

PCCA FAN CLUB PARENT HANDBOOK

2018-2019

NOTE: This handbook was created by the PCCA FAN Club to help parents navigate the many unfamiliar terms and dates their student may speak. Items in this handbook are subject to change.

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PCCA Consists of Five Majors

Dance

Design Technology

Music (Instrumental & Vocal Performance)
Theatre (Musical & Performance)
and Visual Arts.

DANCE







The <u>DANCE</u> major includes ballet, pointe, variations, modern and composition. Dancers are required to audition for events, Senior Projects, a portfolio and Juries.

EVENTS: Fall Dance Concert

Spring Dance Concert

Finale

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY







The <u>DESIGN TECHNOLOGY</u> major includes courses in stagecraft, technical theatre, lighting and sound design, costume design/makeup and set design.

Students are required to do a Senior Project and be involved in the design and production of performances. Students develop a sense of artistry and creativity.

EVENTS: All stage performances Marley's

MUSIC (Instrumental & Vocal)









The <u>MUSIC</u> major includes the <u>Instrumental</u> track and the <u>Vocal</u> track. All music majors receive weekly private lessons. Music majors are required to do auditions for main stage events, Senior Projects and Juries.

VOCAL EVENTS: Fall Concert with JHOP MS
Winter Choral Concert
Doo Wop and Doughnuts
Florida Vocal Association (FVA)
Music Performance Assessments

INSTRUMENTAL EVENTS:

Fall Wind Ensemble Winter Wind Ensemble







The <u>VISUAL ART</u> major is an accelerated, in-depth program intended to meet the individual needs of students who are artistically talented and motivated. It prepares students aesthetically, academically, and technically for further studies in the visual arts or to imbue an appreciation of the visual arts in those who choose other careers. It includes student and guest artist exhibitions. Students are required to do Senior Projects and Juries.

THEATRE (Musical & Performance)









The <u>THEATRE</u> major consists of <u>Musical Theatre</u> and <u>Performance Theatre</u>. Musical Theatre combines vocal, acting & dance whereas Performance Theatre is acting based.

Students receive 1/2 hour of vocal lessons/week as Sophomores and Juniors, and 1 hour of vocal lessons as Seniors.

Students are required to audition for all mainstage events and juries. Students are also required to do a Senior Project.

EVENTS: Fall and Spring Main Stages

District and State Thespian Festival
Southeaster Theatre Conference (SETC)

Florida Theatre Conference (FTC)

Showcases Coffeehouse Marley's Finale

GLOSSARY of Common PCCA Terminology

Black Box - PCCA's Black Box Theatre, also known as the Experimental Theatre (ET). Park in the back parking lot off 31st Street and enter in the back of the school.

<u>Broadway Star of the Future Awards</u> - Tampa Bay's program celebrating outstanding achievement in high school musical theater. A qualified team provides feedback on schools' musical theater productions and the Straz Center hosts an annual awards showcase to recognize the top outstanding high school theatre productions. The top Male and Female performers advance to the Jimmy Awards in New York City.

<u>Cabaret Showcases</u>: Separate showcase for each class of theatre students to perform a variety of theatrical pieces. Directed by Staff. Auditions required.

<u>Coffee House Cabaret</u> - students perform a variety of theatrical pieces for family and friends. This is a fundraiser for Thespians. It is hosted and coordinated by the Thespian Board at PCCA. Auditions required.

<u>Districts</u> - PCCA hosted countywide Thespian competition. It is one of PCCA's largest fundraisers through concessions sales. We provide food and drinks throughout the day, through donations from parents and businesses. Parent volunteers needed.

<u>FAN Club</u> - stands for the "Future Artists Network" Club. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30. Mr. Weston provides a PCCA update and calendar of events. This is a good time for parents to network and learn of opportunities to volunteer and provide feedback on events and programs.

<u>Finale</u> - the Final Main Stage. This performance incorporates all art disciplines, including visual arts, theatre, dance and music. It occurs in May and is hosted every other year by the Musical Theatre Dept. Alternate years are hosted by Dance and Music. Cost to attend is \$20 and proceeds go to raise funds for scholarships to support students attending summer educational camps geared for their arts discipline.

FTC (Florida Theatre Conference) is attended by Seniors. This is an opportunity to audition for college in front of college recruiters. It also features an expo of the colleges for students to learn about the various college opportunities. Mostly Florida colleges attend. It occurs in the Fall, in Gainesville.

<u>Fundraising</u> – The FAN Club is the Booster Club for PCCA teachers and students. Monies are raised primarily through concessions, Logowear, and our annual wreath fundraiser. Volunteers also support ticket sales at the box office at PCCA events, although these monies are Gibbs monies, not booster funds.

FBA (Florida Bandmasters Association) – Held at Gibbs High School in February. A soloensemble event for County high school band students to compete in various categories in front of judges for adjudications. Concessions are provided by the FAN Club as a fundraiser. Volunteers are needed for the entire day.

<u>FVA (Florida Vocal Association)</u> - Held at Gibbs High School in February. County wide vocal students in the Pinellas County School System compete with solos, duets, etc. in front of judges for adjudication. PCCA FAN Club hosts concessions and food for this event. Volunteers are needed for the entire day.

Grand Theatre (GT) - The proscenium theatre located at the front of school.

<u>Hours</u> - Students are required to complete a defined number of inside and outside hours EACH semester. Inside hours are within the PCCA program, outside hours are in the community. Details are provided in your student's handbook and vary per major

Juries - Occur at the end of each semester and are a way for teachers to see that students are progressing in the PCCA program. The requirements vary per major but can include but are not limited to a dance, monologue, song, instrumental performance etc. Students are critiqued in writing by their teachers. Generally, the jury score should increase each year. Students who receive a score below 7 will go on probation. Details are provided in your student's handbook.

<u>LINES Ballet Discovery Project</u> - An Alonzo King outreach program designed to diversify the scope of LINES Ballet's impact on young artists and communities nationwide. In collaboration with host schools and dance educators across the country, the program provides intermediate to pre-professional dancers a 3-4 day intensive workshops conducted by LINES faculty members.

<u>Main Stage</u> - Full Production directed by PCCA staff, performed in the Grand Theatre or Experimental Theatre. Includes plays and musicals. Three or four shows performed each year.

<u>Marley's</u> - PCCA version of the Tony's - held in the Grande Theatre the end of May - parents are welcome to attend.

RNurmela Bravo Award - Highest award given to a student at PCCA

Commencement. The recipient is the student who most demonstrates a commitment to excellence in the arts through their talent and dedication to representing the program. Senior Project – Seniors final jury. This project challenges seniors to demonstrate their academic/artistic knowledge of what they have learned over the 4 years. They work on their senior projects all year and perform them in the Spring in the Experimental Theatre.

<u>SETC (South Eastern Theatre Conference)</u> - Attended by Juniors and any Seniors who have not already committed to a college. Students practice their auditioning skills in front of 100+ college representatives. Location changes each year. Chaperones are needed for this event. Travel to the event may be bus or plane. Large fundraising effort by FAN Club to help support a portion of this event.

<u>Tri-M</u> nationally recognized music honor society that focuses on high achievement through music, academics, and service to our school and community. The three M's stand for Modern Music Masters

<u>Victoriarose Supper Award for Choral Leadership</u> - A scholarship that is endowed by the Supper family and matched by the FAN Club. It is awarded to an upperclassman student in the choral department that exhibits outstanding leadership skills that contribute to the singer's experience in PCCA choirs

<u>Vox-Nova</u> PCCA chamber choir that features upperclassmen [mostly] music majors singing a variety of repertoire from the renaissance to the most modern composers. The group sings in the community and was featured during the 2017-2018 school year at Disney's Candlelight Processional, NOPE of Pinellas County, Resurrection House, the Pinellas County School Board, and at various other local events.

<u>Walkers Rising Stars:</u> An off-campus scholarship competition that celebrates an evening of amazing Pinellas County Public School performances. The program recognizes Pinellas County Schools' most outstanding public high school junior and senior solo performers and artists.

Who's Who at PCCA/ Gibbs High School

ACT/SAT Waivers	Dr. Clark
Activities, Student Insurance, Sports/Athletics	Mr. Machado
Attendance	Mrs. Ventura
Bookkeeper	Mrs. Ferland
Buses/Transportation	Mr. Stickney / Mrs. Ba
Clinic	Mrs. Gregg
College IA Days	Mrs. Ventura
Credit Checks	Dr. Clark
Early Admissions/Dual Enrollment	Ms. Diaz
Elevator Key	Mrs. Gilbert
Executive Intern Program	Dr. Clark
FL Bright Futures Community Service Projects	Dr. Clark
FL Bright Futures Scholarship	Ms. Pelletier
Free/Reduced Lunch	Mr. Weston
Gibbs High School Principal	Mr. Hepburn
Gibbs Senior Class Dues / Grad Night	Ms. Wilson-Corbett
Home Work	Mrs. Ventura
Homebound Instruction	Dr. Clark
Homecoming Activities	Ms. Wilson-Corbett
Lockers	Mr. Weston / Mrs. Gilbert
Lost or Stolen Items	Mrs. Ventura
Parking Permits	Mr. Patrick
PCCA Vice Principal	Mr. Weston
PCCA Secretary	Mrs. Gilbert
PCCA Counselor	Dr. Clark
PCCA Magnet Clerk	Mrs. Ventura
PCCA Graduation Requirement	Area Chairperson
Permit to Leave Campus	Mrs. Ventura
Pinellas Virtual School / FLVS	Dr. Clark
Prom Activities	ТВА
Report Cards	Mrs. Owens
SAT/ACT Registration Packets	Ms. Pelletie
Financial Aid Packets	Ms. Pelletier
Scholarship Info & Applications	Ms. Pelletier
Testing: AP	Ms. Feodorov
Testing: FL WRITES/PERT/EOC	Ms. Diaz
Testing: PSAT	Mr. Green
Transcripts for College / Scholarships	Ms. Ba
Withdrawal from PCCA	Mr. Weston / Dr. Clark

2018-2019 PCCA Tentative Calendar

(Dates, Times & Locations Subject to Change)

AUGUST

- 23 31 Visual Arts Senior Drawing Exhibition: Gallery 2
- 27 PCCA Parent Night, 6-8pm, Grand Theatre
- 30 Night of One Acts, Experimental Theatre

SEPTEMBER

- 1-30 Visual Arts Senior Drawing Exhibition: Gallery 2
- 3 Labor Day NO SCHOOL
- 6 Student Recitals, 2-4pm, Grand Theatre
- 7 Visual Arts Figure Seminar, Grand Theatre Lobby
- 10 Gibbs Back to School Night
- 10-30 Visual Arts Figure Drawing Exhibition, Grand Theatre Lobby
- 11 FAN Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Mr. Renken's Room
- 17-21 Thespian Induction Week
- 21 Thespian Induction Ceremony, TBA, Grand Theatre
- 27 NHS Induction, 7pm, Grand Theatre

OCTOBER

- 1-31 Visual Arts Figure Drawing Exhibition, Grand Theatre Lobby
- 1-2 Visual Arts Senior Drawing Exhibition: Gallery 2
- 4 Fall Choral Concert, 7-10pm, Grand Theatre
- 9 FAN Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Mr. Renken's Room
- 15 NO SCHOOL
- 16-19 First Mainstage: Museum, 7-10pm, Experimental Theatre
- 16-31 Visual Arts Senior Juried Exhibition, Gallery 1 & 2
- 17 Straz: The Play That Goes Wrong
- 18 Student Recitals, 2-4pm, Grand Theatre
- 22 & 23 2nd Mainstage Auditions
- 23 Wind Ensemble Concert, 7-10pm, Grand Theatre
- 24-27 FTC, Florida Theatre Conference, Gainesville FL
- 25 Visual Arts Senior Juried Reception, 5-6:30pm Gallery 1 & 2
- 26 Jazz Band Concert, 7-9pm, Experimental Theatre
- 30 Freshman Cabaret, 7-10pm, Experimental Theatre

NOVEMBER

- 1-14 Visual Arts Senior Juried Exhibition, Gallery 1 & 2
- 1-30 Visual Arts Figure Drawing Exhibition, Grand Theatre Lobby
- 1-16 Wreath Fundraiser, TBA
- 2 PCCA Fall Festival Formal, TBA, Experimental Theatre
- 8 Student Recitals, 2-4pm, Grand Theatre
- 9 Middle School Jr. Thespian One Acts, 2-8pm, Grand Theatre
- 10 Middle School Jr. Thespian IE's , 7am-9pm, Grand Theatre, Bldgs.: 4,5,8
- 13 FAN Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Mr. Renken's Room
- 13 Coffeehouse, 7-9pm, Grande Theatre Lobby
- 15 Fall Dance Performances, 7pm, Experimental Theatre
- 19-23 THANKSGIVING BREAK
- 29 Concertos & Crumpets, 7-9pm, Grand Theatre
- 29-30 Thespian One Act Festival, All Day, SPC Clearwater Campus
- 29-30 30th Annual VA Juried Exhibition, Gallery 2 & Theatre Lobby Gallery

DECEMBER

- 1-21 30th Annual VA Juried Exhibition, Gallery 2 & Theatre Lobby Gallery
- 1 Thespian IE Festival, 7am-9pm, Grande Theatre, Bldgs.: 4, 5, 8
- **3-7 JURIES**
- 4 Sophomore Cabaret, 7pm, Experimental Theatre
- 4 Jazz Band Concert, 7pm, Grand Theatre
- 6 Student Recitals, 2-4pm, Grand Theatre
- **10-14 JURIES**
- 11 FAN Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Mr. Renken's Room
- 13 Visual Arts All Student Juried Show, Grand Theatre
- 13 JHOP & PCCA Wind Ensemble Concert, 7pm, Grand Theatre
- 16 Choral Concert, 4:00pm at First Presbyterian Church, St. Petersburg.
- 17-21 FINAL EXAMS
- 24-28 WINTER BREAK

JANUARY

- 1-6 WINTER BREAK
- 7 NO SCHOOL
- 9-25 Visual Arts Faculty Exhibition, Gallery 2
- 15 FAN Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Mr. Renken's Room
- 21 Dr. MLK Day NO SCHOOL
- 24 Student Recitals, 2-4pm, Grand Theatre
- 25 PCCA Winter Formal, 6-10pm, Experimental Theatre
- 30-31 Dance Senior Projects, 7pm, Experimental Theatre

FEBRUARY

- 8 -9 FVA Solo and Ensemble, 2-8pm, Bldg. 4
- 12 FAN Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Mr. Renken's Room
- 15-16 FBA Solo and Ensemble, All Day
- 18 NO SCHOOL
- 22-24 2nd Mainstage: Ain't Misbehavin', Fri/Sat 7pm, Sun 3-5pm, Grande Theatre
- 26 Junior Cabaret, 7pm, Experimental Theatre
- 27-Mar 2 SETC, Knoxville, TN
- 28 Student Recitals, 2-4pm, Grand Theatre

MARCH

- Feb 27-Mar 2 SETC, Nashville TN
- 5-15 Visual Arts Senior Thesis Groups 1 & 2, Gallery 1 & 2
- 7-12 PCCA New York City Senior Study, NYC
- 8 NO SCHOOL
- 8, 9, 10 GRAND PRIX 8am-6pm
- 11-15 SPRING BREAK
- 19 FAN Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Mr. Renken's Room
- 21 Student Recitals, 2-4pm, Grand Theatre
- 20-23 State Thespian Festival, Tampa Convention Center
- 23 Music Senior Recitals, TBA, Grand Theatre
- 25-28 Theater Senior Projects, 7-9pm, Experimental Theatre
- 26 Spring Wind Ensemble/Orchestra Concert, 7pm, Grande Theatre
- 26-31 Visual Arts Senior Thesis Groups 3 & 4, Gallery 1 & 2
- 29 Jazz Studies Senior Recital, 7pm, Grande Theatre
- 30 Music Senior Recitals, all day, Grand Theatre

APRIL

- 1-5 Visual Arts Senior Thesis Groups 3 & 4, Gallery 1 & 2
- 4-5 Spring Dance Concert, 7-9pm, Experimental Theatre
- 8-11 Theater Senior Projects, 7-9pm, Experimental Theatre
- 9 FAN Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Mr. Renken's Room
- 10 Straz: *Dear Evan Hansen*
- 15-30 Visual Arts Senior Thesis Groups 5 & 6, Gallery 1 & 2
- 18 GHS Band/Choir Concert 7-9pm, Experimental Theatre
- 19 Good Friday NO SCHOOL
- 22-30 VA Finale Installation & Design Technology Exhibition, Grand Lobby
- 24-26 Finale, 7pm, Grande Theatre
- 30 Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS Cabaret, 7pm, Experimental Theatre

MAY

- 1-3 Visual Arts Senior Thesis Groups 5 & 6, Gallery 1 & 2
- 1-10 VA Finale Installation & Design Technology Exhibition, Grand Lobby
- 2 PCCA Jazz Band, 7-9pm, Experimental Theatre
- 3 PCCA/BETA Film Festival, 7pm, Experimental Theatre
- 3 PCCA Choir Concert, 7-9pm, Grand Theatre
- 4 Sophomore Disney Theatre Workshops, Walt Disney World
- 7 Student Recital, 2-4pm, Grand Theatre
- 8 Straz: Anastasia
- 9 Walkers Rising Stars Mahaffey Theatre
- 14 FAN Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Mr. Renken's Room
- 16 Marley Awards ????, TBA, Grand Theatre
- 20-24 Finals Week
- 21 GHS Award Ceremony, 11-2pm, Grand Theatre
- 23 Marley Awards ????, TBA, Grand Theatre
- 24 PCCA Commencement 7pm, Grand Theatre
- 25 Gibbs Graduation, 10:15 am, Tropicana Field
- 27 Memorial Day NO SCHOOL
- 29 Last Day of School

JUNE

5 – Straz: *Come From Away*



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