# What's New at Chi Chi's

March 2020

## Inaugural Academy Career Day for 7th & 8th grade students was a huge success!



Top: 7th grader Darren hits a driver to track his ball speed and distance on Trackman with Dialed In Golf Solutions: Middle Left: 8th grader Mark introduces himself to Carlos Guerrero with Bizco Technologies; Middle Right: Sam Rockwell with Raymond James talks finance with Lara and Darren; Bottom: Angie Rampi with The Marketing Posse explains the use of social media in marketing with David, Ciara and Seth; Right: All presenters, volunteers and students took a minute for a photo at the end of the day

Each year, our Academy team tries to add a new and exciting way to learn outside of the classroom, and February's Career Day did just that! Our 7th & 8th grade students made their way around 8 different booths featuring amazing people in our local business community. These community leaders shared not only their jobs and responsibilities but how they landed in their field of expertise. Our students really enjoyed hearing the personal stories and started imagining their future career possibilities.

Thank you to our wonderful presenters: Sam Rockwell (Raymond James), Carlos Guerrero (Bizco Technologies), Debbie Faulkner (Burk Faulkner Law, PA), Becky Campbell & Mike Franks (Children's Medical Center), Isabella Nunez (City of Largo), Angie Rampi (The Marketing Posse), Ivana Kajtezovic (Tampa Bay Water), Ian Peterson (Dialed In Golf Solutions)! Shout out to our amazing volunteers that joined in the day with the kids. Special thanks to Sam Rockwell, Carlos Guerrero and Jason Kelley for their hard work on setting this day up for our students!



**Upcoming Events** 

Chi Chi Charity Classic November 8th - 9th Chi Chi Golf Club All other events are currently postponed. We will update on future dates as we have them.



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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## 8th grade students visit Pinellas Technical College to learn about opportunities in different fields



Top: the 8th grade class; Bottom Left: David flips pizza crust as Katrina and Ciara watch in amazement; Bottom Right: Mark, Emmanuel, Ciara, Javan and Nathanel pose with their pizza making instructor holding their delicious pizzas

This annual field trip for the 8th grade has quickly turned into a student and staff favorite. Throughout their day at Pinellas Technical College (PTC), our students meet with different departments, including virtual reality, stage production, electricity, practical nursing, automotive service and so much more. In culinary arts, students worked with PTC students to make their own pizzas for lunch. The goal for this trip is for our students to see how many future opportunities are available for them, including dual-enrollment while in high school and certification courses. Thank you to PTC's Dallas Jackson for making this day so special and interactive for our students!

### Congratulations Kiwanis Club of Safety Harbor Student of the Month: Carter

Carter, our second Kiwanis Club of Safety Harbor Student of the Month, is in his second year at the Academy. 5th grade teacher Mrs. Olson chose him for the respect he shows in and outside of the classroom.

Carter joined his mother, along with Mrs. Olson and Academy Director Josh Meurer for a breakfast celebration during a Kiwanis weekly meeting in November. Each of the five student honorees were given a trophy and a plaque for their schools. Congrats Carter on this wonderful honor! We are so proud of how well you represent the Academy!



Carter with his 5th grade teacher Mrs. Olson, his mom and Academy Director Josh Meurer

#### 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 #11 below:



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