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ACTIVITIES & CLUBS

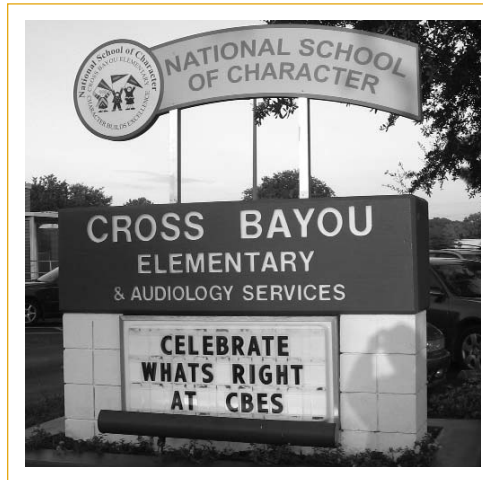
- Art Club
- Happy Hands Signing Club
- Kids Network Morning TV show
- Music – after-school Recorder Club, DRUM Club
- Running Club
- Safety Patrols

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS

- Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- School Advisory Council (SAC)
- Business partnerships
- Classroom partnerships
- Technology Showcase
- Celebrate Success Night
- Volunteer tutors and mentors
- Family Center for Deafness
- All Pro Dad/Muffins for Moms

SCHOOL MISSION

Cross Bayou Elementary will provide a caring and success-oriented learning environment that enables each child to become a respectful, responsible and motivated lifetime learner through a collaborative effort among students, staff, parents and the community.



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Cross Bayou
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2009-2010

CROSS BAYOU ELEMENTARY



National School of Character

Cross Bayou Elementary
A National School of Character

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QUICK facts

Principal: Katherine Wickett

Grade Levels: K-5

Enrollment: 560

School Hours: 7:35 a.m.-1:50 p.m. (Early release on Wednesdays – 7:35 a.m.-12:35 p.m.)

Attractor/focus: Learning to Read, Reading to Learn and Building Excellence Through Character Development

Uniforms: No

Before/after-school care: R'Club, 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; Phone: 541-4578

Average Class Size: The class-size reduction amendment requires that each elementary school have a primary grades (K-3) average of 18:1 and an intermediate grades (4-5) average of 22:1. These averages include all programs providing services to students in each school.

Teaching Staff: Approximately 57 percent of faculty members have advanced degrees.

Exceptional Student Education:

Full time: Deaf/Hard of Hearing (DHH)

Part time: Varying Exceptionalities (VE), Speech Impaired (SI), Language Impaired (LI), Deaf/Hard of Hearing (DHH), Visually Impaired (VI), Occupational Therapy (OT), Physical Therapy (PT) and Gifted

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Program: No

Academic Information: Visit www.pinellas.k12.fl.us/schools

Computers and Technology: Computers in every classroom, computer lab and two mobile classroom computer labs

SCHOOL BACKGROUND

Cross Bayou Elementary, a 2006 National School of Character, is a center of learning for students and teachers. While maintaining a strong core curriculum, the focus is on learning to read and reading to learn. All staff members are well trained to ensure the success of every child and for each child's unique needs. American Sign Language is used throughout the school to communicate with the 60 deaf and hard-of-hearing students. Therefore, all students are exposed to this second language. Staff members and students are enthusiastic about the learning process and treat each other with mutual respect. A culture of positive and collaborative relationships is the basis for academic success.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

- Focus on excellence in academics
- Character education embraced by staff, students and parents
- Building positive relationships
- Exposure to American Sign Language
- Classroom libraries with 700-1,000 books in each
- Title I school – schoolwide help in reading and math
- Family Center on Deafness partnership located on campus
- Staff highly trained in academic workshop model
- Pinellas County Character Education Mentor School
- 2007 State of Florida Little Red Schoolhouse Award

POINTS OF PRIDE

- 2006 National School of Character
- 2008 CEP Promising Practices Awards
- Two 2009 CEP Promising Practices Awards
- Outstanding teachers, staff, PTA and SAC – 2007 State Outstanding Volunteer of the Year
- More than a dozen mini-grants to teachers ranging from \$500 to \$2,000

CURRICULUM

- Subjects include math, reading, language arts, science, health and social studies
- Physical education daily
- Art and music weekly
- Gifted education for eligible students
- Library/media center
- Character education
- Self-contained classrooms
- 90-minute reading and math instruction
- Reading recess after lunch
- Tutorial support for struggling students

SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

- READ 180 or Target on Reading
- Visual Phonics daily
- *REACH* – after-school tutoring from Family Center on Deafness
- Tutoring for select students
- Bobcat Buddies – staff and students
- Reading Counts!
- Sunshine Math enrichment
- Reading Coach
- Math Coach