**SEPTEMBER** 

# HEAD START NEWS

Bushnell Head Start Newsletter



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### FROM THE DESK OF YOUR CDS

By: Jennifer Hanner

Welcome to the new school year! We are so excited for this year as we have many fun and exciting things planned. We know that times are different and things look a little different this year. Our hours are 8 am – 2pm this year. As you know, we have been checking the children in outside. A little information about our check in stations. During this time, you many not see your child's teacher when you are checking in. If there is any information you want to share with your child's teacher please feel free to share it with the teacher who is checking them in. Also if the teacher needs you to sign anything, it will be giving to you there. Some one will always be at the check in stations from 8:00-8:30 for drop off. If you come between 8:30-9:00, please note you will have to call your child's classroom and someone will come out and greet you. At this time, we aren't allowing parents in the classrooms. If you are picking up your child before 1:30, we asked that you call the classroom so the teacher can bring you your child. As you know, each Friday we are holding zoom calls. Your child's teachers will be sending you emails and sending home links on Friday's. If you are virtual parent, your child's teacher will send home weekly, times of your daily zoom calls. Please reach out to your child's teacher, if you have not received any emails.



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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

September 7th – No School September 18th – Virtual Parent Meeting





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#### FAMILY ADVOCATE CORNER

#### By: Jasmine Herring

Dear Families On behalf of the Staff at the Bushnell Head Start we are happy to welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year. We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure your children achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in our school, our children need support from both the home and school. Please we ask that you guide and support your child learning by ensuring that he/she:

- 1) Attends school daily and arrives on time ready for the day learning experience
- 2) Completes all homework assignments given by teachers
- 3) Reads daily to develop a love for reading and improve literacy skills.
- 4) Shares school experiences with you so that you are aware of his/her school life
- 5) Informs you if he/she needs additional support in any area or subject.

The wonderful Bushnell Head Start Teachers and the FA, feel privileged to be a part of this school family and we thank you for your support services during this school year.

### A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS

#### **CLASSROOM 1**

### For the month of August, Mrs. Tammy and Mrs. Amber have welcomed old friends back into the classroom as well as some new friends. We are so excited to see what kind of adventures this school year will take us on! Thank you, parents, for helping us complete our home visits both physical and virtual. We look forward to meeting with our small groups of children virtually on Fridays. We ask that you please be on time and limit noise and activity in the background during the meeting. Refer to your lesson plan copy for the meeting time and link. Please remember, this counts towards your child's attendance and academic progress. We appreciate you working with us during these uncertain times and we will work together to make this a successful year for us all. Finally, arrival and departure. Please have your child at school at 8:00 am and pick up time is 2:00 pm so we can get the most out of our day.

#### CLASSROOM 2

Ms. Heloise and Ms. Shanda would like to welcome our new families as well as welcome our returning parents to the new school year. We are currently encouraging everyone to wear masks. Mask are required on campus. The School has provided masks for students. We are looking forward to an exciting year getting to know our new families. Please remember that we have virtual classes on Fridays. At 9am, 930. We will be expanding our Friday virtual lessons as our classroom grows. Please remember that our doors close at 9am Monday through Thursday Unless other arrangements have been made. Sign in starts at 8am. Pick up is 2pm. If you need to pick up your students early please call us. Thank you and we look forward to a wonderful year.



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# HOME LEARNING / FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Please keep an look out for home activities, sent home from your child's teacher

# PARENT MEETING MINUTES

There was no parent meeting this month.

# POLICY COUNCIL UPDATES

The July minutes were approved. A prospective ten staff were approved for hire. The enrollment, attendance, and snack reports were approved. Additionally, a review of our school options were reviewed and updated with the Council. Service area and center reports were also approved.



CHILDREN'S BOOK SUGGESTION

The Kissing Hand

https://www.youtube.com/watchv=kXT1ANWka4A