A new school year at PCAplus brings …

Fresh Faces …

Welcome to new Middle School students Andrew George, Olivia Blakeley, Emily Brull, Nathan Lewis, Hadley Harrison, Vivian Herlehy, Will Davis, Jolee Gilmore, Kacie Gray, Riley Kortmeyer, Lauren Lindsey, Andre Mackenzie, Madison McNeece, Spenser Olson, Madison Patton, Ryan Patterson, and Mia Winfield.

And welcome to new Upper School Students Nolan Goode, Justin Carter, Andrew English, Maggie Goff, Bryce McCurley, Whitni Rowe, Tiffany Lindsey, Jackson McNeece, Caroline Simmons, Kailyn Westbrook, Remi Wilson and Hannah Woods.

In pursuit of educational excellence in assisting the community the mission of PCAplus is:

To extend Kingdom education, by using the digital learning environment, to assist Christian parents by helping equip students to embrace biblical truth, strive for academic excellence, and model Christ-like leadership to influence their homes, churches, and communities for Christ.

Ability to fulfill dreams…..

Congratulations to PCAplus senior Matthew Constant who will finish courses early and will attend the University of New Mexico to play soccer.
Opportunities to Serve …

Thursday, November 5, 2015, PCA and PCAplus students engaged in service opportunities across the metroplex.

Senior Justin Carter working at Prestonwood Outreach to make food boxes.

Junior Whitni Rowe serving at Mi Escuelita Preschool.

October 15, 2015 NHS Officers Grant Gorman, President, and Karli Wooten, Vice President, serving hot dogs and Gatorade at the freshman football game!!!
Preparing Minds …

PCAplus promotes student success in online courses through Homework Café. Homework Café Academic coach Mr. John Mow meets with PCAplus students each Monday and Thursday during the school year from 12:00 – 3:30 pm.

Preparing Leaders …

National Honor Society members Grant Gorman, Justin Carter, Whitni Rowe, Karli Wooten, Kendall Thorn, and Maitlan Wade hosted an Ice Cream Social for PCAplus families.
December 1, 2015 was the first PCAplus student social. Students, parents, teachers and administrative staff gathered for a time of fellowship, food and games. Unwrapped toys were donated by the students as a contribution to the Prestonwood Baptist Church Christmas Store.
The ultimate goal of Kingdom education is to develop a mature disciple of Jesus Christ whose life glorifies God. From a biblically integrated curriculum to on-campus chapel services and special events, PCA and PCAplus seek to raise students who will “grow strong in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man” (Luke 2:52).

One of the events that is unique to PCA is the Biblical Worldview Institute (BWi), a 2-day training seminar in November for our students and their families. Each year, BWi addresses a subject that is prevalent in our culture. This year, that theme was “Authority, Who are you Listening To”.

Digital Citizenship Sites

Below is a list of websites that can be used as resources to encourage students to think about digital citizenship and their online presence and responsibility. Although PCA has reviewed these sites, we recommend that parents review with their student as well.

- This website shares series of videos for students to consider at home, at school, and in social settings. Topics include properly citing resources to prevent plagiarism, guarding against oversharing, and thinking about the negative consequences of posting information online. This site also includes tips for parents to help their students wisely use social media tools.
  
  http://www.thinkb4u.com/

- Student-centered website to encourage students to think about the difference between digital use and digital abuse (bullying, spying, sexting, etc.)

  http://www.athinline.org/
I am so thrilled to be a part of the staff at PCAplus! My husband Matt and I live in Plano and have two children, Alli, a second grader at PCA, and Brandon, who is three-years-old and attends preschool at Prestonwood CLC. Prestonwood Baptist Church has been a part of my life for a very long time. I accepted the Lord as my Savior while at church camp with the Prestonwood Kids Ministry in the fifth grade! I graduated from Baylor University and am a huge Baylor fan! Sic ’em Bears! After graduating from Baylor and Baylor graduate school in 2001, I joined the Career Education department at Plano West Senior High and Shepton High School where I taught Technology and Journalism and advised the Shepton Yearbook staff. In 2005, I decided to pursue my certification in School Library Science and left teaching to become a School Librarian in Frisco ISD. I was an elementary and middle school Librarian in Frisco, at Anderson Elementary and Clark Middle School, until 2008 when I joined the teaching staff at Edgenuity, Inc. as an online technology teacher. I was with Edgenuity until the Lord led me to PCAplus this past year! I am blessed to have the opportunity to serve our students!

Mrs. Pasant, Student Ministries Mentor
PCApplus will be hosting an AdvancED accreditation team of 3-4 people May 2-4, 2016. This team will review presentations over 5 standards, interview staff, and leadership. They also want to interview a sampling of families and students. Please know that you might be contacted to share your opinion. We value your input and would appreciate your participation!

The AdvancED surveys, sent out several weeks ago, have been a great tool to gather information from you regarding school improvement. Thank you for your participation. Again, this is one of the ways that PCAplus takes your opinion into consideration as we attempt to improve your student’s learning experience.