Chisholm Head Start & Early Head Start Newsletter – November 2022



Message From Your CDS:

Dear valued families, I want to thank you for the preciouses children you share with us daily. I want to also express thank you to the amazing staff members who make the growth in our children happen. In October we celebrated and presented an award to Ms. Maria for five years of dedicated service to our families. Lastly, please welcome Ms. Wilmaida for joining the Chisholm family. Happy and Healthy Thanksgiving.

Want to praise your child's teacher?

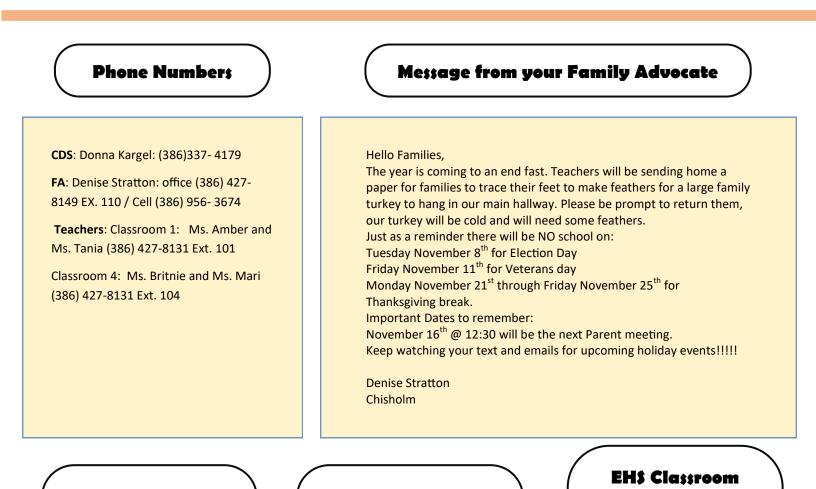
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Upcoming DATES

- 11/8 No School- Election Day
- 11/8 No School- Veteran's Day
- 11/21 to 11/25 No School-Thanksgiving Break
- HS- Early Release 11/2, 11/16 & 11/30
- EHS- Early Release 11/30
- 11/16 Parent Meeting @ 12:30







H\$ Classroom

Head Start Classroom 4:

We can't believe it's November already! These kids are growing in so many ways. Thank you for the opportunity to let us part of it! November is a time to remember what is dearest to us all; a time to remember, we have so much to be thankful for; a time for good friends and family. We will be starting our study on Pets. We will learn about all the different kinds of pets and how we take care of them. We will still be practicing writing and recognizing our names and numbers. We will focus on counting different objects and grouping them based on similar characteristics. In Second Step, we will learn to identify feelings. How can we recognize how we and others are feeling? How can we help ourselves and others to work through feelings or sadness or frustration? We are grateful for all the support you give us and to your child's education. It makes a difference!

Thank you for sharing your children!

Ms. Britnie & Ms. Maria

H\$ Classroom News

Family Activities:

- Sort and count items at home- you can have your kids help sort and count items at home like laundry, silverware, shoes, etc. Discuss how you can sort/group these items by similar characteristics.
- Discuss different types of pets and their habitats. Discuss what you can do to care for these pets.
- For EHS and HS aged children set up a bedtime routine with your child's favorite book. Speak with your child not just about the story but the features of a book (title, illustrator, cover, etc.) and how to handle and turn pages of a book.

Early Head Start Classroom 1:

News

Welcome November! We are finishing up our study on **Rocks**. We will answer the questions; How are rocks the same and different? What can we do with rocks? We will then be moving onto our study on **Balls**. This month we will focus on what we are thankful for. We are thankful for the opportunity you give us every day to watch the children learn and grow.

Thank you for your support!

Ms. Amber & Ms. Tania



Please celebrate Ms. Maria's award of 5 years of service to our families and children at the Mid-Florida Community Services Head Start.



Chisholm Head Start and Early Head Start Spirit Week.





Parent Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2022 Make up for September Storm Chisholm Parent Meeting minutes

- Meeting started at 1:15 pm
- 9 parents in attendance
- Jose Torres spoke on policy council
- Reviewed the attendance policy, discussed the importance of child's attendance.
- Reminded families of student holidays and upcoming events
- Fairytale Parade kids can wear costumes, 10/26/22 @ 12:15
- Collected information of angle tree application.
- What you do matter week 1. Introduced Diane Stauffer as MFCS Behavior Specialist. Reviewed information on the impact of screen time on the of the child's mind.



Making buildings out of boxes.

Policy Council Notes

Meeting Date October 27th, 2022

September Policy Council met via Zoom on October 27, 2022. Quorum was established with (14) policy council reps present.

Voting in new Policy Council members along with the Policy Council Chair. Krystal was nominated as chair, and it was seconded. Krystle accepted it, and it was passed.

Nominations for Vice Chair were made, Brenda was nominated and seconded. Brenda didn't accept the nomination. Another nomination was made, Jose was nominated and seconded, Jose accepted and was selected at the Vice Chair to Policy Council. Secretary nomination was up next, Monique was nominated and it was seconded, passed and she was elected secretary. Last seat is the treasurers, Suzanne was then nominated and it was seconded and passed. Suzanne is the reassures for this Policy Council executive team for this program year.

> Chair – Krystal Vice Chair - Jose Secretary- Monique Treasurer – Suzanne

September minutes were approved. We then spoke about the August Budgets and Credit Card statements. Early Head Start & Head Start grants reviewed and talked through. All in target with the Head Start Budget and Grant. All approved.

Review enrollment and attendance report with Jennifer Fowler. All approved.

Review Meal & Snack reports for August 2022. All approved.

EHS 3 Grant, reviewed and new roles introduced explained to the Policy Council team. EHS 3 Grant was voted on and approved.

Program instruction information memorandums. Tanya Hall began to speak about Child Incident reporting Health and Safety from the Office of Head Start. Updated Policies and Procedures, and spoke about training that took place. Along with new monitoring projects. No votes needed at this time, information purposes only.

Staffing reports, center reports information purposes only, no need to be voted on at this time.

Service area reports, all approved.