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Superintendent Mike Burke welcomes students, families, and staff back to school. **Click here to watch his first In the Know video message** which includes highlights from the first day of school and updates on modernized school campuses.

In the Know Info. Corner

Instructional Support for Students Under Stay-Home Directives: **Click here** for important information about how children under a stay-home directive can access their schoolwork.

COVID-19 Dashboard: In an effort to remain as transparent as possible, the District's **COVID-19 Dashboard** will be updated daily to reflect confirmed COVID-19 cases.

Accessing SIS: Do you know how to conveniently access student grades, attendance, graduation requirements, and more through the SIS (Student Information System) Gateway website or mobile app? **Watch this video to find out about this extremely useful tool for parents/guardians and students.**

New buildings and new programs debut during first week of school

Schools welcomed all students back to campus for the first time in more than a year. Some students walked into modernized campuses and others are the first to benefit from new academic programs and opportunities. **Check out the first day fun as District leaders visited schools**

3. IN THE SCHOOLS

Air purifiers enhance classroom safety

HEPA filter air purifiers have already been delivered to many elementary school classrooms with an expected completion to elementary schools by August 31. The purifiers are also being placed in ESE classrooms with medically-vulnerable students, and school clinics as an additional safety precaution. The District is working toward distributing purifiers to every classroom.

Watch this video to find out more about safety enhancements.

Students see themselves in new school mural

A new mural highlighting diversity and inclusivity greeted students at Boca Raton Community High School this week.

The mural is the first of four that will beautify the campus in a collaborative project with a local artist and Latinos in Action students.

Check out the personalized art.

4. IN THE COMMUNITY

Community partners help students start school year strong with new supplies

Students from 14 Title I schools are enjoying more than 7,500 new backpacks filled with school supplies, thanks to The Education Foundation of Palm Beach County and other community partners. **Hear why this initiative is so important.**

5. IN THE NEWS FEED

Students at Watson B. Duncan Middle School enjoyed their time to shine this week playing music in the outdoor courtyard! Don't forget to use **#YourTimeToShinePBC** on social media to share your photos and videos with the District.

Follow @pbcsd on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to get daily updates.

Regular School Board Meeting: Wednesday, August 18 at 5 p.m.
Click here for details on how to watch.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 Teacher Fest (New teacher orientation)	4 Pre-School for Teachers School Board: Closed Sessions Workshop	5 Pre-School for Teachers	6 Pre-School for Teachers	7
8	9 Pre-School for Teachers	10 First Day of School for Students	11	12	13	14
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