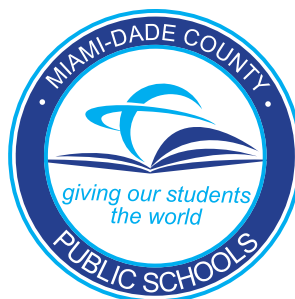




MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
PUBLIC SCHOOLS
IN PINECREST

Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12
2023-24

STAY CLOSE. GO FAR!



WELCOME TO PINECREST'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Pinecrest's strong property values are supported by the excellence of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools (MDCPS) located in our Village. I encourage our residents with school-age children to take a close look at our neighborhood public schools as you evaluate your many fine educational options. I did, and I found Pinecrest's public schools were the best choice for my children's education. They are the foundation of our community and truly offer excellence in our own backyard.

There are five public schools in Pinecrest - three elementary schools, a middle school and a high school. They are traditional neighborhood schools where children go to school with their friends and neighbors. Living a short drive or walk away from your school fosters play-dates, and participation in after-school clubs and sports. While our schools are known for their strong gifted programs and extensive advanced placement courses, there are academic options for all children, including special needs, so that all students can develop to their full potential.

Equally important, our five Pinecrest schools work carefully in tandem to maintain continuity of curriculum from elementary through high school. This is particularly useful in foreign languages and STEM/STEAM, where students can start early in an area of interest and follow it through graduation. At the same time, they are not restricted to the rigid curriculum constraints of magnet schools. Our students are free to explore a myriad of electives including performing and visual arts, music, business/entrepreneurship, technology, environmental and other sciences, new and traditional media and more. A full range of clubs, honor societies and teams complement classroom subjects for children to follow their passions or discover new ones.

Village students regularly compete in – and win – academic, arts, and sports competitions, locally and nationally, starting in the elementary schools. Field trip opportunities abound, including international experiences.

Strong parental involvement enriches our schools with impressive additional resources. The five PTA/PTSA's collectively raise nearly \$1 million annually, and contribute thousands of volunteer hours that substantially augment services, staffing and programming. The Village provides additional layers of support via a \$10,000 yearly grant to each school's PTSA, an Educational Advisory Council that meets regularly to bring parents, principals and school district representatives together, and an educational compact with the MDCPS district to facilitate creative approaches to working together.

Stay Close, Go Far is more than a slogan. Palmetto Senior High School's stellar college placements and storied alumni provide proof positive that Pinecrest's public schools are an outstanding choice.

Sincerely,
Joseph M. Corradino
Mayor, Village of Pinecrest

GET TO KNOW US SCHOOL DIRECTORY

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SCHOOL TOUR DATES 2023-2024

PINECREST ELEMENTARY
9 am Media Center
April 1, 2024

PALMETTO ELEMENTARY
10 am Main Office
April 21, 2024
May 19, 2024

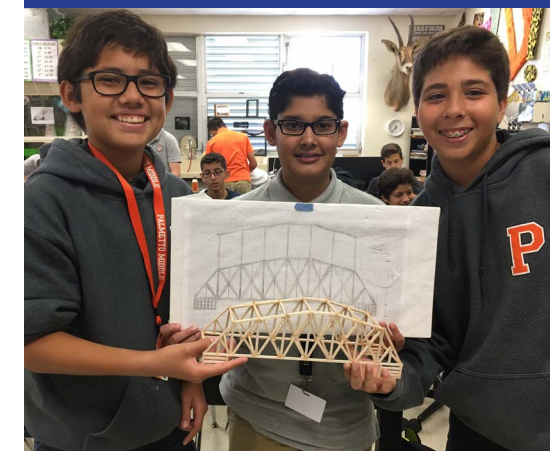
HOWARD DRIVE
April 25, 2024
May 23, 2024

PALMETTO MIDDLE SCHOOL
9:30 am
April 10, 2024
May 8, 2024

*Dates are subject to change.
Visit school's website
for additional details.

BEFORE AND AFTER CARE

All three elementary schools offer on-site before-school care beginning at 7 am, and after-school care until 6 pm for Pre-K to 5th grade. After-care includes homework assistance, athletics, computer time and arts & crafts.



FROM YOUR PTA/PTSA PRESIDENTS: STELLAR SCHOOLS TAKE A VILLAGE

A warm welcome from Pinecrest's Public Schools Parent Teacher Association (PTA) presidents! Each of our five schools has a PTA or PTSA - secondary schools add the letter "S" to represent student participation.

As part of the nation's largest volunteer child advocacy organization, Pinecrest's exceptional PTAs mobilize parents and community members to add substantial funding, programs and services to our schools.

We have a role for you, regardless of time constraints, talent or financial resources. As a bonus, the PTA creates opportunities to be more involved in your child's school life and introduces you to a network of friendly neighborhood parents. Please join and support your PTA.

Village PTAs raise over \$1 million annually and provide various volunteer opportunities - from helping at carnivals and college fairs to providing administrative help. All Village PTAs are registered 501(3)(c) non-profit organizations managed by highly professional boards and volunteers. It is noteworthy to mention that we have numerous local business and alumni sponsors.

Please join us.

Miami-Dade County is the fourth largest school district in the nation with many resources and programs available to students. The array of choices can be daunting. The following program descriptions will help you understand the educational options your child has in our Village. If you need additional information, please contact your local PTA president or school representative.

See you at a PTA meeting soon.

Christine Jurado
Pinecrest Elementary PTA

Monica Mase
Palmetto Elementary PTA

Jenna Luque
Howard Drive PTA

Keri Andrews
Palmetto Middle School PTSA

Elyssa Lewis
Miami Palmetto Senior High PTSA

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Cambridge Primary Program: Program offers elementary students academic rigor in English, Mathematics and Science and a global focus that promotes cultural sensitivity with a flexible curriculum encouraging critical thinking skills (Howard Drive Elementary, Palmetto Elementary).

Cambridge Academy: Focusing on mathematics, science and language arts, the Cambridge Secondary 1 curriculum follows a rigorous approach to inquiry-based learning. The strategies, skills and rigor of the Secondary 1 program is fundamental in preparing students for Advanced Placement courses in high school (Palmetto Middle School).

Challenge (Gifted) Program: Students that meet intellectually gifted criteria are eligible for an academically accelerated language arts, mathematics, science and/or social studies program (All five schools).

Extended Foreign Language Program (EFL): Program offers dual language (English and Spanish) education (Howard Drive Elementary, Palmetto Elementary, Pinecrest Elementary).

Forensic Science Academy: Students explore different modalities of forensic investigation through hands-on experiences as they relate to the application of scientific studies and physical evidence (Palmetto Middle School and Miami Palmetto High School).

Special Education Program (SPED): Both the inclusion model and resource model are offered in Grades K-5. The delivery model is decided based upon the students' needs as determined by their Individualized Education Plan.

- **LEAP Learning Experiences:** Alternative half-day Pre-K program for students with autism (Palmetto Elementary)
- **PreK Inclusion Program:** Ages 3-5, Full day program with equal number of children with an IEP and typical developing peers. (Howard Drive Elementary and Palmetto Elementary)
- **Role Model Program:** A full-day Pre-K program for children with varying disabilities
- **Students with Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities Program (E/BD):** Program designed to provide the support students require to access their education. All M-DCPS E/BD programs strive to address the diverse needs of the students, utilizing individualized approaches, instructional, therapeutic, and behavioral realms into cohesive educational programs (Howard Drive Elementary).

STEAM Designation: Program focuses on Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math taught through cooperative, collaborative, creative lessons that promote academic rigor and emphasize critical thinking skills with inquiry-based learning (Howard Drive Elementary, Palmetto Elementary, Pinecrest Elementary and Palmetto Middle).

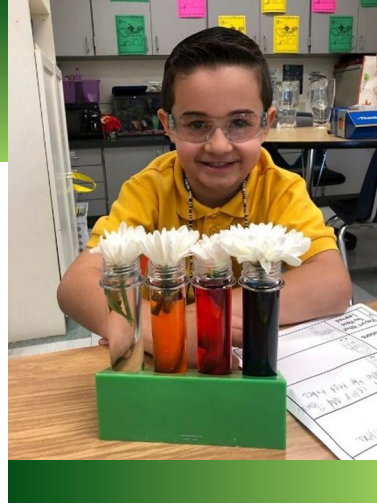
World Language Program: Students are presented opportunities to listen, speak, read and write in various languages including Spanish (all schools), French (Miami Palmetto Senior, Palmetto Middle), Mandarin Chinese (Miami Palmetto Senior, Palmetto Middle, Pinecrest Elementary), Italian (Miami Palmetto Senior), and Japanese (Miami Palmetto Senior).





PINECREST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Pre-K through Grade 5



Academic Programs

In addition to a robust general curriculum, Pinecrest Elementary offers the following signature programs for eligible students:

- Full-time Challenge (Gifted)
- Extended Foreign Language Program (EFL) Global Tech
- Extended Foreign Language Program (EFL) Full Time Gifted
- Special Education (SPED)

Accolades

- Gold STEAM Designation County Recognition (5 Years), **Platinum Level**
- Five Star School Award - State recognition for exemplary community involvement
- Golden Apple School Award - National teaching excellence
- Silver Award Fairchild Challenge - Environmental science competition
- Green Finalist - Dream in Green competition
- Gold DREAM in Green
- Dream in Green Inspiring Principal Award
- Designation School of Excellence Award
- Special Merit Award "Most Comprehensive" School Garden
- Anti-Defamation League "No Place for Hate" Designation
- Miami-Dade County Youth Fair Winners in Orchestra and Spanish Poetry Interpretation
- Master Heart Award (**M**ental **A**wareness **S**uccess **T**akes **E**veryone's **R**esponsibility)
- District Winner in Reflex Math Challenge Recipient Winners
- District MyON Reading Challenge Recipient Winners
- 1st Place History Bee (3 Consecutive Years)
- 1st Place Geography Bee (3 Consecutive Years)
- District Rookie Teacher of the Year
- District Rookie Teacher of the Year Runner-Up
- 14 Students participating in Superintendent's Honors Chorus

Clubs

More than a dozen clubs including: Chorus, Strings Orchestra (Viola, Violin and Cello), WPEN TV Production and Broadcasting, Science, Coding, VEX IQ Robotics, Engineering, Digital Arts, Cooking, Art, Baseball, Recycling Club, Gardening Club, Leadership Club, Cheerleading, Gaming Club, Math, Student Council, FFEA, Geography Club, History Club, Eco Ambassadors, Chess and Safety Patrol

Extras

Music and Drama Performances, STEAM Showcase Night, Fathers in Education "Donuts with Dad," "Muffin with Moms" Picnics, Family Carnival and Silent Auction, Italian Night, Saturday Garden Days, Earth Day Event, Soaring Student Recognition, Lunch Bunch (1 & 2 grades), Trunk-or-Treat, Book Fairs, Pinecrest Police VS. Pinecrest Teachers Kickball Tournament, Boosterthon / Dance Party, Superintendents 5K Run, WPLG Channel 10 (WPEN TV Production), Telemundo Studios Fieldtrip (WPEN TV Production), Turkey Bowl, Spirit Weeks, Orchid Legacy Project, Principal's Honor Roll Breakfast, Family Movie Night (on campus), Career Day, Key Biscayne Nature Center Field Trip, Universal Studios (Safety Patrols), Animal Kingdom (5th), and Numerous local field trips (K-5)



PALMETTO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Pre-K through Grade 5

Academic Programs

In addition to a robust general curriculum, Palmetto Elementary offers the following signature programs for eligible students:

- Full-Time Gifted
- Cambridge Program
- LEAP (Learning Experience - An Alternative Program for Preschoolers and Parents) and Inclusion Program
- Extended Foreign Language Program (EFL) in Kindergarten only
- Special Education Program (SPED)
- English as Second Language (ESOL)

Clubs

Palmetto Elementary offers the following clubs: ROARbots VEX Robotics Club, National Elementary Honor Society (NEHS), Future Teachers of America (FEA), PES Green Team, Newspaper, Art Club, Cheerleading, Orchestra, Band, Palmetto Singers (chorus), Drum Line, Chess Club, Science Engineering Communications Mathematics Enrichment Club (SECME)



Accolades

- Gold STEAM Designation
- PTA National School of Excellence
- Anti Defamation League "No Place for Hate" Designation
- Teacher of the Year Region Finalist 2023, 2022: Elena Tanner, Kinsey Simmons
- Miami-Dade County Teacher of the Year 2020: Oliver Diez
- Chorus and Concert Band invited to perform at Carnegie Hall
- Annual participants in the All-State Elementary Chorus and Orff Ensemble
- Annual participants in the Southern Regionals Chorus and Orff Ensemble
- Annual participants in Superintendent's Honors Festival in Band, Orchestra, Chorus and Recorder Ensemble
- Chorus, Cheerleaders, and Jazz Combo performance at Marlins game, Miami Heat Halftime show, FIU Men's Basketball, and The Falls
- PTA/PTSA Dade County Council Top Award Winners
- Golden School Award - Volunteer Award
- Fairchild Challenge - County Recognition
- Gold Apple School Award - National Teaching Excellence
- 1st in Elementary School Library Circulation in Miami-Dade County
- PTA Reflections Contest Winners
- Miami-Dade County Youth Fair Winners in Art

Extras

Field Trips including Hidden Lake overnight camping trip, Miami Zoo, Epcot, Busch Gardens, Frost Science Museum, among others, STEAM Showcase Nights, Winter Social/Silent Auction, FunFest Family Carnival, Career Day, Musical Concerts, Family Dinner & a Movie Night on PES campus, Watch D.O.G.S. - Dads of Great Students, Lunch Bunch, Afterschool Athletics, Book Fairs (Fall and Spring), Accelerated Reader Program, Emotional Support Dog (1 of only 6 schools in Miami-Dade County), No Place for Hate, Pinecrest Police v. Parents Field Day Kickball Game, Boosterthon, Spirit Weeks, and more



HOWARD DRIVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Pre-K through Grade 5



Academic Programs

In addition to a robust general curriculum, Howard Drive offers the following signature programs:

- Full-Time Gifted (K-5)*
- Kindergarten Gifted (only area school)
- Cambridge Primary
- World Language Program
- Pre-K Inclusion Program
- Special Education Programs*

*Requires eligibility



Clubs

Howard Drive Elementary offers more than 15 clubs including Youth Crime Watch, Chorus, Percussion, Broadcasting Production, Art, Dance, Safety Patrol, Recycling Club, 5000 Role Models, Future Educators of America, Keyboard, Gardening, Coding, Guitar, Yoga, G.E.M.S. (Girls, Empowerment, Motivational, Sisterhood) Cheer, Garden Club, Lego/Robotics, Green Patrol Recycling Club, and more



Extras

RAD Kids, Officer Friendly, Actor's Playhouse field trip, Superintendents 5K, Animal Kingdom (5th Grade field trip) Multicultural Showcase - Cambridge, Trunk or Treat, Fine Arts Performances (Spring/Winter), Fun Fair Community Event and Silent Auction, Music and Chorus Performances, Family events such as "Donuts with Grown-Up's," Lunch bunch (K-5 grades), Superintendents 5K Run, Earth Day Cambridge activities and Lady Bug Release, WHDE TV Production, Spirit Week, Thanksgiving food drive for local charity, Spring Book Fair, Boosterthon event, Charleston Wrap, Principal Honor roll Recognition, Family Movie Night, Career Day, Key Biscayne National Park Field Trips, Animal Kingdom (5th) and Various local field trips for all PK-5 grade



Accolades

- 1st Place in Theodore Gibson Oratorical Contest
- Miami-Dade County Youth Fair Winners in Art
- Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Grant Awarded
- Cheer Team is USCA State Champions and Best Tumbling Award
- Miami Dolphins Values Matters Respect Challenge recipient STEAM Designation – County Recognition
- Youth Crime Watch School of the Year Award
- Youth Crime Watch Sponsor of the Year Award
- Anti-Defamation League "No Place for Hate" designation
- 1st Place SECME Banner Award
- PTA National School of Excellence
- Participants in the Superintendent's Music Honors Festival
- Values Matter Award Recipient
- Five Star School Award - state recognition for exemplary community involvement
- Fairchild Challenge Recognition
- Science Fair District Award Recipients
- National Chemist Poetry Award Recipients
- Heart of Gold Award Recipient
- 2022-2024 PTA National School of Excellence
- District 1st Place Spelling Bee
- Healthy Garden Grant



PALMETTO MIDDLE SCHOOL

Grades 6 through 8



Academic Programs

In addition to a robust general curriculum, Palmetto Middle School offer the following signature programs for eligible students:

- Forensic Science Academy: Program articulates seamlessly into Forensic Investigative Academy (FIA) program at Miami Palmetto Senior High
- Cambridge Academy
- Gifted Program
- Special Education Program
- High School Credits
- Rotating Block Schedule
- Visual and Performing Arts electives
- Additional electives including TV Production, Global Perspectives, Robotics



World Languages

- Spanish
- French



Clubs

A wide variety of clubs are available including Geography, Spanish, National Junior Honor Society, Green Team, Drama, Speech and Debate, Spirit Team, Student Government, Math, Earth Program and more



Athletics

Cross Country, Track & Field, Basketball, Soccer, Bowling, Tennis, Swimming, Golf, Volleyball, Flag Football and Wrestling. All Sports teams are competitive and rank among the top every year



Accolades

- Silver STEAM designation
- Green Apple School designation, Florida Dept. of Environmental Protection
- National PTA School of Excellence
- Anti-Defamation League's "No Place for Hate" designation
- 2022 Miami Herald Spelling Bee Finalist
- 2023 PTSA Dade County Council Awards, 7 Awards including Student Government, Communication and Environmental
- 22-23 Math Club won 1st Place in SECME Brain Bowl
- 22-23 Math Club won 1st Place in the DCCTM Math Invitational
- 22-23 Florida PTA Reflections county-wide winner, Literature
- 22-23 SECME & Fairchild Silver Award
- 23-24 Fairchild "Connect to Protect" Challenge
- 23-24 MDCPS VEX Code VR STEAM Virtual Programming Challenge #1, 1st Place (Middle School Division)



Extras

Watch D.O.G.S. – father figure involvement, Garden Club, Campus Clean-ups, Student Arts & Literacy Open Mic Night, Annual Turkey Bowl, 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip, Performing Arts Competitions & Field Trips, NJHS Service Field Trips, Earth Day Events, Lancer Fest, Career Day, Lancer for a Day, Yearbook and plenty of volunteer opportunities and parent socials





MIAMI PALMETTO SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Grades 9 through 12

Academic Programs

- 312 courses, with 71 Honors and 33 Advanced Placement (AP) classes
- 47 performing arts and 41 music classes
- Over 1,000 students take AP classes
- Top 10% 2023 class GPA 4.9+
- Dual Enrollment programs with Florida International University and Miami Dade College (on and off campus)

Academies *(courses open to all)*

- Environmental and Science Masters (Compatible with AP Capstone)
- Business including entrepreneurship, internships and on-the-job training
- Visual and Performing Arts: Art, Band, Dance, Drama, Orchestra, and Photography
- Vocational: Industry Certification in Early Childhood, Technical Design/AutoCAD and Health Science

Magnet Programs *(by application)*

- AP Capstone Forensic investigative Academy – This program is a popular alternative to IB that offers advanced academics, independent research and collaborative teamwork. Students can earn a year or more toward college credit.
- Forensic Investigative Academy – Within AP Capstone, this FBI collaboration explores different science and technology-based modalities for criminal and forensic investigation.
- iPrep – This program is a technology-based new approach to 21st century learning.

Athletics

- The most interscholastic sports offered in Miami-Dade County
- Varsity Sports: Football, Baseball, Softball, Volleyball, Swimming, Diving, Golf, Bowling, Cross Country, Basketball, Soccer, Wrestling, Badminton, Lacrosse, Water Polo, Tennis, Track & Field
- State Champions Special Olympics
- New Weight Training Facility
- Coaching staff pioneers in concussion-reduction techniques

World Languages *(All to AP level except American Sign Language)*

- American Sign Language
- French
- Italian
- Japanese
- Spanish
- Mandarin Chinese

College Placements *(courses open to all)*

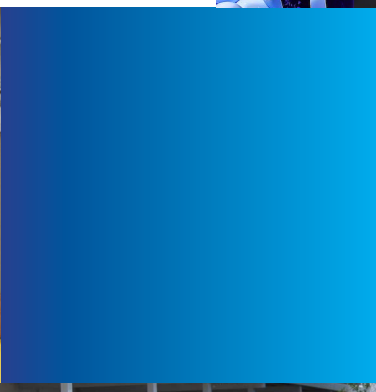
- Top 10% of class of 2023 GPA 4.9+
- Multiple top tier acceptances including Harvard, Princeton, Yale and Stanford
- Acceptances to all Florida state schools, including Honors Programs at UF, FSU UCF, FGCU, FIU and Miami Dade College
- Acceptances to more than 280 colleges and universities overall
- Over \$30 million in scholarship offers

Accolades

- Multiple Silver Knight winners and honorable mentions
- 14 National Merit finalists
- AP exam pass rates that exceed state and national averages
- State level awards in Thespians, Orchestra and Band

Extracurricular

- 10 Honor Societies
- Over 60 interest and service clubs, including nationally competitive academic teams such as Mu Alpha Theta, Italian Honor Society, Science Competitors, History Bowl, Model UN
- Music and Performing Arts competitive groups



MIAMI PALMETTO SENIOR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HALL OF FAME HONOREES

MIAMI PALMETTO SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL STAY CLOSE. GO FAR.

Our Class of 2023 earned admission to the following highly selective state and national colleges and universities:

Babson	Parsons School of Design	University of Georgia
Barnard	Penn State, University Park	University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
Baylor	Purdue	University of Maryland, College Park
Berklee College of Music	Rutgers, New Brunswick	University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Boston College	Southern Methodist University	University of Miami
Boston University	Syracuse	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Brown	Texas A&M University	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Carnegie Mellon	The College of William and Mary	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Clemson	The Ohio State University	University of Notre Dame
Columbia	Tufts	University of Pennsylvania
Cornell	Tulane	University of Pittsburgh
Duke	United States Military Academy at West Point	University of South Florida
Emory	University College London	University of Southern California
Fashion Institute of Technology	University of California, Berkeley	University of Virginia, Charlottesville
Florida International University	University of California, Davis	University of Washington, Seattle
Florida State University	University of California, Irvine	University of Wisconsin, Madison
Fordham	University of California, Los Angeles	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
George Washington	University of California, San Diego	Wake Forest
Georgia Institute of Technology	University of California, Santa Barbara	Washington University, St. Louis
Hamilton	University of Central Florida	
Harvard	University of Connecticut	
Indiana University, Bloomington	University of Florida	
Michigan State University		
New York University		
Northeastern		

In addition, we are proud to announce that our seniors were accepted to 235 other prestigious institutions of learning. Please visit www.palmettopanthers.org for the complete list.

CHOOSE EXCELLENCE IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD.

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Student Alumni

- Brett Beveridge '82, Award-Winning Entrepreneur, Philanthropist
- Jeff Bezos '82, CEO of Amazon
- Erik Compton '98, PGA Tour Award Golfer
- Mayor Karyn Cunningham '81 Mayor, Village of Palmetto Bay
- Cynthia Demos '89, Emmy Award-Winning News Broadcaster
- Albert Dotson '78, Businessman and Philanthropist
- Robin Fraser '84, Soccer Player
- Alexandra (Alex) Flinn '84, Author
- Tom Foley '77, Major League Baseball Player and Coach
- Pamela Garrison '61, Nurse and Philanthropist
- Dominic Gorle '75, Astronaut
- Matt Gribble '80, Olympic Swimmer
- Tim Hardaway, Junior '10, NBA Player since 2013
- Willam Herbstman '79, Television Producer
- Richard Hirsch '75, Pulitzer Prize-Winning Journalist, Miami Herald Managing Editor
- Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson '88, US Supreme Court Associate Justice
- Cal Kellogg '65, Conductor
- Hon. Dexter Lehtinen '64, Former Florida State Representative
- Hon. Cindy Lerner '70, Former State Representative and Mayor of Pinecrest
- Lee Levin '85, Grammy Award-Winning Musician, Drummer Musical Producer
- Ron Magill '77, Wildlife Expert at Zoo Miami
- Grant Miller '75, Owner and Publisher of Miami's Community Newspapers
- Vice Admiral Vivek Murthy '94, 19th and 21st United States Surgeon General
- Chris Myers, Jr. '00, Former NFL Player
- Jennifer Namoff '02, Talent Agent, TV and Broadway Producer
- Abe Ng '91, Business Entrepreneur, Founder of Sushi Maki
- Brett Parks '97, Paralympics, Invictus Games, and DOD Warrior Games Competitor
- Katie Phang '93, Attorney, Legal Journalist, Television Analyst and Political Commentator, Host of The Katie Phang Show
- Linda Robertson '79, Award-Winning Miami Herald Reporter
- Jennifer Rodriguez '94, Olympic Speed Skater
- Syndee Winters '04, Actor, Hamilton Cast Member
- Kermit Weeks '71, Two-Time US National Aerobic Champion, Florida Aviation Hall of Fame
- Don Westbrook '64, US Army Retired Lieutenant Colonel, Served for 32 years combined active and reserve duty

Administration/Faculty

- Fran Berger, Journalism Teacher and National Award-Winning Debate Coach
- Cullen Bullock, Teacher, Coach
- Dale Collins, Athletic Director and Coach
- Clyde Crabtree, First Principal of Miami Palmetto Senior High School
- Lynn Evans, Teacher, 36 Years
- Alan Fetterman, Band Teacher (posthumously)
- Imogene Johnson, Counselor, 33 years
- Janet Hupp, Teacher, Assistant Principal and Principal, 18 Years
- Carolee Mallard, Guidance Counselor for 30 years
- Yvette McKinney, Teacher, Coach and Athletic Director from 1975-2015
- Andy Massimino, Activities Director for 1969-2002
- Carl Manzelli, Assistant Principal from 1984-2005
- Harry Nerenberg, Counselor and College Counselor 19 Years
- David Soderholm, Coach, 33 years
- Johnny Williams, Math Teacher

MIAMI PALMETTO SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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TEACHERS AND ROOKIE TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

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HOWARD DRIVE ELEMENTARY

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MIAMI PALMETTO SENIOR HIGH

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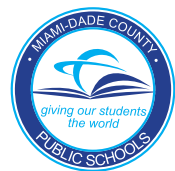
Pinecrest Elementary School	A
Howard Drive Elementary School	A
Palmetto Elementary School	A
Palmetto Middle School	A
Miami-Palmetto High School	A

The Florida Department of Education released school grades for the 2021-2022 academic year, which show that all five of Pinecrest's Public Schools were graded A.

The Village applauds the hard work of the students, parents, teachers, and school leaders as their collective efforts support achievement resulted in these excellent school grades.

Congratulations to all the Pinecrest Public Schools! Well done.

Scan the code for more information about school grades.



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All Pinecrest public schools fall within District 9, represented by Ms. Luisa Santos.



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