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Dear Pinecrest Elementary School Families,

Step right up and welcome to the 2025–2026 school year at *The Greatest School on Earth!* Just like the magic of the big top, our mission is to inspire awe, wonder, and excellence in every child who walks through our gates. We remain committed to maximizing the learning of every student, motivating them to develop the grit and perseverance to strive for their own personal best, while fostering social and emotional growth through our District's Values Matter Program.

For twenty-eight consecutive years, Pinecrest Elementary has proudly held the distinction of being an "A" school since the inception of Florida's school grading system. This remarkable achievement is a testament to our dedicated staff, our hardworking students, and the unwavering support of our families. Just like in the grandest show, every role here matters — from our teachers who set the stage for success, to our students who perform with passion, and our parents who cheer from the stands.

Our school not only delivers an academically challenging program but also creates a loving and nurturing environment where students' social and emotional needs are center stage. Through our monthly Parrot Club recognitions and Do the Right Thing program, we celebrate character, kindness, and courage — the real stars of our show.

Thanks to our strong community partnerships and outstanding parental involvement, Pinecrest Elementary continues to shine under the spotlight, earning prestigious honors including the Golden Apple Award, Gold Dream in Green, Gold Level Everglades Champion, GOLD M.A.S.T.E.R Heart Award, S.T.E.A.M. Gold Designation, and First Place in History and Geography Bee. We've also brought home numerous awards from the Fairchild Challenge, SECME Math and Science Competitions, District Social Science Competitions, and Art/Music Competitions. And without a doubt our phenomenal Parent Teacher Association continues to be the National PTA School of Excellence — a true standing ovation moment!

It is this magical combination of exceptional staff, phenomenal students, and supportive parents and community that makes Pinecrest Elementary the one-of-a-kind, elite neighborhood school that it is. Thank you for entrusting us with your children — the true stars of *The Greatest School on Earth*. Our staff is ready to work in harmony with you to create an unforgettable year filled with learning, laughter, and wonder.

Let's raise the curtain, light the spotlight, and remember... "Learning is the Greatest Show on Earth!"

With excitement and pride,

Suzette L. Friginals, Principal

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