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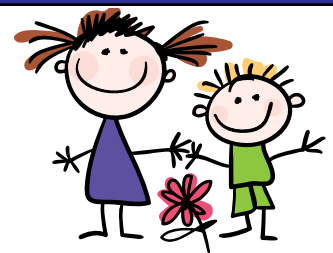


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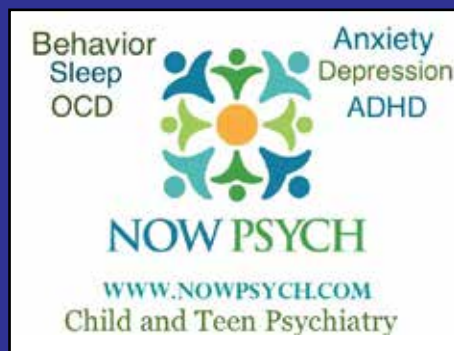
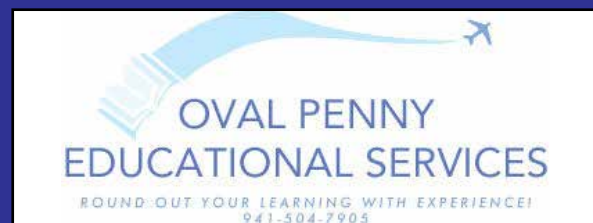
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*The Pine View Association, working with the Pine View community, supports and advances the excellence of Pine View School.*

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Dear Pine View Parents,

I hope this message finds you well and that your family and loved ones are in good health. This is unknown territory that we are going through right now, but please always remember: Pine View is a very special community of caring, and resourceful people. We will get through this together!

The school year started with lots of fun and enthusiasm, PVA planned and successfully executed many events. We had a stellar year of financial support from our sponsors and Pine View families,

and we were able to support Pine View school in so many ways. Then, suddenly everything came to an unexpected and unfortunate halt in March, but PVA reacted quickly, got mobilized via zoom, texts and emails and the planning and support for Pine View has been continuing in full force.

One of PVA's major concerns was the **Pine View seniors**: no senior bash, no senior Fridays, no watermelon day...such an abrupt and unexpected ending without properly saying goodbye to friends, teachers, and Pine View School. PVA worked together with the school and organized a few memorable events.

On May 15<sup>th</sup>, PVA participated in the "Collection and Connection" drive thru for the seniors. Teachers, administrators and PVA were cheering on, waving signs, and taking pictures of every senior driving by. It was a wonderful celebration for the seniors.

A second senior event is planned for May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Senior parents in collaboration with PVA and the school will meet at the Van Wezel parking lot. It will be another opportunity for parents and families to celebrate their kid's graduation from Pine View. There will be drone photography, decoration and special gifts for each senior, courtesy of PVA. A formal graduation for all Pine View seniors is still planned for July 19<sup>th</sup> at the Sarasota Opera House.

PVA also says good-bye to long term teachers Dr. Dean, Senora Gerlek, Mr. Delaney and Senora Zdravkovich. Hopefully, you will come back to campus later this year for a fare-well party with cake and refreshments. You will all be missed!

This is the last issue of this school year's PineViews and the last letter I will be writing to you as PVA president. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be part of this very special group of dedicated parents, teachers, and administrators. It was an honor to serve you.

Welcome to the new executive team lead by Karen Kirsch as president. Karen has been a Pine View student herself and has a long history of working with PVA. This will be her second term as president of the board. The new executive team is comprised of Bridget Hannon -VP Communication, Susan Harris VP School Support, Sabine Pinto VP Sponsorship, Lisa Stern Treasurer and Woomee Yu, Secretary. Congratulations to all and thanks for serving in these important positions. With this leadership, I am confident that it will be another great year for PVA.

I wish you all a happy and safe summer,

Be well,

Isa Chauhan





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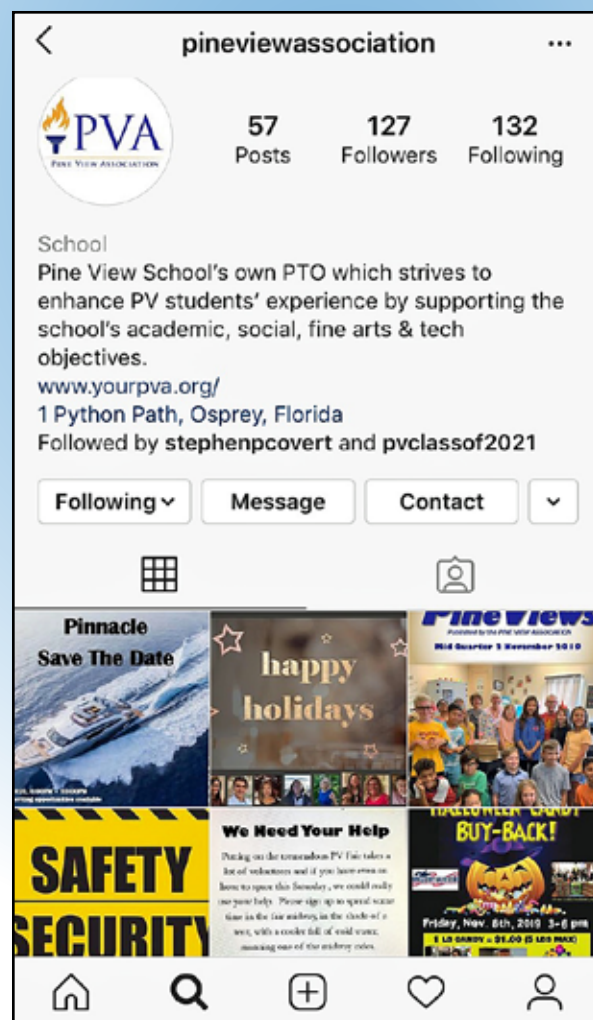


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<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Gianna Gregoire	1st place
Gabrielle Deleo	2nd place
Anna Kim	3rd place
Rebecca Sipes	3rd place

## 6TH GRADE BOYS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Leon Jarczyński	1st place
Matteo Storino	1st place
Kavi Riedi	2nd place
Kian Riedi	2nd place
Jacob Trout	3rd place
Grayson Cicilioni	3rd place

## 7TH GRADE BOYS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Henry Shoemaker	1st place
Vander Kuipers	2nd place
Adam Homer	3rd place

## 7TH GRADE GIRLS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Katherine Triola	1st place
Ava Michalopoulos	2nd place
Lucia Morgan	2nd place
Sophia Gruneiro	3rd place

## 8TH GRADE GIRLS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Ava Marano	1st place
Megan Owens	2nd place
Hayley Peace	3rd place
Amaana Quadir	3rd place
Molly Dillon	3rd place
Annika Fretz	3rd place

## 8TH GRADE BOYS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Cole Homer	1st place
Daniel Brokate	2nd place
James Hunek	2nd place
Tristan Rans	3rd place
Grant Burroughs	3rd place

## 2ND GRADE GIRLS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Miroslava Logvinova	1st place
Paige Mach	2nd place
Suzana Mata	3rd place
Andrea Wang	3rd place

## 2ND GRADE BOYS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
David Cook	1st place
Eric Mattison	1st place
Preston Brighenti	2nd place
Noah Bryant	2nd place
Armaan Malik	3rd place
Aryan Narr	3rd place
Clark McEwen-Haworth	3rd place

## 3RD GRADE GIRLS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Logan Ellerson	1st place
Sophia White	2nd place
Adalee Heath	3rd place

## 3RD GRADE BOYS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Eli Semones	1st place
Nicholas Ellen	1st place
Asher Wasserman	1st place
Gabriel Constanzo	2nd place
Jacob Triola	2nd place
Josiah Joseph	3rd place

## 4TH GRADE GIRLS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Annabella Cicilioni	1st place
Sabina Zapolsky	1st place
Anneliese Nguyen	2nd place
Chloe Cicilioni	2nd place
Olivia Twarowski	3rd place

## 4TH GRADE BOYS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Oliver Mankovich	1st place
Mason Howard	2nd place
Ryan Begala	3rd place

## 5TH GRADE GIRLS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Vivienne Liberman	1st place
Katherine Leaver	1st place
Emma Morris	2nd place
Lilly Saba	3rd place
Alina Kapitonava	3rd place
Lianna Pushkash	3rd place
Paloma Pardee	3rd place

## 5TH GRADE BOYS

<i>name</i>	<i>rank</i>
Ezra Lerario	1st place
Zane Day	2nd place
Jordan Oravec	3rd place
Sean Liggins	3rd place

## Peramathon T-Shirt Design Contest Winners:

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 2nd Place: Andrew Toth 6th Grade  
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# Congratulations on your retirement!

## A Special Career: from Prison to Pine View

By Debbi Wolfinger (PVA, Pine View Parent)

How many are fortunate enough to know their career path in one's teenage years? At age 16, David Delaney already did. While working at a camp for the mentally challenged, Delaney found his passion, and it led him into a 45-year career of special-education teaching. Now, after 10 years at Pine View, he has decided to retire.

After high school, David attended Columbia University, receiving a Master's in Special Education. He began teaching in the field at the age of 21 in Connecticut.

Soon after, he had a life-altering experience — in jail. Visiting to educate inmates in solitary confinement, he met fellow educator and future wife, Debbie. Behind bars their love story began.

After teaching in Connecticut, David and Debbie decided to relocate to Sarasota in 1993. They came to teach at what was then a brand new special-needs school called Oak Park. While in Sarasota, he has also taught at Sarasota Middle School, until eventually landing at Pine View School, working again with wife Debbie. He and Debbie have a strong connection to Pine View, with their two children having attended the school. They have 16 grandchildren, five of whom have attended Pine View.

In 2014, David and his family went through a devastating time when he was stricken with brain cancer. He fought and won that battle and worked hard to recover, even having to re-learn how to walk and talk. Eventually, he was able to return to his love of education.

Along with teaching, David has had a strong



relationship with Special Olympics. He was instrumental in bringing the Special Olympics to Pine View, which has hosted the games for 10 years. He also co-coached with Debbie for the middle school aged Sarasota Crew.

For those who know David, the most common description is his big heart and warm smile. He has touched so many students' lives, helping them become the best version of themselves to succeed. His past and current coworkers have glowing things to say.

Jen Giesel shared a moment from an

Oak Park School gardening class to spotlight one of his many wonderful attributes. "Dave had such a wonderful rapport with the students he taught, and they truly adored and respected him. On this particular day, there was some scuttlebutt while they were working outside in the garden with the garden tools. We all watched him de-escalate the situation with grace and love! What could have been quite a problem was resolved with Dave's calm and presence."

Assistant Principal Tara Spielman raved about David, "He has always honed in on the specific needs of students and their families. He is a legend at Pine View! While he will be sorely missed, his impact with the students he has served will be evident for years to come."

Eileen Cabrera, an ESE department coworker, added, "Mr. Delaney puts his entire heart and soul into every student ... continued on page 15

# Pine View will miss you!

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he works with. He has the capacity to establish a relationship that is supportive, respectful and meaningful.”

David Delaney is truly talented to have worked with such a broad spectrum of unique students at low and high achieving schools. From educating prison inmates, to special-needs students at Oak Park School, to gifted students at Pine View, there is seemingly nothing he can't do. Although he is retiring from the school system, he won't stop impacting people's

lives. He will continue to work with the Special Olympics and start working with the Sarasota Senior Center. He will also begin involvement with PAWS and Warriors, which works to help reduce suicide rates among veterans and first responders by matching them with pet companions.

Pine View was blessed to have such a caring, dynamic man as part of their family. He will be greatly missed around campus.





# Congratulations on your retirement!

As published in *The Torch*:

## A Literary Legend Leaves His Mark

By Naina Chauhan

There are not many differences between William Shakespeare and Language Arts teacher Paul Dean — they grew up in the countryside, have an unmatched sense of humor, write poetry, occasionally dress up in a leggings-and-blouse ensemble, sport an earring, and have a cult following. After 21 years of teaching, Pine View's very own Bard of Osprey will be retiring.

Dean's presence on campus has been characterized by his love for literature and chess. Both were inspired by his childhood librarian who encouraged Dean's love for reading in third grade and continued to foster it. During the summer, she would drive into the rural parts outside of town, where Dean grew up, to hand out books. One day she brought with her a chess set that she passed on to Dean. It was with that first chess set that he taught himself how to play and to this day, Dean still has one piece from the set.

Before becoming an educator, Dean worked many jobs to support himself and his family. In his childhood and adolescence, Dean worked a variety of jobs ranging from walking ponies, weeding onions and beets, to even working 20 hour weeks stacking sodas at a factory. As he studied at State University of New York College at Geneseo, he worked at a record store where he learned enough about music to then work for a jazz radio station. Following college he worked at a printing company where he learned to press books before being promoted to a management position. After working at the company for 10 years, Dean decided that he did not want to work in management



for the rest of his life. Instead, he decided to attend graduate school.

Dean obtained his doctorate in English from Binghamton University. After receiving his doctorate, Dean thought it only natural to enter the field he pursued as an undergraduate: education.

"I don't know, I always admired teachers... It wasn't about wealth, that didn't matter, I just loved literature and I like kids — it was the perfect choice," Dean said.

While he initially had planned on teaching at a community college, after moving to Sarasota Dean met Pine View teacher Neal Scheifer at a poetry event, who urged him to apply for a teaching position at the school and thus Dean's journey at Pine View began.

Dean still remembers the anxiety he felt his first day at Pine View hoping that he would fit in. That worry, it seemed, was for naught. It wasn't long before he established himself and developed friendships, namely with his "neighbor" for the past 21 years, English teacher Cheryl Steele. In the two decades that Steele has worked literally side by side with Dean, she has seen his impact on students.

"He was the kind of person who had such a passion for his teaching and his students saw that... He always tried to push students to have that 'a ha' moment... In his unique, stimulating environment, you could see the emotional, social, mental, and physical growth in his students," Steele said.

In his teaching, Dean hopes to "have instilled in people a love

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for literature and have been the kind of teacher where students were not afraid to talk to me.”

Alumnus Michael Shi was Dean’s student for three classes and — now two years out of high school — Dean’s teaching still resonates with him.

“Dr. Dean influenced me in the sense that I was always comfortable in his class and around him... He encourages you to do what makes you happy and to follow your dreams. He’s really a believer in anything he thinks is righteous and has a worthy purpose,” Shi said.

Dean’s reputation on campus is one of distinction that few can match.

“What makes Dr. Dean so unique is his odd, eccentric personality. You’ve got this seemingly gentle old fellow walking around with a coffee mug in his (left) hand and a different tie everyday, who loves literature... I mean, I think the man says whatever he wants and whenever he feels. He’s so authentic with you,” Shi said.

Beyond his eccentric and humorous side, those who personally interact with Dean never forget his comforting, open friendliness. Both Steele and English teacher Chris Pauling reminisce about approaching Dean to ask one question but then end up spending hours discussing poetry, jazz, or anything in life.

“He was a mentor to me in so many ways, but he also became a friend. When you trust a person you have no fear of sharing your shortcomings, and with [Dean], I could always ask for help,” Pauling said. Shi added, “My favorite attribute of Dr. Dean’s is his friendliness... He transcends beyond the grade he teaches and the students in his class and he appreciates all. You don’t even have to like English class for Dr. Dean to be your best friend.”

When asked what he would like to be remembered for, Dean said, “I knew my stuff,” and according to Pauling, that certainly holds true. “[My first

impression of Dean was that] he was overflowing with literary knowledge, he just knew so much about his profession... His knowledge of poetry, rhetorical devices, and literature was just mind-blowing,” Pauling said.

Steele adds that there was never a book or author that Dean didn’t know: “He was a mentor to so many of us and he’s going to be so sorely missed... I hope that his legacy of literature and his passion for teaching will live through me,” Steele said.

In his retirement, Dean hopes to travel across Europe, eventually substitute, and “read until my eyeballs fall out.” He also plans to use his new time to write more and add to the eight poetry books he has already written “in the tradition of William Blake.”

In his years at Pine View, Dean said one of his favorite memories is seeing his students graduate.

“The other day a man showed up at my front door with his wife... It was one of my old students and he

told me he moved back to Sarasota and his son goes to Pine View now... He said that I was one of his favorite teachers,” Dean said.

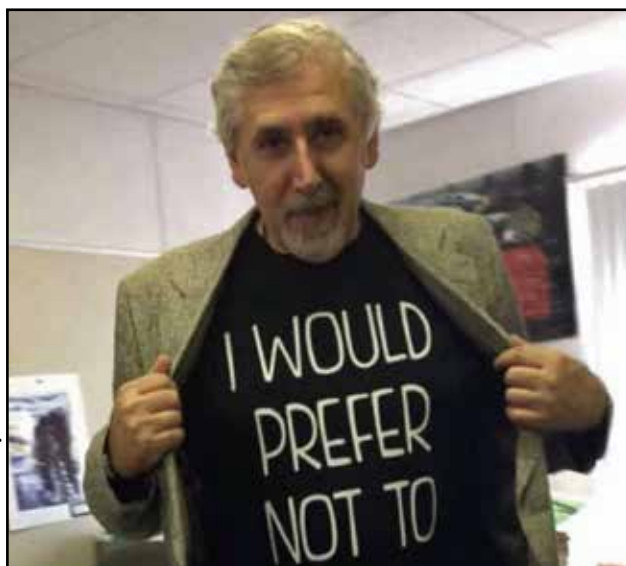
Pauling speaks on what an influential teacher Dean is to his students: “We have teachers come and go and they all leave some sort of impact and the impact Dr. Dean has left is special... He is not a forgettable person — you just won’t forget a teacher like him,”

Pauling said.

While Dean may be leaving, for now, it’s not forever for Pine View.

“I always said when I die I’d have my taxidermied body put in Room 205,” Dean said.

Dean’s legacy will continue to live on through the students and teachers he has influenced during his time on campus. Although you won’t find him in Room 205 next year, the room and the teacher behind it will leave an everlasting impact.



# Congratulations on your retirement!

As published in *The Torch*:

## Onto the next Camino in life

By Grace Johnson

"It's been a great run. I have been truly, truly blessed to teach at Pine View during the last 33 years. I did spend my whole career there, so I'm a little biased, but I will say I would not have wanted to teach anywhere else," Spanish teacher Patti Gerlek said over the phone in regard to her newly announced plans for retirement.

With degrees in Spanish Language and Literature along with Psychology, Gerlek wasn't exactly sure what she wanted to do when she graduated from college. After working with Spanish speaking children in a mental health clinic, though, she said she stumbled upon teaching. Gerlek began working inside classrooms as an aide and, after this experience, knew she wanted to teach.

"I kind of fell into it. I didn't grow up always wanting to be a teacher... I had my language degree already, but had to go and get my education degree on top of that," Gerlek said.

After spending two years teaching in New Hampshire, Gerlek began teaching at Pine View, and not without making a significant mark.

"Some of my most favorite memories [at Pine View] are from working on student productions, such as Variety Shows and Miss Pine View," Gerlek said. "I was the founder of Miss Pine View... Some tenth-grade girls came to me and I started it with them, and for seven years I was the MC, the host. I loved doing that, getting to work with the students."

In December of 2019, she decided this year was going to be her last teaching at Pine View.

"I knew [retirement] was coming; I just wanted to make sure that I was done, that I was ready to move on with my own personal world. There comes a point, and I was told this by other veteran teachers when you just know that it is time. It's time to make the transition out of the classroom, and that's what I went away and thought about. And I said 'yes,' this will be my last year," Gerlek said, detailing her thought process on retiring.

While Gerlek is ready to retire, she was not prepared to say goodbye to her students so soon. In



fact, she didn't even get the chance to tell students about her decision in person. Instead, she had to send an email.

"In that letter, I told [students] that I was retiring. My hope was to tell [them] the first day back after spring break. Rumors were out there, and kids asked me and I wanted to be really vague because I really wanted to make an announcement about it.

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# Pine View will miss you!

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And for me, as a teacher, I wanted closure. I wanted to say goodbye,” Gerlek said, dejectedly. “I’m really disappointed that I won’t get to stand in front of [my students] one more time and say, ‘Buenos Dias.’ As a teacher it’s really important to have a beginning and an end, and I got robbed of that.”

Gerlek is not looking to completely stray from teaching, though, as she plans to tutor students in Spanish along with instruct qi gong/tai chi. After her initial retirement, she also plans to, of course, spend more time with family and eventually walk El Camino de Santiago (The Walk of Saint James) in Spain. She teaches her classes about the walk each year.

“I’m out of the classroom, but I am certainly not sitting in a rocking chair,” Gerlek said.

Gerlek enjoys connecting with her students beyond the classroom, often offering to listen or give advice if a student requests it. Tenth-grader Zander Moricz, who has had Gerlek for multiple years as a teacher, frequently seeks her out for advice.

“Señora G. has supported me since I came to Pine View in middle school and has helped me through some of the most difficult times of my life. Over the last four years, we have established a tradition of tea time where I had a safe space to complain, worry out loud, and seek advice from one of the only people I can truly trust. Señora G. has never just been a Spanish teacher, without her I don’t know where I would

be or even who I would be. I love her and she has changed who I am and what Pine View is — for the better,” Moricz said through a message when asked how Gerlek has impacted his life.

This statement shows just how deeply Gerlek has impacted even just one student, and, further, that she likely will be remembered in the way she wishes.

“I would like to be remembered as someone who taught the full child, more than just Spanish. [These kids] are more than just students in front of me who I have to dump information into. I want to be known as someone who really cared about her students,” Gerlek said.



# Congratulations on your retirement! Pine View will miss you!

## Happy Travels, Senora Zdravkovich!

*By Peyton Harris*

After over a decade of helping students along their journeys into the Spanish language, Spanish and technology teacher Patricia Zdravkovich announced her plans for retirement.

Zdravkovich grew up in Illinois, inspired to learn a second language after her experiences traveling. She began with French and learned Spanish shortly thereafter, finding a passion for teaching from her grandmother.

“She patiently showed me how to do many things and her way of teaching was inspirational in leading me to my career choice,” said Zdravkovich. She then received her Bachelors’ degree in Spanish Language and Literature from Northern Illinois University.

Zdravkovich moved to Florida in 1983, joining the Pine View World language department after various teaching jobs in Sarasota county. She was drawn to Pine View for its reputation and high standard, saying, “My favorite part of teaching was the daily enthusiasm of the students for what we were going to learn and the opportunity to collaborate with the World Language Department.”

During her career at Pine View, Zdravkovich wore many hats, teaching Spanish 2, 4, and technology for second-fourth graders during, and serving as the sponsor for Spanish Honor Society. During her time as the sponsor for the club, Zdravkovich inspired and provided the means for donating backpacks full of supplies to underprivileged children in Guatemala and Honduras. Her students embellished these backpacks with drawings inspirational messages to create a personal connection to the child receiving it.

“I think that words that my students wrote, the designs they did (on the backpacks), the kids receiving them may feel proud to go to school. What more can we ask of a child than to become educated?” Zdravkovich said in a previous interview about the service project.

Zdravkovich’s approach to teaching didn’t end at



the textbook but offered an interactive means for students to really comprehend the intricacies of the language. She describes her teaching style as positive and enthusiastic, and she ultimately hopes her students leave her class knowing second language acquisition is attainable.

“The way she taught her class was so captivating and she really made sure every one of her kids really learned Spanish. I’m so sad to see her retire because she is a teacher everyone should have the chance to have.” tenth-grader Jude Kolesar said.

In retirement, Zdravkovich aims to continue what drew her into teaching in the first place: traveling.









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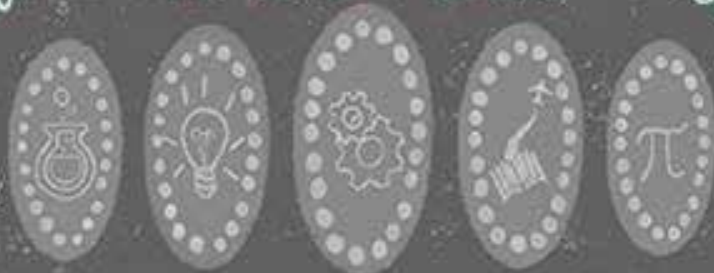


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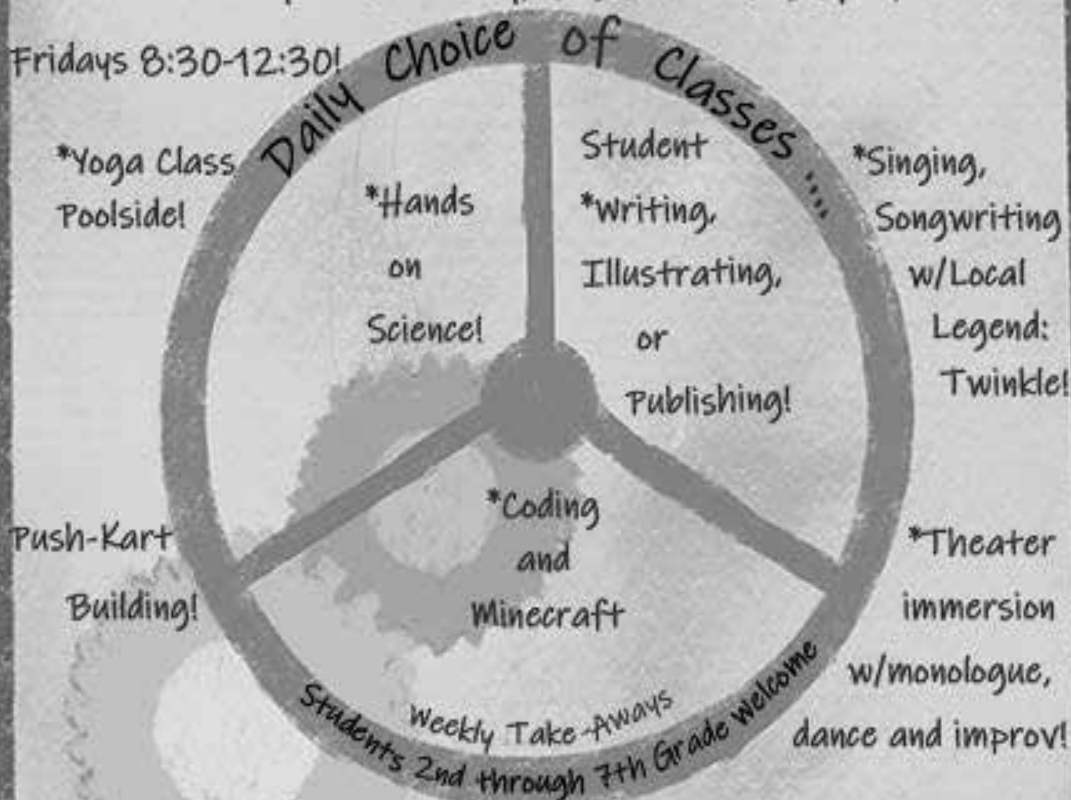
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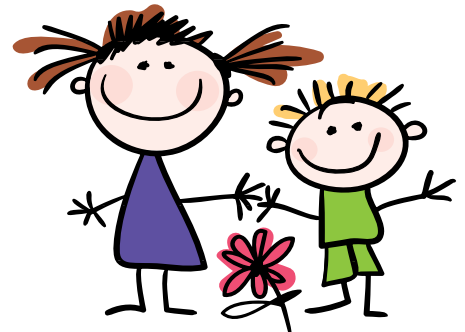
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### Mission Statement

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Guardado Henriquez, Hugo..Tech. Support  
Hawkins, James. .... Campus Security  
McGuire, Bob.....Para Professional Aide  
Medlin, Laura ..... ESE Aide  
Moleiro, Eugene. .... Monitorial Aide  
Morgerson, Patrica.....Monitorial Aide  
Sandefur, Deana.....Health Room Aide

## 2019 – 2020 CALENDAR

August 12. ....First Day for Students  
September 2.....Labor Day  
October 11..... End of 1st Grading Period  
October 14..... Professional Day-No School  
November 25-29.....Thanksgiving Holiday  
November 26-29.....Thanksgiving Holiday  
December 20. ....End of 2nd Grading Period  
December 23. ....January 3 - Winter Break  
January 6.....Professional Day-No School  
January 20. ....MLK Day-No School  
February 14 .....Mini Break-No School  
February 17. ....President's Day-No School  
March 11. ....End of 3rd Grading Period  
March 12. ....Professional Day-No School  
March 13-20..... Spring Break  
April 10. ....Mini Break-No School  
May 25. ....Memorial Day  
May 29. ....Last Day of School for Students

## Pine View's 212° Philosophy

At 211 degrees, water is hot.  
At 212 degrees, it boils.  
And with boiling water,  
comes steam.  
And with steam,  
you can power a train.  
One degree more =  
Exponential Results

-- By S.I. Parker



# If You Need ...

It is important to know who to go to when you need to get something done. This list should help both new and returning students and parents.

When in doubt, ask the wonderful staff and dedicated volunteers at the front desk. They are always there to help.

## IF YOU NEED:

## SEE

Accident Ins. Claim Form .....	Jenny Reyka
Activities Calendar .....	Denise Valentine
Activity Bus.....	Jenny Reyka
Admissions .....	Eileen Cabrera
Announcements .....	Denise Valentine
Attendance .....	Maureen Borden
Audio-Visual Aids .....	Cathy Tracy
Custodial Assistance .....	Front Desk
Deposit/Withdrawal of Funds .....	Teri Fisher
Discipline Information .....	Michelle Ball-Fauls
Intramural Information .....	Joe Digiacomo
Lockers.....	Front Desk
Medical Attention .....	Deana Sandefur
Parking.....	Front Desk
Sign In .....	Front Desk
Sign Out .....	Front Desk
Snack Machine Refunds .....	Student Union
Student Activities .....	Lenny Gross
To report theft or vandalism .....	John Bobianski
Transportation.....	486-2141
Transcript Request.....	Sue Manders
Withdrawal from school .....	Sue Manders

## A note from Elementary School Counselor, Kate McManus...

Dear 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents! If your child scored at or above on the following tests, they are eligible for the Duke TIP program.

Test Name	SubTest	Scores
Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) and NGSSS 2018 3rd Grade	ELA	≥ 335
	MATH	≥ 335
Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) and NGSSS 2018 4th Grade	ELA	≥ 343
	MATH	≥ 351
Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) and NGSSS 2019 3rd Grade	ELA	≥ 333
	MATH	≥ 335
Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) and NGSSS 2019 4th Grade	ELA	≥ 345
	MATH	≥ 352
Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) and NGSSS 2019 5th Grade	ELA	≥ 356
	MATH	≥ 363
	SCIENCE	≥ 235

Students need to enroll only **once** during their fourth, fifth, or sixth grades, as benefits continue to the end of their sixth-grade year. **If a student has enrolled in a previous year, do not re-enroll.**

If you choose to enroll your child into this program, please complete the following steps:

- Go to [www.tip.duke.edu/enroll](http://www.tip.duke.edu/enroll).
- If you have never created an online account with Duke TIP, click on 'NEW USERS' in the upper left-hand corner and fill out the new user registration form. This is where you will create a Username and a Password. If you have a username and password, log into the online system.
- After creating your account, you will be automatically logged into 'DUKE TIP'S ONLINE APPLICATION AND ENROLLMENT SYSTEM'.
- From the list of available applications on the left, select the '4th-6th Grade Talent Search'.
- Complete each page of the online enrollment form; making sure to click the 'Save & Continue' button at the bottom of each page.
- If your child qualifies for free or reduced lunch, please indicate that in the Financial Aid section.
- You may choose to register your student for the optional above-grade-level PSAT 8/9 test when applying online, if deadlines have not passed. Additional testing fees apply.
- At the end of the online enrollment, you will be prompted to pay with a Visa, Mastercard or Discover. Your enrollment may not be complete without making a payment.
- If you requested financial aid, no payment may be necessary; however, you must submit proper documentation within two weeks of your student's application.
- After submitting the online enrollment, a confirmation email will be sent to the parent email address. If you requested financial aid, instructions on submitting documentation will be included in your email confirmation.
- If you do not receive a confirmation email within 24 hours, please call 919-668-9100. Your application may not be complete. Do not submit your application and payment twice.

For further assistance, visit [tip.duke.edu/contact](http://tip.duke.edu/contact).

Additionally, if you need information regarding your child's FSA scores, please contact Michelle Ball-Fauls, Administration Assistant.



Dear Pine View Elementary Families:

Fulfilled, happy, confident, responsible, kind, and loving. We have learned that these are goals families want for their children, and as teachers, what we want for our students.

We recognize that as a family member, you are our students' first teacher and we want to partner with you to help our children become tolerant, compassionate, and caring adults. To support achieving these goals and to help our students build their social-emotional skills, we are pleased to share that we are implementing Sanford Harmony in our school community.

This social emotional learning program has been made available through the generosity of entrepreneur and philanthropist, T. Denny Sanford. Mr. Sanford selected National University to disseminate Sanford Harmony at no cost to elementary schools and organizations throughout the United States.

Social emotional learning (SEL) helps children by promoting their health and emotional well-being and contributing to the prevention of violence, truancy, bullying, and substance abuse. In addition, SEL is associated with significant gains on academic achievement tests.

Sanford Harmony is designed to build healthy relationships among students by having them engage in activities that promote understanding and respect. Over the course of the five units listed below, students will enhance their abilities to learn, work, and spend time together.

- Diversity and Inclusion
- Critical Thinking
- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Peer Relationships

Information will be sent home periodically, sharing activities in each unit. You will find out more about Harmony Goals, Meet Up, Buddy Up, and other fun strategies being used in the classroom. We welcome your feedback. To learn more about Sanford Harmony please visit [sanfordharmony.org](http://sanfordharmony.org).

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,  
Kate McManus/ Elementary School Counselor



Just a Reminder, all volunteers need to register this year in the new system! They will be NEW VOLUNTEERS. The Community Involvement office will add level 2 data to volunteer profiles. Volunteers can add other schools once they log into their profile from the top dashboard icon. It is quick and easy to add another school.

Instructions for registering as a volunteer in the Community Involvement Portal:

1. Go to the Community Involvement Portal:  
[https://volunteer.samaritan.com/custom/528/#/volunteer\\_home](https://volunteer.samaritan.com/custom/528/#/volunteer_home)
2. Search for the school you are interested in volunteering for.
3. Click on the school opportunity.
4. Select "SIGN UP" on the left side of the screen under the photo.
5. Select "NEW VOLUNTEER" and complete the application. EVERY volunteer needs to do this whether they have volunteered for 20 years or are brand new.
6. If you are a SCS Staff Member or Student, this is when you are finished. If not...
7. After you submit your application, you will receive an e-mail within one to two business days from "Sarasota County Schools <[TheAdvocates@VerifiedVolunteers.com](mailto:TheAdvocates@VerifiedVolunteers.com)>" to complete a background screening. Click the link provided in the e-mail that starts with <https://app.verifiedvolunteers.com/verify> followed by a bunch of letters and/or numbers.
8. Complete the background screening using the information you provided in your application. Most of this information will auto-fill so you will only need to retype a few sections.
  - *Please note: This background screening will request your social security number. This is a secure server that is only associated with Sarasota County Schools. If you do not have a social security number or do not wish to provide it, this could extend the time it will take for approval due to a potential result in false background check findings (i.e., someone with the same name and birthday).*
9. You will receive a confirmation e-mail from "TheAdvocates <[TheAdvocates@VerifiedVolunteers.com](mailto:TheAdvocates@VerifiedVolunteers.com)>" once Sarasota County Schools has reviewed your background screening.

Office of Community Involvement  
941-927-9000 Ext. 31500  
1960 Landings Boulevard – Green Awning Building  
[CommunityInvolvement@sarasotacountyschools.net](mailto:CommunityInvolvement@sarasotacountyschools.net)

# Community Involvement – Volunteers Count!

## Level 1 Volunteering

Level 1 is the starting point for all volunteering. You must be Level 1 approved before you can be Level 2 approved. With a Level 1 clearance, you must stay within eye and earshot of a school faculty member or teacher at all times.

To become a Level 1 volunteer, you should:

1. **Sign up!** Sign up on the district's volunteer portal called [Volunteers Count!](#) You can do this from home, at any Sarasota County school, or at the Office of Community Involvement (OCI) the Landings. OCI will notify you when you are approved.
2. **Reach out!** Once approved, you will be added to the schools approved volunteer list. If you are eager, reach out to schools so you can get started ASAP!
3. **Find the best fit!** If you aren't sure where you want to volunteer or what you want to do, contact the school district's Office of Community Involvement to find a school that needs your specific skill set. You can call (941) 927-9000 ext. 31500 or e-mail [CommunityInvolvement@sarasotacountyschools.net](mailto:CommunityInvolvement@sarasotacountyschools.net).
4. **Possibly get Level 2!** Once you are level one approved, you may proceed to get your Level 2 clearance completed. Please Click "Level 2 Volunteering" to learn more.

## Level 2 Volunteering

Level 2 is the highest volunteer clearance. This clearance permits you to be alone with students for volunteering purposes. This is also a common clearance needed to chaperone field trips and mentor. To get a Level 2 clearance, you must be fingerprinted by the district's Safety and Security Department.

To become a Level 2 volunteer, you should...

1. **Get Level 1!** You must first be a Level 1 volunteer before you become a Level 2 volunteer. You can become a Level 1 volunteer by applying on our volunteer portal, [Volunteers Count!](#)
2. **Be fingerprinted!** You can be fingerprinted at the District Safety and Security Department at the Landings or the North Port Police Department. The Office of Community Involvement will notify you once you are approved.
  - **Safety and Security Department at the Landings**
    - By appointment only
    - Hours: 8:30am to 12:00pm and 1:00pm to 3:30pm
    - Address: Blue Awning Building, First Floor at 1950 Landings Blvd. Sarasota, FL 34231
    - Phone number: (941) 927-9000 ext. 31132
    - E-mail: [scsbfingerprinting@sarasotacountyschools.net](mailto:scsbfingerprinting@sarasotacountyschools.net)
  - **North Port Police Department**
    - Please connect with a Volunteer Coordinator at one of our North Port schools to get information on how to be fingerprinted at the North Port Police Department.





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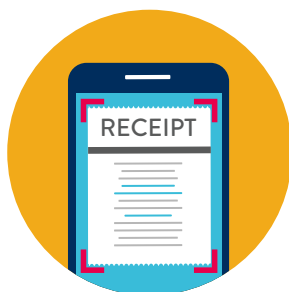


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### EARN CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL

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**You do not need to clip or send Box Tops labels to school.**



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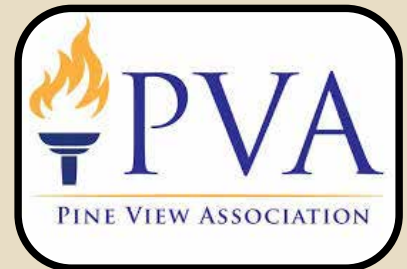
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