

Proclamation for  
Child Water Safety Awareness Week  
May 25-31, 2013

**WHEREAS**, Pinellas County has 587 miles of Coastline and over 65,000 private swimming pools;  
**and**

**WHEREAS**, according to the USA Swimming Foundation, drowning is the second leading cause  
of childhood accidental death; **and**

**WHEREAS**, 40% of Caucasian, 60% of Hispanic, and 70% of African-American children have low  
or no swimming ability; **and**

**WHEREAS**, participation in formal swimming lessons could reduce the likelihood of childhood  
drowning by 88%; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the School Board of Pinellas County wishes to support programs that increase  
awareness, provide education, and training relating to child water safety;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** by the School Board of Pinellas County, that  
May 25-31, 2013 do hereby be recognized as

**CHILD WATER SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK**

Adopted at the regular session of the School Board meeting held on this 12th day of March 2013.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF PINELLAS  
COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Superintendent