



# TITLE 1 PARENT RESOURCE CENTER

Located on the campus of Garner Elementary

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## FREE March PARENT ACTIVITIES

### Important Days:

Spring Break—No school  
March 21-25

Early Dismissal April 6th



Please stop by the Parent Center for a cup of coffee

**Coffee & Conversation**  
8:30-9:30 AM  
Friday 3/4/16 & 3/18/16

### HOMEWORK HELP!

Every Tuesday and Thursday from 3-6 p.m.  
Parents must stay onsite with their child.



### PARENT UNIVERSITY

Saturday, May 14  
9:00 AM to 12:15 PM  
Denison Middle School

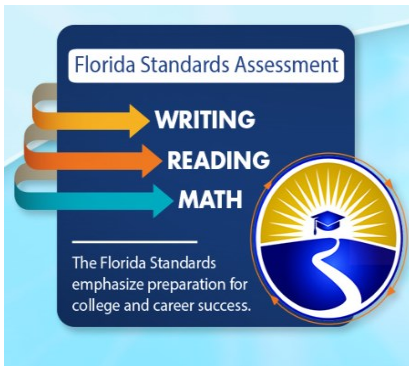
**FAMILY CRAFT NIGHT:**  
3/17/16 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Class, Training or Workshop	Date	Time
READ ACROSS AMERICA	March 2	
Rosetta Stone Workshops (Garner Media Center)	3/1/16, 3/3/16, 3/8/16, 3/10/16, 3/15/16, 3/17/16, 3/29/16, 3/31/16	5:30-7:30 p.m.
Rosetta Stone Workshops (Haitian Creole Parents)	3/2/15, 3/7/16, 3/9/16, 3/14/16, 3/16/16, 3/28/16, 3/30/16	3:30-5:30 p.m.
Coffee & Conversation	3/4/16 & 3/18/16	8:30-9:30 a.m.
Free Tax Prep Services	3/1/16, 3/8/16, 3/15/16, 3/29/16	3:30-6:30 p.m.
Information About Preschool Programs in PCS	3/3/16	11:30-12:30 p.m.
Bullying Workshop	3/9/16	9:00-10:00 a.m.
How to help Your Child With Homework	3/9/16	10:00-11:00 a.m.
Financing A College Education	3/7/16	11:30-12:30 p.m.
College & Career Prep 101	3/14/16	1:00-2:00 p.m.
Parents: 100 Ways You Matter!	3/16/16	10:00-11:00 a.m.
Stranger Danger Workshop	3/18/16	9:30-10:30 a.m.
<b>Mental Health Awareness Presentation (Garner Cafeteria)</b>	<b>3/17/16</b>	<b>6:00-6:45 p.m.</b>
<b>SPRING BREAK</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>	<b>MARCH 21-25</b>

To find a list of materials offered for checkout at our center please visit:

<http://destiny.polk-fl.net/common/welcome.jsp?site=908>  
or, [www.polk-fl.net](http://www.polk-fl.net) on the DESTINY link.

For more information, please call the parent center or visit the  
Parent Center Website [www.polk-fl.net/parents/involvement/pirc.htm](http://www.polk-fl.net/parents/involvement/pirc.htm)  
Parent University Website [www.polk-fl.net/parents/involvement/plug.htm](http://www.polk-fl.net/parents/involvement/plug.htm)



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for the 2015-2016

Testing calendar



## SCHOOL GRADES

Polk County Public Schools is extremely pleased to announce that 43 schools improved by one or more school grades based upon the official data supplied today by the State Board of Education.

Our percentage ranking moved from 59th to 52nd, and the school district is only 4/10 of a percentage point away from earning an overall grade of B." Schools grades can be found on <https://schoolgrades.fldoe.org>

The following chart provides a breakdown of how Polk County schools performed over the last five years:

Changes in School Grades, 2010 to 2015

	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12	2010-11
Improve	43	19	11	18	28
Maintain	62	48	38	43	64
Decline	15	51	68	54	23

2014-15 had the highest number of Polk schools showing improvement, over the past 5 years and 2014-15 had the smallest number of Polk schools declining, over the past five years

The school year 2014-15 was the first year that the FSA was administered, which means no learning gains can be calculated for students. For districts with higher populations of students from low-income families, such as the Polk County School District, this is a crucial measure of the amount

# Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!

## Hang on to your hats!

It's time to gear up for the National Education Association's Read Across America Day and go wild for reading!

On March 2, tip your hat to Dr. Seuss and celebrate his newly discovered book, *What Pet Should I Get?*

NEA's Read Across America is now in its 19th year, this year round program focuses on motivating children and teens to read!

[www.nea.org/readacross](http://www.nea.org/readacross)



Visit [www.randomhousekids.com](http://www.randomhousekids.com) to learn more about Dr. Seuss and his books.

# READ!

