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## BON VOYAGE PULASKI 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS!

*Interview with Mrs. Bonner's 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class*

*By Ashuntus Harris, Terriona Allison, Gabrielle Johnson, Aseah Alshammam, and Dwayne Daniel*

**Me:** You're graduating! How does it feel?

**Gabrielle:** It's exciting to move on to the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Exciting to be in high school.

**Ashuntus:** It feels good.

**Terriona:** It feels weird.

**Me:** Are you looking forward to being a high school student?

**Terriona:** Yes.

**Ashuntus:** Yes.

**Aseah:** It feels ok.



**Me:** What will you miss the most about elementary school?

**Terriona:** The teachers.

**Ashuntus:** The teachers.

**Me:** Anyone else have something to add?

**Gabrielle:** I was saying that I'm excited to go to high school and I'm going to miss my friends, the teachers, and the fact that it was easy, like, it was kind of easy.

**Me:** Let me ask you this, and yes, I am looking down because I have these questions written down so I won't forget (chuckle): High school has 2 major curriculums. One is college prep, which assigns you classes to prepare you for college and the other one is vocational. Now there are some high schools that have more. It just depends on what high school you go to. But all of them have these 2: the college prep, which prepares you for college, and vocational, which could be business, culinary arts, or what have you. Which program do you plan to pursue, or do you plan to sign up for? And why?

**Terriona:** I don't know yet.

**Me:** How about Deshawn or Jordan or Lahniyah? Haven't heard from y'all yet. Dwayne? Don't be shy. I can't even see you...just tell me.

**Aseah:** I'd like to know if Vocational is for Cosmetology?

**Me:** Ok (responded but did not realize it was a question when she first said it).

**Gabrielle:** What is the question again?

**Me:** (I repeat the question.) The vocational one is not based on someone who is going to college. It's more business based. Asea mentioned cosmetology. Also, the work industry or some other type of trade.

**Gabrielle:** Don't you need college for some of the things you want to get in to?

**Me:** Absolutely. And that's the purpose of having the college prep. So, some careers require college and some careers don't. And that's why they have the 2 basic curriculums. So, it just depends on what you are going in to.

**Gabrielle:** Can you pick both?

**Me:** That I don't know. By me being an elementary school teacher, I am not as knowledgeable about college requirements as I would be if I were a high school teacher. It's very possible that that is the case, but usually, you pick one or the other.

**Ashuntus:** How can you tell the difference?

**Me:** Well, you're going to have a counselor in high school, and that counselor focuses on your career—"What do you want to be when you grow up", so to say. So, your counselor will inform you of that. I will tell you this: There are some subjects that you have to take, regardless. You have to take some Math, you have to take some English, some Science and Social Studies, but not the same amount. And then if you are going into, let's say, Culinary Arts, you may have to take more health and nutrition courses, whereas if you are college prep you may not. But your counselor is going to let you know. She'll even give you some resources if you are undecided by giving you something to research and find out more about it, like what is it like to go into Marine Biology, for example.

**Ashuntus:** What classes would you take if you worked on teeth, like an Orthodontist?

**Me:** That's definitely college prep because anything dealing with the medical field requires college, unless you're like a nurse aid—you might not need to—but the higher paying jobs do require college. So, Orthodontics is a dental program. It's a specialized dentist, so you will need to go to medical school. And before applying to medical school, you

do have to have a Bachelor's degree from a college. Good field to go into!  
Good money! Very good money!

**Me:** So, my next question is: Does anyone have plans for after high school?

**Gabrielle:** Yes. I want to open up my own business. I think I am going through college prep because I want to start making my own products. Hair care products and skin care products. So, I want to be an entrepreneur.

**Me:** Very good! Very good! Alright.

**Ashuntus:** I want to go to college to be an orthodontist.

**Me:** I'm going to have to look you up, Ashuntus! You can help straighten my great grandkids' teeth! Yeah. Alright.

Anybody else? Dwayne? I see you over there blinking on and off. What do you plan to be when you grow up? What do you plan to do after high school?

**Dwayne:** Go to college, play football, and after that, I'm going to be an entrepreneur.

**Me:** Ok, that sounds great! There's a lot of millionaire athletes who, after their career, open up their own businesses. We know football players' careers end early because you have to be young and fast, and when those years start hittin' you, take all that money and put it into a business, like Michael Jordan...the list goes on and on!

Anybody else? Aseah?

**Aseah:** I want to be a Cosmetologist and in college I want to learn about business so I can have my own shop. And I also want to make custom things online for people.



**Me:** Very, very good. There are people who pursue businesses and entrepreneurships without college. College is the best route to go because it's good to know about business so you don't have to depend on other people to explain contracts to you. Most programs are only 2 years instead of 4, so good idea!

**Me:** And I have one final question, and that is: What advice would you like to give to your peers you are leaving behind?

**Gabrielle:** Take your time.

**Terriona:** Keep up the good work.

**Aseah:** Do your best in classes but still have fun and care for the people around you.



**Me:** Ok! Again, congratulations! I will be watching you (at graduation ceremony) and, this concludes our interview. Ms. Bonner, thank you for this opportunity.

**Ms. Bonner:** No problem.

**Me:** Bye.

**Ms. Bonner:** Bye



## Reading, Writing & 'Rhythmic



**Adding and Subtracting Fractions From whole Numbers  
Using Equivalence and The Number Line As Strategies.**

**Taylor Crosby 5th grade, Mrs. D. Hunter**

Lesson 8 Exit Ticket

Name Taylor Crosby Date 4-22-2021

Add or subtract.

a.  $5 + 1\frac{7}{8} = 6\frac{7}{8}$

b.  $3 - 1\frac{3}{4} = 2\frac{3}{4}$

c.  $7\frac{3}{8} + 4 = 11\frac{3}{8}$

d.  $4 - 2\frac{3}{7} = 2\frac{3}{7}$

### Fractions

<b>WHOLE</b> 	$\frac{1}{1}$	<b>SIXTHS</b> 	$\frac{1}{6}$
<b>HALVES</b> 	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>SEVENTHS</b> 	$\frac{1}{7}$
<b>THIRDS</b> 	$\frac{1}{3}$	<b>EIGHTHS</b> 	$\frac{1}{8}$
<b>FOURTHS</b> 	$\frac{1}{4}$	<b>NINTHS</b> 	$\frac{1}{9}$
<b>FIFTHS</b> 	$\frac{1}{5}$	<b>TENTHS</b> 	$\frac{1}{10}$





## Music Literally!



### June Musical Minute

*Ahoy! Join us this month for a hearty adventure and learn about sea shanties!*

## HOIST THE COLOURS... A Sea Shanty History

If you've been on TikTok or you've watched a pirate movie you've heard it. The Sea Shanty. The rhythms made you tap your toes and you couldn't help but listen and repeat. But what is a sea shanty and where did they come from?



The sea shanty dates back thousands of years. These catchy songs were meant to help sailors keep time with the rhythm of working on board and doing tasks at the same time as every other man. In fact, some captains, before hiring the crew, would ask the man to sing a line to prove that they were able to carry a tune as they worked. In fact, many historians believe that the word

shanty actually is from the French word 'chanter' which means to sing. There would often be a lead or solo singer that was known as a shantyman. He would lead the singing of the songs and the crew would join in on the chorus. Alternately the song would be sung as what is known as a 'call and response.' song. The shantyman would sing a line, and the crew would answer their 'call.'

### Types of Shanties

Shanties would vary depending on what task the crew were being asked to do. Capstan Shanty was meant to be very regular and rhythmic. They would sing this type of song when they were trying to raise the very heavy iron anchor. Virtually any song could be used for this as long as the sailors sang at the right speed.

The Pulling Shanty however was entirely different. The pulling shanty was meant to go along with irregular work like raising yardarms or hoisting sails. If you think about pulling on a rope, if you've ever had to raise a flag or lower something down, there is a rhythm to what you do. You need to pull on the rope, then wait a second or two before you can adjust your grip and pull again. The pulling shanty was meant to make this task more steady and help all the men to pull at the same time.



Life on board any ship was dull and often sailors were dissatisfied after many months on board. Their lives were difficult with little fresh food, cramped quarters, terrible pay and bad weather. In addition, they were often not allowed to express their thoughts as any talk that was considered to be against the captain could have gotten them killed. However, shanties provided relief from this. When men were singing, they were allowed to express their ideas more openly. Now, we just generally use these historic songs for entertainment.



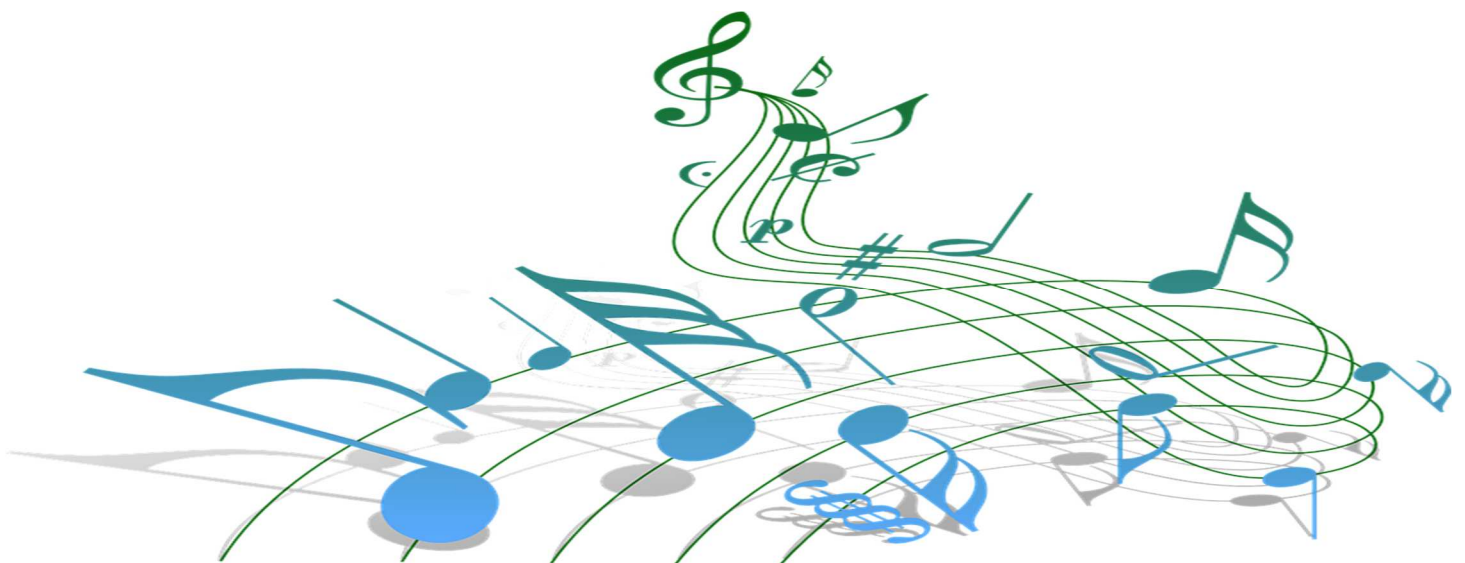
## Sea Shanty Word Search



Shanty Search (bet you can't say that 10 times!)

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A	W	L	A	R	K	I	G	S	Y	O	W
N	S	R	K	P	K	L	U	T	X	O	C
C	R	E	Q	S	L	S	N	B	R	I	Y
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T	U	E	I	P	U	T	M	D	L	X	U

anchor	sea
call	shanty
cargo	ship
chanter	worksong
folksong	
labor	
response	
ropes	
sailor	
sails	







## Counselors Corner

Ms. Amy Kuzniar, Pulaski School Counselor  
Happy June Pulaski Panthers!

### **Expect Respect June 2021:** **Character Trait: Acceptance**



As a district this month we are focused on the character trait *Acceptance*. Pulaski will be studying differences and similarities between ourselves and others. Self-acceptance plays a key role in building an identity: personally, socially and educationally.

Learning about the unique qualities of local, regional, and global culture makes life interesting. Wouldn't the world be boring if we were all the same? To celebrate acceptance, I am asking for students and staff to create a self portrait of themselves that will be combined to create a portrait of Pulaski. This will be introduced in my classroom lessons starting this first week of June.



### **K-8 Career Awareness & Exploration**



At Pulaski we will continue to learn from people in various MI career zones. 7-8 graders have ongoing access to Career Cruising. All K-8 classroom teachers will have opportunities for virtual speakers to their classes from JA Inspire.



## Hakeem Williams, Grade 3



### **Pulaski Student of the Month June 2021**

***What Is your favorite subject in school?***

My favorite subject is math because I am good at it.

***What have you learned about yourself during the pandemic?***

I learned that if I stay home, I will be safe from Covid-19.

***What is the first thing you want to do when the pandemic is***

***over?***

When we return to school, I want to hug people.

***What do you want to do as a career when you grow up?***

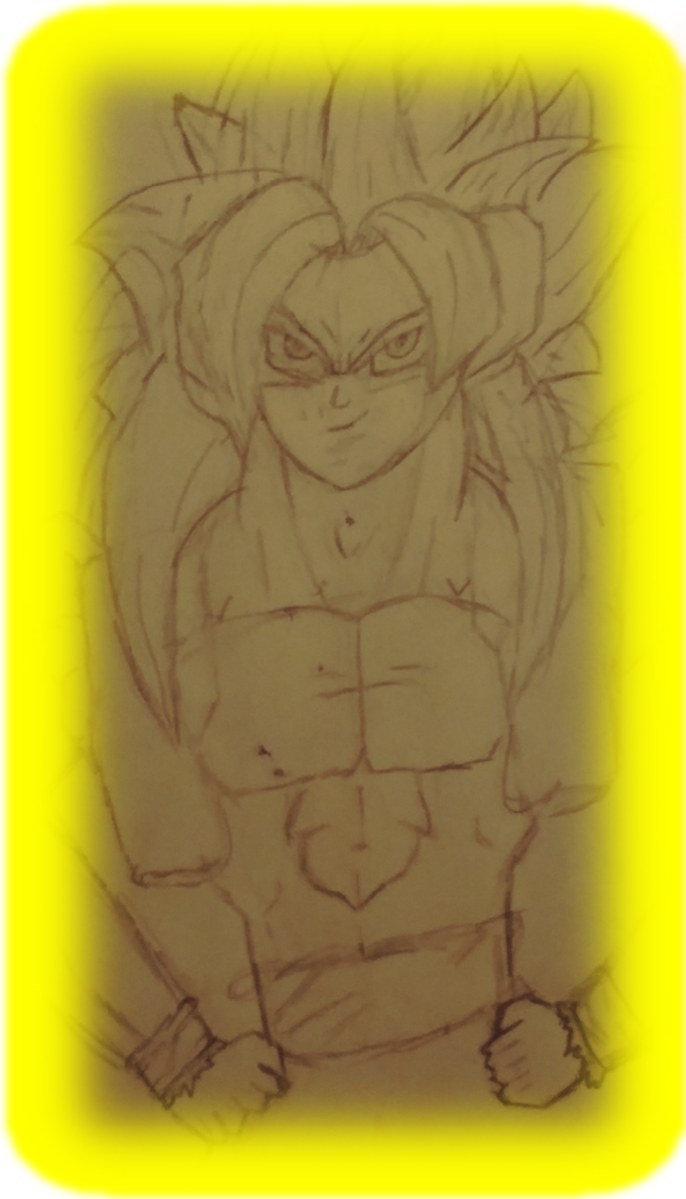
I would like to be a football player and an artist.



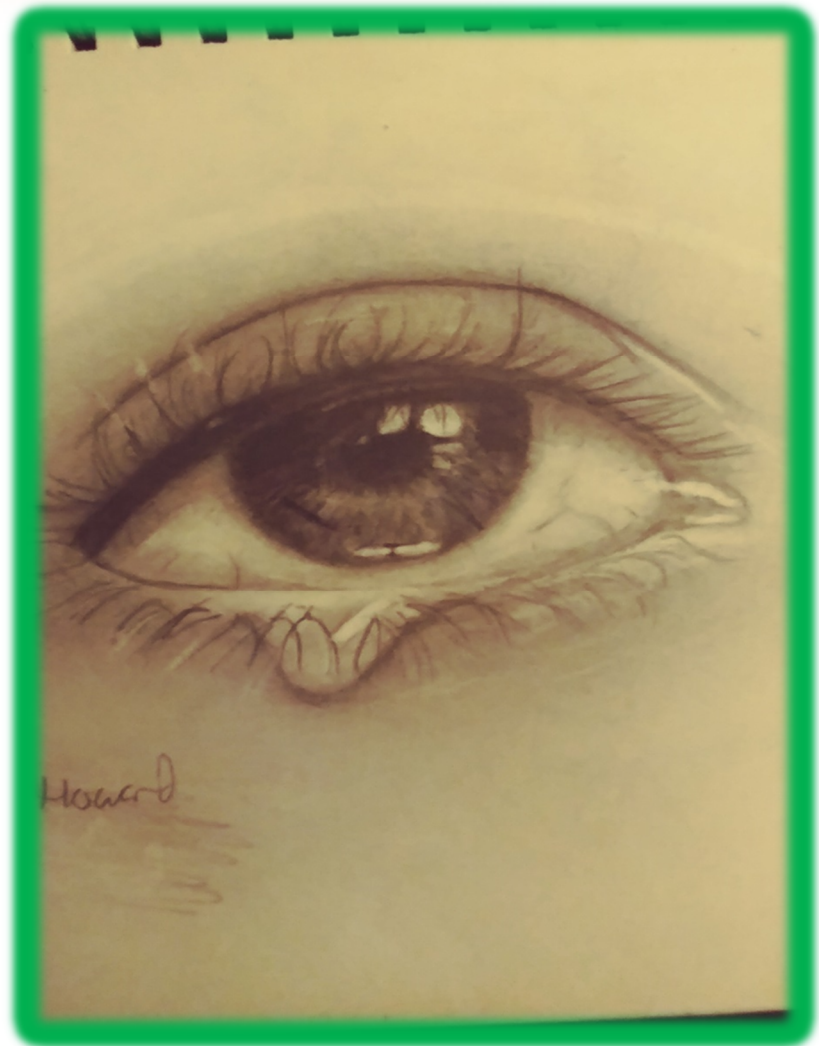
Enjoy the beautiful weather! Do your self-care!

cooperative  
interested.  
caring  
eager  
listen  
honest  
attentive  
helpful  
supportive  
goldenrule  
responsible  
respect  
engaged  
polite

## **PICTURE THIS**



*Samiyah Howard*



**Nassir Howard**

**PICTURE THIS**



"Summertime" by Brielle Crutcher

## **WORD**

Ms. Everett's Class

Summer is....

Summer is Metro Beach.

Armoni McBride

Summer is sand and water.

Morgan Ivy

Summer is going to the waterpark.

Isabella Berry

Summer is the ocean.

Cloe Jones



## **WORD**

### ***MRS. ESPINA'S CLASS***

I am really looking forward to summer. My auntie is coming to visit me. My family is going on two trips. One trip is to Kalahari and the other one is to Disney World. I also get to go shopping with my auntie before she goes back home. That's why I am really looking forward to summer.

Khayla Mosby



I am looking forward to the summer. I'm looking forward to getting a bouncy house in my backyard. Also, having a water balloon fight will be a fun thing to do, I think. We are going to have a barbeque. I am going to see my grandma too. I will be happy to see her. It's going to be fun. I'm so happy when it is summer break.

Ma'Kenzie Ford



## **WORD**

I am looking forward to summer. I like to go swimming. I can play with my brother. I'm looking forward to summer so I can go to the swimming pool. I want to go to the park. I'm also looking forward to staying at my mother's house this summer. That's why I am looking forward to summer.

**Miracle Cheatham**

***Mrs. Jackson's Class***

***Summer is.....***

**Hakeem Williams**

**Summer is the best season to me because you can get in a swimming pool, you can have ice cream.**



## **WORD**

### Brinya Jarmon

Summer is a time to have fun in the sun, a break from school, and a time to splash in the water with family and friends.



### Shawn Banks

Summer is spending time with my family, getting in the pool, and no school.





## WORD

**Kya Kyle**

**Summer is an awesome time to go outside with my family.**



**Marcianna Thomas**

**Summer is like sun flowers in the Northern Hemisphere from June to August and other months too.**



## WORD



### *Ms. Paul's Class*

For the summer break, I will have fun with my Mom and sister. I will go swimming, play with my dog, and stay in the house from COVID 19. Sometimes I go outside with my sister and my dog.

by Desiree Watson

### *Summertime* by Taylor Crosby

*Summertime is when you get to chill and think about the goals that you can accomplish with your family, close friends, even if it is by yourself. You can think about what you want to do, when you can do it, and how you may do it. You can even think about what teacher you may have.*



## **WORD**

*You have to say thank you to the ones in the past who helped you become better at doing Math, ELA, Social Studies, Science, Music and many more. You also can go outside, swim, play with family, laugh, and have fun. And at the end of the summer, I like to have Smores with my family.*



For summertime, we will get wet, go shopping, Zapzone, skating and more. Fifth grade might be hard, but try. Try and don't rush.

We learned about rainforests, British, Native Americans and Jackie Robinson.

by Jasmine Willson



## WORD

I love the summer because I don't have to go to sleep early and I can sleep in. I can go over my cousin's house and spend the night. I can play wii and the Playstation all night long. I can go out to eat before 2:30. I can wrestle with my big brother and not get told to go to bed. I can go over my big sister's house and play with my nephew. I can go out of town and have lots of fun.

That's why I love when summer starts.

by Robert Shore



## Letter from the Editor

by W. Muhammad

Greetings Pulaski Students,



June is a month of big events! Students graduate and get promoted. School is out. And summer begins.

I want to extend a special shout out to the students who steadily did the following. Remember, steadily!

- ❖ came to class
- ❖ participated
- ❖ completed work and submitted it
- ❖ helped a peer
- ❖ showed respect
- ❖ worked hard for school





Enjoy your summer and reflect on the fun we had, learning. I look forward to seeing everyone next year as we return to start the 2021/2022 school year.



## **Social & Science Connection**

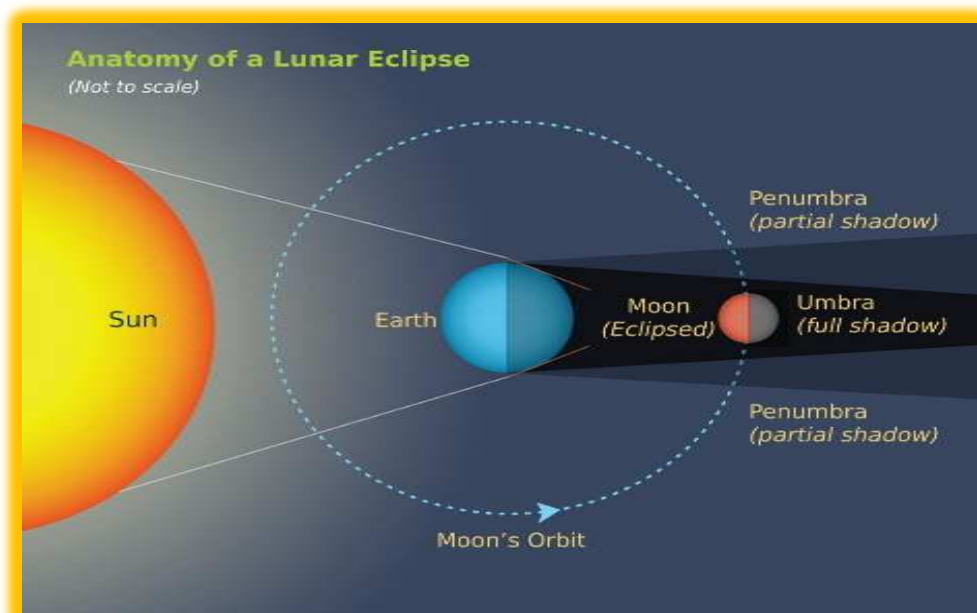


### 2021 SOLAR ECLIPSE

A SOLAR ECLIPSE OCCURS WHEN THE MOON MOVES BETWEEN THE SUN AND THE EARTH. THE MOON BLOCKS OUT THE LIGHT FROM THE SUN AND IT BECOMES TEMPORARILY DARK OUTSIDE. WHEN THIS HAPPENS, THE MOON IS LINED UP PERFECTLY WITH THE SUN.

HERE IS A VIDEO OF THE SOLAR ECLIPSE THAT OCCURRED ON JUNE 10, 2021. CLICK ON THE LINK:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gsgcSHWvLB8>





## **PRINCIPAL SMITH-DEAN PERSPECTIVE,**

This is NOT good-bye, but a simple “See ya later”. This year has been filled with ebbs and flows as well as highs and lows. However, as your Principal I have enjoyed the learning I experienced this year from all of you, my Pulaski Family. Due to your diligence, determination and resilience we can close the door on the 2020-2021 academic school year and prepare to enjoy our summer vacation. Create memories, share time with loved ones and close friends. Relax and reflect. By the way,

when we return in the Fall, I will have a new name,  
Principal Smith-Bell. 

### **Important Information**

Summer Learning Experience July 12-August 5, 2021

Staff Return Monday, August 30, 2021

Scholars Return Tuesday, September 7, 2021

### **NEW UNIFORM COLORS**

**Red Shirts, Black Pants, White Socks, Black Shoes**








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