Coleman Head Start Newsletter— November 2022



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You can contact us via our website https://www.midfloridaheadstart.com/ or by calling us: 1-888-277-0010

Interim Director of Early Learning Services, Tanya Hall (THall@MFCS.US.com) the Deputy Director of Children's Services, Glynne Pascal (GPascal@MFCS.US.com) Please also feel free to reach out to us should you have concerns about your child(ren)'s program.

From the Desk of: Jeamary Garcia, CDS Language and Literacy

Language and literacy begin in infancy as babies are programmed from birth to communicate. While the development of language is instinctive, it does require attention, repetition and approval from loved ones to flourish.

We surround the children in our classrooms with books, words, music, and the opportunity to hear people engage in conversation. The children are invited to think out loud during large and small group times, and of course, talk to other children and adults throughout the day. Learning to use and love the power of words at this age is the key to reading later in school, so we immerse our children in a language and printrich environment to help them get started.





Message from your Family Advocate Annette Gregory

Hello, we have entered fall and quickly approaching the holiday season. The Holidays can be a stressful time for some, especially financially. Here are some suggestions to enjoy fall with your children and plan for the holiday season.

- 1. Attend a fall festival
- 2. Visit a Pumpkin Patch
- 3. Carve or paint pumpkins
- 4. Bake pumpkin seeds
- 5. Make pumpkin bead
- 6. Make caramel apples
- 7. Make a fall wreath
- 8. Visit a corn maze
- 9. Visit a state park

Take a nature walk and find leaves of different shapes

When it comes to holiday spending...

- 1. Set a budget
- 2. Plan your shopping
- 3. Don't buy it if you can't afford it
- 4. Get creative with gift giving

Remember what the season is all about

Classroom #1

This month we will continue learning about trees. We will learn more about how to care for them, what foods come from trees, how they change and the many benefits and how important they are to humans and our environment.

In Second Step we will continue to talk about identifying our feelings, fair ways to play & asking for help.

We are so thankful to be able to be part of your children's' early education and we cant wait to continue our lessons, expressing ourselves through art & enjoy learning.

Mrs. Keyla & Ms. Jan

Classroom #3

For the month of November, we will continue our study on Trees, some of our investigation is, how do trees change and what can we do with parts of trees.

We will also be talking about Not only do trees produce oxygen and provide habitats for wildlife, we also use certain kinds of trees for food, fuel, and timber. By studying different kinds of trees from around the world, we will see how connected we are.

We thank you very much for engaging with your child and helping them in their morning transition.

Happy Thanksgiving [

Mrs. Blanca, Ms. Adela, Mrs. Roma

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Classroom #1- Ext. 101

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Mrs. Mahlabin.

Classroom #3- Ext 103

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CDS-Ext 111

Upcoming Events:

No Schools

11/8/22-Teacher/Student Holiday 11/11/22-Veteran's Day 11/21-11/25 Thanksgiving Holiday

Parent Meeting:

No parent meeting during the month of November.

Parent Meeting Minutes

Mid Florida Community Services, Incorporated

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Parent Meetina Minutes

October 13th, 2022

Meeting called to order at 11:06am on Teams. Quorum was not present (4 parents)

Discussed ideas for parent activity. Next time be prepared to present more ideas and hopefully event can be voted on. Policy Council Rep. discussed using the What's App for communication between parents as a way to organize activities. This weekend parents are asked that if they are interested they can come on the weekend and put decorations on the front fence for fall. Discussed if parent would be interested in having a fall activity. Ms. Annette spoke about getting a Christmas Sponsor. The parents requested a letter they can take with them to request donations. Children are learning about trees, counting and letters in the classroom. Ms. Annette reminded parents to call if they are going to be late. Ms. Annette present Module 2 of "What you Do Matters", Movement and Motion. CDS asked parents to be sure to close the gate when coming and going from the playground.

Meeting adjourned 12:00pm

Ouote Corner:



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.

Other business and announcements discussed, simply for informational purposes.

Policy Council Member preferences discussed.

Next Policy Council meeting is Thursday, November 17, 2022.