

Pine Island Academy

MIDDLE SCHOOL ORIENTATION

AUGUST 5, 2021



PIA SUPPORT TEAM



Amanda Riedl
Principal



Rachel Naylor
Assistant Principal



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Assistant Principal



Corinne Fennelly
Guidance Counselor (1,
3, 5, 7)



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Guidance Counselor (K,
2, 4, 6)



Kaneika Nimmons
Dean





PIA FRONT OFFICE TEAM

- Amy LeVasseur & Vickie Hill, Front Desk
- Kathleen Tompkins, Confidential Secretary/Bookkeeper
- Laura Parrish, Bookkeeper
- Christie Ball, Elementary Data Entry Operator
- Sandra Hood, Middle School Data Entry Operator
- Latifa Almabrouk, Extended Day Coordinator
- Jodie Hearn, Nurse

Positive Behavior Intervention Support



Providing a positive, support learning environment for all students

- **We believe** that a positive school atmosphere will result in a more effective and meaningful learning environment for all students.
- **We are committed** to providing opportunities for students to learn concepts, practice skills, display good citizenship and experience academic success.
- **We believe** that highly effective schools are the result of the teamwork and commitment between school staff, students, and their families.
- **Our commitment to** our students is to celebrate their accomplishments and success when they show “The PIA WAVE!”

LEARNING AND BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS



atch the WAVE of Success!

We are **RESPECTFUL** of ourselves and others

Always **RESPONSIBLE** and **SAFE**

VALUE each other and ourselves

Everyone **ACHIEVES**

PIA WAVE



RECOGNIZING & REWARDING FOR RESPECTING

- We **RECOGNIZE** and **REWARD** a culture and climate where student actions and academics reflect the values and beliefs we **RESPECT**
 - We **REINFORCE** students' character, academics and performance all year long as a commitment to what is **IMPORTANT** in the success of our school and students.
- = **RESULTS** - An **ENERGIZED, HIGHLY-ENGAGED** learning environment that builds success in the lives of students and staff.

CLIMATE

Proactive approach to student safety and well being involving parents and all associated with the activities of the school day and school events.



- VIP Students – 6 students will be drawn weekly to receive the VIP pass for showing excellence in the PIA WAVE. Students have opportunity throughout the week to receive Dolphin Dollars.
- VIP Weekly Privileges:
 - Front of line at lunch
 - Use elevator
 - Leave class 1 minute early
- Dolphin of the Month –
 - Each teacher will select two middle students each month as “Dolphins of the Month.”
 - Students will be selected based on the Character Counts Pillars of the month and have served as a positive role model during the month.
 - Students chosen will have his or her picture displayed on the Dolphin of the Month board and given a special lunch from a local business to enjoy during their lunch period.

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- SJCS D Student Code of Conduct will be posted on our webpage. Parents are required to read and sign acknowledgement page at the beginning of the year.
- PIA WAVE Progression:
 - Redirection of Behavior
 - In-class Consequence
 - Conference after class
 - Reflection sheet
 - New seating opportunity
 - Check
 - 1st—parent signature; checks are documented with Dean
 - 2nd—administration
 - 3rd—alternative lunch location – administration contacts parent; referral
 - 4th and beyond – administration will follow SJCS D Code of Conduct
 - Referral – results from Level 2 or higher infraction, see SJCS D Code of Conduct

SAFETY IS A PRIORITY – ARRIVAL PROCEDURES



- Students will arrive each morning as a bus rider, car rider OR walker/biker/carter.
- Please follow signs to the appropriate drop off area.
- Students that are walkers/bikers/carters will wait at the crosswalk on the west side of CrossWater parkway until the PSA crosses students.
- Students SHOULD NOT cross Pine Island WITHOUT the Crossing Guards direction.
- Crossing Guards will be on duty until 8:00AM.
- Walker/Biker/Carter entrance gate will be locked at 8:00AM
- All students must be dropped off through the front office if arriving after 8:00AM.
- All visitors that need to visit campus before school should use the visitor parking to access the front office.
- VISITORS will NOT be permitted to use the walker/biker/carter entrance.

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DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

- **Any person who picks up a student needs to be listed as an emergency contact on the Student Information Form.**
 - Contact information is extremely important. If we cannot reach a parent, we may not be able to release the student.
 - ID's are required when checking out students.
- **Please notify the school** in writing using the transportation email located on the PIA Website piatransportation@stjohns.k12.fl.us of any change to a student's transportation routine.
- **WE STRONGLY DISCOURAGE** any transportation changes after 1:30 (12:30 on Wednesdays). This is for the safety of the child.
- **BUS INFORMATION** – All bus information will be communicated to families via transportation the week of August 2nd.

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DISMISSAL ROUTINES

- Extended Day and Enrichment Activities - Released First
- Bus Riders – Released 2nd
- PPU/Daycare Vans – Released 3rd
- Walkers/Bikers/Carters – Released last AFTER buses have been dismissed. This avoids any students mistakenly dismissing to either area
- Reminder - all students have bus access or are assigned as walkers or bikers.
- Please be patient if choosing PPU as a dismissal option.

***All K- 5 students will have a dismissal tag color coded to their regular dismissal location. If a student's dismissal should change in the year, families MUST contact the student's teacher.**

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CRITICAL REMINDERS

To maintain the safety of our students I ask:

Parents/families ALWAYS remain in their vehicles during dismissal.

- Parents/Families SHOULD NOT be on sidewalks during dismissal; this impedes the safety of our students.
- Early Release Wednesday – All students are dismissed at 1:20 pm on Wednesdays.
- Please make arrangements for your child to be picked up at this time.

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SCHOOL ACCESS

All visitors and volunteers **MUST** be approved through School Access online screening application.

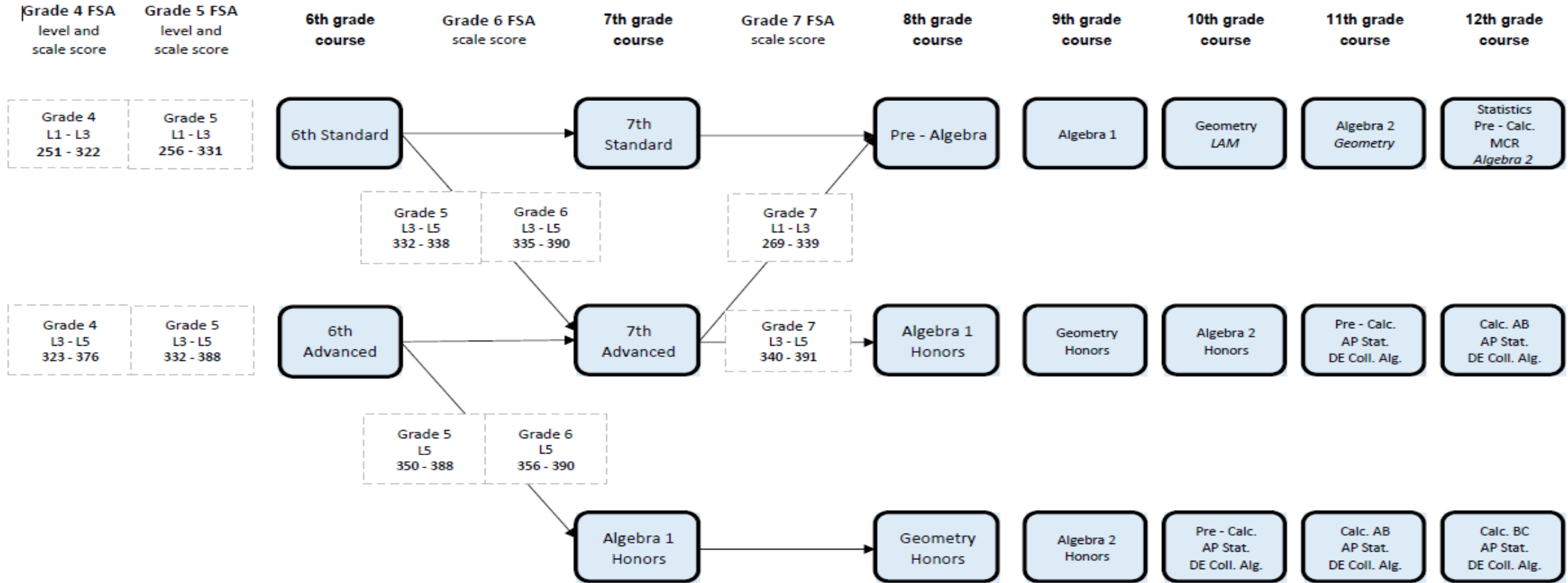
- Application available on our web site
- An email will be sent once approval has been granted
- Sign in through the Keep-n-Track system located in the front office
- ALL AREAS during school areas are included
- Includes Chaperoning a Field Trip
- Not necessary for PTO Events or Evening Performances
- Visitors will be limited this year due to contact tracing. Visitors will be allowed on campus by appointment only.

PARENT LEADERSHIP EXPECTATIONS



- Ensure your child arrives at school on time daily beginning at 7:40 am. Instruction begins promptly at 8:00 am.
- Excessive unexcused absences and tardies will be addressed by the MTSS/RtI team and administration.
- **Parents should provide the PIA Absentee form when a student has returned to school, via written or electronic.**
- Play an active role in your child's education by communicating with teachers or staff members.
- ***Check with your child daily for important information.***
- Talk to your child about their school day.
- Support PBIS expectations and celebrate students for good character and always doing their best – The PIA WAVE!
- Treat all citizens with respect. (Faculty, staff, students and other parents).
- Have **HIGH EXPECTATIONS** for your child both behaviorally and academically.

SJCSD Middle School Math Progression



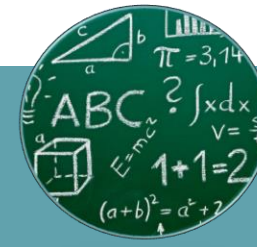
Mathematics Scale Scores (240 - 393) for Each Achievement Level					
Assessment	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Grade 5 Mathematics	256 - 305	306 - 319	320 - 333	334 - 349	350 - 388
Grade 6 Mathematics	260 - 309	310 - 324	325 - 338	339 - 355	356 - 390
Grade 7 Mathematics	269 - 315	316 - 329	330 - 345	346 - 359	360 - 391
Grade 8 Mathematics	273 - 321	322 - 336	337 - 352	353 - 364	365 - 393

**STUDENT
PROGRESSION**

ADVANCED MATH PROGRESSION

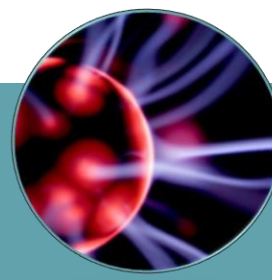
	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
	Math 1 Advanced	Math 2 Advanced	Algebra 1 Honors*	Geometry Honors	Algebra 2 Honors	Pre-Calculus AP Statistics DE College Algebra Probability/ Statistics	Pre-Calculus AP Statistics DE College Algebra Probability/ Statistics AP Calculus AB
		Algebra 1 Honors	Geometry Honors	Algebra 2 Honors	Pre-Calculus AP Statistics DE College Algebra Probability/ Statistics	AP Calculus AB AP Statistics DE College Algebra Probability/ Statistics	AP Calculus BC AP Statistics DE College Algebra DE Upper Level Math

MATHEMATICS



- Algebra 1 and Geometry students must take and pass the state End of Course exam, (EOC). The EOC is 30% of the student's final grade.
- Algebra 1 students must pass the EOC to receive credit for Algebra 1.
- Both Algebra1 and Geometry are high school graduation requirements.
- A total of 4 high school math credits are required to satisfy graduation requirements. However, college entrance ready students must take a math course each year.

PHYSICAL SCIENCE



- Grade of an “A” in 7th grade advanced science
- *Concurrent enrollment in Algebra 1 Honors or Geometry*
- A Level 5 or high Level 4 on both the Math and Reading FSA
- Students will be recommended for Physical Science Honors based on academic performance and the recommendation from their 7th grade Science teacher

LANGUAGE ARTS PROGRESSION

	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Standard	Language Arts 1	Language Arts 2	Language Arts 3	English 1	English 2	English 3	English 4 Florida College Prep
Advanced/ Highly Advanced	Language Arts 1 Advanced	Language Arts 2 Advanced	Language Arts 3 Advanced	English 1 Honors	English 2 Honors	English 3 Honors AP English Language and Composition DE Compositions 1	English 4 Honors AP English Literature and Language Arts DE Composition 2

SOCIAL STUDIES PROGRESSION

	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Standard	American History	Civics	US History	World Cultural Geography	World History	US History	Government Economics
Advanced	American History Advanced	Civics Advanced	US History Advanced	World Cultural Geography	World History Honors	US History Honors	Government Honors Economics Honors
Highly Advanced	American History Advanced	Civics Advanced	US History Advanced	AP Human Geography	AP World History	AP US History	AP US Government and Politics AP Microeconomics AP Macroeconomics

SOCIAL STUDIES



- Middle school Civics students and high school US History students must take the state EOC. The EOC will count as 30% of the student's final grade.
- A total of 3 high school social studies credits are required to satisfy graduation requirements. However, college entrance ready students will take a social studies course each year.

ACADEMIC POLICIES



- Your child has options for re-test.
- We expect students to do their best the first time on an assessment, however, we recognize students learn at different rates and in different ways. To ensure ALL students have the opportunity to learn, re-test options are given to students.
- Students who score below proficiency on a summative assignment (test, project, research paper) can participate in grade recovery. Students coordinate with the teacher for this retake opportunity. Students are only allowed to retake the test one time.
- Promotion requires that academic requirements are met in the following core classes: Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies.

COMMUNICATION IS KEY



- Teacher's Email
- Schoology – main source of communication for middle school students
- Teacher Newsletters and School Newsletter
- Pine Island Webpage has the most updated information.
- Parent Handbook – located on PIA webpage under Parent Tab.
- Weekly Memos from Admin Team
- Peachjar - located on PIA webpage - communication of community activities
- School Messenger – school-wide email, phone, text messaging system

SCHOOLGY

Schoology is our online learning management system to support our students.

Schoology will be used as the main communication tool for students and parents/guardians.



- Schoology is a digital platform that manages curriculum, assessments, grading and other classroom tasks and serves as a communication tool for educators and families.
- Teachers will post announcements, calendar events, assignments, and materials in Schoology platform.
- Absent students can log into Schoology to get missed assignments.
- Students will be given access to Schoology at the beginning of the year.
- Schoology will REMAIN the main source of learning communication.
- Online textbooks are available for all core classes and are available through Schoology.
- Usernames and passwords are the same for all accounts

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- Students will use Schoology to view upcoming activities, tests, and important class information.
- Home Access Center (HAC) allows parents and students to view grades online.
- Students use the same username and password for all of their textbooks and HAC.
- Organization is the key to success!
- Parents will want to check Schoology on a daily basis to assist the child in the development of organizational skills

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Task #1

Log into Schoology:

stjohnsschools.schoology.com

1. Open Chrome (preferred) or Firefox
2. Go to <https://stjohnsschools.schoology.com> or use the Schoology link on Links for Students
3. Enter your student S# email address (i.e. s123456@stjohns.k12.fl.us) and click **Next**
4. Enter your district password and click **Sign in**

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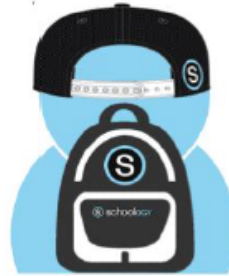
Password 4

Sign in

SCHOOLGY

SCHOOLGY TRAINING FOR FAMILIES

Parent Workshop



Schoology,
Microsoft, and so
much more!



Microsoft

Microsoft 365



This session will help you and your child succeed in the
2021-22 school year.

There will be three sessions to provide support for families as we prepare to navigate the new school year.

Parents will learn how to access Schoology, the information learning hub for our students, to stay informed, review student work and assignments, and utilize Microsoft tools to support student success.

We will share ideas for engaging with your child's school and teachers throughout the year.

Click Here to
Sign Up



August 9th, 2021

Session 1: 9:00-11:00 (FCTC)

Session 2: 1:00-3:00 (FCTC)

Session 3: 6:00-7:30 (Virtual)



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DOLPHIN CAFÉ



- Menus are available online.
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CAFETERIA



Students can pay on campus or online at Paypams:



**** Please note if you use a check for payment. TWO phone numbers are required to be listed on any checks . Thank you! ****

Please inform our staff of any food allergies that your student may face. We welcome that information so we can prepare with the appropriate accommodations.

Lunch Prices

Elementary/secondary breakfast: \$1.25

Elementary lunch: \$2.80

Secondary lunch: \$2.95

CLINIC









The St. Johns County School clinics provide a vital service for our students. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us

Medication:

Please note our schools **do not** keep stock medicine in the clinic. If your child needs medication during school hours, please contact the nurse for the proper documentation.

When should your child stay home:

I NEED TO STAY HOME IF...

I HAVE A FEVER	I AM VOMITING	I HAVE DIARRHEA	I HAVE A RASH	I HAVE HEAD LICE	I HAVE AN EYE INFECTION	I HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL	I HAVE COVID-19
							
Temperature of 100.4 or Higher	Within the past 24 hours	Within the past 24 hours	Body rash with itching or fever	Itchy head with live lice or nits, (lice eggs)	Redness, itching, and/or "crusty" drainage from eye.	Hospital stay and/or ER Visit	A positive covid test performed by doctor or health dept.

I AM READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL WHEN I AM...

Student must be seen and cleared by doctor with a note to return to school.	Free from vomiting for at least 2 solid meals	Student must be seen and cleared by doctor with a note to return to school.	Free from rash itching, or fever. I have been evaluated by my doctor if needed	Must be treated and ALL nits removed. Student must be cleared by nurse to return. No bus until cleared.	Evaluated by my doctor and have a note to return to school.	Released by my medical provider to return to school.	The Dept of Health will give you and the school a date of return. Feel free to call the clinic if you have questions.
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ABSENCES



- Schoology will be the main source of communication for middle school students. It is the responsibility of the middle school student to make his/her own arrangements with the teacher to make up the missed work/tests.
- For a complete list of excused and unexcused absences, refer to the Student Code of Conduct.
- We encourage medical appointments to be made after school hours or during early release hours whenever possible to reduce the amount of instructional time lost.

TARDIES



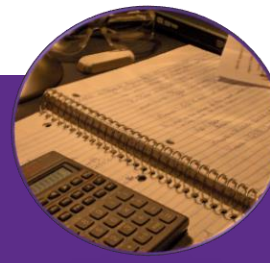
- Tardies to school negatively affect a student's overall attendance percentage and academic progress.
- If you are late getting to school, you must check in through the front office.
- Failure to bring notes with an acceptable excuse will result in an unexcused tardy. An excused tardy includes:
 - Illness or illness of immediate family member
 - Doctor appointment
 - Oversleeping or missing the bus will not be NOT be excused.
- Tardies to class will be handled by the class teacher.
- 3rd unexcused tardy will result in warning/parent contact. Additional tardies to class will result in alternative lunch location
- Make up tests and missed work, reminder student must schedule with teacher

SUPPLIES



- The 6th and 7th grade supply lists are posted on the PIA website.
- Supplemental supply requirements will be posted on each teacher's Schoology page, if necessary.
- There will be additional fees for Band, Art, and the purchase of PE uniforms and lockers.

HOMEWORK



- Homework is to be expected for students in middle school.
- Your child will be able to access all homework via Schoology.
- Homework could be classwork that needs to be completed.
- Expect students to have homework MOST nights.
- There is also a calendar that will show when each assignment and upcoming activity is for the student for all their classes

If your child says he/she has no homework:

TRUST BUT VERIFY

DEVICES



TECH AGREEMENT PLAN -

- **INTEGRITY** – We believe our students will respect the tech plan and have developed a plan that trusts students with technology at PIA.
- Students **CAN** use their phone during the times below (Appropriate Device Usage)
 - Before warning bell
 - When invited by teachers to use device for learning or other educational purposes
 - After dismissal bell
 - Only one earbud should be worn at any time on school property.
- Students **CANNOT** use their phones during the times listed below (Inappropriate Device Usage)
 - Pictures and videos are **STRICTLY PROHIBITED** during the school hours
 - During class **UNLESS** given permission by the classroom teacher.
 - Between passing periods

DEVICES



TAKING RESPONSIBILITY

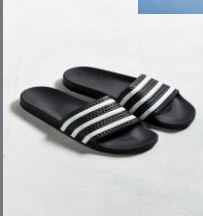
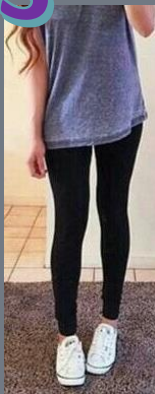
- The cell phone will be the student and parent/guardian's responsibility at all times.
- The school is not responsible for investigating lost, damaged, or stolen cell phones.
- If a student needs to communicate with a parent, he/she must do so through the front office.

BACKPACKS and LOCKERS

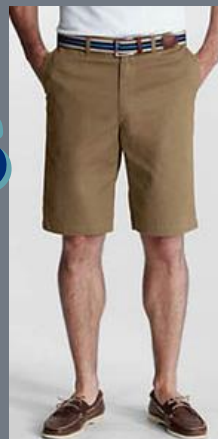
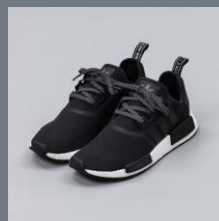


- Students may use backpacks to transfer materials from class to class and from school to home.
- NO ROLLING BACKPACKS
- All students will be assigned a locker in the academic area of the building.
 - Students can choose whether they use the locker or not.
 - Locks are built into the lockers, so students will not be responsible for keeping up with a lock in the main area of the building.

Dont's



Do's



DRESS CODE
DO' & DON'T'S

MEET AND GREETs



PLEASE SEE FAMILY LETTER SENT TO PARENTS ON 7/17/21 FOR MORE INFORMATION INCLUDING WHICH SESSION TO ATTEND

MEET AND GREETs

Thursday, August 12

- 3rd grade – 8:30 AM – 9:15AM and 10:00 AM – 10:45AM
- 4th grade – 11:30 AM – 12:15PM and 12:45 PM – 1:30PM
- 5th grade – 1:00 PM – 1:45PM and 2:00 PM – 2:45PM

Friday, August 13

- Kindergarten – 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM and 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
- 1st grade – 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM and 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
- 7th grade - 10:45 AM – 1:15 PM
- 6th grade – 12:00 PM – 1:15 PM
- 2nd grade – 1:00 PM– 2:00 PM and 2:30 PM– 3:30 PM

CURRICULUM CHAT NIGHTS WILL BE HELD IN SEPTEMBER

ALL STUDENTS

can and will

LEARN

- Students are given time built into their schedule in order to receive extra assistance in all CORE classes, enrichment opportunities, and if time permits, a retest opportunity.
- This time is built to ensure extra time is given to students that may need it for learning.
- Re-test or grade recovery is scheduled between the student and teacher and typically is scheduled before or after school.



PINE ISLAND ACADEMY
DISCOVERING STRENGTHS & PURSUING DREAMS

Questions?

Please contact your child's teacher

Amanda Riedl, Learning Leader

Rachel Naylor, Assistant Principal

Wenona Arline, Assistant Principal

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