

ACTIVITIES & CLUBS

- JFK Steppers
- Multicultural Club
- Reading Club
- Sports (basketball, track, volleyball, cheerleading)
- Interact Club
- Journalism - WJFK News

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS

- School Advisory Council (SAC)
- Parent-Teacher-Student Association (PTSA)
- Strong volunteer program/Five Star Schools designation
- America Counts/Tutors
- Mentor program through City of Clearwater
- Juvenile Welfare Board social skills programs
- Hospice
- Hispanic Outreach
- Clearwater Rotary
- 5,000 Role Models of Excellence
- Doorways Scholars
- Americorps (Clearwater Police)

SCHOOL MISSION

Kennedy Middle School will develop internationally minded, self-directed, lifelong learners who achieve academic excellence and value innovation and imagination. Our students will become productive, contributing citizens who are prepared for the world of the future.



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John F. Kennedy

MIDDLE SCHOOL

2008-2009



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QUICK facts

Principal: Claud Effiom

Grade Levels: 6-8

Enrollment: 758

School Hours: 9:38 a.m.-4:12 p.m.

Attractor/focus: Student center-focused, meeting academic and social needs, MEGSSS and IMAST programs

Before/after-school care: Yes
YMCA, 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Phone: 781-9622

Average Class Size: District average class size complies with the class-size reduction amendment with “core” academic courses for middle school at 22:1.

Teaching Staff: Approximately 38 percent of faculty members have advanced degrees.

Exceptional Student Education:

Full time: Independent Varying Exceptionalities (IVE)

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: Yes

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

Computers and Technology: Multimedia lab, two computer labs, JFK television studio

SCHOOL BACKGROUND

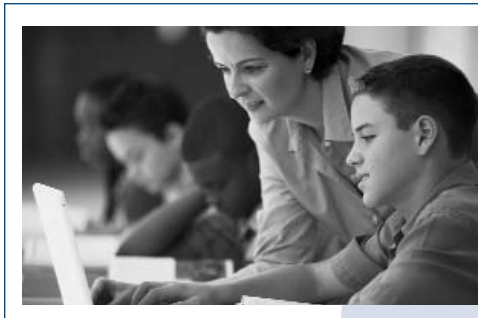
John F. Kennedy Middle School is located in Clearwater at 1660 Palmetto St. Kennedy Middle School (JFK) opened its doors in the fall of 1964 and underwent a renovation in 1994. Today JFK has an enrollment of approximately 758 students. JFK offers a diverse student body rich in talent and a dedicated faculty and staff committed to bringing out the best in each student.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

- Intensive reading programs
- Diverse student population
- Life Skills curriculum
- Breakfast program
- JFK news
- Reading through the content areas
- Positive behavior support plan to promote schoolwide expectations

POINTS OF PRIDE

- Quiz Bowl winner
- Chess Club, first-place district competition
- Student art work displayed at Dali Museum
- Geography Bee qualifying for State Bee
- Regional Spelling Bee
- Outstanding Educator, semifinalist
- Division champions, boys volleyball
- Battle of the Books district winner
- Bookarama



CURRICULUM

- Core courses: language arts, math, science and social studies
- Other required courses in various grades: reading, physical education, health
- Elective courses: band, chorus, foreign language, etc.
- High school credit classes in math, science and Spanish
- Advanced science, math and language arts at all levels
- Gifted education elective for eligible students
- Gifted literature and science
- Integrated Mathematics and Science with Technology (IMAST)
- Mathematics Education for Gifted Secondary School Students (MEGSSS)

SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

- Before-school breakfast program
- VIP monthly student recognition
- Raider Patrol
- Peer mediators
- DOORWAYS scholarships
- Students Targeted for Educational Performance (STEP)
- Enhanced Learning Programs (ELP)