

## 1. What grade levels do you serve?

PCCS and PC4 have recently united as one organization with two educational priorities; our Early Learning Program serves children 6 weeks to age 3, our Private School Program serves children in grades VPK – 6<sup>th</sup> for the 2020-21 school year and will add grade levels up to 12<sup>th</sup> as current students are promoted into the next highest grade.

## 2. What are the classes like?

Our Early Learning Program will continue the award-winning methods that made us the go-to preschool in the area. Our Private School program incorporates small class sizes with two blended grade levels in a class: K-1, 1-2, 3-4, and 5-6. A great benefit of having a combined classroom allows for learning to occur in groups based on individual level rather than age.

## 3. How much is tuition?

Annual tuition is \$6,500, registration is \$200, and student fees are \$300. Student fees cover curriculum, field trips, testing, and certain classroom supplies. Students will be given a required supply list at the beginning of each school year that parents are responsible for. Parents who opt for extended care, which will be available before or after school or on school holidays as indicated on the calendar, will incur an additional charge.

## 4. Are there scholarship options for students?

Yes, most are on a first come, first served basis according to funding availability. See [PCCS Scholarship Options Document](#) for details. If you meet the eligibility criteria for any of the scholarships listed, **APPLY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THOSE PAGES**. In previous years available funding ran out in a matter of weeks. PCCS staff can assist with navigating the application process if you request help.

## 5. Where can parents get help if needed in applying for scholarships?

Stop by the PC4 reception area or call 386-246-1660 to set up an appointment to receive help applying for or navigating the scholarship options that may be available to your child(ren).

## 6. Are their payment options for students not on scholarship or students on a scholarship that doesn't cover the full tuition and fees?

The \$200 registration fee is due when you register. Full-pay parents must register immediately to hold a seat for their child (*pending availability at the time of registration*) But tuition and student fees may be distributed over ten monthly payments beginning August 1 and ending May 1. The monthly amount is determined by whether or not you have an initial down payment.

## 7. Will there be any special payment accommodations/discounts/scholarships for families with multiple siblings enrolled?

Families with children in our Early Learning Program and our School will only be required to pay the registration of the oldest child to secure seats for sibling students. Families not qualifying for Florida scholarships may be eligible for PCCS internal scholarships on a first come, first served basis.

## 8. When can parents enroll their child?

Enrollment appointments are available now for full-pay families and families with confirmed scholarship awards. Prospective scholarship families may complete an [Intent Form](#) to temporarily hold their child's seat. Enrollment openings are filled on a first come, first served basis. Our K-1 class has a 12 to 1 student teacher ratio with limited openings. Our 1-2, 3-4, and 5-6 classes have a 15 to 1 student teacher ratio with limited openings.

## 9. What if I applied to Step Up and got put on the waiting list?

Step up is required to offer scholarships in the following priority: 1) renewing students, 2) eligible siblings of renewing students, 3) new students whose household income is equal or less than \$46,637, and 4) other new students who meet household income criteria up to \$66,950. Foster children and children of households receiving Food Stamps (SNAP), TANF, or FDIR are always immediately eligible with applicable documentation. Most families that complete the application process by April 15 will learn if they are funded prior to June 30.

## 10. What if I'm on the waiting list but my income changed and is now lower or if I have recently been approved for SNAP/TANF/FDIR?

Go online to [stepupforstudents.org](http://stepupforstudents.org) and watch for a "CHAT" tab to appear on the right side or to pop up on your screen. Use that to let Step Up know you're on the waiting list, but your household income circumstances have changed or that you're now eligible for direct certification through Food Stamps. Be prepared to provide supporting documentation to validate the change in circumstance and recognize processing may take several weeks.

## 11. What do I do with the email I get confirming my child is awarded a scholarship?

Whether your child is awarded a Step Up, McKay, FEP, or Hope scholarship, when you get the award email, **immediately provide the award notification** (and the Step Up student confirmation form usually attached as a document to the email) **to PCCS**. (Drop off at PC4 Reception or Email to [PC4@mypc3.com](mailto:PC4@mypc3.com) or fax to 386-246-1670.)

## 12. What are the transportation options?

At this time, all transportation to and from school is the parent's responsibility. A transportation plan is under development but will likely not be implemented until next school year.

### **13. Are students required to wear uniforms?**

PCCS students will not be required to wear a designated uniform to school. There is a dress code policy to allow for individuality and modesty that is conducive to learning.

### **14. What are the lunch options?**

Students will be required to bring their lunch. On Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays PCCS will offer hot meal options for purchase.

### **15. What are the hours of school?**

School will take place from 8:30 AM to 3 PM. PCCS will be open from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Extended care is available at an additional cost for students needing to arrive before school between 7:00 AM and 8:00 AM or stay after school between 3:00 PM and 6:00 PM.

*(Refer to [PCCS 2020-2021 Calendar](#) for extended care dates)*

### **16. What type of curriculum do you offer?**

It is a blended curriculum incorporating materials from different well-known providers such as Houghton Mifflin and Scholastic. It will also include research supported programs and learning options such as project/inquiry-based learning, cooperative learning, online and technology based learning all with underlying core competencies. Our goal in this is to develop students who will become life-long learners, with critical thinking skills and awareness of how to pursue knowledge and understanding in any area or circumstance with or without someone directing their efforts. Students will also have grade-level appropriate electives built into their schedule by semester. Electives include Art, Music, Keyboarding, Computer Technology, and Computer Graphics.

### **17. How will you incorporate Bible teaching into the school?**

The daily schedule incorporates a period of Bible learning in each class. Students and staff are encouraged to live out biblical principles and values by building relationships with each other and with God. We want to create a culture where it's safe to ask questions while students pursue a relationship with God.

### **18. Are there field trips? If so, where will they go?**

PCCS incorporates field trips into the curriculum and may include trips that incorporate real-life involvement in the lessons they are learning. Destinations are determined by individual teachers based on their lesson planning.