



Charting The Course



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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Pursuant to the City's Charter with the School Board of Broward County, Florida, every family who has a student enrolled at the Pembroke Pines Charter School is required to perform thirty (30) service hours in order for the student to remain enrolled at the Charter School. Such family participation enrich the education of students and the overall school experience.

The safety of students at Pembroke Pines Charter School is a priority and every precaution is taken to ensure the well-being of each child. Accordingly, Charter School employees undergo an extensive back ground screening prior to being hired.

The Jessica Lunsford Act requires schools to conduct limited background checks for each volunteer. The background screening required by this legislation pertains solely to an individual's sexual predator and/ or sexual offender status. It is therefore, necessary to conduct such screening for each volunteer at the Charter School prior to their performing such hours.

The City and Charter School recognize that this is a sensitive issue and are happy to assist you should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Castellano".

Michael Castellano
Principal

*All children will achieve educational excellence and become productive citizens
in a diverse and ever-changing society.*