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# **Important Dates:**

**Tuesday 11-8-22** 

**Election Day** 

No School

Friday 11-11-22

Veterans' Day

No School

Parent Meeting: 11/16

@ 10am via Zoom

November 21st —25th

(Monday-Friday)

Thanksgiving vacation





#### From the Desk of Your CDS

#### By, Jennifer Tinstman

Happy November and Happy Thanksgiving to all of our children and families! You are all doing a great job having your children prepared for school each day and we appreciate your efforts in arriving on time and picking up promptly as the school day ends. We are hoping to begin enjoying some cooler days soon so please be sure to check that your child's extra set of clothing is appropriate and send a light sweater or jacket also when needed.

A few quick thoughts on 'play' and its importance for your child's development. . .

It is generally through play that preschool children learn about the world around them. It is very important that we give children time for a variety of play, including dramatic play and make-believe, as well as allowing them creative building, counting, and problem-solving opportunities.

Because young children enjoy play, it becomes a very natural way for them to learn about themselves and about the world we live in. Since, children learn through play, they must be given enough time to do that. When you see your child actively involved in playing at school, you can be assured that they are doing a lot of important learning while enjoying the learning process.

We look forward to sharing another fun month with your children and encourage you to continue to participate in parent meetings and events when you can, including the home activities sent home by your child's teacher. This shows your child that school is very important and that you value it. At this time of the year as we all celebrate Thanksgiving with friends and family, we are reminded of how grateful we are to have you and your children here with us at Head Start and Early Head Start each day and we wish you a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday.



The Fire Truck Visited Us!!



#### **Phone Numbers**

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HS Classroom 1...Ext. #101

Ms. Tyisha, Ms. Jo Jo & Ms. Vicky

HS Classroom 2...Ext. #102

Ms Stephanie & Mr Hector

EHS Classroom #3... Ext.# 103

Ms. Dawn & Ms. Adriana

EHS classroom #4 Ext... #104

#### Message from your Family Advocate

Hello Parents/Guardians

The weather may start to get cold soon and we want to make sure that your child is prepared.

We will still be going outside so please send your child to school with whatever they need to stay warm when out on the playground on those cold days.

Ms Robyn

Please mark your calendar for the next Parent Meeting on 11/16 at 10am via Zoom.

## H\$ Classroom 2

During the month of November, we will begin their study on trees. During this study, students will learn the different ways a tree helps our environment as well as, the various ways trees

We will also engage in Thanksgiving activities as we learn about pilgrims, and Indians and the meaning behind the thanksgiving feast.

impact our daily lives.

Ms Stephanie & Mr Hector

#### EH\$ Classroom 3

What a fun October we had in classroom 3!

We learned about the fall and all the good things that bring with (colors, leaves, pumpkins, squirrel, acorns and so much more). This month of November we will focus our lessons on Thanksgiving and what it means to be thankful. We are going to make some crafts about thanksgiving, read books and learn a thanksgiving song. One big goal is working on with all children independence. Some of the tasks are washing hands, cleaning up and potty training.

Also, this month we are learning about clothes. With the weather changing, make sure your child has a warm clothes to bring in, just in case get cold outside.

To all our students and families, we want to say a big Thank you! It is a pleasure to have you as a part of our classroom!! Ms Adriana & Ms Dawn

### H\$ Classroom 1

There have been a lot of changes in the classroom recently with new teachers Ms. Jojo and Ms. Tyisha joining Ms. Vicky.

The children are learning new routines and a new daily schedule. Ms. Ty is a Florida native, and has two babies of her own; they are 5 months old and 8 years old. She loves crafting. Ms. Jojo is not a Florida native, but was raised here, mostly. She has a 6 year old son. Ms. Vicky was born and raised in Tennessee, and has two children and two grandchildren. We are very excited for the growth and learning that will take place in the classroom this school year.

Ms Jo Jo; Ms Tyisha, and Ms Vicky

#### EH\$ Classroom 4

In classroom 4 this month we will be doing a study on balls. We will learn about the different kinds of balls, and have fun making some paper balls of our own.

We will also have fun exploring leaves and the different shaped leaves. We hope everyone has a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

Ms. Jody and Ms. Nancy

#### **Quote Corner:**



#### **Parent Meeting Minutes**

Parent Meeting was held on Zoom Friday, 10/28/22. There were 10 parents in attendance. The EHS Policy Council Representative discussed the topics of their October meeting, which included not leaving children in the car alone. Parent Committee voted in our Vice President. CDS Discussed What's going on in the classrooms. FA reminded parents about the importance of attendance and picking the children up on time. Also discussed was upcoming Holidays and days off for November

# **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.