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2017-2018

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August-September



The Boltze Bulletin

Dear Families,

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! I hope you have had a fantastic summer. Our staff is ready and waiting to welcome all of our Trinity Trailblazers to a new and exciting school year.

I am so proud to congratulate our teachers, staff, students, and families, as Trinity Elementary School was once again awarded the grade of "A" by the State Department of Education. Way to go Trailblazers!!

In an effort to advance our success, we will continue to implement the Florida Standards in each of our classes. The goal of the Florida Standards is to ensure Florida's students graduate high school ready for success in college, career and life. In order to prepare our students for success and make them competitive in the global workplace, we must provide them with a set of clear, consistent and strong academic standards. The Florida Standards will equip our students with the knowledge and skills they need to be ready for careers and college-level coursework. Having the best and highest academic standards for our students today will prepare them for the jobs of tomorrow.

Communication with you is a key to our success. Please check your child's folder or planner daily, read your teacher's weekly email update, and stay in contact with your child's teacher. If you use Facebook, please like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/trinityelementary. We post information daily about events, weather, and important notices. Our website is also constantly updated with everything you need to know to stay in the loop. It can be found at <http://tes.pasco.k12.fl.us/>. Our website also links you to our District website. In addition, all staff members are available via email on our school's website. Please feel free to contact me with your questions, comments or concerns. I can be reached at amielke@pasco.k12.fl.us or by calling the school's main office.

I am thrilled to share the excitement of the upcoming school year with our Trinity Families! I hope to see all of our 1st-5th grade families at Open House on August 30 at 6 PM and our Kindergarten families at the ABC's of Kindergarten Parent Night on September 6 at 6 PM.

Ms. Boltze
Principal

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.

TO INFINITY AND BEYOND



Mrs. Boltze



Mrs. Middleton

Stay Connected!

Receive Pasco School announcements via SMS text messaging to your mobile phone. **Text the word JOIN to the number 67587.** The parent notification system the district has used for several years was purchased by another provider. Almost everything will remain the same but parents will have to opt-in again to receive SMS messages. You will receive a confirmation message from our messaging system. At any time, you can unsubscribe by texting the word **STOP** to 67587. Remember to create a contact on your phone with the name of the school and the phone number of 67587. *Message & data rates may apply.*

The Middleton Memo

Dear Parents,

We hope that your summer has afforded you with an opportunity to spend valuable time with your family and friends and making amazing memories!

We are pleased and proud to welcome our new Kindergarteners and Trailblazers and have anticipated the return of our 1st through 5th grade students. Our staff has been working hard to prepare for the children's return. I want to give a big thank you to our amazing custodial staff that worked so hard to make the campus look as if we are a brand new school each and every year. I want to acknowledge all the hard work the ladies in the front office do to help prepare for the teachers and children. Finally, a big thank you to all the staff that gave up some of their summer days to come in and prepare materials, so that they were ready for the children on their first day of school. Everyone's dedication to the children really shines through. Our staff really goes to infinity and beyond!

As you can see, the academic progress of your child is vitally important to our staff. We ask your support in developing a team effort between you and your child's teachers in order to help your child move successfully towards their academic goals.

Please review and consider the following requests, as your part, in our team effort to help your child.

- Please make sure your child attends school everyday.
- Make sure your child is dressed according to the school's dress code.
- Make sure that your child is reading for 20-30 minutes each evening.
- Review the standards of behavior that your child is expected to honor.
- Support these behavior standards by responding to a request from a teacher or administrator should there be a problem.
- Communicate with your child's teachers, especially if your child is struggling with an academic or behavior issue or you have a change in dismissal.

Throughout the school year, please feel free to contact the teachers, guidance counselors, and administration if you have any questions or concerns. We look forward to a successful 2017-2018 school year.

Welcome back...our school year is going to be out of this world!

Mrs. Middleton

**WELCOME BACK
TO SCHOOL**

INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW

Notice to Building Occupants & Parents NOTIFICATION OF INSPECTION FOR ASBESTOS CONTAINING MATERIALS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a final rule, 40 CFR Part 763, Asbestos Containing Material in schools, commonly referred to as AHERA. This rule requires all Local Education Agencies (LEA's) to identify asbestos containing materials (ACM) in their school buildings and to take appropriate actions to control the release of asbestos fibers.

All inspections for Trinity Elementary have been completed and a Management Plan describing the results of the inspection and the action plan to control any asbestos found during the inspection, where applicable, has been submitted to the Governor for approval. A copy of this plan is located in the administrative office of this school and at the District School Board of Pasco County Maintenance / Facility Operations Department and is available for review upon request.

Media Release Non-Consent

Each year, parents are given the opportunity to opt out of allowing their child/ren to have their information or photographs used for media in relation to the school. Typically, the school uses student images to share with families through iMovies of events, photographs in the newsletter, on the school website, in the school yearbook, on the school Facebook page or on the school Twitter account. In most instances, student names are not released, unless the image is being used for outside media (ie: the newspaper). If you do not grant permission for the district to release your child's name, photo, etc., you must complete, sign and return the media release non-consent form. **The media non-release form can be found online at the TES website under the parent link.**



Florida Standards Information

Grade level standards information is available for you to view at our District's website pasco.k12.fl.us (click the "Florida Standards" link).

Classroom Placement

Due to the number of students registering, **some classroom assignments may be temporary.** In order to comply with state statute, we may need to reorganize certain classrooms where student enrollment does not meet state requirements. Student placement moves may be necessary. Please be assured that we will utilize great care in student placement decisions. Parents and students will be notified in a timely manner concerning any classroom or team assignment changes. Thank you for your cooperation and support, as we work together to provide an optimal learning environment for all Trinity students.

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.

The Raptor System

ALL VISITORS AND VOLUNTEERS that visit our campus will be required to check in at the office. Please bring your identification (preferably a driver's license). Our system is cleared every summer, so all licenses will need to be scanned and checked against a sexual offender/predator database from 42 states. The system checks only birth dates and names against the database. No other criminal information (ie: traffic tickets, warrants, etc.) will register. We are aware that this may take a few extra minutes to sign in, but we believe this is time well spent. We appreciate your help in making our school a safe place for both students and staff.

INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW

Volunteering at TES

Don't forget to fill out your volunteer application! Go online to the TES website at tes.pasco.k12.fl.us, click on the "Parents" heading and click on "Volunteers". You must be an approved volunteer to help on field trips, assist with class parties, help in the classroom, etc. **A NEW VOLUNTEER APPLICATION MUST BE FILLED OUT EVERY YEAR AFTER JULY 1.**

School Advisory Council

We are in the process of electing parents to our School Advisory Council (SAC). If you are interested in joining this group, please fill out the **nomination form** (which can be found in the packet that you received at *Meet the Teacher Day*) and return it to school by Friday, August 25. The first meeting will be held on September 22 at 8:30 AM in the Knowledge Nook.

Clinic Policies

Information about medication: School Board regulations state that in order to administer prescription or non-prescription medication to students during school hours, the following requirements must be met:

1. Medicine must be prescribed by a physician.
2. Medicine must be in its original container with proper labeling and current date.
3. Parent/guardian must have a completed and signed "medical procedures" form on file with the clinic.
4. Medication must be counted and verified by both a parent/guardian and authorized school employee.
5. A second bottle must be provided for field trips, with only enough medication for that day.



OPEN HOUSE

Welcome 2017-18 Business Partners

We are excited to welcome the following Educational Business Partners for the 2017-2018 school year:

Bahama Bucks

Braces By Stein

Chick-fil-A

Chili's

Culver's of Trinity

Excel Creative Learning

GTE Financial

Johnny Brusco's Pizza

KnowledgePoints Tutoring

Marco's Pizza

Mathnasium

McDonald's

Millian-Aire

Publix

Sport Clips

Team Virgadamo- Keller Williams Realty

Trinity SportsPlex

VIP International Krav Maga & Martial Arts

YMCA of the Suncoast- James P. Gills Branch

Our business partners help us celebrate the students through reward incentives, monetary donations and so 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.

Open House

We invite you to join us for our Open House for grades 1 - 5 on Thursday, August 30th from 6 - 7:00 pm. The Scholastic Book Fair will be at the school and will be open for family night from 5:00 - 7:00 pm in the Media Center.

ABC's of Kindergarten

Kindergarten Parents join us on Wednesday, September 6th 6:00 - 7:00 pm to review the ABC's of Kindergarten. We will **A**nswer your questions, help you to **B**etter understand student expectations, and share how **C**ommunication between teachers and parents is key. This is a parent only event and childcare will be provided, if needed.

TRINITY ELEMENTARY



COUNSELOR CORNER

Dear Trinity Elementary Families,

Welcome back from summer! I am Miss. Curtis, your new School Counselor! I will be getting married this November, so when we return from Thanksgiving break my name will change to Mrs. Zwijacz! This is my 3rd year as a professional School Counselor. I love my job and the opportunities I have to work with ALL the students, families, and teachers each day.

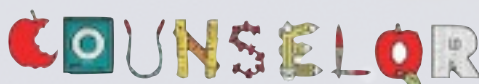
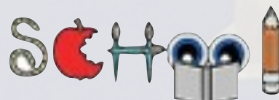
As part of our school counseling program, I will be seeing your student's class once a month to teach about topics such as social skills, problem solving, handling bullies, personal safety, career awareness, and other important topics. Your student will see me in the classroom during the first few weeks of school where I will talk about my role as a School Counselor and how I can support students. I also provide individual counseling and small group work, as needed, to address short term student issues. From time to time, I will have "lunch bunch" sessions to reinforce topics taught in the classroom and introduce new students to the school!

Parent conferences and teacher consultations are an important part of my job. If you have specific concerns about your child which may impact their school success, please give me a call to set up an appointment. I can also be reached by email at acurtis@pasco.k12.fl.us. I look forward to meeting the wonderful families at TES!

I am excited about the new school year and all the possibilities ahead! Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help make this the best year ever.

Your School Counselor,

Adrienne Curtis



August 14
FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

August 28 - September 1
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

August 30
GRADES 1- 5 OPEN HOUSE
6:00 - 7:00

September 4
LABOR DAY - NO SCHOOL

September 6
ABC'S OF KINDERGARTEN
6:00 - 7:00

September 15
PROGRESS REPORTS

September 22
SAC MEETING 8:30 AM

September 26
FALL PICTURE DAY

NEED MORE?

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



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