

THE PANTHER POST

The Quarterly Newsletter of Palm Beach Prep Charter Academy



Dr. Walker with board member Ira Paul and other stakeholders at the Rap Snacks Kick Off Event.



Ms. Wood, Academic Advisor, awarding Andrew a Wendy's gift card for earning a level 5 on his Biology EOC.



Panther scholars and Mrs. Williams cool off with Kona Ice during an exciting day of Spirit week events.



PBPCA leadership team and SGA members volunteered one Saturday to clean the school in preparation for future expansion. Special thank you to Romney Grippo General Counsel for your participation and support.

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RAP SNACKS KICK-OFF EVENT



EdisonLearning and Rap Snacks has officially partnered together to start the brand new CTE program, Principles of Entrepreneurship taught by business consultant Gen Harris. PBPCA was chosen out of seven schools for the Kick Off Party! The entire event was live streamed to all schools in the EdisonLearning network and featured a special appearance by recording artist Mooski. The event also featured delicious southern comfort food from Buss Down Kitchen, dessert by Super Churros food truck, and musical entertainment by I.C.E. Squad Entertainment.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Bryan Saravia, Junior, shares his vision with CEO Thom Jackson, about the business he wants to start after high school. Over 50 students applied for the CTE program but only seven were chosen for the pilot group. Every Friday the seven students will meet via Zoom with Ms. Harris to learn the basics of business planning.



ONE CULTURE

Ms. Harris posing with her first pilot group of CTE students, Dr. Walker, and Dr. George Lockhart from Palm Beach County Charter School Department. Unity is major school cultural pillar at PBPCA and to honor the chosen students they were all given a pair of matching Nike's sporting the school colors.

SPIRIT WEEK



With the kick off of our new CTE program on the first day of Spirit Week we decided to stick with the business theme! Students learned about the financial possibilities of real estate from a local Realtor and Truist Bank financial advisor about the importance of smart money management. There was also no shortage of food and fun. The biggest hit was the bounce house race challenge. Students had a great time getting some exercise and making memories with each other and the teachers.

SENIOR NIGHTS

Academic Advisor Mr. Jackson and Academic Advisor Ms. Wood host one senior night per month with dinner provided. In January they discussed grad plans and graduation dates. February's senior night hosted Herff Jones showcasing class rings and Xcel mentoring in addition to further grad plan discussions.



PARENT PORTAL

Did you know that our eSchoolware platform has a feature called the "Parent Portal"? This feature gives access to parents so that they can not only check on attendance and course progress, but also see the lessons like a take home textbook.





BUILDING UPDATES

When our new administration took over leadership this past summer, they had a many ideas for school improvement. One vision for PBPCA was to update the interior of the school. Fresh coats of teal and black paint, new flooring in the hallway and carpet in the classrooms has turned the tide for PBPCA's culture. Our school's facelift also includes several hallway TV's streaming photos of all the memories we've created so far this year. If you come to visit you will also notice the core values displayed throughout the hallways on pather paws.

SGA

ESE Teacher, Mrs. Williams has taken charge on starting PBPCA's first ever Student Government Association. Students and staff nominated their peers for positions of leadership to run our SGA. For their first project, SGA organized a school clean up on a Saturday to prepare for future expansion of our second floor. They are currently planning our first ever prom!



OFF CAMPUS EXPERIENCE

February 2022 was also PBPCA's first off campus field trip. English teacher Ms. Howard and Academic Advisor lead a group of 25 students on a cultural tour through the halls of the Boca Museum at Mizner Place. Students traveled back in time to explore the wonders of the Incan civilization at the Machu Picchu exhibit. They were even surprised with a visit by Dr. Walker and NorthStar Academies board member Beth Adelman.

Teacher Out of Field

The Florida student progression lays out how students go from enrollment to graduation. It describes in detail how to satisfy the performance standards for each course in Grades 9-12 for which credit toward graduation is awarded. To access the entire student progression plan visit palmbeachschools.org/students_parents/student_progression_plan

Our professional teachers are continuously upgrading their teacher skills and developing increased levels of content expertise. While doing this, they are teaching those subjects to students and are School Board approved to teach out-of-field. Additionally, due to high demand in teachers across the state of Florida, PBPCA has employed several permanent substitutes' areas of need. These teachers are:

Name	Out of Field Subject Areas	Position
Vernstien Williams	American Govt/Economics Psychology, Sociology, US History & World History.	Teacher
Akeam Porter	Algebra 1&2, Math College Readiness, Informal Geometry Geometry, and Liberal Arts Math 1&2.	Teacher
Jonika Garvin		Substitute
Cheyenne Callwood		Substitute
Elward Tyrell		Substitute
Shelby Balleza		Substitute