



Pasco County Schools

Providing a world-class education for all students

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Why the Cambridge International Programme?



For over 170 years, the prestigious University of Cambridge has been setting worldwide curriculum standards.

A division of Cambridge University ranks in the **top 5 universities in the world**

Why the Cambridge International Programme?

Cambridge Lower Secondary (grades 6-8) is a prestigious, competitive program that develops skills and understanding in English, Mathematics and Science for the first three years of secondary education.



Why is Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme important?

- Cambridge gives schools a flexible, broad-based curriculum that is offered worldwide at schools and colleges in over 161 countries.
- Cambridge gives schools a flexible, broad-based curriculum for developing skills and understanding in English, Mathematics, Science, and Cambridge Global Perspectives.

Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme (Grades 6-8)

- Allows students to earn some high school credit courses in middle school.
- These skills prepare students for the college level coursework they will be exposed to as they progress to high school.

Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme

High School Benefits

- Allows students to participate in one of the most demanding and rigorous college preparation programs in the world.
- After completing 1 course in the three core academic courses, as well as, completing the required Global Perspectives course, flexibility is provided to choose a course of study that meets the abilities and interests of the student.

Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme High School Benefits Continued

- The Cambridge AICE Diploma (or Cambridge Advanced International Certificate of Education) is an **internationally recognized diploma** awarded to students for the satisfactory completion of a series of academically rigorous courses specific to AICE in high school.
- Students who opt for full time AICE enrollment do not have to follow traditional high school graduation plan

Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme

High School Benefits

- Students achieving the AICE diploma, along with 100 hours of community service, earn the top level of the Bright Futures Scholarship to any Florida University and are not required to meet the GPA and SAT/ACT testing score
- Successfully completing the Cambridge Curriculum could provide up to 45 hours of college credit and even more with Dual Enrollment or Advanced Placement Courses

Paul R. Smith Middle School Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme

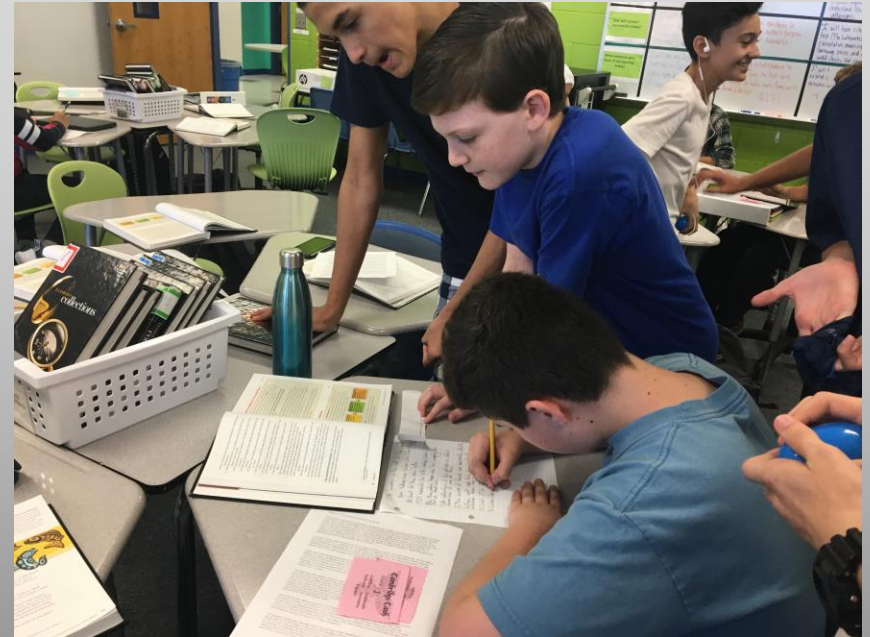


A Closer Look into Paul R. Smith's Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme



Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme Grades 6-8

- The Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme at Paul R. Smith Middle School utilizes an international curriculum that affords the opportunity for acceleration and enrichment.



Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme Grades 6-8

The Cambridge curriculum aims to encourage the skills of both collaborative and independent research, investigation, the use of initiative and creativity, and the application of knowledge and skills.



Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme

Why Cambridge?

Lower Secondary Progression

6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cambridge Math • Cambridge Language Arts • Cambridge Science • Cambridge US History/Global Perspectives • Health • Elective Choice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • *Pre-AICE Math I • Cambridge Language Arts • Cambridge Science • Cambridge Civics/Global Perspectives • Elective Choice x2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • *PRE-AICE Math II • Cambridge Language Arts • *Cambridge Physical Science Honors • Cambridge World History/Global Perspectives • Elective Choice x2

*indicates high school credit course

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Why Cambridge?

Elective Options

6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade
<p>Year Long Courses Band I</p> <p>Semester Courses Exploratory Music Exploratory Spanish Exploring 2D Art Physical Education</p>	<p>Year Long Courses AVID Band II *Pre-AICE Spanish I</p> <p>Semester Courses Coding Fundamentals I Computer Applications/Business I Exploring 2D Art Physical Education</p>	<p>Year Long Courses AVID Band III *Pre-AICE Spanish II *Digital Media * 2-D Studio Art</p> <p>Semester Courses Coding Fundamentals I or II Computer Applications/Business I or II Physical Education</p>
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Why Cambridge?

Extra-Curricular Activities

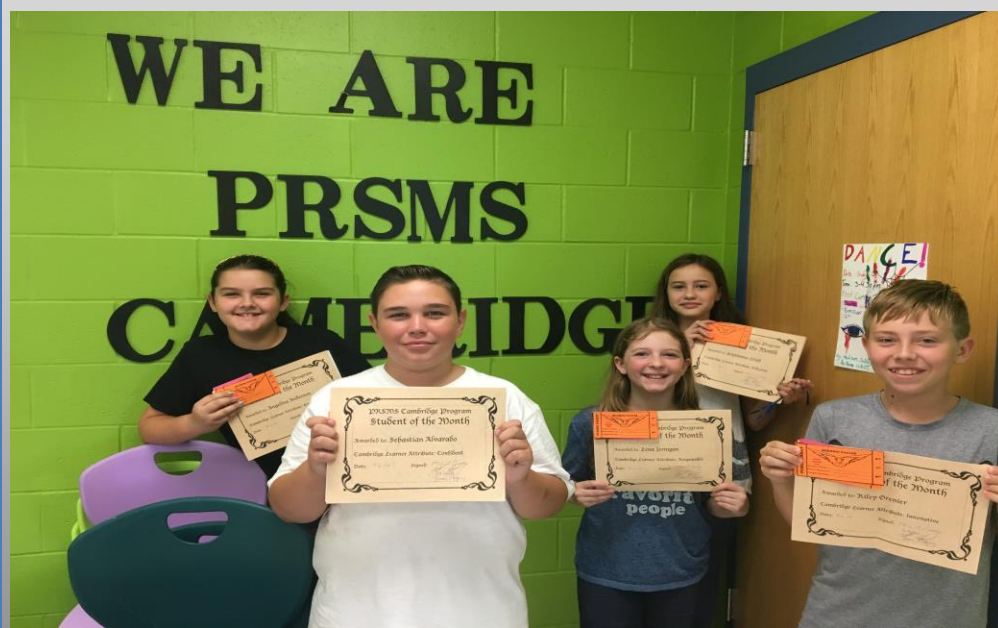
Clubs	Athletics/Music
Odyssey of the Mind National Junior Honor Society Student Government Art Club	Basketball Band Cheerleading Football Soccer Track Volleyball

Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme

Why Cambridge at Paul R Smith?

Students will...

- earn high school credits while in middle school
- have an advantage to earn GPA's higher than on a 4.0 scale through Pre-AICE coursework
- work in dual curriculum for advancement and acceleration



Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme Highlights

- Participated at District/State level Science Fair
- Participated at State level National History Day Fair
- National Odyssey of the Mind team members
- School-wide TEDx Pasco Winners
- Pasco Math Video Challenge winners for all three grade levels
- Multiple Duke TIP (Scholarship) Candidates
- VFW essay writers contest winners



Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme Highlights of 2019

2019 FSA scores – Earned a Level 3 or higher

- ✓ Social Studies 100%
- ✓ Civics 100% passed EOC
- ✓ Science 92%
- ✓ ELA 98%
- ✓ Math 97%
- ✓ Algebra Honors 100% passed EOC

Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme Highlights of 2019

Based on Cambridge exam results, PRSMS
Cambridge Programme students
Internationally out-performed
peer students in core academic classes for
the lower secondary (grade 6-8) division.

Our Students Love Cambridge

Paul R. Smith Middle School



Cambridge Programme

Cambridge Programme Student Attributes

Cambridge *Learners*

CONFIDENT

Reflective

Engaged

Responsible

Innovative

Cambridge Programme Student Attributes

- They are the **5 habits of learning**
- Based on student self-awareness of learning as a process, not solely as an outcome



Cambridge Programme Student Attributes: Confident



- **Confident** in working with information and ideas both their own and those of others.
- Ready to take intellectual risks in order to explore and evaluate ideas and arguments in a structured, critical and analytic manner.
- Communicate clearly and defend their views and opinions while respecting those of others, including differing ones.

Cambridge Programme Student Attributes: Responsible

- **Responsible for themselves.**
- Take ownership of their learning by setting long-term and short-term goals.
- Responsive to and respectful of others, as they know their actions have effects on those around them.



Cambridge Programme Student Attributes: Reflective



- **Learner is reflective** and understand how they prefer to learn (e.g. listening to others, working alone) and demonstrates their knowledge (e.g. writing a summary, giving a speech, drawing a picture).
- They develop skills and strategies to strengthen and adjust these preferences in order to be life-long learners.

Cambridge Programme Student Attributes: Innovative

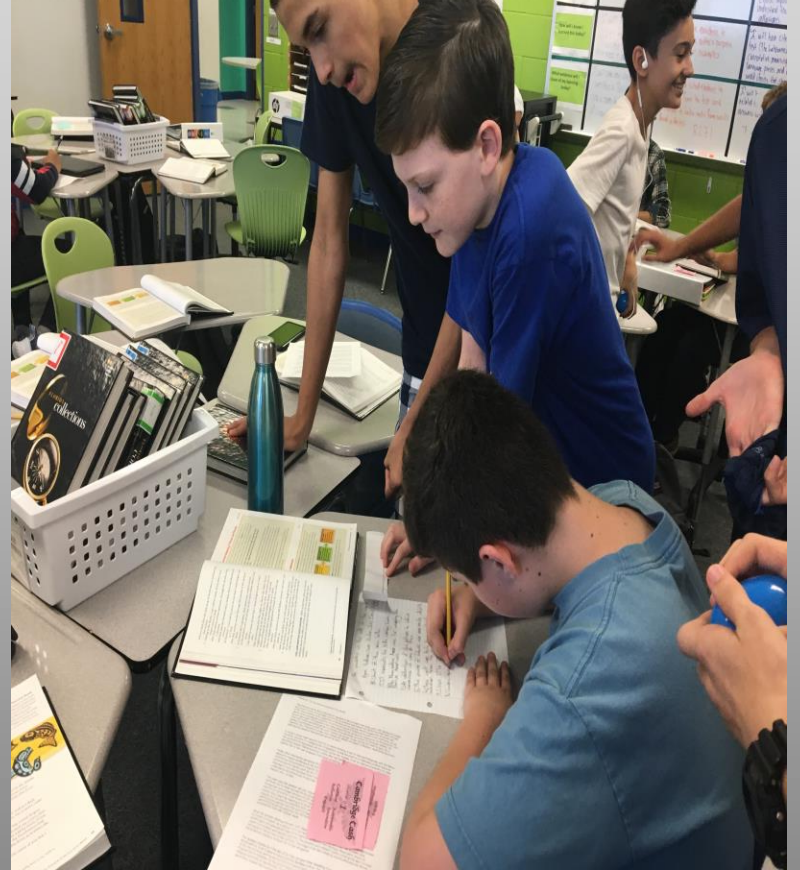
- **Learners are innovative** and equipped for new and future challenges.
- They use creativity and imagination to apply their knowledge and solve new and unfamiliar problems.
- They are flexible in their thinking and can create multiple solutions for a problem or respect how someone may solve a problem differently.



Cambridge Programme Student Attributes: Engaged



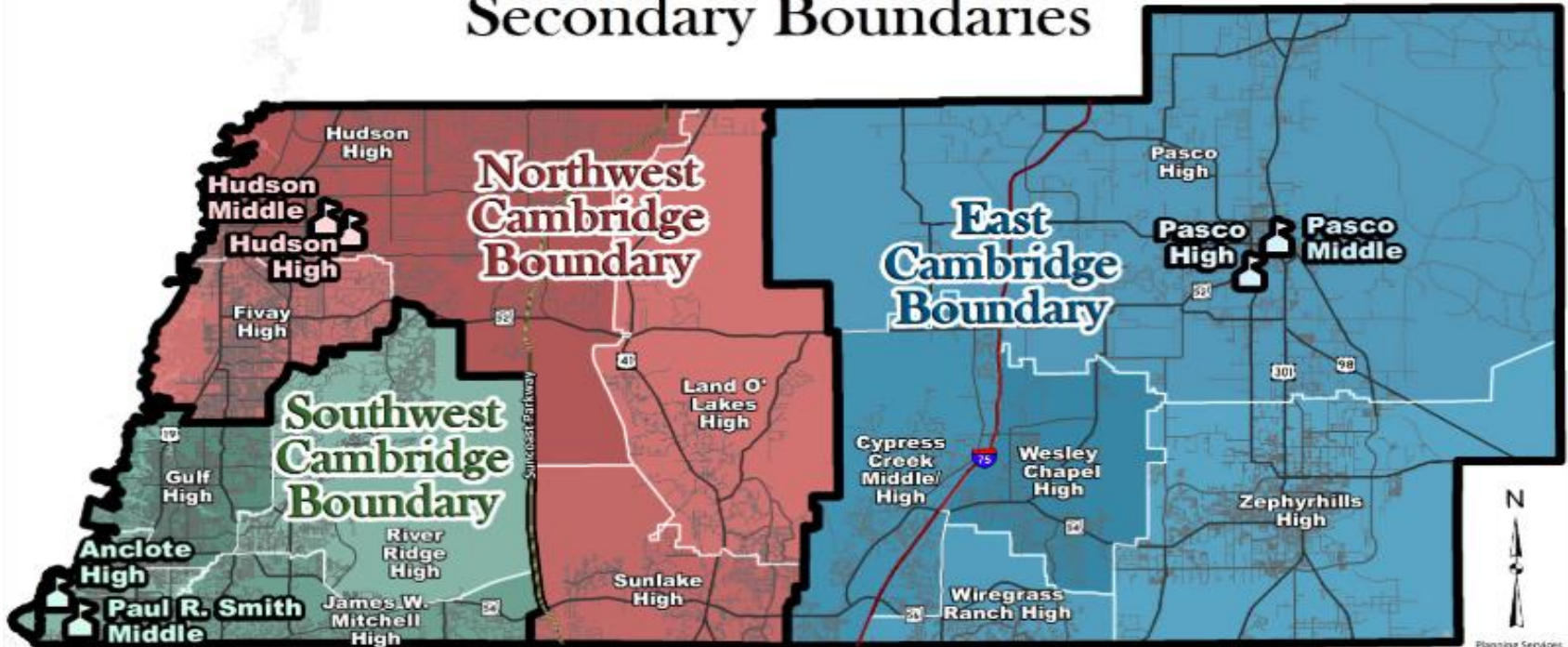
- Learners are engaged intellectually and socially.
- They are curious and ready to ask questions of themselves, their peers and teachers in order to learn more about a subject or topic.



2020-21 Program Boundaries



Pasco County Schools Cambridge Programme Secondary Boundaries



Planning Services
Pasco County Schools
September 26, 2019

Northwest Cambridge Programme

Hudson High 14410 Cobra Way Hudson, FL 34669 (727) 774-4200	Hudson Middle 14540 Cobra Way Hudson, FL 34669 (727) 774-8200
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Southwest Cambridge Programme

Anclote High 1540 Sweetbriar Dr. Holiday, FL 34691 (727) 246-3000	Paul R. Smith Middle 1410 Sweetbriar Dr. Holiday, FL 34691 (727) 246-3200
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East Cambridge Programme

Pasco High School 36850 State Road 52 Dade City, FL 33525 (352) 524-5500	Pasco Middle School 13925 14th Street Dade City, FL 33525 (352) 524-8400
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Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme Transportation

Satellite Hub Locations for
Paul R Smith Middle School (2020-21)

Gulf High School
J.W. Mitchell High School
River Ridge High School
Wendell-Krinn Technical (K-Tech)



*Subject to change based on District needs



How Do I Apply for the Cambridge Programme?



Pasco Pathways Application Windows

- **All applications will be submitted through myStudent.**
 - If you are not attending a session this evening on how to apply, be sure to visit the virtual table for the programs you are interested in for how to apply.
- **Important Dates:**
 - Application Window:
 - January 7- January 21, 2021
 - Secondary Notification and Acceptance window:
 - February 19-February 28, 2021
 - Elementary Notification and Acceptance window:
 - March 12-March 26, 2021



Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme Admission Requirements

- B or higher in all courses (3.0 GPA)
- Proficiency on Writing Task Assessment
- Meeting Academic Standards
- Possession of Cambridge Learner Attributes
- Meeting Proficiency in State and Local Assessments

Note: Student applications will be reviewed holistically; even if your student does not meet all criteria it should not discourage you from applying

Paul R. Smith Middle School Cambridge Writing Assessment

New students to the Cambridge Program are required to take a writing assessment. This assessment will be online this year.

January 30, 2021 Saturday

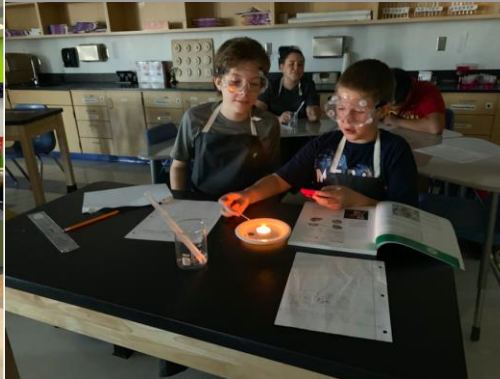
Please fill out this form below so we can communicate information in- regards to the writing assessment once we get further guidance from the district office.

[Cambridge Writing Assessment](#)

Paul R. Smith Middle School School Choice Selection

Please be sure to mark **Paul R. Smith as your 1st school choice** option **to ensure your opportunity** to learn and succeed in our Cambridge Program.

These are the dates to **make us your number one selection:**
January 7-21, 20201 Middle and High School



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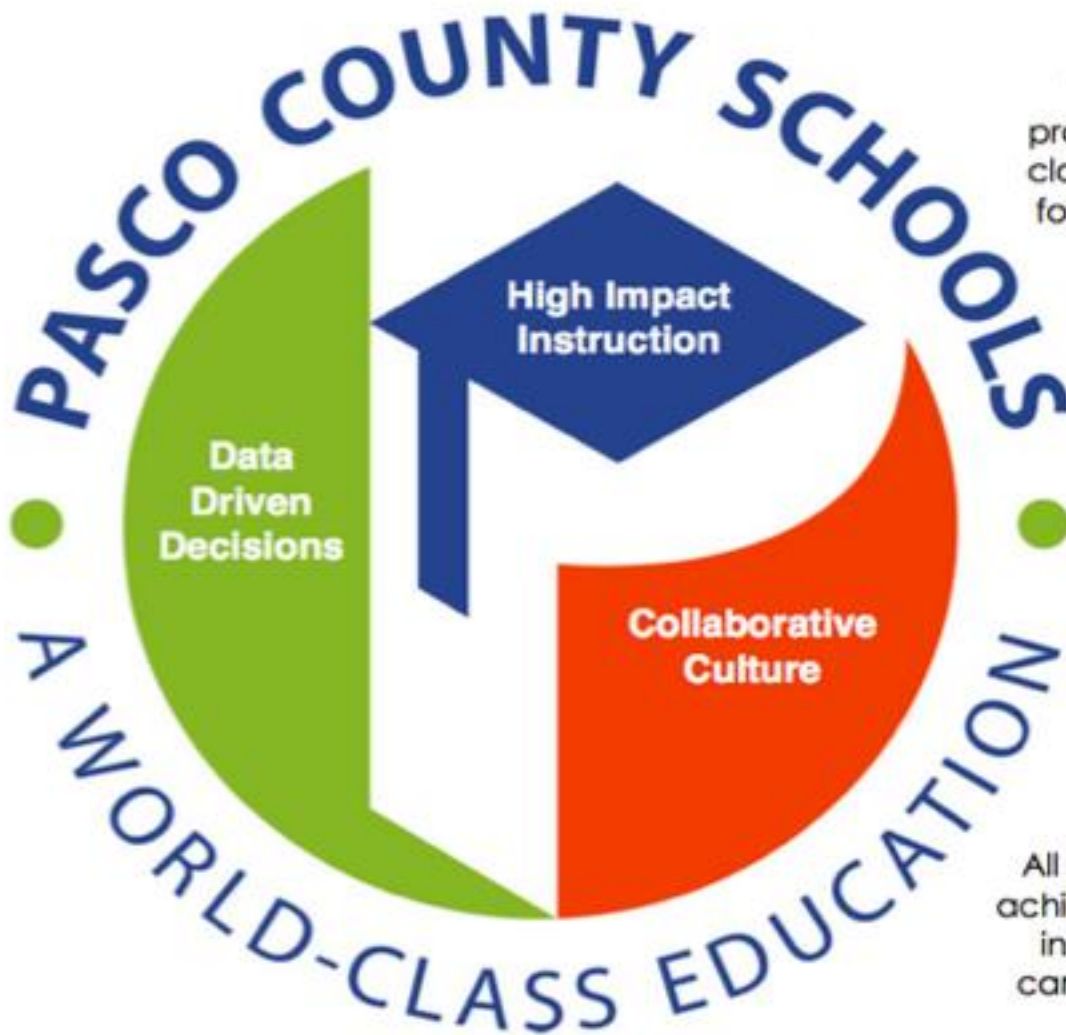




PAUL R. SMITH MIDDLE SCHOOL

SECURITY NOTICE
Security personnel
request your
cooperation
at all times.

Taking Success To The Next Level



Mission

We exist to provide a world class education for all students.

Vision

All our students achieving success in college, in career, and life.

