



SEPTEMBER

HEAD START NEWS

Coleman Head Start Newsletter



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FROM THE DESK OF YOUR CDS

By: *Jeamary Garcia*

Welcome to another wonderful Preschool year at Head Start! Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year. We would like to welcome all our returning families, with a special greeting to those families who are joining us here at Head Start for the first time. As we begin the new year during the COVID-19 Pandemic, we would like to assure you we will be doing everything recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) in order to keep your child and our staff healthy. We know we can count on you to be our partner in this effort. Please watch your child and all others in your household for signs and symptoms of illness. If you detect any, please keep your child home. Take your child's temperature often, assure lots of handwashing and practice wearing masks if tolerated. These will be things we will be doing when they join us this year therefore, practicing at home will help them get adjusted to these new routines. Together we will provide a positive and nurturing environment where your children can learn and grow as they explore and discover the world around them. We are partners together in creating a stimulating curriculum that encourages your children to learn and develop at their own pace. I trust we can work together as a team in providing the best learning experience possible for your children and us!

My name is Jeamary Garcia and I am the CDS (Child Development Specialist) for your child's center, please feel free to contact me at any time. I look forward to greeting each of you at the center at arrival/dismissal times. It is great seeing your child's smiling face every day at school, remember that attendance is very important, and we are glad to have your child at school every day. I am looking forward to this school year and am very excited for what it has to bring.

ALL ABOARD FOR PERFECT ATTENDANCE !



CONTACT US!

CDS: Jeamary Garcia - 352-279-2420

Family Advocates:

Migdalia Vega and Robyn Walker

(386) 774-0423 X110, x111

Classroom Phone Extensions

1: x101

2: x102

3: x103

4: x104



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

9/07/20 Holiday

9/18/20 In service



Head Start
Mid Florida Community Services
Early Head Start



FAMILY ADVOCATE CORNER

By: Migdalia Vega and Robyn Walker

Dear Parent,

Remember that a child's attendance is very important. Please call me and let us know when your child is going to be absent and why. If your child is going to be late please call the teachers @ (386) 774-0730.

Thank you, Your Family Advocate

Queridos Padres,

Recuerde que la asistencia es bien importante. Por favor llámeme y déjeme saber si su niño (a) va a estar ausente y la razón. Si su niño (a) va a llegar tarde por favor llame a las maestras al (386) 774-0730.

Gracias, Su Representante de Familias,

Migdalia Vega

(386) 956-3859

A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS

CLASSROOM 1

We'd like to welcome you back to school! We are excited about beginning a new school year with you! In the month of September our class will be learning about what to expect the first few weeks of school. We will be working on transitions, routines, schedule, rules, and getting to know each other. We will provide activities to help students become familiar with the classroom and school. We will be introducing our Second Step Curriculum and sending home the first home link letter which will explain what your child will be learning in class. Thank you for allowing us to work with your child,
Mrs. Keyla ad Ms. Nichole

CLASSROOM 3

In our classroom we started by introducing ourselves to each other. We talked about why we were all wearing face mask, why we needed to wash our hands for 20 sec. and stay 6' apart from each other. We took a tour around the classroom introducing the different areas and the rules that applied to them. We talked a little about what they thought we would be learning in school this year as well as what they would like to learn. We also talked about making friends and how to stay safe. Following the school and classroom rules is one way we stay safe which opened the conversation for our Second Step Lessons.
Ms. Blanca and
Ms. Samantha



CLASSROOM 2

Welcome back! We hope that you all had a great summer and time spent with your family even though the situation we are living. The first day of school will mark one of the most important milestones in your child's life. The skills we practice daily are colors, shapes and to identified their name. The letter of the alphabets. In the month of September, we will be focused on the study of beginning of the year. The children will have a lot of fun discovering the classroom and getting to know the other children. We can't wait for all the fun things we are going to learn! We are excited to meet your children!!
Arelis Acevedo, Linnette Cruz

CLASSROOM 4

We are thrilled to welcome you to our class.! We are eager and excited about all the learning and fun that will happen in our program this year! Because of the Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic, we are all living through some trying times. Please be assured that we at Coleman Head Start take the safety and health of our children very seriously. Because of this, we have implemented protocols and practices, while continuing to have a rich and fun-filled school year experience. We will begin our Studies on

Beginning the Year. Children will learn what names we need to know at school, what we should do if we get sad or scared at school, when things happen at school and who works at school. Thank you so much for entrusting your child to our care

Ms. Margarita/Ms. Adela

HOME LEARNING / FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Please bring in family photos to display in the classroom.

PARENT MEETING MINUTES

Coming Soon

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 by Audrey Penn](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t0wTTPvI7v0#action=share)

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