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PALMETTO MIDDLE SCHOOL



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Palmetto Middle PTSA

Palmetto Middle PTSA Newsletter

Oct. 2017

Please Note

Rescheduled PTSA Meeting
Thursday, Sept. 28th
9 AM @ Media Center

Due to Irma, we didn't have our regularly scheduled September meeting. It is rescheduled for Thursday, Sept. 28th and is a combination September/October meeting. The October meeting is canceled. We hope to see you there- a lot of important information will be given, including PTSA updates and event information, a Principal's Report, (fun!) Giveaways, and more. An Agenda can be found [here](#).

In the future, Agendas and Meeting Notes can be found on our PTSA web site. The Agenda will be available before the meeting for parents who want to suggest additions. After the meeting the notes will be posted for parents who cannot make the meetings and want to review what was said.

<http://www.pmsptsa.org/events.html>

Please make note of these important upcoming dates:

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1:20 PM

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No School.

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Thursday, Nov. 9th- PTSA General Meeting, 9 AM

Open House 10/3

Open House is rescheduled for October 3rd at 6 PM.

This is for parents only. Please first go to your child's homeroom. Our School Store will be open in the Media Center, so make sure you stop by to check out our new styles for the year. Papa John's pizza and beverages will also be available for sale before and after.

BOO! Upcoming October Events

Our [#orangeandblack](#) 2nd Annual Adults-Only Cocktail Party will be held on October 20th. Save the Date! Ticket Sales and more information can be found [here](#). We are also going to have student BOO GRAMS in October. For \$1, students (and parents!) can buy 'anonymous' BOO Grams for your favorite little goblin (student) or teacher. More information about the BOO Grams to come.

Volunteers and Members needed

Become a Special Volunteer for The Listeners/Oyentes Program

We would like to inform you about a wonderful school volunteer program that will provide great benefits to all students of M-DCPS. This program has successfully been a part of M-DCPS for over 40 years. The Listeners/Oyentes Program is here to support the teachers and counselors by helping to

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To see a complete calendar
of upcoming events please
click here:

[PTSA Calendar](#)

and

[PMS Calendar](#)

Quick Links

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[PMSPTSA Website](#)

[New Parents Guide](#)

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defuse the emotions of the children that our volunteers listen to, so that these students can better absorb the lessons being taught. To learn more and to see our training schedule, please visit www.listenersprogram.org

9%!!

As of earlier this week, we only received PTSA Membership forms and payment from 9% of our student families. Some homerooms are at 0%! We are hoping that is due to Irma and everyone is still playing catch-up.

****We need your support!!**

Unlike Elementary Schools, we do not have huge fundraisers throughout the year, and we rely on our Family Membership Drive to help us gain the funds we need to just cover our basic expenses. Want to know all that PTSA does? Attend our meeting and find out! You'll be surprised. ALL monies are given

BACK to the school for school improvements, projects, student support, and more. PLEASE join PTSA and consider a family donation. Forms went home the first week of school. Checks preferred.

Form is [here](#) and can be delivered to your child's homeroom teacher in an envelope with your check, or you can use a credit card online here (worse for us- they take a cut):

<http://www.pmsptsa.org/join.html>

Thank You

Registration for Volunteers

Don't forget to register as a volunteer for Miami-Dade Public Schools. You MUST register as a volunteer in order to participate or volunteer at any events at the school. You need to do this every school year. For more information go here:

<https://www.engagemiamidade.net/community-school-volunteers>

Lancers are GREEN !

Thank you to all of the students and families who came to school last week for our Clean Up & Green

Up Event! You are truly making a GREEN difference at our school and are appreciated.



GoGreen Sign-Ups

If you missed last Friday's sign-up, there will be another one this Friday, Sept. 29th @ 8:30 AM
Bring Form and Money (see Ms. Ortiz)
*Need parent help if you can!

Media Center Volunteers Needed

The Media Center (AKA Library, but it's so much MORE than that) needs you! The Media Center at Palmetto Middle School is run by parent volunteers.

In the mornings, students like to come to the Media Center to work on school work, use the computers, and check out books. This is one of the most needed and rewarding volunteer positions at Palmetto Middle.

The Media Center will be open each morning from 8:30am to 10am. If we have enough volunteers we can insert another shift, and go until 11am. We

need at least two volunteers per shift in case of sickness or emergency.

We need volunteers...Perhaps someone you would like to share a shift with? It's an excellent way to get to know the teachers and the school.

Tora Bueno is putting together the volunteer sign-up. If interested, please let her know which day of the week you would like to volunteer. She can be reached at torabonnier@me.com

Thank you !

Green Help

Ms. Ortiz needs a few helpers with her green initiatives for the year. One is to help before school when the Green Team (students) meet. Their job is to take care of our school's various gorgeous gardens. Her other big need is to help her prepare the school so that we can receive a Green School designation. Interested? Contact Ms. Ortiz at tortiz1@dadeschools.net

Copy Room Helpers

PTSA has historically helped teachers with their copy needs on a daily basis. This year we have a few remaining days available for copy help. It involves coming to school once a week on your assigned day, and spending about an hour copying for teachers. If interested, please email KatieLAbbott@comcast.net

Teachers are VERY appreciative of this service.

Thank you for your consideration!

Wanted! AV/TV Installer!

Is there a parent or community member out there who would be willing to offer their skills to help the school install some TVs that were donated? They're large, interactive smart TVs. If you can, please contact

KatieLAbbott@comcast.net

Thanks!

Interested in Palmetto Middle School ?

There are more middle school options than ever.

Come find out why Palmetto Middle School is a great choice for your child.

School Tours 2017-2018:

All School Tours take place at Palmetto Middle School (7351 SW 128th Street, Pinecrest) at 9:15 AM in the Media Center.

2017: October 16th, November 20th

2018: January 22nd, February 20th, March 19th, April 16th, May 21st

Coffee w/Principal Gonzalez

Join our Principal, Mr. Gonzalez, and several select teachers at your home school for Palmetto Middle information and Q&A. All start at 9:00 AM.

October 18th- Palmetto Elementary

October 19th- Howard Drive Elementary

October 25th- Pinecrest Elementary

November 1st- Coral Reef Elementary

"Lancer Experience"

On Tuesday, December 5th, 5th Grade students from Howard Drive Elementary, Palmetto Elementary, and Pinecrest Elementary Schools will take a field trip to Palmetto Middle School to see what it's all about.

Other Palmetto Middle School

Resources:

Other Important Resources:

PTSA Web Site/LINK e-newsletter sign-up:

<http://www.pmsptsa.org>

School Web Site: <http://palmettomiddle.com>

PTSA on Facebook: [fb.me/palmettomiddleptsa](https://www.facebook.com/palmettomiddleptsa)

PTSA on Instagram:

[@palmettomiddle_ptsa](https://www.instagram.com/palmettomiddle_ptsa)

PTSA has an app- download and allow pushes

Palmetto Middle on Twitter: [@PMLancers](https://twitter.com/PMLancers)

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- Excellence in Your Own Backyard-

A Few Important Announcements

Save the date for our 2nd annual Cocktail Party !

We are excited to announce our 2nd Annual Cocktail Party. Mark your calendars for Friday, October 20th, 6 PM- 8 PM. Ticket sales will start Oct. 1st. We are still in the planning stages. If you have any suggestions for food, beverages, or Silent Auction items, please contact Katie Abbott at KatieLAbbott@comcast.net

New Clothing Sizes in stock

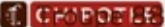
the school store now has smaller sizes (Youth Medium, Youth Large, etc.) in PE shorts (\$9), PE shirts (\$6), gray long sleeve Friday shirt (\$14), and white dri fit shirts (\$14). To purchase, go to the school store behind the Media Center any morning before school. Cash or check to 'Palmetto Middle PTSA' only.

Support Palmetto Middle Theater

Support Palmetto Middle Theater on Wednesday, Oct. 18th at Chipotle. When you purchase food from them between 5-9 PM, show the flyer below on your smartphone and Chipotle will give a percentage of sales to our fabulous theater group. Thank you for your support !

ONE FOR THE TEAM

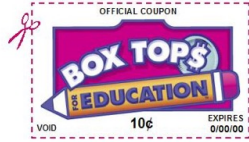


Show your team spirit by joining us for a fundraiser to support Palmetto Middle School Thespian Troupe 88203. Come in to the Chipotle at **12227 South Dixie Highway** in Pinecrest on **Wednesday, October 18th** between **5:00pm** and **9:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Palmetto Middle School Thespi  203.

If placing an order online during your fundraiser, please note you must choose the pay in-store option and inform our cashier of your participation before paying. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

Palmetto Middle Collects Box Tops

Please clip your Box Tops from qualifying purchases for Palmetto Middle. We do collect them and make some easy \$\$ off of the program. A drop-off box is in the Main Office. Bonus points for cutting them out on the line, saves us time. Thank you Jill Marvel and Jill Olster for helping with this project (again!)



Business Sponsorship Opportunities

Do you own a business, or know of one which may be interested? Help Palmetto Middle be the best it can be by becoming a (TAX-DEDUCTIBLE) business sponsor. Great advertising as well- reach families of over 1,000 students, faculty, and community members. See the attached for more information.

[2017-2018 Business Sponsorship Packet](#)

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Kendall and all of South Florida, our goal is to provide our patients with a smile that can give them the confidence and self-esteem to Live Life Smiling! We offer several treatment options, all customized to each patient's specific needs and goals. We are a Preferred provider of Invisalign treatment and provide many esthetic options to traditional braces. Our practice offers the latest in Orthodontic technology and appliances to give our patients the best treatment and outcome. Our mission is to make beautiful, healthy smiles while enhancing the self-esteem of our patients. We have learned to give the same personalized, loving care to all of our patients, especially those with special needs.



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Thank you Pinecrest Orthodontics for being a Patron Sponsor! Dr. Victoria Rothman just opened a brand new orthodontic practice right down the street from school. She offers various orthodontic treatment options including braces and Invisalign. She treats both children and adults in a warm and friendly family environment. For more information about her and the practice, check out her web site: <http://www.pinecrestortho.com>

