

## ACTIVITIES & CLUBS

- Builder's Club
- Chess Club
- Drama Club
- Foreign language clubs
- Multicultural Club
- National Junior Honor Society
- Raging Writers Creative Writing Club
- Sports (volleyball, basketball, track, cheerleading)
- Student Council
- Yearbook

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS

- School Advisory Council (SAC)
- Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- Business partners
- Civic organizations
- Mentors
- Astro Skate; Beef O' Brady's; Campbell's Tutorial; Chick-fil-A; Domino's Pizza; The Spot; Jim Graden's Cardio Karate; Kiwanis Club of Seminole; Seminole Garden Party Store; Seminole Lanes; Sixth Judicial Circuit; County Judge William Overton; Xtreme Fun Center; Rita's Italian Ice; David's Cookies; Rejuvenesce Spa; Steps School of Dance; Jet's Pizza; Games 2 U; Indian Rocks Baptist Church; Tropical Smoothie Cafe

### SCHOOL MISSION

We, the faculty and staff of Seminole Middle School, share with parents, community and businesses the responsibility of providing students with opportunities for academic, social, physical and emotional development in a safe and stimulating environment by focusing on individual strengths, talents and needs.



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# Seminole

## MIDDLE SCHOOL

2009-2010



*A* NATIONAL SCHOOL  
*of*  
EXCELLENCE

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# QUICK facts

**Principal:** Thomas Lechner

**Grade Levels:** 6-8

**Enrollment:** 1,339

**School Hours:** 9:30 a.m.-4:15 p.m. (Early release on Wednesdays – 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.)

**Attractor/focus:** Opportunities for students to excel academically

**Before/after-school care:** No

**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 35 percent of faculty members have advanced degrees.

## **Exceptional Student Education:**

**Full time:** Independent Varying Exceptionalities (IVE), Intensive Emotional Behavior Disorder (IEBD)

**Part time:** Varying Exceptionalities (VE) 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:** Dell business lab, 11 mobile laptop labs, computer elective, SMART Boards, digital presenters, Senteo Interactive Response System

## **SCHOOL BACKGROUND**

Seminole Middle School, established in 1970, always has been dedicated to providing opportunities for all students to develop their academic and creative gifts. In partnership with the Seminole community, Seminole Middle offers a rich academic curriculum, exciting extracurricular clubs and activities, challenging athletic events, a variety of community service venues, a diverse visual arts department and an award-winning performing arts program including chorus, band, jazz band, orchestra and color guard. Seminole Middle encourages all students and staff members to experience personal success in a clean, safe, creative learning environment.

## **SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS**

- Academic competitions – math, geography, spelling, foreign language, History Day, Quiz Bowl, robotics
- Arts performances/competitions – lavish productions in drama, music, color guard
- Community service projects – Builder’s Club, Earth Force, Soles for Souls
- Reading program includes Reading Counts!, Battle of the Books, Bookarama and SAT-style vocabulary books in advanced classes
- FCAT – sustained high scores

## **POINTS OF PRIDE**

- Award-winning MATHCOUNTS, 2002-2008
- Award-winning Quiz Bowls, 2002-2007
- Color Guard state champions, 2002-2007
- All-American Music Festival first-place orchestra, 2004 and 2006; Busch Classic Music Festival, superior rating, 2008
- Championship athletics
- District Music Festival - (MPA), superior ratings, band/chorus/orchestra, 2008
- 2007 Fiesta-Val Music Festival, jazz & concert band champion
- 2008 Smoky Mountain Music Festival, grand champion, Jazz Band
- 2008 Music USA Orlando, grand champion, Symphonic Band

## **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, computers, orchestra, guitar, art, drama, etc.
- High school credit classes in math, science, Spanish and French
- Advanced science, math and language arts at all levels
- Gifted education elective for eligible students
- Integrated Mathematics and Science Technology (IMAST)
- Mathematics Education for Gifted Secondary School Students (MEGSSS)

## **SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS**

- Read 180, an intensive reading program
- Read AMPS
- “I’m Connected”
- Hospice groups