



JULY

# HEAD START NEWS

Chisholm Head Start & Early Head Start Newsletter



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## FROM THE DESK OF YOUR CDS

*By Jeamary Garcia*

It is hard to believe that this is our last newsletter. Our infant and toddler year is winding down and some of them will be off to preschool classrooms in the fall. Remember, moving up in school is a natural progression for children and most will be very ready to go. Talk often about making new friends, learning new things, growing up, and becoming a “big boy or girl.” Plan to visit your public library and read, read, read to your child over the summer months. We thank you for entrusting your child to us this year. We have enjoyed working with all of the children in our care and watching the growth, development and skill acquisition in all of the boys and girls. Thank you for being your child’s first and most important teacher and working with us on behalf of your child. We thank you for your support throughout the year. We know it has been difficult following the mask policies we have but we greatly appreciate your help with your children in following the rules to keep everyone safe and healthy!!!! Your support is much appreciated. Have a wonderful and safe two weeks off.



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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

July 5th, Closed Happy Independence Day!



Head Start  
Mid Florida Community Services  
Early Head Start

Let's Get  
Connected!



# FAMILY ADVOCATE CORNER

*By: Yasmin Moore*

July, continued to be trying time for all due to the continued presence of COVID-19. Families are encouraged to continue practicing social distance. Wear masks and wash your hands.



## A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS

### CLASSROOM 3

Currently closed for the Summer.

### CLASSROOM 1

A) Read, Read and Rea to your baby.

What Are the Benefits of Reading to your Baby? an infant will not understand everything you are doing or why. But reading aloud to your baby is a wonderful, shared activity you can continue for years to come, and it is important for your baby's brain. Reading aloud: Teaches a baby about communication. introduces concepts such as numbers, letters, colors, and shapes in a fun way builds listening, memory, and vocabulary skills. Lives baby's information about the world around them by the time babies reach their first birthday they will have learned all the sounds needed to speak their native language. The more stories you read aloud, the more words your baby will hear and the better they will be able to talk. Hearing words helps to build a rich network of words in a baby's brain. Kids whose parents talk and read to them often know more words by age 2 than children who have not been read to. And kids who are read to during their early years are more likely to learn to read at the right time.

B). The month of July is a month of celebration. We will be learning about colors around us. We will mix colors. At learning time children will be pointing to the colors that they are wearing. We will count from 1-5. In arts and crafts we will be working on fireworks, finger paint, books related to colors.

### CLASSROOM 4

Currently Closed for the Summer.



## PARENT MEETING MINUTES

No parent meeting minutes this month.

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### THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT

### BEING PREPARED FOR A HURRICANE

1

Writing down your plan will ensure you don't make mistakes when faced with an emergency.

2

Document all of your valuables and possessions with a camera or video camera well before the storm.

3

Gather all vital documents, like passports and medical records, and put them somewhere that you can quickly access.

4

Make planning and preparedness a family affair to ensure everyone knows what to do.

5

It does NOT matter how many hurricanes are forecast for this year. It only takes one storm.

## HOME LEARNING / FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

“Surprise Bag” for our Home Activity, find a bag put five different toys inside, asked the child to get a toy out, ask to feel it, be excited and try to guess what he/she is taking out the bag. Once the toy is your hand talk about it; colors, texture, etc. at the end count how many toys the child got from the bag.



## POLICY COUNCIL UPDATES

June Policy Council met via Zoom today. May's PC Minutes were approved and adopted. Enrollment, attendance, and snack reports were approved. Heidi reviewed the following Program Instructions/Information Memorandums: ACF-IM-HS-21-01; ACF-IM-HS-21-02; ACF-PI-HS-21-04; no approval needed for these items. Policy Council approved the submission of Spring Child Outcome Reports and the 2021 Self-Assessment Report. All Service Area Reports/Center Reports were approved.



## CHILDREN'S BOOK SUGGESTION

A Read Aloud of Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?" by Bill Martin Jr./Eric Carle  
<https://youtu.be/uGfUjJtg2XE>