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# HEAD START NEWS

Brooksville Early Head Start Newsletter



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## FROM THE DESK OF YOUR CDS

By: Zoribel Nevarez

Welcome back to school!!! I'm so excited to be part of your families this school year. I am happy to welcome you to the 2021-22 school year! We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities. Our teachers will be sending twice a month home activities/ learning games, this is an amazing way to connect with home and school. Please reach out to the teachers if you do not received your home activity. We want this year to be the best for our families if you have any concern please feel free to contact me I'm always available to families.

For the safety of everyone we are asking that you please a mask when you com campus if you need just ask any staff member one will provided.



## CONTACT US!

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Half Day for HS/EHS – Wednesday, August 25, 2021 –  
Early Dismissal at 1PM  
No School for EHS – Monday, September 6, 2021 –  
Labor Day Holiday  
Friday, September 24, 2021 – Student Holiday



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Connected!



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# FAMILY ADVOCATE CORNER

*By: Jody Lopez, Celina Degollado*

Welcome Parents and Guardians!

My name is Jody Lopez and I am the Family Advocate for classrooms 807, 809, 812, 902, 904, and 701. Celina Degollado is the Family Advocate for classroom's 806, 811, 901, 903, and 1402. We look forward to meeting and working with you all as we embark into the new school year! If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to visit us in the Family Advocate Office or contact us at 352-247-1115 (Jody Lopez) or 352-573-8126 (Celina Degollado)

Reminders: All Expiration Notices for Immunizations and Physicals have already been sent out for children for the month of September. Please update these documents and submit them to your FA. Also, please update your FA on any Dental or physical appointments you have scheduled.

Lastly, please bring your child to school on time and every day. If your child is absent or going to be late, please notify your FA or teaching staff



## A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS

### CLASSROOM 811

Hello Parents. We are so excited to be back. This month we will be welcoming fall later in the month and finishing up our Ball Study. We had several different colors and different types of balls to explore. Mid-month we will begin the container study. We will have different kinds of containers and sizes. We will be looking at what they are used for, how they open or close. We can't to share with you what we discover during this study. Thank you, Ms. Jacina & Ms. Bre'Ajah

### CLASSROOM 812

In September we will be finishing our study of containers and moving on to learning about balls. We will continue to learn different shaped containers and what we can put inside the containers. As we learn about balls we will be talking about sizes, patterns, and textures that we see and feel on the balls. We will continue to read, sing and dance with the children. Remember closed toed shoes keep our feet safe.

Thank you,

~Miss Niki & Ms. Bridget





## A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS



### CLASSROOM 806

We welcome September along with two new friends, Ariana and Da'Moni, who joined our class. The children have done a fabulous job during the first few weeks of school and are doing beautifully!

This is an exciting month for us, as friendships are developing and our toddlers are engaging and settling into our classroom routines. One of our main goals is to encourage our tots to become independent by allowing them to explore the environment and manipulate objects freely. Materials and activities are positioned around the classroom for the children to choose and give them the freedom of movement to explore!

Please let us know if anything different is happening in your child's life. This information can help us to better respond to your child's individual needs. No piece of information is too small! Anything you would like to tell us; we would like to hear. And if you have questions or concerns about your child, please feel free to call the school's phone number and extension 806. Thank you to all of our families for making this year already such a wonderful experience!!! Ms. Rose & Ms. Norma

### CLASSROOM 807

September is here and we're brushing it into the light. For the first 2 weeks we will continue learning about brushes. We will have brushes of many shapes and sizes for the children to use and explore, we will also talk about what we use brushes for and who uses them. When we move on to learning about light we will encourage the children to use the light table and flashlights. We will talk about what things we can see light through and what things block light. We will also talk about shadows, how we can direct light, and how to use light. We're excited to continue learning with you and your families. Thank you, Miss Suzi & Ms. Sue

### CLASSROOM 809

I am quite happy that the month of September is beginning soon to continue teaching children the importance of shape, colors, the difference between animals and their habitat, as well as what teeth, hands, and feet are used for. Thank you, Ms. Yolanda



## PARENT MEETING MINUTES

Parent Meeting Minutes Tuesday, August 24 at 9AM

- Parents were in Attendance on Zoom
- Meeting and Minutes were done by Jody Lopez (Family Advocate)
- 6 Parents were present
- Introductions were made by Family Advocate, CDS for EHS and HS, and Behavioral Specialist.
- FA spoke and asked if anyone in the meeting would be interested in participating in the parent committee and/or policy Council. Ms. Elizabeth Morales (HS Parent) volunteered to be part of the Policy Council. Members were unable to be voted in due to the fact the interested party needed a quorum of 9 votes.
- Policy Council Reps were voted in: Shanika Figueroa Rodriguez and Kelli Rodriguez
- Parents agreed on having the meeting take place on the 3rd Tuesdays of the Month at 9AM. Zoom will be used in the next meeting.

### Program Reminders:

- Half Day for HS/EHS – Wednesday, August 25, 2021 – Early Dismissal at 1PM
- No School for EHS – Monday. September 6, 2021 – Labor Day
- Friday, September 24, 2021 – Student Holiday
- Program hours for EHS is from 8AM-4PM/HS is from 8AM-2PM Monday through Friday.
- Parent's will be notified if a child's Physical/Immunization is expiring.
- Parent's must complete a Changes to Family Information Form in order to add someone in the pickup list.
- Parent were notified that the program is taking applications for the new 2021-2022 program year. Parent were encouraged to tell others that might benefit from the program. FA also announced that there will be an event called Applications after Dark from 5PM-8PM in the Brooksville Location for those wishing to apply.
- Parents were asked if they had any concerns – parents had no concerns



## CHILDREN'S BOOK SUGGESTION

## HOME LEARNING / FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

The at-home activities have started to be sent home, please keep an eye out!



## POLICY COUNCIL UPDATES

August Policy Council met via Zoom on August 26, 2021. The June meeting minutes were approved. The Budget and Credit Card statements were approved. The Enrollment, Attendance and Snack reports were approved. Heidi Rand reviewed the Program Instructions/Information Memorandums: ACF-IM-HS-21-03 and ACF-IM-HS-21-04, no approvals were needed for these items. All Service Area and Center Reports were approved.



The Kissing Hand By Audrey Penn

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1VPRXJYPPzg>