



PINELLAS PREPARATORY ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you are enjoying your summer and getting well rested for the next school year!

We, at Pinellas Preparatory Academy, are working hard to prepare for the new year and are excited about everything it will have to offer. The enclosed information is to help you prepare for the upcoming school year. You will find supply lists to help you with your back-to-school shopping, policies, and much more. We would prefer that you submit these forms electronically using the latest version of Adobe Acrobat, or you may print them and drop the forms off during the summer or mail them to the school. **Please get them to the school by Friday, August 5, 2011.** Please note that there are some forms, such as the emergency contact information that must be completed before your child can attend school.

In preparation for the first day of school, we will be having a **Sneak-a-Peek Night on Thursday, August 18th from 6:00-8:00 p.m.** for students in grades 4-8. Please bring in your school supplies, meet your teachers, and tour the school. It is important that you attend this evening and drop-off your supplies, which will assist with easing the congestion of the car-circle on the first day of school. Additionally, we will be having an **Open House on Thursday, September 8th from 6:00-8:35 p.m.** The **Open House *is mandatory for all new families*** and recommended for for all returning families. We will be utilizing the following schedule for Open House: families with children in grades 4-5 will attend from 6:00-6:45, families with students in grades 6-7 will attend from 6:55-7:40, and families with 8th grade students will attend from 7:50-8:35. Families with children in both time frames can attend either presentation. If the parking lot fills up, there is extra parking available at New Testament Baptist Church, which is located three (3) buildings north of the school.


There are many activities scheduled during our **Open House**, including a presentation in the cafeteria, an opportunity to meet your child's teachers, and an overview of each of your child's classes with class expectations and syllabi. Again, this is a mandatory meeting for all new families. If you are unable to attend, we ask that you please send a representative to get the information. If this is not possible, you will be **required** to come into the office to pick up a packet of information, and sign that you have received and understand the material.

Lastly, we are asking that each family contribute at least 100 points (equivalent to 20 hours) of volunteer time to the school over the course of the year. Attending parent meetings, such as the Open House, will earn points toward your family contribution.

As we get closer to the school year, we will be providing you with updated information on our website (www.pinellasprep.org) and through our e-mail list. Please periodically check the 2011-2012 page on our website for updates. If you are not receiving e-mails from the school, please contact us at 727-536-3600 to update your e-mail address so we can supply you with much needed information for the new school year.

Please remember that the first day of school is Monday, August 22. Classes start at 8:00 a.m. We recommend you arrive at school no later than 7:55am so that your child is not marked as tardy. Elementary student (grades 4-5) are dismissed at 2:40 and middle school students (grades 6-8) are released at 2:50 p.m. We hope you enjoy the rest of your summer, and look forward to seeing you in August.

Sincerely,



Joell Ramsdell
Principal