

PACETTI BAY MIDDLE SCHOOL



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Dear Pacetti Bay Parents and Community Members:

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year at Pacetti Bay Middle School! We are very excited to have you and your children as part of the Wildcat Family. We have set very high expectations and made plans to guarantee that every student attending PBMS will be successful this school year. Please use this informational packet along with our school website and staff to answer any questions you may have about the approaching new school year. **Please note that the first day of school is Wednesday, August 10, 2016, but all students will not be released until 2:00 p.m.**

Meet the Teacher Orientation

Please accept this personal invitation to you and your family to attend the following Meet-the- Teacher Orientation. Parents will receive a blackboard communication via telephone on August 5, 2016 notifying you of your child's homeroom teacher name and room assignment. Each child's schedule will be in the designated homeroom you receive via telephone alert during Orientation on either Monday, 8.8.16 or Tuesday, 8.9.16.

6th Grade- August 8, 2016 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

7th Grade- August 9, 2016 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

8th Grade- August 9, 2016 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Please check the PBMS website (www-pbms.stjohns.k12.fl.us) for the appropriate school supply lists, reading assignment and back to school information that can be found under the grade level tabs.

Important Information for a Great Start to the New School Year

NEW!! Schedule- 6 Periods Daily, due to our cafeteria renovation, PBMS will be on a modified block schedule for the 16-17 school year. Similar to last year, students will have a majority of their classes in a 45 minute format. However, periods 5-6 will be a 90 minute rotating block every other day. A bell schedule is attached for further reference.

Start (7:40 a.m.) and Ending (2:00 p.m.) Times- Student drop-off in the morning begins no earlier than 7:15 a.m. Homeroom begins promptly at 7:40 a.m. Students must be on time and in their classroom areas when expected. Tardy marks will be issued for students arriving after 7:40 a.m. Our instructional day will finish at 2:00 p.m. **Wednesday will be a 1:00 p.m dismissal throughout the year (the only exception to this schedule will be on the first day of school, dismissal will be at 2:00 p.m.).**

After the Bell (ATB) - Extended day programming is available to parents for after school supervision until 6pm Monday-Friday. Designated homework, snack, recreational and social time is structured for students each day. Either punch card (as needed) or full time options are available. Please visit After the Bell (ATB) at <http://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/after-the-bell/> for more information or e-mail Courtney Mazerolle at courtney.mazerolle@stjohns.k12.fl.us for questions.

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7th Grade Students – All rising 7th grade students are required to have a tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis (Tdap) booster PRIOR to entering 7th grade for the 2016 - 2017 school year. If your student needs this immunization, please obtain it and bring the updated DH680 to Pacetti Bay Middle School no later than Wednesday, August 10, 2016. If your student's immunizations are not up to date by August 8, 2016, he/she will not receive a class schedule and will not be permitted to start school until this requirement has been met. As a reminder, our office is open at Pacetti Bay this summer. Office hours are 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please call our Guidance Department at 904.5478760 or 904.547.8773.

Transportation Information - Transportation information is available on the St. Johns County Website at <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/transportation/>

Backpacks-Students will be allowed to use **backpacks** (preferably small/collapsible) or **drawstring backpacks** as they travel to and from classes. However, **NO ROLLING BACKPACKS** will be allowed. Students have 4 minutes during class transitions to allow exchange of materials throughout the day. Be prepared for extended dismissal times for the first few weeks of school as students learn routines.

Dress Code- Please refer to the PBMS website for appropriate school attire prior to beginning your “back to school” shopping. **Hot Dress Code Topics:** ALL shoes must have backs (no slides, flip-flops or slippers). All shirts must have a sleeve that covers the shoulders and the midriff. All pants will be worn at the waist and free of rips, tears and holes (no sleepwear, fleece/terrycloth, or yoga style pants). All shorts and skirts must be at or below fingertip length when shoulders are relaxed. Hats will only be worn outside the building and will be stored in lockers during non-PE class periods.

Cell Phones-Students may use phones before or after school hours. Phones must be “**off and away**” unless directed by an instructor for classroom purposes. PBMS is not responsible for lost or stolen devices.

WILDCAT Summer Opportunities!!

6th Grade Summer Venture

<http://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/PBMS-Summer-Venture-2015.pdf>

We look forward to meeting you and your family during our Meet the Teacher Orientation. Please do not hesitate to contact or visit us if you have any questions.

Educationally Yours,

Jay Willets

Daily Schedule

7:15-7:36	Café Open and Early Drop-off
7:30-7:39	7 th & 8 th Grade Commons Open
7:36	Warning Bell
7:40-7:50	Homeroom for News & Announcements
7:54-8:39	1 st Period (45 minutes)
8:43-9:28	2 nd Period (45 minutes)
9:32-10:13	3 rd Period (45 minutes)
10:17-11:02	4 th Period (45 minutes)
11:06-1:11	5 th Period / 6 th Period (90 minutes)
11:09-11:39	First Lunch
11:54-12:24	Second Lunch
12:39-1:09	Third Lunch
1:15-2:00	7 th Period (45 minutes)

***Students will be allowed access to their locker during each class change throughout the day.**

Wednesday-Early Release Schedule

7:15-7:36	Café Open and Early Drop-off
7:30-7:39	7 th & 8 th Grade Commons Open
7:36	Warning Bell
7:40-7:50	Homeroom for News & Announcements
7:54-8:29	1 st Period (35 minutes)
8:33-9:08	2 nd Period (35 minutes)
9:12-9:45	3 rd Period (35 minutes)
9:49-10:24	4 th Period (35 minutes)
10:28-12:21	5 th Period / 6 th Period (78 minutes)
10:31-11:01	First Lunch
11:10-11:40	Second Lunch
11:49-12:19	Third Lunch
12:25-1:00	7 th Period (35 minutes)

***Students will be allowed access to their locker during each class change throughout the day.**