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## September and October Centennial Events

### Saturday, Sept. 24 – Centennial Kickoff

Join us for a “Hands Across Pinellas” event along the Pinellas Trail from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. **Free Ice Cream** to the first 1,000 visitors at each of these locations (that’s 10,000 cups of ice cream total):

1. Sweetbay Supermarket; 1171 S Pinellas Ave., Tarpon Springs
2. Wall Springs Park; 3725 De Soto Blvd., Palm Harbor
3. Ozona Elementary; 601 Tampa Rd., Palm Harbor
4. Mildred Helms Elementary; 561 Clearwater-Largo Rd., Largo
5. Taylor Park; 1100 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., Largo
6. Ridgecrest Elementary; 1901 119<sup>th</sup> St., Largo
7. Orange Grove Elementary; 10300 65<sup>th</sup> Ave., Seminole
8. Pasadena Fundamental Elementary; 95 72<sup>nd</sup> St., St. Petersburg
9. Fairmount Park Elementary; 575 41<sup>st</sup> St., St. Petersburg
10. Gibbs High School; 850 34<sup>th</sup> St., St. Petersburg

Enter to win one of ten **free bicycles** courtesy of Regions Bank. Cheer on 20 of our high school cross-country runners as they run the “flame of knowledge” down the Trail. Awards ceremony for the runners will take place at Taylor Park at noon.

### Sunday, Oct. 2 – Centennial Jazz Performance

Step back in time to the “Roaring 20’s” as Sonny LaRosa and America’s Youngest Jazz Band performs at the Largo Cultural Center at 2 p.m. Many members of the band are district students.

The Centennial T-shirt will be available for purchase at all Centennial Events.

*The Centennial Celebration is being funded through community sponsors and donations including the sale of the Centennial T-shirts. No district funds are being used for this celebration.*

## Nominate Your Outstanding Educator and Support Employee

Pinellas County Schools has many great teachers and support employees that work hard to ensure that your child succeeds in school every day. This is your opportunity to recognize those PCS employees by nominating them for either the Outstanding Educator of the Year or Support Employee of the Year Award. Nominations for both of these awards may come from anyone, including teachers, students, parents, volunteers, school advisory councils, PTAs, business and community members.

Both nomination packets can be found on the district’s website, [www.pcsb.org](http://www.pcsb.org), under Quick Links. Nomination packets also may be requested by contacting the district’s communications office at (727) 588-6122.

**Deadline for Outstanding Educator nominations is Wednesday, Oct. 12.**

**Deadline for Support Employee nominations is Wednesday, Oct. 5.**

## Stay Connected with PCS

**PCS NEWSROOM** – For the latest district news, visit the PCS Newsroom website, [www.pcsb.org](http://www.pcsb.org).

**WPDS-TV14** – School Board meetings are held twice monthly during most months and are streamed live at [www.wpds.tv](http://www.wpds.tv). Rebroadcasts are available on Bright House Networks Ch. 614, Knology Ch. 2 and Verizon Ch. 46.

**TWITTER** – Sign up to follow district news on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/pcschools](http://www.twitter.com/pcschools).

**FACEBOOK** – Become a fan on the district’s Facebook page where you can receive the latest news and information.

**PCS PORTAL** – Review your child’s grades, participate in educational video lessons, and communicate interactively with your child’s teacher through this online system. [www.pcrp.org](http://www.pcrp.org).



## Dec. 1st Is Deadline for Young Heroes Nominations

Here’s your chance to nominate students who have given of themselves through community service or who inspire others through their deeds and strength of character. Nominate a student for the 2011-12 Young Heroes Award.

Winning students will be profiled on WPDS-TV14 and on the district website. Winners also will receive a \$500 Savings Bond sponsored by DITEK.

Nomination forms are available on the district website, [www.pcsb.org](http://www.pcsb.org).