



Welcome to the Palmetto Middle School PTSA Link. You are one of nearly 800 members of the PMS family that has elected to receive school news via e-mail. Thank you for staying connected and for your continued support of our PTSA!

MDCPS Budget Update

Miami-Dade County Public Schools is facing one of the most challenging budgetary cycles in recent history. The District, like many others in Florida, has been hit hard by a reduction in funding and struggling state and national economies, as well as the passage of Florida Amendment One. Future budget cuts to education by the Florida Legislature are a very real possibility, and it is critical that the community stay informed during this time of economic challenge and change.

The District is committed to providing information to the community to present a clear understanding of the process and the progress being made. [To view the July 3 Budget Update, click here.](#) If you would like to receive Budget Updates directly from MDCPS, please e-mail ptsalink@bellsouth.net and your e-mail address will be provided to the District.

Legislative Update – The Children’s Trust

The Children’s Trust is up for reauthorization on Tuesday, August 26th. The Trust is a dedicated source of funding created by voter referendum in 2002 to improve the lives of children and families in Miami-Dade County by making strategic investments in their future, focusing on the areas of health, development and safety, and increasing parental and community responsibility in children. To learn more about The Children’s Trust and the many programs and initiatives they undertake on behalf of our community’s children, visit www.thechildrenstrust.org.

Mark Your Calendar to Vote

It is extremely important that you get out and vote on Tuesday, August 26! To register to vote, or if you know of someone who isn't, [click here](#).

Committee Chair Openings

A couple of PTSA Committee Chair positions remain open – School Store, PTSA Awards, PTSA Programs and Reflections. This is a great opportunity to get involved. For additional information, or to recommend someone, contact our PTSA President, Melissa Montovino, at melissamontovino@yahoo.com.

Recognize Your Child on our Student Bulletin Board

The PTSA will be recognizing our students throughout the year on the bulletin board in the Attendance Office. Parents are encouraged to already begin submitting any outstanding student academic, sports or personal accomplishments to Melissa Montovino at melissamontovino@yahoo.com or Riva Steinman at no1mom@bellsouth.net.

Donation Request

Donations of large wooden conference tables and accompanying chairs (attorney style) are needed for the administration's use. To help, please contact Melissa Montovino, at melissamontovino@yahoo.com.

Links to Monthly Mailing & Other Important PMS Information

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