

Pronunciation

b	p	l	t
beach	park	library	taxi
bus	person	look	tourist
boat	Pinellas	listen	Tampa
bicycle	people	lake	Tarpon Springs

c	s	air	port
car	sea	airport	seaport
county	school	airplane	airport
come	south	airmail	carport
cost	some	airbag	heliport

Clap the Stress

● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ● ●
airport	hospital	Pinellas	in the city
school bus	heliport	remember	in the county
person	library	September	for a minute
tourist	bicycles	October	at the airport
county	parking lot	November	in the airplane
airplane	Florida	December	at the bus stop
beaches	Seminole	Dunedin	a policeman

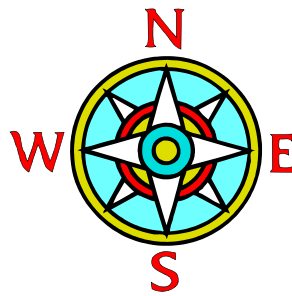
Some Facts about Pinellas County



Pinellas County, Florida

This is Pinellas County.
Pinellas County is in Florida.

Pinellas County has a lot of water around it. The Gulf of Mexico is on its west and south sides. Tampa Bay is on its east side. To the north is land—Pasco County.



Directions on Maps

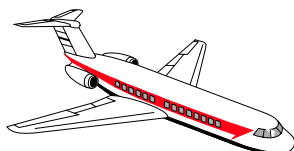
- N = North (top)
- S = South (bottom)
- E = East (right side)
- W = West (left side)

Pinellas County has many beautiful places to see. It has many beautiful parks and beaches. It has many bridges, such as the Sunshine Skyway Bridge. You can travel in the county by bus, car, or bicycle. Or you can travel around most of the county by boat.



The Sunshine Skyway Bridge

Many tourists visit Pinellas County. Lots of tourists drive to Florida. Tourists can also fly into Pinellas County. Its biggest airport is the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport. It has a couple of small airports, too.





the beautiful old courthouse

Pinellas County has many good things. It has a lot of hospitals and libraries. There are many schools, too.

Pinellas County has many free programs and services. You can get help with housing, healthcare, education, transportation, and many other things.

Pinellas County is a beautiful place to visit. It is also a good place to live. About 930,000 people live in Pinellas County. About 250,000 of the people live in St. Petersburg.

Conversations

- Person 1: What county do you live in?
 Person 2: Pinellas County.
 Person 1: So do I. Do you live in St. Petersburg?
 Person 2: No. I live in Largo. [Yes, I do.]

- Person 1: Where is the closest library?
 Person 2: Just up the street, on the right.
 Person 1: Thanks.
 Person 2: You're welcome!

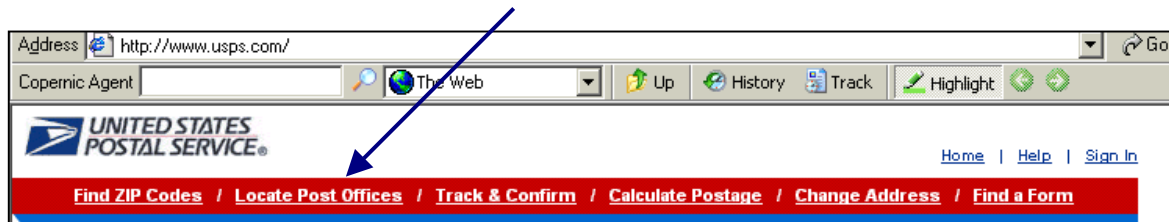


a post office

- Person 1: Where's the nearest post office?
 Person 2: At 1st Avenue North and 31st Street.
 Person 1: Great! Thanks.
 Person 2: You're welcome.

Internet Activity: Find a Post Office Near Your Home

1. Look up this website on the Internet: www.usps.gov
2. Click on **Locate Post Offices**.



3. Type your street address.
4. Then type your city, state and zip code.
5. Click on **Find MyPostOffice™**.

6. Click on **Submit >**.

7. Write the address of the post office: _____

8. How close (near) to your home is the post office? (Check your answer.)

Very close

Close

Not very close

Pinellas County Parks

There are many county parks in Pinellas County. The county government runs county parks. There are also many city parks in Pinellas County. (City parks are run by cities.)

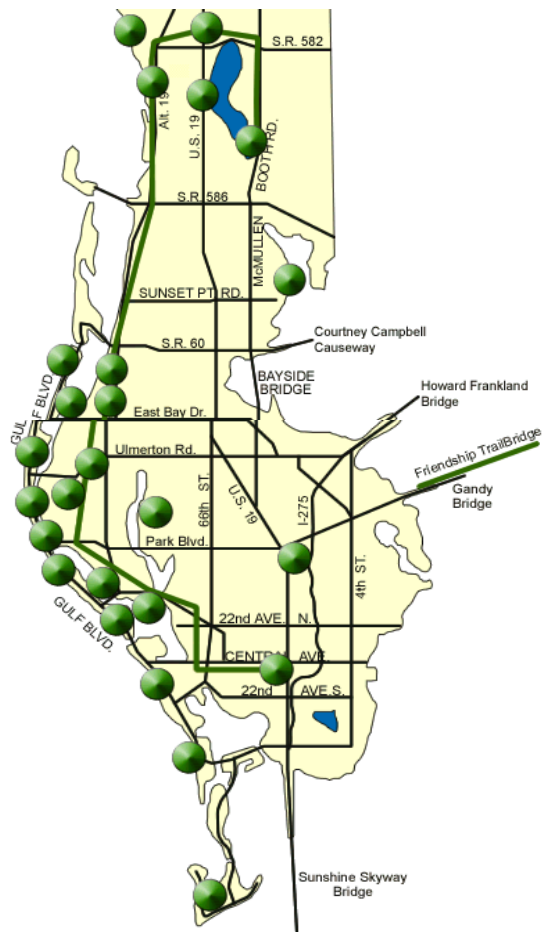


Several Pinellas County parks are on the Gulf of Mexico

Please look at this map (right) of Pinellas County parks. Each green circle stands for a county park. Which parks do you think are closest to your home? Circle them.

You can find the names of the parks in the phone book. You can also find them on the Internet at:

www.pinellascounty.org/park.



Flowers in Anderson Park, Tarpon Springs



Fun on the beach at Sand Key



Canoing in Taylor Park

Talking and Writing About a Park

Tell about a park you like. (Your teacher will write down what you say.) Then you can study your story together. Then copy your story onto this page (below).

Here are some ideas about what to tell about the park:

- ★ The name of the park.
- ★ What you like about the park.
- ★ What you do at the park.
- ★ Who goes with you to the park.

Write your story here:

Reading About Another Park



My Favorite Park By Carolyn Paul

My favorite park is Moses Cone Park in Boone, North Carolina. My family and I have spent many holidays there, enjoying the fresh air, eating good food and relaxing.

At this park, we have a favorite picnic table. It is surrounded by a beautiful meadow. The men in my family like to play games like Frisbee and softball. The women and children prepare the picnic and hike along the mountain trails. In all directions, we see the beautiful Appalachian Mountains and nature. It is a place that makes me happy.

If you want to know more about Moses Cone Park, check out this website:

<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Plains/5294/cone01.html>

Writing About Another Park

Here are pictures of another park—Walsingham Park. Study the pictures. Then write about this park.