
New River Elementary School
Northwest Elementary School
Oakstead Elementary School
Pasco Elementary School

Pine View Elementary School
Pine View Middle School
Quail Hollow Elementary School
Richey Elementary School
River Ridge High School
Charles S. Rushe Middle School
San Antonio Elementary School
Sand Pine Elementary School
Sanders Memorial Elementary School
Schrader Elementary School
Seven Oaks Elementary School
Seven Springs Elementary School
Shady Hills Elementary School
Paul R. Smith Middle School
Sunray Elementary School
Chester W. Taylor Elementary School
Trinity Elementary School
Trinity Oaks Elementary School
Veterans Elementary School
Watergrass Elementary School
Wesley Chapel Elementary School
West Zephyrhills Elementary School
Wiregrass Ranch High School

PLACE

The before and after school activity program, PLACE, has been designed to provide an active and enriching environment for children who must arrive at school early, stay late or require supervised activities during school holidays. Participation is limited to elementary school children. The school cafeteria and outside play areas are utilized for PLACE activities. Supervision is provided at a ratio of one adult to 25 children. The number of children enrolled at each site is determined by how much space is available and the number of staff employed. The PLACE program offers a broad range of activities for students in an effort to meet the unique needs of the community it serves.

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Student Services	2362
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