

## ACTIVITIES & CLUBS

- Battle of the Books Team
- Running Club
- Chorus
- Multicultural Club
- Safety Patrols
- Sexton Stingray Morning News Show
- Strings Program
- Student Council
- World Drumming
- American Stage Drama club
- Reading Rays

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS

- Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- School Advisory Council (SAC)
- 24 business partnerships including Custom Manufacturing Engineering Inc., Nestles, Jim's Harley Davidson, U.S. Coast Guard, Target, Wal-Mart, Cracker Barrel, Wachovia, Olive Garden and Aegon School Partnership
- Classroom partnerships
- Family Center – resources for parents
- Volunteer tutors and mentors

## SCHOOL MISSION

The mission of John M. Sexton Elementary School is to provide a nurturing, structured, positive educational environment which fosters lifelong learning.



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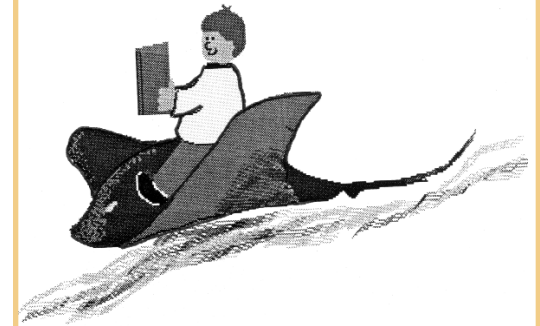
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# John M. Sexton

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2009-2010



Where students become great readers, writers, mathematicians, and scientists

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# QUICK facts

**Principal:** Pat Davey

**Grade Levels:** PreK-5

**Enrollment:** 690

**School Hours:** 8:35 a.m.-2:50 p.m. (Early release on Wednesdays – 8:35 a.m.-1:35 p.m.)

**Attractor/focus:** Variety of classroom settings

**Uniforms:** Mandatory

**Before/after-school care:** YMCA, 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; Phone: 895-9622

**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 24 percent of faculty members have advanced degrees.

**Exceptional Student Education:**

**Full time:** Supported Varying Exceptionalities (SVE)

**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), Gifted and VPK Blended 3-4 year olds

**English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Program:** Yes

**Academic Information:** Visit [www.pinellas.k12.fl.us/schools](http://www.pinellas.k12.fl.us/schools)

**Computers and Technology:** All classrooms have four to seven networked computers, and the school hosts a computer lab.

## SCHOOL BACKGROUND

John M. Sexton Elementary opened its doors in August 1997 on the site that originally was 54th Avenue Elementary. Sexton is located west of Northeast High School and southwest of Meadowlawn Middle School allowing the three schools the opportunity to form a continuous learning community. As a Title I school, additional support is provided to students in reading and math. The south-county Pre-Kat Assessment Team is housed on the campus.

## SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

- Focus on student reading and math literacy
- Daily student-produced news show
- Involved and supportive PTA and SAC
- Highly supportive volunteer program
- Active schoolwide Multicultural Club
- Weekly hands-on Science Lab grades 2-5
- On-site student banking
- Running Club
- Battle of the Books Team
- Full-time school-based nurse on site

## POINTS OF PRIDE

- Golden Can Award
- Pinellas Education Foundation mini-grant recipient
- Outstanding volunteer program
- Mayor's Top Apple Award, 2006-2007
- Golden School Award for community involvement
- Jump Rope for Heart - Altruistic Project
- A or B rated school for past five years



## CURRICULUM

- Subjects include math, reading, writing, science, health, social studies, art, music & P.E.
- Gifted education for eligible students
- Enterprise Village
- Olweus Bully Prevention Program
- Hourly teachers who support highest student achievement in reading and math
- Math Super Stars
- Students receive instruction at their level (e.g., 2nd-grader attending 3rd-grade math class).
- Science Lab for grades 2-5

## SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

- Two Read 180 labs that support reading for struggling students
- Reading Is Fundamental - all grades
- Artist in Residence
- Reading coach
- Math/Science coach
- Violin classes
- Charter member of the Elementary National Honor Society
- Mad Scientist Program
- Health and Wellness Program
- SES tutoring on site
- I Moms and All Pro Dads