

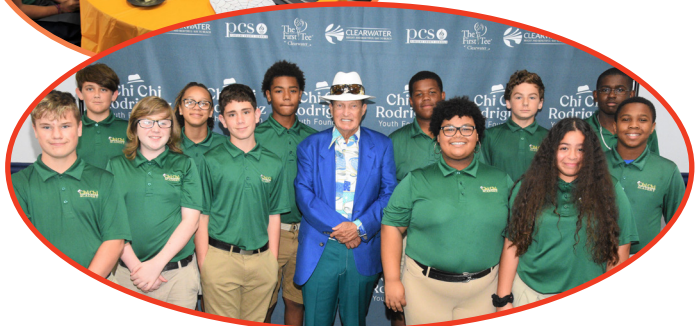


# What's New at Chi Chi's

February 2020

## Academy Students Make Significant Strides in Academic Tests

At the Academy, we love to watch our students' personal growth in and out of the classroom. Below are comparisons for Chi Chi's students from early fall to just before the winter break as well as midterm exams for our middle school students. Many showed significant growth in multiple subjects and the class averages shined compared to the District average (which includes all schools in the County).



Top: 4th graders Ciara, Trianna and Chassidy show off their new books during Recreational Reading Celebration; Middle Left: 6th graders Brianna, Nevaeh, Stephen and Eashaan at Honor Roll Breakfast; Middle Right: 5th graders Yasmeen, AJ, Adrian and Alyssia also at Honor Roll Breakfast; Bottom: Academy 8th grade class with Chi Chi during the Foundation's 40th Celebration week this past fall

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

#### ELA (English Language Arts) Fall to Winter Comparisons:

4th and 5th grade classes had the highest growth out of any 4th or 5th grade class in the County (22% and 25% respectively)

#### Math Fall to Winter Comparisons:

5th grade class had the highest growth out of any 5th grade class in the County at 16%  
4th grade was the same as the District average

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### Middle School Fall to Winter Writing Comparisons:

All 3 grades class average improved more than the District

#### Science Midterm Exam – Class Average:

6th Grade: 4% higher than the District  
7th Grade: 7% higher than the District  
8th Grade: 3% higher than the District

#### Math Midterm Exam – Class Average:

6th Grade: 1% higher than the District  
7th Grade: Same as the District (.4% higher)  
8th Grade: 2% higher than the District

### Upcoming Events

Chi Chi Pro Am  
Thursday, March 12th  
Feather Sound Country Club

Valspar Championship  
March 16th - 22nd  
Innisbrook

Fore the Kids 5K  
Friday, April 24th  
Chi Chi Golf Club

Chi Chi Charity Classic  
November 8th - 9th  
Chi Chi Golf Club

  
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*Mission: to educate students in a public-private partnership and improve their academic performance, self-esteem and character using the golf course as a living classroom.*

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Top: Spoor Bunch Franz team members with the 4th grade class;  
Bottom Left: 5th grader Alyssia showing off her books;  
Bottom Right: 6th grader Alex ready to open his gifts

## Spoor Bunch Franz Donates Books to All Students Ahead of Winter Break

For the second year, the Foundation's accounting firm Spoor Bunch Franz made the Academy students' holidays even more special. Team members of the firm shopped for each student's favorite books to add to their home libraries. This Holiday giving is in support of the firm's vision to empower their team to be better in their lives and communities. Thank you to all at Spoor Bunch Franz and the 8 team members who came to deliver the books in person to each class!

## Student Spotlight: 8th Graders Sponsor Southeastern Guide Dog

This year, the 8th grade class decided to do a service project as a class. Each student raised money and chipped in some of their own, then researched various non-profits missions and programs in the Tampa Bay Area. After narrowing down their list, they voted to sponsor a puppy with the Southeastern Guide Dogs based in Palmetto, Florida. Through the program, the class will watch "Charlie" grow into a guide dog and become a skilled companion for a veteran with a disability, a child with challenges or someone with vision loss. We are so proud of their desire to help others and love they get to see their donation do such amazing things in our community!



8th Graders Nathanel, Triston, Ayden, Emmanuel, David, Daniel, Mark, Javan, Ciara, Katrina and Nathan smile with the poster of Charlie

### Did You Know...?

The Chi Chi Rodriguez Golf Club 18 tee markers include Did You Know Facts that share the story of the Foundation and its educational programs to over 45,000 golfers each year. Each hole is sponsored by a supporter, like Hole #7 below:



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88% of the Academy's first class graduated high school on time.