

2021-2022

reCONNECT

a year to re-establish a bond of community, in and out
of the classroom, with families, and our community
while connecting back together

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A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE

Dear Pace Families,

We are so excited to welcome in this year to our returning and new families as this is the year of reConnecting. We look forward to welcoming our PBS Community back on campus with a modified open campus this year.

As we reflected on this past academic year and what it brought to all of us, we have emerged with a burning sense to love our people well this year; that means YOU and your family! We are looking forward to seeing smiles and the light of learning happening in student eyes on campus. While we found ways to connect the past 18 months, we are looking forward to getting back to the most meaningful connections: face to face, smile to smile, and sharing in our plan to re-establish a bond with each of you.

We continue our commitment to provide calm, clear, and consistent communication with you this year along with prioritizing the wellness of our PBS Community on campus.

Quality Academic Programs

We believe in creating a safe learning environment for all students that embraces their unique learning differences, while allowing for challenging educational opportunities that contribute to academic growth. At PBS, we will continue our level of excellence where students, teachers, and parents commit to nothing less than the best. We are excited to be implementing the new B.E.S.T Standards for learning and reCONNECTing our classroom practices to best align with our Thinking Maps® programs for organizing thinking processes, Write from the Beginning...and Beyond® for writing integration and enhancement, partnered with our traditional best practices in the classroom.

Health and Wellness

Our commitment to the health and wellness of our school community is our top priority. This includes mental, emotional, and physical wellness. We will follow all state and local statutes, the advice of health organizations, notably the CDC, and maintain a clean and safe learning environment within our school. Additionally, we will continue the implementation of several policies to encourage behaviors known to reduce the spread of communicable diseases.

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A Caring Community

We are a nurturing and compassionate community of learners. Providing a safe, caring, and supportive community in which uniqueness is celebrated and everyone is treated with fairness, kindness, and respect.

reCONNECT!

This is a year, we are making it a priority for each of us, and all of us, to re-establish a bond of community, in and out of the classroom, with families, and our community while connecting back together.

We remain humbled by the honor of leading this unique and exceptional school. At Pace Brantley, each moment of every day is one of pure joy. We thank you for the trust you have placed in us and are working to make your child's educational experience safe, engaging, challenging, and fun!

Ms. Tapley and Mrs. Foor



Top 3 Priorities

1

Health, Safety, and
Mental/Emotional
well-being of all
individuals on
campus



2

Learning
Opportunities



3

reCONNECTing
as a PBS community



ENROLLMENT ONGOING

Celebrating Uniqueness

Pace Brantley School accepts applications for enrollment throughout the year.

We understand that families may need an educational option for their child's unique needs and we may be the answer.

For more details, visit our website at www.pacebrantley.org or call us at (407) 869-8882, Option 3 for Admissions.

We host information sessions weekly via Zoom for interested families.



On-Campus Learning

Pace Brantley remains committed to providing in-person, on-campus teaching and learning for our students and staff. We will adhere to guidelines and recommendations related to the transmission of communicable diseases and the wellness of our PBS Community. Any updates to our plans and policies will be communicated, if the time arises, in adherence with our commitment to clear, consistent communication.

In accordance with the recommendations from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), our accrediting body, Florida Council for Independent Schools (FCIS), the recent spike in COVID-19 cases in Central Florida, along with guidance from the CDC, all students, staff, and guests on campus will be required to wear masks while indoors. As the recommendations are updated, we will re-evaluate our policy however we reserve the right to do what is in the best interest of safety and wellness for our PBS Community.



Modified Open Campus

Parent and PBS Friends will be invited on campus for special events and by invitation only. Parents and visitors will not be permitted on campus without a scheduled appointment outside of special invitations.



Home Health Screening

Parents are asked to complete the daily Home Health Screening each day before transporting their child/ren to school.



Hand Washing

We will promote proper hand-washing practice and enhanced sanitizing and cleaning processes.



Personal Protective Gear

All Students, Faculty, and Guests on campus are required to wear a mask while indoors. When outdoors, masks are optional and must be on your person.



Santizer

We are providing 11 touch-less hand sanitizer stations throughout the campus along with hand sanitizer provided in each learning space.



Personal Space

The PBS Community is asked to respect and honor the personal space of each individual on campus.



Cleaning

Frequent cleaning of "high touch" areas and nightly deep-cleaning of entire campus.

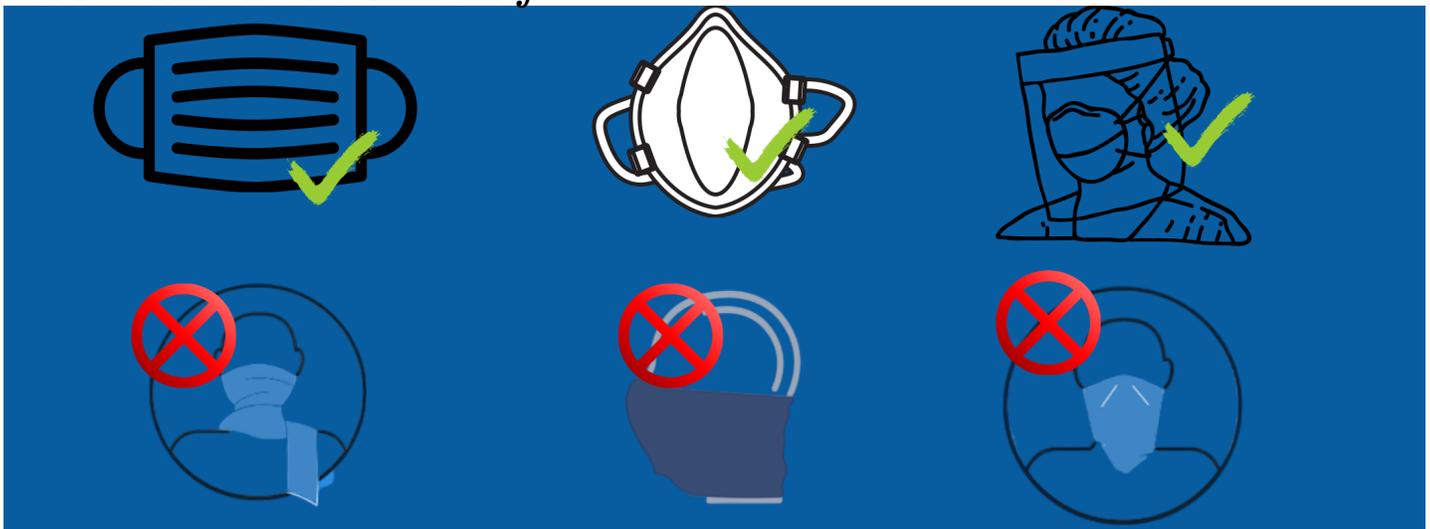
Health & Wellness

Mask Update

Updated Communication:

All students, staff, and visitors on campus will be required to wear a mask while indoors. We will be sending out additional information requesting vaccination confirmation of students and staff, and will reevaluate this policy as the school year progresses.

We will continue to take advice from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), our accrediting body, Florida Council for Independent Schools (FCIS), the CDC, FLDOH, and our local medical community.



PBS Community members choosing to wear a mask, may wear a mask or face shield. We will not permit scarfs, neck gaiters, or bandanas. All masks and face shields must be secure on an individual's face. Guidelines will mirror existing dress code requirements and is expected to be school appropriate. We will have disposable face masks available if anyone requests one, loses theirs, or breaks their mask.

Daily Home Health Screening

Check to make sure your child is not exhibiting any symptoms of communicable diseases*

Take your child's temperature. If 100 degrees F or higher, they must stay home

Make sure your child is eating and drinking with out complications

*fever, flu-like symptoms, respiratory tract symptoms (runny nose, sore throat), vomiting, diarrhea, nausea, change in sense of smell/taste, muscle pain or headache, and/or a change in behavior.



Welcome Back, First Day Information

Staggered Start Schedule for Students

Monday, 8/2	Tuesday, 8/3	Wednesday, 8/4	Thursday, 8/5	Friday, 8/6
		New Student Orientation (Zoom) 8:15 - 9:00 am Meet Your Teacher (Zoom) 9:30 -11:30 am		
Monday, 8/9	Tuesday, 8/10	Wednesday, 8/11	Thursday, 8/12	Friday, 8/13
First Day Elementary Students ONLY	First Day Middle School Students <i>(Join Elementary)</i>		First Day High School Students <i>(Join Elementary & Middle)</i>	

Helpful Resources to Be Prepared for the Start of School

[Click here for Summer Assignments](#)

[Click here for School Supply Lists](#)

[Click here for the 2021-2022 Academic Calendar](#)

Masks for 2021-2022

In reviewing the latest recommendations from the AAP, FCIS, CDC, DOH, FLDOE, and the latest community spike in COVID-19 and other communicable diseases, all students, staff, and visitors on campus will be required to wear a mask while indoors.

We understand that elementary students are of an age that may prohibit them from vaccine availability. We strongly encourage students who are eligible for vaccinations to do so. We will be requesting vaccine documentation in the coming weeks and will re-evaluate our mask policy as the school year progresses.

We reserve the right to require masks for the safety and well-being of our students and staff at any time. Our priority is to preserve the health and wellness of our students, faculty and staff.



GETTING EVERYONE
TOGETHER,
UNDERSTANDING
PERSPECTIVES

Question & Answer Sessions

Join us via ZOOM for our personalized question & answer sessions as we kick off the school year!

Wednesday, July 28th 10:00-11:00 am	Get Up Session with Leadership Ms. Tapley & Mrs. Foor
Wednesday, August 11th 10:00 - 11:00 am	Get Up Session with Guidance Mrs. Halaychick & Ms. Frost

We are committed to clear and consistent communication, and can't wait to meet face-to-face virtually to help answer your questions.

We will be emailing out a survey asking for families who are interested in attending to submit questions by Monday, July 26th for the Leadership Get Up Session.

For our Get Up Session with Guidance, we will be sending out a survey asking for families who are interested in attending to submit questions by Monday, August 9th for Mrs. Halaychick and/or Ms. Frost.

These surveys will allow us to prepare for our GET UP sessions, maximize our time together, and address any questions in a timely fashion.

If you are unable to attend on this date and time, we will send out an email follow up with information that was shared during these focused sessions.



2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

MORNING CARE & AFTER CARE

Providing a safe and caring space for your child before school and after school.

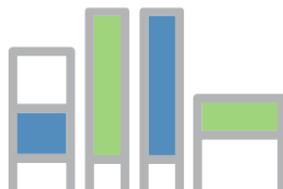
To reserve and pay for your spot today [Click Here](#) or visit our website www.pacebrantley.org.

Limited space available, sign up today!
For health and safety of our students, we are requiring a monthly commitment this year.

Any child not enrolled in after care will be charged \$10.00 per 5 minutes of time that your child is picked up late (after 3:50pm).

Morning
Care
\$50 Per
Month

After
Care
\$150 Per
Month





2021-2022 PARTNERSHIPS

To maintain the safety and wellness of our campus life, we will have a modified open campus this year, 2021-2022. Families will be welcomed on-campus for designated events and by appointment only. We are using this year to reconnect with our PBS community in a safe and healthy manner. In continuation from last year, this poses a unique need for engagement in ways that promote the wellness and safety of our on-campus students and staff. We are looking for parents and businesses to partner with us for the school year to support programs and events devoted to enriching the educational, emotional, and social needs of our school campus community.

Mission: Pace Brantley School will provide innovative research-based instruction, in order to maximize learning opportunities while building self-confidence; and to prepare students for long term life/ career readiness.

Vision: Pace Brantley School celebrates uniqueness, values the worth and dignity of every individual as we prepare them for success.

This year we are asking for families and family-run businesses to join in partnership through three partnership opportunities.

Available July 21st through September 8th

Payment can be made online at pacebrantley.org or cash, check or credit card payment can be placed in the black drop box located outside the front office.

\$250.00

Personal Family Partnership

- Earn your 20 Ambassador Hours for your family
- Water/Field Day (Spring Event) Family Recognition Shirt Sponsor

\$500.00

Family Business Partnership

- Earn your 20 Ambassador Hours for your family
- Water/Field Day (Spring Event) Business with Logo Recognition Shirt Sponsor
- Support monthly monitoring of on-campus hand sanitizer and water stations
- Business Logo Yard Sign Sponsor displayed at Pace Brantley

\$1000.00 Pace Power Up Partnership

- Earn your 20 Ambassador Hours for your family
- Water/Field Day (Spring Event) Recognition Shirt Sponsor w/Logo
- Staff Quarterly Wellness Cart Treats (donation valued at \$100)
- Contribution toward select program: PBS Garden, Arts Program, TV Production (Partner can choose \$250 toward 2 programs or \$500 donation toward 1 program)
- Support monthly monitoring of on-campus hand sanitizer and water stations
- Yard Sign Sponsor displayed at Pace Brantley

All Partnerships will be recognized for the 2021-2022 school year on Pace Brantley social media and the Pace Brantley Website.



You're Invited!
Mark Your Calendar

We are here for you,

whether you're shedding tears or hollering cheers--
Join us for coffee & light refreshments after morning
drop-off for a meet & greet, and welcome!

TEARS?

OR

CHEERS!

Join us in the Assembly Hall at 8:30am

Elementary Families

Monday, August 9th

8:30-9:30 am

Parents can park in the car loop or by the assembly hall.

Online School Uniform Store

We've updated our School Uniforms! We have a few new options for school uniforms and a new company for families to purchase school uniforms from, French Toast. Students may wear short sleeve, collared shirts in either white, true royal blue, or lime green; or a long sleeved, collared shirt in either white or true royal blue (as referenced on the French Toast School Store).

Students may wear shorts or pants in khaki or navy blue.

*Skirts, dresses, and skorts are no longer part of the school uniform and may not be worn as noted in the updated school dress code policy.

All students are required to have one true royal blue, short sleeved, collared shirt with the Pace Brantley logo.

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Online School Spirit Store

In order to maintain contactless payment and processing, we are hosting an Online School Spirit Store this year. All purchases will take place directly online via a link on our website. All merchandise purchased will be pre-packaged individually by our shirt company and will be delivered to school for distribution to students.

Feel free to check-out the new spirit wear today!

This year we are offering unisex and ladies style t-shirts, a new tie-dyed shirt option in two colors, and our traditional hoodie sweatshirts with our PBS Logo and the year! These are great for students, staff, and parents (family members).

School Store Open 7/21-8/6



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\$18.00

New Shirt Color Options



\$15.00

Traditional Shirt Color Options



\$25.00





Pace Brantley 2021-2022 Ambassador Hours Information Sheet

Commitment

Each family has a 20 hour commitment to be an Ambassador. You can log time spent participating at events (in-person or remotely), off-campus at events, supporting Pace Brantley in the community, attending fundraising events, and the list goes on and on. We also allow you to solicit donations if you are unable to share your time with the school. Financial contributions or donations will be considered individually.

Remember, Ambassador Hours are part of your contract for enrollment. Ambassador Hours are a way for us to track the commitment and investment that each family makes to Pace Brantley throughout the school year. We would not be able to do what we do, each day, without the commitment of each family's time and resources. Each family is part of our Pace Brantley Team.

Suggested Ways to Earn Hours:

- Join us as a PBS Partner through a Family, Business, or Power Up Sponsorship
- Attending Pacemaker Meetings, Spirit Night Events, and/or Coffee Chats
- Virtual Open House & Meet the Teacher, GET UP Sessions, etc.
- Donating teacher "wish list" items, water or food for school events, items requested by staff members for events such as Field Day, Water Day or FLEX classes
- Donating during our One Blood blood drives, attending sporting events, the school play or donating necessary items for our annual play/theatre performance
- Donations and/or Attending annual fundraiser
- Volunteering as requested for school events
- Invite a representative from Pace to share at a local business, corporate event, and/or networking group about Pace Brantley

(Individual student classroom supply list items, SEP meetings, sponsorships and tickets to attend events are not items that can be used toward your Ambassador Hours. You may log your time at events but not the cost of attending the event.)

Logging

Each family will log their hours on the website, www.pacebrantley.org

You can save the link on your smart phone, bookmark it on your web browser, or access it each time you visit our website. Any adult family member that participates in events for Pace Brantley by supporting the school can log hours for your family contribution. Updates on Ambassador Hours will be sent home via email at the end of each quarter, commitments that are not met, will be billed at the end of the school year.

Technology



FACTS is our primary learning management system for all family communication, grades, student attendance, and homework/announcements from teachers.



Zoom is used for Coffee Chats, virtual meetings, and if a time arises where we will need to move to a remote instructional option. PBS Staff Zoom rooms will have be passcode protected recorded for safety.



PBS Students and Staff utilize GSuite tools for cloud storage and productivity tools, this includes Google Classroom. All school related communication between staff and students happens thru GSuite.

Students will need to have the following apps downloaded on their iPads:

- Google Classroom
- Google Docs
- Google Slides
- Google Drive
- Kahoot!
- Zoom
- TestNav
- NWEA
- Quizziz
- Quizlet
- IXL
- NearPod

iPads are required for each student, every day of learning. iPads must be able to run iOS 14 these include models such as the 9.7 inch (2017) 5th generation iPad or new models.

Students are not permitted to use an iPad mini.