



Palmetto Points – August 2026

To highlight the month ahead, a calendar and reminder service from your PTA.

Welcome Back to School!

- **Welcome to the 2026-2027 school year!** Students should report to their classroom each morning.
 - PreK, Kindergarten, 1st grade students are in school 8:20 am – 1:50 pm daily.
 - 2nd-5th grade students are in school as follows:
 - 8:35 am – 3:05 pm Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays
 - 8:35 am – 1:50 pm Wednesdays
- **Join the PTA today!** <https://palmettoelempta.givebacks.com/store>
- **Volunteers** - register now with Miami-Dade County Public Schools (must be done annually!)
 - <https://apps.raptortech.com/Apply/MTY6ZW4tVVM=>
 - Join the PES Volunteer Bank for volunteer opportunities throughout the school year.
- **Stay connected with PES** – visit our school website at <https://palmettoelem.net> and our PTA website at www.palmettoppta.org. Download WhatsApp to stay informed and to connect to the PES community. Follow us on Instagram @palmettoelementarypta by providing your student's name, grade, and teacher via direct message.
- **PES school store** is online at <https://palmettoelempta.givebacks.com/store>. Shop your PES spirit wear to gear up for the year ahead! Items will be available for pickup throughout the school year or delivered to your child's classroom. Contact palmettoschoolstore@gmail.com with any questions.
- **PES school uniforms** can be ordered at <https://stitchinggonewild.com/collections/palmetto-elementary-uniforms>
- **Become a sponsor!** Do you or someone you know own a local business and want to become a Palmetto PAWtner or Friend of Palmetto? Sponsorship opportunities are detailed on our PTA website. Sponsors can pay directly online at our school store or we can arrange to pick up a check. Deadline is September 15, 2026. That was easy!
- **Birthday Book Club** – sign up so your child can be celebrated on their birthday on the morning announcements with Principal Torres and have a book donated to the school media center in their name. Available for purchase on the school store.

Important August Dates:

- **August 13** – please join us at Brewing Buddha, located at 8219 SW 124 Street to cry and/or celebrate the first drop off of the year with your fellow PES family. It's the best way for PES parents to start off another great school year!
- **August 14** – you're welcome to attend our first General PTA Meeting at 9:00 am in the PES cafeteria. Come enjoy some coffee and light bites while you meet this year's board and fellow parents to learn about the exciting year ahead! Stick around for the volunteer orientation to learn more about becoming a PES volunteer!
- **August 20** – getting back in the groove of a new school year is hard enough, give yourself a break from cooking and join us at (*LOCATION TBD). Be sure to mention PES as 20% of the proceeds are donated back to our school!
- **August 27** – calling all fathers and father figures! Join the PES Watch D.O.G.S. for their annual kick off event, (*TIME AND LOCATION TBD). Get to know fellow PES fathers and learn about this amazing program.

Mark your calendars for our two biggest fundraising events of the year!

- Friday, December 4: Winter Social and Silent Auction, 7:00 pm. Grab your sitters now for this parent-only mixer!
- Saturday, February 20: FunFest! The whole family will enjoy our carnival and create great PES memories!