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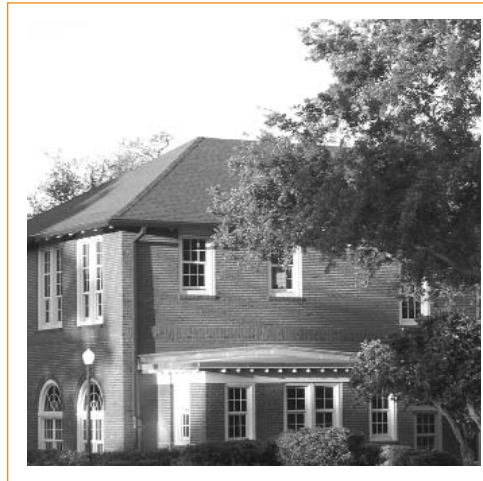
- Battle of the Books Club
- Safety Patrols
- Student Council
- Tiger Club
- Tiger Television Crew
- Scrabble Club
- Multicultural Club

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS**

- Pinellas County Government partnership school
- City of Clearwater partnership school
- Rotary Club of Clearwater
- Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- School Advisory Council (SAC)
- Adopted by more than 40 local businesses

**SCHOOL MISSION**

The mission of North Ward Elementary School is to provide a quality education that is nurturing and provides for the highest achievement for each student through the united efforts of the total school community.



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**North Ward  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

2008-2009



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# QUICK facts

**Principal:** Sandra Cowley

**Grade Levels:** K-5

**Enrollment:** 344

**School Hours:** 8:40 a.m.-2:40 p.m.

**Attractor/focus:** Small school atmosphere, commitment to academic excellence in a safe learning environment

**Uniforms:** No

**Before/after-school care:** YMCA, 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; Phone: 467-9622

**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 50 percent of faculty members have advanced degrees.

**Exceptional Student Education:**

**Part time:** Varying Exceptionalities (VE), Speech Impaired (SI), Language Impaired (LI), 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](http://www.pinellas.k12.fl.us/schools)

**Computers and Technology:** Classrooms use Microsoft Windows to enhance student learning. A Target on Reading lab is used to improve reading literacy. Students have access to district/statewide programs such as FCAT Explorer and Destination Math and Reading.

## SCHOOL BACKGROUND

North Ward Elementary, a red brick schoolhouse steeped in tradition and history, began its mission to excel on May 31, 1913, when the school board approved funds to build the school. In 1915 North Ward opened its doors to children. Since that time, the school has retained the spirit of concern for each child and the commitment to educate each child. North Ward's goals are to preserve its rich past, participate in the present and prepare its students for the future.



## SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

- Highly competent staff
- Clean, safe school environment
- Emphasis on family involvement and traditions
- Positive, happy, enthusiastic teachers and students
- Variety of teaching materials and strategies
- Title I federally funded school – additional support in reading and math
- Reading First school

## POINTS OF PRIDE

- Golden School Award for community involvement
- Math Mania, semifinalists
- 4-H Tropicana Public Speaking Program, semifinalist
- National Board-certified teachers
- State and county grant recipients
- FCAT A+ Rating

## CURRICULUM

- Subjects include math, reading, language arts, science, health and social studies
- Physical education
- Art and music weekly
- Teacher partners
- Gifted education for eligible students
- Library/media center
- Character education
- Guidance

## SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

- District-funded Reading First school
- Target On Reading (Read 180)
- Battle of the Books
- After-school tutoring program
- Enterprise Village

