Scholar & Parent Handbook
2025-2026
Plumb Elementary School

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Plumb Scholars Soar!

Vision: 100% Student Success

Mission: Academic and Personal Growth for Each Scholar

Pinellas County Schools Core Values

*Commitment to Children, Families, and the Community

* Respectful and Caring Relationships *Cultural Competence *Integrity

* Responsibility *Connectedness

Dear Plumb Families,

Welcome to Plumb Elementary. Plumb staff look forward to a year filled with academic achievement and personal growth for each scholar. This handbook serves as an important communication tool. Contact the front office at (727) 469-5976 with questions/concerns.

ARRIVAL

- All Campus Arrival Gates will be open from 8:15-8:40. Main campus car arrival gate will be open all day.
- Students **are not permitted to be on campus** prior to 8:15 a.m. All families are expected to follow this directive.
- All gates will be closed and locked at 8:40. If you arrive at school after 8:40, you must park and walk your child into the office. **If you arrive at or after 8:45 you must park, walk your child into the office and sign them into school.**
- Students and families may not congregate in front of the school or near gates. Parents who use the walking gate should drop off their children and proceed off campus.
- For families with multiple students, please drop your children off at the youngest student's gate/car circle.
- **Bicycle Riders** – Follow all safety rules. Park bicycle in the designated bicycle area. Cross only at crosswalks with crossing guards. Walk your bike on school grounds and wear a helmet. **Arrival time 8:15-8:40.** All bikes should have a bike lock.
- **Bus Riders** – Scholars will load and unload at the bus circle. In the morning, scholars who eat breakfast at school will get breakfast from the bus circle breakfast cart and report immediately to class. Buses have the right of way in the bus circle.
- **Car Riders** – Unload and pick up quickly in the school car circle. Remain in your car. If you need to enter the building, park and use the designated crosswalk. **Students exit the right-hand side of the car only**. **Arrival time 8:15-8:40.**
- **Walking Gates:** Student walking gates are West End Walking/Bike Rack, East End Walking/Bike Rack, ASD/PreK Walking Gate. Walk on the sidewalks. For your safety, families should only cross Lakeview where a crossing guard is present. Walkers should exit the campus promptly. **Arrival time 8:15-8:40.**
- **Arrival Schedule:**
  - **8:15 AM:** Students may enter campus and report to the cafeteria. Patrols report to post.
  - **8:25 AM:** First bell rings. Students report to class.
  - **8:40 AM:** Second bell rings. Patrols and all students report to class. All school gates are closed and locked.
    - Students arriving after the 8:40 bell must be walked to the office by parents/guardian.
  - **8:45 AM:** Third bell rings. Students are in their seats ready for learning. Students entering campus at or after 8:45 or after will be marked tardy. These students need to be walked into the office and signed by parent/guardian.

BREAKFAST

- Grab & Go Breakfast Carts are located just inside the kindergarten gate. Students choose a pre-packaged meal and report to their classrooms. Kindergarten students eat in their classrooms.
- Grab & Go Breakfast will be available in the cafeteria for grades 1-5.

DISMISSAL

- All car and bus circle car gates will open each day at 2:45 for dismissal. Arrive to school to pick up according to this time frame. Do not block Lakeview Road.
- Be patient during our first few days of dismissal. In the beginning of the school year, dismissal takes a little longer until everyone learns the routine.
- **Scholars are to be picked at 2:55 PM.** Scholars are expected to leave school campus immediately upon dismissal. Grades 1-5 use the main car circle. Kindergarten and Bus/Van riders will use the bus circle. ASD and Pre-K parents are encouraged to use the kindergarten car circle parking lot or the Pre-K parking lot to pick up their students at the Pre-K/ASD walking gate and use the designated crossing area.
- Students in grades 1-5 will be dismissed through the main car circle as car riders. Students wait in the multipurpose room.
- Parents are not permitted to walk up to the MPR to get their child. You must be in the car or report to the office.
- Ensure that your scholar knows how they go home each day and have a dismissal plan on bad weather days.
- Walkers are dismissed at 2:55. Parents must be at the gate to meet students or students head straight home independently.
- **Dismissal Process:**
  - **2:25 PM:** Students will not be released for early dismissal after 2:25 p.m.
  - **2:45 PM:** Staff will open all gates to parking lots. Do not arrive at school prior to this time.
  - **2:50 PM**: Dismissal process begins. All students are dismissed from classrooms by 2:55
  - **3:15 PM:** All students should be picked up by 3:15. Once the car circle runs smoothly it will be cleared by 3:15. Any student remaining in the car circles will be brought into the office. Parent/Guardian will need to come into the office to sign student out.

CAR CIRCLE EXPECTATIONS

- **Car Circle Safety:** Drivers must adhere to the 5 mile per hour speed limit, yield to pedestrians, follow staff directions, and use a calm and courteous attitude in the car circle to ensure safety for our students/staff/families.
- **Name tags for cars:** Prominently display your name tag in your car window every day.
- All adults using the car circle must stay in their car while dropping off or picking up students.
- Students in cars should be on the **right side** of the car and ready to exit, with all items in hand. Staff members and patrols will be available to assist for arrival/dismissal in/out of the car. Students are not permitted to exit/enter the car on the left side of the car.

- Parents who walk up to the car circle to pick up their students will be redirected to join the car line. Students will not be called to meet parents who are walking up to the car circle or MPR door.
- Cars should not line up in front of the school. This area is a fire lane.
- Families should not park and cross students in the car circle unless they are entering the office or have specific circumstances.

ABSENCES, TARDIES & EARLY SIGN OUT- REVIEW ATTENDANCE POLICIES IN STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

- School Attendance is very important. Your child should attend each day.
- Each time a scholar is tardy, absent, or picked up early they are losing valuable instructional time.
- Scholars are to bring a note within 48 hours following an absence.
- If requested, provide documentation about illness from a physician or public health unit within 48 hours. This note should indicate the reason for the absence and be signed by a parent/guardian.
- Scholars are expected to arrive at school on time. A tardy will be excused if it is accompanied by a doctor's note.

Early Release

- Early release will not be approved after 2:25 p.m. as it interferes with instruction and dismissal processes.
- Students will only be called to the office to pick up once parents have arrived and signed their child out.
- Please ensure that you have a valid ID for early release.

Truancy Intervention Program

- Plumb's CST (Child Study Team) meets two times per month to discuss truancy.
- Students and their parents/guardians will receive various communications from the school principal regarding attendance.
- Scholars who demonstrate continuous absenteeism or tardies without a legitimate reason will be in the CST process and receive communication from the school, the principal, and may be referred to the State Attorney's Office.
- The State Attorney's Office reviews the cases and determines which cases will be included in the Truancy Intervention Program.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

- Procedures have been established by the School Board of Pinellas County to recognize those scholars who have achieved academic success. Scholars will be recognized as an Honor Roll or Principal's List if they meet the following criteria:
    - **Honor Roll:** Scholars in grades 3-5 who receive no grade lower than a "B" in the academic subjects, who are performing at or above grade level and who achieve no negative grades for conduct, work habits, and effort, physical education, art, and music, shall have their names entered on the Honor Roll.
    - **Principal's List**: Scholars in grades 3-5 who receive all "A's" in the academic subjects, who are performing at or above grade level and who achieve no negative grades for conduct, work habits and effort, physical education, art and music shall have their names entered on the Principal's List.

AFTER SCHOOL AND BEFORE SCHOOL TUTORING AND ACTIVITIES

- Each year Plumb offers various extracurricular activities for students. This information will be shared with families once the school year is up and running.

BUS

The bus driver is in charge of the scholars on the bus. Scholars must obey the driver and bus assistant on the school bus. We ask that parents/guardians:

- Be responsible for seeing that their children are at the bus stop approximately ten (10) minutes before the scheduled time.
- Be responsible for providing necessary protection for their children going to and from bus stops where adequate shelter is not provided.
- Accept joint responsibility with school authorities for the proper conduct of their children at bus stops.
- Cooperate with school authorities in all matters affecting the health and safety of children who ride buses.

CARE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

- We are very proud of our school and equipment. Please encourage your child to take care of school property. The cooperation of parents and school staff members is needed to help scholars learn to respect materials, furnishings, equipment, and grounds.
- Scholars in grades 1-5 will be issued a student laptop. This laptop is the responsibility of scholars and must be treated with care.
- All scholars and their families will sign a computer use agreement. This document should be carefully reviewed.
- Students may lose computer privileges if they fail to adhere to computer use agreement items

CHANGE OF ADDRESS and phone number

- It is necessary that the school office have the current address and phone number of scholars at all times.
- This information is especially important in cases of illness and emergencies.
- The school should be **notified immediately** when a scholar has changed an address, phone number, or emergency number.
- Keep your FOCUS information up to date.

CHILDCARE

- The YMCA provides before/after school care daily from 6:30-8:15am and from 2:55-6:00 pm in our school multipurpose room.
- Developmental and enrichment activities are a part of the program as well as an afternoon snack.
- If you are interested in having your child(ren) participate, For more information call the the YMCA's at 727-467-9622.

CLASSROOM CONCERNS:

- Plumb's process is for parents to contact their child's teacher first about any concerns that arise. This will provide the teacher, who in most cases will have first-hand knowledge, to address your concerns within 24 to 48 hours

CLINIC

- All students should have a complete Nurse Consent Form completed in FOCUS.
- A school clinic is maintained in the office area for temporary placement of children who become sick at school.
- If your child is ill, the parent/guardian will be contacted by the office to come for early pick up.
- It is vitally important that we have information regarding the names and numbers of whom to contact in an emergency.
- Please do not send seriously ill scholars to school.

The following guidelines must be followed if your child needs to take medication at school:

- If your child needs to have a medication administered (OTC or prescribed) during school hours, it is important for you to visit the front office PRIOR to start school.
    - **Medications** must be delivered to the school's clinic by the parent/guardian. Scholars may **not** carry medication to, from or during school.
    - **Medications** (prescription and over the counter) must be in the original pharmacy bottle with original label stating scholar's name, medication, dose, specific time to be administered and instructions.
    - **Prescription Medications-** Requires Blue Card (PCS form 1876A) to be completed and signed by parent/guardian. Blue Cards are available in the clinic or front office.
    - **Over-the-Counter Medications-** Requires an Orange Card (PCS form 1876B) to be completed and signed by parent/guardian **and** prescribing physician. Orange Cards are available in clinic or front office.

CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT

- Each year, every scholar is provided with a digital copy of the Pinellas County Code of Student Conduct.
- Parents should read and discuss the code with their children.
- Parents/guardians and scholars are expected to digitally sign the acknowledgment page of the booklet in FOCUS.

COMMUNICATION

- Please see our webpage at Plumb Elementary (es) / Homepage (pcsb.org) for important information
- Parent Focus calls and emails will come from the school each week with important information.
- Contact the school at: 727-469-5976 for questions.
- The Plumb Facebook page is a great place to find out about school events and activities.
- The PTA Facebook page is a great place to check for upcoming information, events and how to join.
- Complete your emergency contact and clinic cards online.
- School newsletters from administration can be found on the school website.
- Agenda books will be sent home every day.
- Teachers also may use phone calls, email, or FOCUS messaging to communicate with families.

Phone Messages/Emails:

- The school will not interrupt classroom instruction throughout the day to deliver messages from families (examples; request for make-up homework, change of way home, inclement weather plan, etc.)
- Messages are best through an email or by a note in your child's planner. Teachers may only have one opportunity to check emails during the school day, so delivery of an email cannot be guaranteed.
- Staff members will respond to messages as soon as possible, and always within 24 to 48 hours.

Emergency Information:

- Parents and guardians will receive school-related phone calls and emails. Please check that your contact info (phone numbers/email addresses) are correct in Focus, so you do not miss our weekly communications.
- In case of emergencies, please ensure that you have the correct contact information on file to stay informed about what is occurring at your child's school and in the district.

COMMITMENT TO CHARACTER

- The school is using the program, *Commitment to Character* to create an environment that is saturated with the character traits of **respect, responsibility, honesty, and self-motivation** with a focus on social and academic goals.
- Scholars are actively involved and **responsible** for their own education.
- Scholars are **motivated** to reach the goals they set for themselves.
- Scholars must **honestly** examine and evaluate their own performance and show **respect** for themselves and others.
- Each classroom teacher selects a Commitment to Character Citizen of the Month who has represented the commitment to character trait. C2C recipients will be recognized at school and receive a certificate.

SCHOOL PBIS (POSITIVE BEHAVIOR and INTERVENTION SUPPOR) and DISCIPLINE

- Having and maintaining appropriate behavior is the expectation for all scholars at Plumb.
- Our school PBIS plan focuses on rewarding positive behavior in all areas of the school, including classrooms, cafeteria, recess, and specials.

- All scholars are expected to comply with the Plumb Guidelines for Success, School Wide Expectations, and Classroom Expectations without exception.
- The administration and staff of Plumb are committed to providing the highest quality of instructional support to your children and it is the expectation that all scholars display positive behavior so that everyone can learn.
- Classroom behavior plans are developed by the teachers and classroom expectations are created with scholar input.
- When Guidelines for Success and classroom expectations are not followed students may receive consequences and then work to restore and repair relationships.
- Children start fresh daily.
- All areas of the PBIS plan align to Pinellas County Schools Code of Conduct.
- The school requests the support of parents/guardians to instill the expected behaviors listed in the student code of conduct.

DRESS CODE

The "Code of Student Conduct" adopted by Pinellas County Schools contains a detailed description of the dress code expectations.

- Hats, hoodies, or sunglasses may not be worn inside building but can be worn during outdoor recess/PE.
- Bandannas are not permitted to be worn on school grounds at any time.
- Students must wear shoes that are safe and appropriate for the learning environment.
- Students have access to outdoor play everyday either at PE or at recess.
- Students will not be permitted to participate in recess/PE without appropriate footwear: Inappropriate footwear includes roller skates, roller shoes, slippers, crocs.
- Sandals including crocs are not appropriate footwear for outdoor Recess/PE.
- School Board Policy states that scholars must comply with mandatory uniform policy.
- The administrator shall make the final decision regarding the enforcement of the scholar dress code.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES:

The possession and use of such devices should not interfere with academic instruction, student safety or a positive school climate.

"Wireless communication devices" are devices that have the ability to receive and/or transmit any communication without a cable connection, which may include, but are not limited to, cell phones headphones, earbuds, and tablets. This definition also includes any current or emerging wireless handheld technologies or portable information technology systems developed for similar purposes.

***"Off position"** means powered completely off, and is not simply set on a vibrate, silent, standby, hibernation or airplane mode.*

***"Silent mode"** means no audible alerts or vibrations.*

***"Instructional school day"** is the time of day within the bell times approved by the School Board for that school.*

- All students may possess a wireless communication device at school, during a school-sponsored activity, and during school-sponsored transportation. However, students may not use a wireless communications device during instructional time, except when expressly directed by a teacher solely for educational purposes. A teacher shall designate an area for wireless communications devices during instructional time, in accordance with s. 1006.07, F.S
- All students must store wireless communication devices, headphones and earbuds in a designated area, except when otherwise directed by a teacher. The designated area for Plumb is the student's backpack.
- Elementary School Students must keep wireless communication devices in the off position throughout the instructional school day, and while participating in a school-sponsored activity on or off campus.
- Students are permitted to use their wireless communication devices after the end of the instructional school day, if needed to communicate with parents regarding the coordination of transportation with the permission of a staff member.
- Headphones and earbuds are not allowed during the instructional school day or while participating in a school-sponsored activity on or off campus, unless otherwise directed by a teacher.
- **Smartwatches:** The district recognizes that some parents will provide their students with smartwatches for safety reasons, emergency communication purposes, or location tracking. All the rules applicable to wireless communication devices apply to smartwatches; however, students may wear smartwatches only in silent mode during the instructional day so there will not be disruption to the classroom. Smartwatches may not be worn during district and state assessments. The Unauthorized Use of Cell Phones and Other Wireless Communication Devices section applies to the misuse of smartwatches.
- Any student who chooses to bring a wireless communication device to school shall do so at their own risk and shall be personally responsible for the security of their wireless communication device(s).
- School Board staff are not responsible for preventing theft, loss, damage, or vandalism to wireless devices brought onto school property, or left on school-sponsored transportation, including any wireless communication device(s) confiscated due to inappropriate use.
- Consequence for misuse of any electronic device: First time the student will get a warning. The second time the device will be confiscated, and the parent/guardian must pick up the device from the office. Students will receive school discipline slip and/or referral.

EMERGENCY DRILLS

In accordance with state laws, drills are held each month in accordance with state law and board policy.

- Each staff member is trained in safety expectations.

- Each teacher is responsible for instructing scholars of the expectations and exit routes for drills.
- These drills, whether announced or unannounced, are necessary for helping children react quickly and responsibly in instances of emergency.
- Scholars are expected to adhere to and follow all safety procedures and expectations. Parents will be notified of noncompliance.

FIELD TRIPS

Plumb teachers are encouraged to take scholars on field trips. Integrating the school taught curriculum into "real world experiences," is a valuable learning opportunity for children.

- You may be asked to assist with transportation for a field trip or contribute toward the cost of bus transportation.
- A signed field trip permission form is required for scholars' participation on field trips.
- Children will have to remain at school if a signed permission form is not returned. Parents wishing to chaperone must be registered volunteers.
- Volunteers driving on field trips must be Level 2 and have a vehicle that aligns to safety expectations.
- Parents who are responsible for monitoring scholars may not bring siblings along on field trips.
- If a scholar's behavior at school or on an earlier field trip has been inappropriate and the staff feels it is unsafe for the scholar to participate, a parent may be required to chaperone their child for them to attend, or the child may not be able to attend the field trip and remain at school for a day of instruction.

HEAD LICE

- Head lice live on the human head and lay eggs called *nit*s, which stick to the hair**.**
- Head lice can crawl very fast, but they don't jump or fly from head-to-head.
- Head lice is a nuisance but not a health risk.
- Encourage your child not to share combs, hats, or other clothing with other children and check your child's head on a regular basis (for instance, every Sunday evening).
- Pinellas County Schools has a "no-nit" policy. Anyone with live lice or nits will be sent home from school until all nits and lice are removed.

IF YOU FIND HEAD LICE

- Use a commercial product obtained from your doctor or local drug store that is designed to get rid of head lice.
- Be sure to follow the directions carefully. Don't overuse the products. For advice on alternative treatments, consult your medical provider.
- Find and remove all eggs (nits) from the hair. (Flea combs used for pets work very well, or you can remove nits by hand).
- Check your child's head every day for 2 weeks to be sure no eggs were missed.
- Check all members of the family or household and treat only those members affected.
- Wash the linens and bedding in hot water and dry thoroughly.
- Vacuum carpets, pillows, mattresses, upholstered furniture and car seats.
- Place pillows and stuffed animals used by your child into a hot dryer for 10 minutes, or in a tightly closed bag for 2 weeks.
- Soak brushes, combs and other hair objects in 130-degree water for at least 10 minutes.

HOMEWORK EXPECTATIONS

Homework helps children assume responsibility, teaches self-discipline, and helps to form good study habits.

- Contact your child's teacher if you have homework questions or concerns.
- Teachers will send parents their written homework expectations. If a parent is requesting make up work for absences they should contact the teacher. It is the teacher's discretion to create the make-up work packet.
- Homework is not graded.

LOST AND FOUND

- All items found on school grounds should be turned into the office. Parents are urged to mark scholars' clothing and other belongings with the child's name for proper identification. Items will be discarded at the end of each semester.

LUNCH/BREAKFAST

- Balanced lunches are served daily in the cafeteria. Menus are published on the PCSB website and on our school website.
- Parents/guardians are encouraged to fill out the free, reduced, paid applications online. **https://www.myschoolapps.com/**
- Parents may put money on their student's account for a la carte items **https://www.myschoolbucks.com**

MEDIA CENTER

- The Media Center is an important part of our school. Once scholars check out books, they are responsible for returning them on time and in good condition.
- Additional books may not be checked out until overdue books are returned.
- Any lost or damaged books must be paid for by the child.
- Contact the school if you have any questions regarding the school library.

MEDIA RELEASE

- Complete media release documentation in FOCUS.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

- The teachers and administration at Plumb support close communication between parents, scholars, and teachers.
- Conferences with your child's teacher may be held before or after school hours by appointment. If you find that an appointment cannot be kept, please notify the teacher.
- Conferences are a good opportunity to build a positive bond between school and home.

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

- The PTA officers and board members work hard to develop programs and activities to enrich the educational experiences of our scholars and unite our community.
- The PTA counts on your support. Working together, we can continue a quality atmosphere for our children's education.
- Parents and teachers are encouraged to join the PTA and attend meetings.
- Check out the PTA Facebook page for upcoming PTA events and information.

PARTIES

- As part of Pinellas County's commitment to the health and fitness of our children, we will limit the number of sugary foods our scholars may have at school to three class celebrations per year.
- Do not send in items such as birthday cupcakes as they do meet the healthy school guidelines. Thank you for your cooperation.
- Refrain from sending in birthday celebration items such as balloons/flowers, etc. as these will not be delivered to the classroom.

PETS

- All pets/animals must have prior written approval of the principal to be on campus.
- Do not bring any pets onto school campus while you are arriving at school or waiting for scholars to be dismissed for the day.
- Service animals should have designated service signage visible.

POTENTIAL RETAINEE INFORMATION

- Plumb teachers will keep you informed of the progress of your child throughout the year.
- School Board policy requires that each school notify parents if their child is a potential retainee by the middle of February.
- Parents are notified that if academic growth does not occur before the end of the year, the potential exists for their child to be retained.
- Our expectation is that parents and teachers will work closely to plan appropriate strategies to support each child.
- Before the end of the school year, a decision will be made regarding your child's status. Parents will be informed of the recommendation.

PRINCIPAL'S MULTICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PMAC)

- As a PCSB mandated program in every school, the PMAC is an organization comprised of interested 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade scholars.
- Under the direction of a school staff member, the group focuses their efforts on learning and sharing information on cultural diversity and peaceful recognition and acceptance.

PROGRESS REPORTS/GRADING POLICY

- All scholars receive progress reports indicating their academic progress, classroom conduct and work habits. Progress reports are given out every 9 weeks**.** Mid-term progress reports are given to students who are not meeting expectations at the midpoint of a grading period.

Kindergarten scholars will receive a number that signifies their current level of mastery.

- 0=No progress toward mastery to 4=Exceeding the standard.

- **Scholars in grades 1-2** will receive a progress report that shows their progress in all academic areas using E-V-S-N-U.
- **Scholars in grades 3-5** will receive the grades for all academic subjects: A: 90-100% B: 80-89% C: 70-79% D: 60-69% F: 0-59%
- **Scholars in grades K-5** will receive the letter grades of either E-V-S-N-U, in PE, Music, Art, Conduct, Work Habits/Effort.

RIGHT TO REVIEW

The Family Rights and Privacy Act was revised and became a federal law in November 1974. The intent of this law is to protect the accuracy and privacy of Scholar educational records. These records include files, documents and other materials containing information directly related to your child. Without your prior consent, only you and authorized individuals having legitimate educational interests will have access to your child's educational records. You have the right to review all records.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

- SAC is made up of parents, teachers, and community members. The major purposes of this committee are:
    a. To gain knowledge concerning the purpose and goals of the school
    b. To inform parents and community members of school activities and programs
    c. To make suggestions concerning program improvements with respect to scholar needs and program operation
    d. To assist in the preparation of the School Improvement Plan and its evaluation

- Meetings are held five times a year and announced in the school newsletters. All parents and community members are invited to participate in these open meetings. Agendas are planned, prepared, and posted the day prior to the scheduled meeting date.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (SIP)

- Each year the school staff works in collaboration with the School Advisory Council to develop an improvement plan that addresses curriculum areas and scholar groups. The results are monitored throughout the year and revisions are made as needed. Adequate yearly progress is reported at the end of each year. Plumb's SIP can be viewed at our website.

TELEPHONE

- Scholars may only use the office telephone for emergencies. Telephones are answered from 7:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M. Scholars are not permitted to use personal cell phones to contact their parents without permission from a staff member.

TITLE ONE

- Title I funds are used by schools and districts for a variety of programs and activities designed to increase children's academic achievement (especially in reading and math). The school sets goals for improvement, measuring scholar progress, using standards set forth by the state of Florida, developing programs that add to regular classroom instruction, and involving parents in all aspects of the program.
- Title I funds provide supplemental support to schools and scholars that may not meet the standards the state has set for all children. Districts receive Title I funds from the federal government (through the Department of Education) and distribute these funds to schools based on the number of low-income scholars (eligible for free/reduced price lunch).

VISITING PROCEDURES

- For our scholars' safety, we require all visitors to present photo identification at the front office each time they visit to receive a computer-generated badge.
- All visitors must enter through the front office only.
- Visitors must wear school issued identification, including conferences and lunch.
- All visitors must be listed on the official scholar office card on file.
- It is the expectation that all visitors will demonstrate positive interactions with school staff and other visitors.
- While we welcome your participation in your child's education, we ask that visits with our teachers be scheduled in advance to avoid the disruption of instruction and scheduling issues.
- Thank you for your cooperation in making Plumb a safe place to learn.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

- Every day, hundreds of exciting opportunities for Pinellas County School scholars take place because the members of the community care enough to get involved. School volunteers are people just like you. Seeing scholars reach their potential in the classroom and grow as individuals is a wonderful benefit of being a school volunteer.
- Volunteers are required to pass security and background checks when they register.
- Chaperones must allow a minimum of three weeks for the completion of the registration process.
- We are happy to welcome volunteers on campus. For more information about how you can be involved in the school, please contact our Plumb Community Liaison at 727-469-5976.
- Plumb PTA is always looking for volunteers and for our Plumb families to become PTA members. Please look for important PTA information in your back-to-school packet.

Scholar and Parent Handbook Acknowledgement Form 2025-2026

Please sign the form below and return it to your child's teacher.

_____ Yes, I have reviewed the Plumb Scholar and Parent Handbook

_____ Yes, I will adhere to the expectations of this Scholar and Parent Handbook

Student's Name: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Grade Level: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____