

OUR MISSION

We, as Trinity Elementary Trailblazers, will provide a safe, positive, and collaborative learning environment in which all students will be challenged through research based curriculum and instruction to reach their highest potential.

Children will be provided with innovative educational experiences that will enable them to become active citizens and seekers of new ideas and knowledge in our changing world.



THE TRINITY TRIBUNE

2016-2017

October 3, 2016

The Gantt Grapevine

Dear Families,

Happy Fall! Hopefully, there is a hint of cooler weather on the way soon. This is a great time of year to spend an evening together as a family and FALL into a good book. Research shows that children who have families that make daily reading a priority are more likely to succeed in **all** academic areas.

I am looking forward to seeing all our families at our Fall Carnival on October 21st from 5-8 PM. This event is great fun for our students and families so make sure you mark your calendars to attend.

We are excited to Celebrate Healthy Choices during Red Ribbon Week, October 24-28th. We will have our annual Costume Parade on Friday, October 28th at 10:15 a.m. Our parade is one of the highlights of the school year. Please make sure you mark your calendar so you can attend.

Student safety is our number one concern. Please help keep all our students and staff safe by following our safety procedures. If your child is tardy, please make sure an adult walks them into the office to check in. I want to thank all of our families for cooperating with our arrival and dismissal procedures. If you have a student safety concern, please email me so that I can address it.

Thank you for your support of Trinity Elementary where our MISSION to ensure your CHILD achieves college, career, and life SUCCESS! If you have questions or concerns, I am always available by calling the school or via email at cgantt@pasco.k12.fl.us.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gantt, Principal



**RACING
TO OUR
FUTURE**



Mrs. Gantt

This year we will prepare all students for college, career and life success!



Mrs. Middleton

This year we will make sure that every student is successful!

The Middleton Memo

Greetings:

Autumn is time for falling leaves and first quarter report cards. It is also time to give thanks for all the wonderful things in our lives and anticipate and prepare for the upcoming holidays. As I walk the buildings and attempt to visit classrooms daily, I see that students have transitioned from beginning of the year routines and practices and are now actively engaged in rigorous learning activities. Teachers are working hard to see that the needs of every student are met and are preparing them to become productive citizens and lifelong learners. To support this important work, please encourage all students to practice their reading and math skills by utilizing the online programs that our teachers have shared with you and ask daily questions about what they are learning. I, also, encourage you to continue to build partnerships with your child's teacher and be actively involved in our school community. Four easy ways to build a good Teacher-Parent relationship is to:

1. Be available and reachable
2. Ask questions
3. Share your child's strengths and interests
4. Volunteer

Please know we at Trinity are here to help your children have the best school year possible and create the best Trinity possible!

Happy Fall!!!
Mrs. Middleton



INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW

myStudent Parent Portal



Our new grade book and attendance platform, myStudent, is available for parents to login for the 2016-17 school year. This portal will allow you to monitor your child's progress and enhance communication and involvement in your child's education. The myStudent platform which includes a parent portal for you to view important information about your child. As a part of this portal, there is a tab on the left navigation panel called Child Info. Under this tab, there will be another tab called Local Assessments. Results from the Quarterly Checks will be uploaded to this tab each quarter that Quarterly Checks are administered. For students who take a District Final, these results will also be reported in this area.

Click [here](#) to learn more. If you need assistance, please email myStudenthelp@pasco.k12.fl.us.

Dismissal Changes and Early Dismissals

Any changes to your child's dismissal including early dismissals must be completed by 3:00. This allows us to have the maximum instructional time and helps us to have a safe and organized dismissal each day.



Out-of-Field Teaching Assignments

Individuals who are teaching out-of-field are certified in at least one area and are qualified to teach but are required to take additional course work or testing to add a coverage/endorsement to their certificate. The state also requires a teacher to take coursework/in-service towards an English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) endorsement, when the teacher is the primary language arts provider and/or reading teacher for an ESOL student.

The following teachers have agreed to teach out-of-field while completing course work/testing:

Michelle Henson, Margaret McDonald, Andrea Noe, Mirray Wassef, Cary Wyrick.

Book Nurses Needed

We are currently looking for a few Book Nurses who can help us repair books in the classrooms. We are looking for a few approved volunteers who can devote an hour each week to help us out. If you would like more information or are interested in working on this project please contact Annette Sajecki at 727-774-9900.



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Art News

Hello TES Art Families!

We have just finished up our Square 1 Art projects! **You will be receiving your Square 1 Art catalog the week of October 17th.** If you wish to, you may purchase items with your child's artwork printed on them. These make great gifts and earn money for the art department, which goes directly back to your students in the form of art supplies and materials. **The due date for Square 1 Art orders is November 1st**, which will ensure that your items are delivered prior to the Thanksgiving break.

This year, students are uploading all of their artwork to the *Artsonia* website. These are their digital portfolios and allow them to keep track of all of their artwork in their personal art careers. You should have received a slip of paper with their login information. This is a great way for parents to see what their students are doing in art and to share with family/friends. Please let me know if you did not receive your child's "permission slip" for *Artsonia* and I will be happy to get your information to you.

Thank you,
Jessica Fenton
Trinity Elementary



Congratulations!



The following students have been chosen for Earth Patrol:
Kendall Michaux, Nathan Grimes, Rashan Reddy, Joseph Calderone, Elissa Hill, Maya Kilian, Adam Elshaer, Alyssa Barcz, Loren Huizing, Bella Kaufman, Jayden White, Merissa Huettig, Rylee Keeter, Gabriella Brown, Maddix MacDonald, C.J.Mility, Daniel Lewis, Kayla Russo, and Olivia Buck.

Congratulations to the 2016-2017 Trinity Vocal Ensemble:
Jadyn White, Lina Elshaer, Holly Fitzgerald, Megan Flavin, Lucy Brietenbach, Gracie Gasaway, Natalia Lugo, Claire Hunter, Gianna Seidler, Ava Byrd, Caton Gantt, Nathan Grimes, Jonathon Casarez, Adam Elshaer, Ethan Fernandez, Aiden Gains, Nathan Rasmussen, Jacob Allen, Matthew Lage, Bailey Keyes, Breanna Mohan, Michelina Damianakis, Olivia Rivera, Loren Huizing, Jessie Marino, Lily Podolsky, Sofia Vace, Paige Rogers, Maya Kilian, Kayla Russo, Gianna Dipasqua, Isabella Rodriguez



Congratulations to our 2016 -2017 Student Council Members:
Lily Sarakun, Jaiden Patel, Maddox Bennett, Alivia Marsh, Evann Pippio, Kayden Hardenbrook, Essence Concannon, Alexandra Pippio, Jayden White, Sami Timmons, Madyson Cisek, Gracie Gasaway, Gracie Engelke, Amelia Paus, Gemma Gillespie



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PTO News

Our PTO volunteers make all the difference at TES! There are so many ways, large and small, where you can give of your time and talent and have fun in the process. October is a busy month and we will be asking for everyone's help. Our Fall Festival is on Friday, October 21st, 5-8pm and we need YOU! Please consider signing up for a shift and if you know a responsible Pasco County High School student, they can also volunteer and earn volunteer hours! The Fall Festival is going to have a new attraction this year - FOOD TRUCKS! Be sure to bring your appetite as we will have several trucks who have all generously agreed to donate a portion of their proceeds to the PTO. Fun, Family & Food - it's sure to be a great night for everyone!

Our next large event is the Holiday Boutique which runs from December 12-16th. Please consider setting aside some time during that week to help our little shoppers with their gift giving.

Thank you for all the volunteers who have committed weekly/monthly to help our school. We have many dedicated volunteers for Earth Patrol, office runners, school store, media and classroom help. Your presence on campus is so important for our children's success! Lisa Lutz is our VP of Volunteers, please contact her if you're interested in volunteering and she'll find a position that's perfect for you!

lml79_16@yahoo.com

The PTO is so grateful for all your donations of time and money to make our school the great. Please contact me if you have ideas or suggestions for the PTO. At the end of this year, we will have open Board positions. Through the year, we will be looking for volunteers to chair an event or committee and then run for a position for the 2016/17 school year! You can make a difference!

Toni Maxton, TES PTO President
tmaxton@tampabay.rr.com

Thank you

2016-17 Business Partners

We are excited to welcome the following business partners for the 2016-2017 school year:

A Safari of Smiles
Astroskate
Bahama Bucks
Dr. Jeffrey Stein - Braces by Stein
Excel Creative Learning Academy
Fearless Nation
GTE Financial
Johnny Brusco's Pizza
Knowledge Points Tutoring
Marco's Pizza
Mathnasium of Trinity
Millian-Aire
Publix
Sports Clips
Team Virgadamo - Keller Williams Realty
The Montessori at Trinity Oaks
VIP International Krav Maga & Martial Arts

Business partnerships offer exposure for local businesses and offer businesses the chance to support the local schools. Our business partners give us the opportunity to celebrate the students through reward incentives, monetary donations and much more. If your business would like to partner with Trinity Elementary, please contact the office at (727)774-9900 or Annette Sajecki at asajecki@pasco.k12.fl.us.

thank
you!



Red Ribbon Week

October 24 -27



Monday - "RED-y to be Drug Free!" -
Wear RED

Tuesday - "TEAM UP Against Drugs!" - Wear sports team gear (college or professional)



Wednesday - "Follow your DREAMS, Don't Do Drugs!" - Pajama Day. (Sorry, no slippers!)

Thursday - "Drugs are CRAZY!!" - Wear crazy hair or socks



Friday - "PARADING against Drugs!" - Costume Parade.

No scary costumes or weapons.

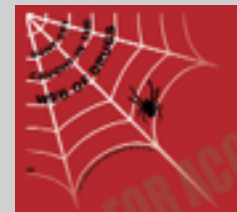
JOIN US AT 10:00

FOR OUR COSTUME PARADE



RED RIBBON WEEK T-SHIRTS

We will be selling Red Ribbon Week T-shirts again this year. Order forms are going home Monday, October 3rd. The order forms and payment **MUST** be received by our school by Thursday, October 6th in order for your child to purchase a shirt. **WE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTING ANY LATE ORDERS.** Students do not have to purchase the shirts. Congratulations to Kayden Hardenbrook on your design being chosen for the shirts!



Recycling

Parents may drop off paper items that can be recycled on Monday mornings in our carline. Acceptable items are: newspapers, phonebooks, office paper, cardboard, cereal boxes, magazines, brown paper bags and construction paper. Please pull all the way up to the blue recycle bins to drop you items off. You can also drop recycle items during the school day between 10:00 and 3:00. The Recycle containers are located at the back of the visitor parking lot.



Lunchtime Visitors

We welcome lunchtime visitors to our school. First, check in the front office. We will need to see the drivers licenses of all visitors. You are able to sit with your child only. Picnic tables are located outside near the cafeteria. Please keep this in mind when it is raining.



Check Policy

If you write a check for your child, please make sure that on the check you include: **YOUR CHILD'S STUDENT # AND YOUR HOME/CELL # OR DRIVER'S LICENSE #**. If your bank returns the check unpaid, the school's bank will automatically forward the check to CheckCare. The check will not be returned to the school; therefore CheckCare will be responsible for recovering the face value of the check plus a Florida state-authorized fee.

John Smith
555 Year St.
Your Town 54321

Phone # or
Driver's License # DATE

PAY TO Trinity Elementary School

MEMO Student #

1234 5678 9876 543210

IMPORTANT DATES



October 6

COFFEE WITH THE COUNSELOR

October 7

FLU SHOT CLINIC

October 17

**TEACHER PLANNING DAY -
NO SCHOOL**

October 21

FALL FESTIVAL

October 24

REPORT CARDS GO HOME

October 24-27

RED RIBBON WEEK

October 28

HALLOWEEN PARADE

NEED MORE?

Check the parent calendar on our
website for more upcoming dates:
tes.pasco.k12.fl.us
& like us on...

Facebook at [facebook.com/
trinityelementary](https://www.facebook.com/trinityelementary)



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COUNSELOR'S CORNER

October is a very exciting month at Trinity Elementary! It is bullying prevention month and students in grades 3-5 will be learning about the differences between conflict and bullying and how handle each type of behavior. According to the Student Code of Conduct, bullying is defined as "systematically and chronically inflicting physical hurt or psychological distress on one or more students or school employees".

In classroom lessons, we define bullying as behavior that is:

- *Repeated (Happens over and over again).
- *Purposeful (Done with the intention to harm).
- *Between students of UNEQUAL power (the person or people doing the bullying behavior have power over the target).

Students will also learn about ways to be an Upstander instead of a bystander if they see bullying happening at our school. Some ways to be an Upstander include being a buddy, interrupting the bullying, and reporting bullying situations to a trusted adult.

October is also the time of the year when we celebrate Red Ribbon Week. Red Ribbon Week is all about keeping our bodies healthy and staying away from harmful drugs.

Thank You!

