

# Pacetti Bay Middle School Newsletter

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## Welcome to the Bay Ms. Caitlyn Stewart...



I am very excited to join the Wildcat family! After earning my Bachelor's degree in Secondary English Education from Flagler College I began my teaching career in Putnam County. I taught both middle and high school science, and enjoyed the opportunity to step outside of my English/Literature comfort zone. After one year there I made the transition to St. John's County and taught English at Saint

Augustine High School for 5 years. I had the pleasure of working with all levels of students, including those in the AICE college prep program. During my time as a Yellow Jacket, I obtained my Master's degree in Educational Leadership from The University of North Florida. Shortly after, I moved to First Coast Technical College where I served as the Testing Coordinator for 2 years. I am thrilled at the opportunity to bring my experience to the Pacetti Bay community as an Assistant Principal, and look forward to helping the continued success of students and staff.

## Upcoming Events

### March 4<sup>th</sup>

Nease High School Registration  
8:00AM-2:00PM  
Ponte Vedra High School Registration  
8:30AM-10:30AM  
Art Club 2:00PM-4:00PM

### March 5<sup>th</sup>

Nease High School Registration  
8:00AM-2:00PM  
Cheer Clinics 3:30PM-5:30PM  
Battle of the Books 2:00PM-3:00PM

### March 6<sup>th</sup>

FCA 7:00AM-7:30AM  
Tropicana Speech Contest 6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
7:40AM-8:30AM

### March 7<sup>th</sup>

Nease High School Registration  
8:00AM-2:00PM  
Cheer Clinics 3:30PM-5:30PM

### March 8<sup>th</sup>

Nease High School Registration  
8:00AM-2:00PM  
PTSO Spring Fling 2:00PM-4:00PM

### March 11<sup>th</sup>

Pedro Mendez High School  
Registration 8:00AM-10:00AM  
Art Club 2:00PM-3:00PM

### March 12<sup>th</sup>

PTSO Meeting 12:00PM  
Cheer Clinics 3:30PM-5:30PM  
Battle of the Books 2:00PM-3:00PM

### March 13<sup>th</sup>

Creekside High School Registration  
8:00AM-10:30AM  
Art Club 1:00PM-3:00PM

### March 14<sup>th</sup>

St. Augustine High School Registration  
8:00AM-11:00AM  
Cheer Clinics 3:30PM-5:30PM  
SAC Meeting 2:30PM-3:00PM

### March 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>

New York Theatre Trip

### March 19<sup>th</sup>

Cheer Clinics 3:30PM-5:30PM  
Battle of the Books 2:00PM-3:00PM

### March 20<sup>th</sup>

FCA 7:00AM-7:30AM

### March 21<sup>st</sup>

Cheer Clinics 3:30PM-5:30PM

### March 25<sup>th</sup>

Art Club 2:00PM-3:00PM

### March 26<sup>th</sup>

Cheer Clinics 3:30PM-5:30PM  
Battle of the Books 2:00PM-3:00PM

### March 27<sup>th</sup>

FCA 7:00AM-7:30AM

### March 28<sup>th</sup>

Cheer Clinics 3:30PM-5:30PM




Contact Coach Josh Bailen for More Information  
 Email: Joshua.Bailen@stjohns.k12.fl.us  
 Phone: 904-477-3716

## 2019 Skill Development Camp @ Nease High School

### Spring

Boys & Girls

2nd - 5th Grade: 9:00AM - 10:30AM  
 6th - 8th Grade: 10:30AM - 12:00PM

- Session 1: Saturday 03/30
- Session 2: Saturday 04/06
- Session 3: Saturday 04/13
- Session 4: Saturday 04/20
- Session 5: Saturday 04/27

\$30 per session  
 Sign up for 3 or more sessions and get \$15 off

### Summer

Boys & Girls

3rd - 9th Grade:  
 Monday - Thursday, 9:00AM - 12:00PM

- Session 1: 06/03 - 06/06
- Session 2: 06/10 - 06/13
- Session 3: 07/8 - 07/11
- Session 4: 07/15 - 07/18

\$125 per session  
 Sign up for 2 sessions and get \$15 off  
 Sign up for 3 or more sessions and get \$25 off



Congratulations to Ella Johnson, Caleb Hobbs, and Trevor Popovich for being selected to represent the Bay at the district regional science fair held last week. Trevor Popovich won The Lemelson Early Inventor prize with an award of \$100, and earned an honorable mention in the engineering category. Caleb Hobbs was awarded with a Carlisle interconnect technologies award, and placed third place in the engineering category. Congratulations to all three participants!



## Carnation Grams

Teachers, Friends, Siblings, too! Send a flower to say "I'm so lucky to know you!" Send a bunch or give just one.. Getting a flower is so much fun! When you give a carnation you make a donation towards Dreams Come True.

Send carnations to friends at school or parents send to your children. Personalize your carnation gram with a special note from you!

**\$2 per carnation gram**

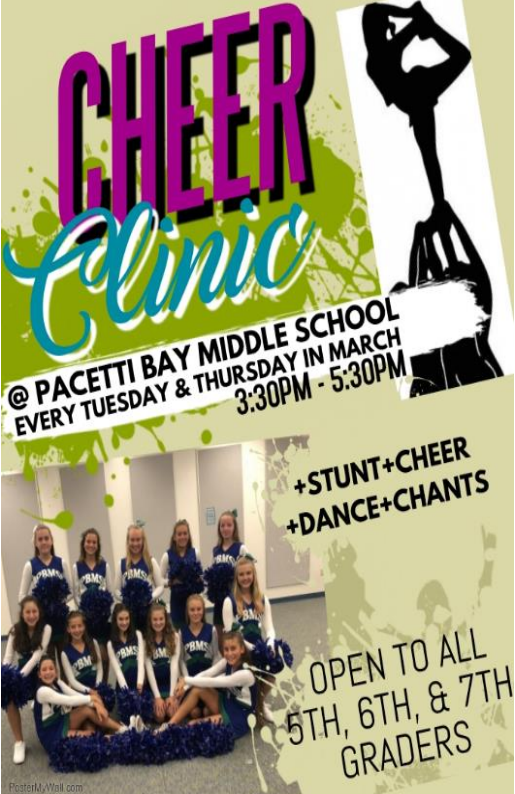
**Or 3 for \$5**

How to buy:

- Get a form from your homeroom teacher. Fill it out and return the form and money to your homeroom teacher.
- Purchase carnations grams during lunch at the tables outside of the cafeteria.
- Download and print a form from the Pacetti Bay Website and return the form and money to your homeroom teacher or to Ms. Gates in room 440.



Sales begin March 1<sup>st</sup> and end March 8<sup>th</sup>.  
 Flowers will be delivered to homerooms on March 14<sup>th</sup>.



**CHEER Clinic**

@ PACETTI BAY MIDDLE SCHOOL  
 EVERY TUESDAY & THURSDAY IN MARCH  
 3:30PM - 5:30PM

+STUNT+CHEER  
 +DANCE+CHANTS

OPEN TO ALL  
 5TH, 6TH, & 7TH  
 GRADERS



SUPPORTING EDUCATION IN THE WGV

5K / FUN RUN

APRIL 5, 2019

FUN RUN 7:45PM  5K 8:00PM

**RING POWER CAMPUS**  
500 World Commerce Pkwy, St Augustine, FL 32092

ALL RACERS RECEIVE:  
T-SHIRT  
BIB  
FINISHERS MEDAL

**\$30 ADULT**  
**\$15 STUDENT**  
**\$10 FUN RUN**

**FUN FOR ALL AGES**

REGISTER @ <https://readyssetglow5k.itsyourrace.com/event.aspx?id=10217>

ALL PROCEEDS ARE DONATED BACK TO OUR FIVE NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS  
(MILL CREEK ACADEMY, PACETTI BAY MIDDLE SCHOOL, PALENCIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,  
PICOLATA CROSSING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND WARDS CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL).

## Front Office News

### Volunteer On-Line "School Access Form"

Pacetti Bay Middle School regularly uses volunteers in a number of areas such as **textbook room, concessions, proctoring, field trips, chaperoning, event ticket sales during lunches, sporting events, drama productions, band, club sponsors, parent conferences and PTSO** – the opportunities are plentiful! They exist during school and after school hours so helping out can fit almost anyone's schedule!

For the safety of the students and staff at **Pacetti Bay**, St. Johns County School District has a policy where all **visitors** must complete a volunteer **online school access form** which is good for three years. When doing so you are agreeing to a criminal background check and a sexual offender check. You are also agreeing to abide by the policies and procedures of the St. Johns County School Board and its facilities while volunteering. The process can take two - six weeks to process your form. You must be an approved volunteer.

By clicking on the link it will direct you to the form. <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/volunteer/>

If you have any questions feel free to contact **Dawn Gillis** Front Office Clerk at 547-8760 or [Dawn.gillis@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:Dawn.gillis@stjohns.k12.fl.us).

**Lost and Found** Attention Parents and Students- all lost and found items in the clinic will be donated at the end of each month. To avoid this from happening please put your name on all your items. Items with names find their owners.

**Attendance** – Please note that there is NO attendance line at PBMS. We ask that you please send in a signed note with your student when he/she returns to school. This is to be dropped off in the attendance box in the front office. We recommend you use the attendance form (link below) for your convenience. Also, we do require doctor notes when you check your child in late or take your child out of school early. For check-outs, please have your child bring the note in to the front office the next day.

<http://www-pbm.stjohns.k12.fl.us/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/PACETTI-BAY-MIDDLE-SCHOOL-ABSENTEE-FORM.pdf>

**Attendance Updates in HAC** - Regular school attendance is one of the most important factors to student success. However we understand that there are times your child must miss all or part of a day of instruction. When this must happen, please make sure you address the absence with necessary documentation. **This documentation may take up to 48 business hours to process in HAC, even with partial checkouts.**

Thank you for your patience in this update process and for your diligence in having your child in attendance every day.

Flu season is upon us, here are just a few reminders to help keep all healthy!

- Try to avoid close contact with sick people.
- If you or your child gets sick with flu-like illness, CDC recommends that you (or your child) stay home for at least 24 hours after the fever is gone except to get medical care or for other necessities. **The fever should be gone without the use of a fever-reducing medicine.**
- While sick, limit contact with others as much as possible to keep from infecting them. Stay home!
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- **Wash your hands often with soap and water!** If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Germs spread this way.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that may be contaminated with germs like the flu.

So you're not sure if you have the flu or just a cold, here is an easy way to remember the signs of the flu by spelling the word FACTS.

**F**ever, **A**ches, **C**hills, **T**ired, **S**udden

"Sudden" is the key word to distinguish the flu from other health issues. If you find yourself with the FACTS, go see your MD within 48hrs for treatment to be effective.

## SUMMER MARINE SCIENCE PROGRAM

Parents,

Applications for the summer Marine Science Program were passed out at all schools during the week of February 12<sup>th</sup>. Applications were due back to science teachers by February 28<sup>th</sup>. Applications can still be downloaded at any time from the website prior to April 15<sup>th</sup> at <http://www-grms.stjohns.k12.fl.us/marinescience/>. The link also will have a complete day by day curriculum for each grade level, parent information, and a video from last year's program.

This summer program is available to all students' currently in grades five through seven and has been sponsored by the school district since 1982. Three eight day sessions are held at Gamble Rogers Middle School with bus transportation provided. The dates for the three sessions this summer will be May 29<sup>th</sup> through June 7<sup>th</sup>, June 10<sup>th</sup> through June 20<sup>st</sup>, and June 24<sup>th</sup> through July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Small classes of 13-15 students are separated by grade level. All instructors in the program are St. Johns County School District teachers.

The Marine Science Program is a carefully designed experience for responsible students who are interested in learning about our local marine environments. Learning is "hands on" in the field with students kayaking, canoeing, boating, hiking, snorkeling, sailing, windsurfing, surfing, SUP, (stand up paddle boarding), etc. Specific grade level activities and curriculum are attached to the applications and are also available from the website.

More information about the program can be had by emailing [marinescienceprogram@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:marinescienceprogram@stjohns.k12.fl.us).

[Marine Science Program Information 2019](#)

## Character Counts!™

As part of the Saint Johns County Character Counts! Initiative, each month we are recognizing students who exhibit a specific character trait. In February, this character trait is CARING.

Congratulations to this month's students for exemplifying the character trait of Caring among their peers!



**6<sup>th</sup> grade:** Juliana Ritz, Breanna Leonard, Ashley Mikesell, Katelyn Harris, Ana Willets

**7<sup>th</sup> grade:** Olivia Campbell, Jordan Klucharish, Pheonix Gilstrap, Jack Harpe

**8<sup>th</sup> grade:** Joseph Gonzalez, Kadence Wester, Daniela Androuin, Mateo Pinilla, Evan Hamel

## 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE GRADVENTURE

- **When?** Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup>
- **What?** Join your friends for an end of the year celebration like no other. Enjoy Universal Studios & Islands of Adventure until midnight!
- **Who?** 8<sup>th</sup> graders who in second semester are passing their classes, have had no OSS, no more than one full day of ISD, and have less than 5 unexcused absences
- **How?** \$145 and permission form due to your homeroom teacher by **Friday March 8<sup>th</sup>**



**ESE PARENT ADVISORY**

ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION

EDWARD C. TAYLOR, Ph.D.

CHILD AND ADOLESCENT PSYCHOLOGIST  
INTERNATIONAL DISLEIA ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2011 - 2017

FOR A DISCUSSION ON:

*Raising Struggling Learners to be Successful, Durable and Resilient*

LOCATION:  
FULLERWOOD TRAINING CENTER  
30 KILBETTS DR  
ST AUGUSTINE, FL 32084  
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Goal: To provide interventions and strategies to parents of students with disabilities that will assist students in developing positive skills and attitudes, which will enable them to succeed in the face of adversity.