

ACTIVITIES & CLUBS

- Monthly family activities
- Battle of the Books (Grades 3-5)
- Math Super Stars
- Multicultural Club
- Reading Counts!
- Safety Patrols
- Sunshine State Young Readers Club
- Television Broadcast Club
- Florida Reading Association Children's Book Contest (grades K-2)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS

- Very active and supportive Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and School Advisory Council (SAC) that continually have enhanced the school's mission of highest student achievement
- Successful business partnerships
- 100 volunteers donating more than 4,200 volunteer hours
- State of Florida Golden School Award for outstanding community involvement programs
- Monthly family education (Title I) workshops

SCHOOL MISSION

Every child at Southern Oak Elementary will achieve success at his or her highest potential in a safe & nurturing environment, where the school community works cooperatively to assure academic, emotional, social and physical growth.



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Southern Oak

ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL

2009-2010



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QUICK facts

Principal: Randall W. Rozelle

Grade Levels: K-5

Enrollment: 616

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

Attractor/focus: Literacy in all subject areas

Uniforms: Voluntary

Before/after-school care: R'Club, 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; Phone: 578-5437

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: Emotional Behavioral Disorder (EBD)

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: Yes

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

Computers and Technology: All classrooms have several student stations and access to appropriate Internet capabilities.

SCHOOL BACKGROUND

Southern Oak Elementary opened in 1988. The campus is located on a 45-acre plot shared with Walsingham Elementary and the Gus A. Stavros Institute. Southern Oak has some unique architectural features. Every classroom has natural lighting and cross ventilation. This was achieved by the placement of all classrooms and other school facilities in pods with open spaces, covered walkways and courtyards among them. Southern Oak is a Title I school, which gives students additional support in reading and math.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

- State of Florida School Recognition Award for sustained high performance
- Highly successful reading intervention program based on Reading Counts!
- Student-directed closed circuit communication studio
- Highly involved and supportive PTA and SAC
- Presidential Academic Fitness Award Program
- Read 180 Program (Grades 4-5)

POINTS OF PRIDE

- Regional winner, Battle of the Books competition
- One of the top schools in Reading Counts! points
- Consistent Golden School Award winner for community involvement
- Student recognition program based on responsibility, respect, honesty and motivation



CURRICULUM

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

SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

- Title I – resources for help in all academic areas
- Math Super Stars – a special program to enhance students with advanced math skills
- “Earobics,” “Leap Frog,” “Riverdeep” and “FCAT Explorer” – computer-based programs to assist students in reading, writing and math
- Students Targeted for Achievement, Recognition and Success (STARS) – Smaller classes offer support for students needing extra help in all the curriculum areas.