



Pine Crest Elementary School (PCES)

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A Word From Our Principal

Pine Crest Elementary Magnet School of Innovation is the district's premier computer science and innovation magnet school where students learn to IMAGINE, CREATE, and CONNECT. This school report outlines the key characteristics of our school from both an academic and non-academic perspective. I hope it helps you understand what makes Pine Crest unique. Please reach out to us if you have any questions about our school.

Alex Agosto

What Makes Us Special

- Our students IMAGINE a future with endless possibilities. Design thinking provides a framework for exploring and developing new ideas, while embracing divergent thinking and the power of teamwork.
- Our students CREATE and lead the future. Our teachers help students learn to leverage technology through computer science and engage in problem solving to bring their solutions to life.
- Our students CONNECT with opportunities that extend far beyond the classroom walls. Students interact locally and globally and learn the skills needed to lead in our increasingly connected world.

Advanced Academics

Program of Rigorous Integrated Mathematics for Elementary Students (PRIMES) is available for mathematically talented students in grades 4 through 5.

Family Engagement 2019-2020 Data



Dividends is the volunteer program for SCPS.

Our incredible Pine Crest volunteers gave **11,114** hours of their time to support students.

Technology and the Future



- Students at Pine Crest Elementary Magnet School of Innovation use ePathways Future Ready Skills to build the community leaders of tomorrow.
- We are the premier Elementary Computer Science Magnet School for Seminole County.
- Computer Science 2020 - Our students participate in at least 10 hours of computer science learning each school year.

Student Achievement 2019-2020 Data

- All students in grades K-5 participate in English and Language Arts (ELA) and Math iReady progress monitoring. **24%** of K-5 students were on or above grade level in ELA and **21%** of K-5 students were on or above grade level in Math.
- The Star Early Literacy Assessment is administered to kindergarten students at the beginning of each school year. **33%** of students demonstrated kindergarten readiness compared to the state average of 54%.

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Pine Crest Elementary School earned a C grade from the Florida DOE in 2019

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- Students participate in the Magnet Showcases where they present their Genius Hour & Computer Science projects.
- We developed the county's 1st Family Exploration Academy designed to empower families to support development of the student.
- School Community led design of State-of-the-art Learning Facility scheduled to open August 2020.
- A computer science wheel class for deeper learning in platforms such as Scratch, Lego Robotics, Code.org, and Minecraft.
- Our students participate in Genius Hour projects that allow them to engage in student-driven learning.
- Our students participate in local, national and international computer science competitions and design challenges.

Future Middle School Pathways for Our Students



Sanford: 36%



Greenwood Lakes: 25%



Millennium: 24%



For additional pathways see [Student Assignment and Program Access](#)

School Health and Safety

The health, safety and security of staff and students is our top priority. We follow CDC COVID mitigation strategies and work closely with local, state, and federal agencies to ensure a sanitized and safe environment for your child's learning. Our School Resource Officer is Lawrence Blancett with the Sanford Police Department.



The SpeakOut program provides three 24-hour monitored services that allows students, parents, or community members to anonymously report concerns. www.speakouthotline.org

55% of student respondents would recommend PCES



88% of parent respondents would recommend PCES



Here's what students and parents say they like about Pine Crest:

" That there are nice teachers and I like their playground they have fun events and we have computer/laptops. "

4th Grade Student

" The fact that they keep you involved in every aspect of your child's learning and any other things you may need to know. "

3rd Grade Parent

" Being with friends, learning new things, and having fun. "

4th Grade Student

" I like the new magnet program, it's a great change for the students and expands their mind in new ways. "

5th Grade Parent

" That there are fun teachers here and they try to make kids have fun while learning. "

5th Grade Student

" I love the environment that it provides for the students as well as the parents "

2nd Grade Parent

" They're welcoming nice and kind they're also caring and helpful. "

5th Grade Student

" The admin team, staff and teachers. Everyone is so kind and willing to help. "

4th Grade Parent