



# **Palencia Elementary School PTO Meeting**

## **February 7, 2024**

Welcome!

### Guest Speaker

- Mr. Mike Strausbaugh – Safety and Security Specialist for the St. Johns County School District  
Mr. Strausbaugh gave a lengthy presentation on the protection and safety of students and staff in SJCS. Mr. Strausbaugh’s presentation covered the Florida Safe School Assessment Tool, School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting (SESIR), FortifyFL, and the systems SJCS has in place for staff to report on campus emergencies.

### Current Events

- Family Bingo Night – Approximately 150 people attended
- Souper Bowl - Thursday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>
- Daddy/Daughter Dance - Friday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - Tickets are currently on sale – visit our website for details and tickets
  - Volunteers for balloon arch assembly
- Lunch & Learn - Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> : we are hosting an event to welcome those interested in learning more about the PTO and ways to help - tell your friends, RSVP link on PTO Facebook page
- Silent Auction - DATE CHANGE - Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>
  - Details and tickets will be available on our website March 5<sup>th</sup>
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Love Lines - flyers will go home this week

### Spirit Nights

- Bountiful Sundays at Your Pie Pizza
  - Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup> - all day 10% of sales will be donated to the PTO
  - Third Sunday of every month

### Spirit Wear

- Order your spirit wear via our website. Spirit Wear Fridays!

### Pirate Pride Rock

- If you’re interested in booking either the front or back rock, please visit our website
- You must either paint the rock yourself with approved paint, or hire a third party to do so

### PTO Finances & Project Updates

- Paperwork has been submitted to the district for approval to install two (2) shaded tables along the edge of the basketball court in the back field (\$29,113)
- We are continuing to save for turf and an outdoor classroom as part of our previously approved architectural plans

### 2024-2025 School Year

- We are currently working on the PTO calendar of events for the 24/25 school year and would love your feedback and ideas!
- Chair positions for events will be available and listed soon. Please let us know if there is anything you’re interested in

### Next PTO Meeting

- Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:40am

### How can you get involved?

- Join a committee – sign up today
- Volunteer for an event (Sign-up Genius) / in the classroom
- Become a Corporate Sponsor / Donate Items / Classroom Assistance
- Sponsor Teacher Appreciation Treats

### Stay in Touch

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  - We have both a Facebook and Instagram page
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