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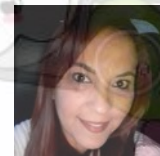
You can contact us via our website <https://www.midfloridaheadstart.com/> or by calling us: 1-888-277-0010

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

## Going to Kindergarten

By Jeamary Garcia

Site Supervisor



It is hard to believe that this is our last newsletter. Our preschool year is winding down and many of our preschoolers will be off to kindergarten in the fall. Remember, going to school is a natural progression for children and most will be very ready to go. To help your child look forward to a new school, be sure to talk positively about attending kindergarten. Talk often about making new friends, learning new things, growing up, and becoming a "big boy or girl." Plan to attend your school's orientation with your child, visit your public library and read, read, read to your child over the summer months. Head Start "transition bags" contain some terrific ideas for learning new things and having big fun.

We thank you for entrusting your child to us this year. We have enjoyed working with all of the children in our care and have seen growth, development and skill acquisition in all of the boys and girls. We have also witnessed how the children have grown in the way they deal with frustration and the care and concern they express for one another.

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 feel a close partnership with our parents and send you our best wishes.

Hoorah for preschoolers!!! We appreciate your support. Have a wonderful and safe summer!



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## Phone Numbers

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Teachers: Mrs. Keyla & Mrs. Jan

**Coleman #3**– Ext. 103

Teachers: Mrs. Blanca, Mrs. Adela & Mrs. MahJabin.

**FA**– Ext. 110

**Site Supervisor**– Ext 423



### Message from your FA: Annette Gregory

Hello parents! May is here and our school year is almost over. The elementary schools have begun their kindergarten registration. Please check with your child's zoned school to find out what day to register. You will need your child's physical and immunizations (I can give those) and two proofs of residency. I am currently scheduling for the paperwork of the children who will be returning next year as well as taking new applications. If you need an appointment please let me know.



## Classroom #1

In the month of May, we will be continuing our insect study. We will continue to learn about insects, identify the different types and how they benefit our environment. We will also study their life cycles as well as each stage. Once we finish this study we will be moving on to our final study for this school year; transitioning to kindergarten. In Second Step we will be focusing on Unit 5: Transitioning to Kindergarten. Thank you for your cooperation and support!

Mrs. Keyla/Ms. Janilette

### Activity: Nature Walk

Invite your child to take a nature walk together. Carefully explore the different insects during your walk. Discuss what you see and ask your child questions. Encourage them to draw a picture.

### Book Suggestions:

The Very Hungry Caterpillar (Eric Carl)

The Very Quiet Cricket (Eric Carl)



## Classroom #3

We are welcoming the new month with excitement, our study will be on Pets, we will be learning that a pet is an animal that people keep for companionship and enjoyment and that most often people keep their pets in their home, but some pets may be kept in a stable or outdoor enclosure depending on the type of animal. After reading and discussing stories, we will sing simple song to help children remember the basics of caring for pets. For example, Sing the song to the tune of Row, Row, Row Your Boat: Love, love, love your pets. Furthermore, it is hard to believe that the school year is almost over. We thank you for entrusting your child to us this year. We have enjoyed working with all of the children in our care, it brings us complete joy to watch your children grow, and learn! We have enjoyed our time with all of the families this year and We thank you for your support throughout the year.

**Mrs. Blanca/ Mrs. Adela**





# End of the Year Poem



You are a very special person  
And you should know,  
How I loved to have you in my care  
How fast the year did go!

Please come back to visit me  
As through the grades you go  
Try hard to learn all that you can  
There's so much to know

One thing I tried to teach you  
To last your whole life through,  
Is to know that you are special  
Just because, you are you!

# **Policy Council Notes**

**Meeting Date April 27th 2023**

April Policy Council met via Zoom on April 27, 2023. Quorum was established with (12) policy council representatives present.

March 2023 Policy Council minutes were approved.

Leadership Team Highlights presented by Tanya Hall, Director of Early Learning Programs. Leadership Team highlighted Lee Ann Vega, Education Manager for Volusia County.

Budget and Credit Card reports reviewed by Tanya Hall. All approved.

Enrollment and attendance report reviewed by Jennifer Fowler, ERSEA Manager. All approved.

Meal & Snack reports for February 2023 reviewed by Seth Williams, Health Services Manager. All approved.

Program Instructions and Information Memorandum from the Office of Head Start. Informational purposes only.

Staff Reports, Change of Scope and service area updates briefed by Tanya Hall.

Parent Activity Funds Request reviewed by Jennifer Fowler. Spring Hill Center, already voted on. Informational purposes.

Next Policy Council meeting is Thursday, May 25, 2023.

## Parent Meeting Minutes

### Mid Florida Community Services, Incorporated

#### Coleman Head Start

Parent Meeting Minutes for April 13, 23

Welcome. Ice breaker of family traditions. Meeting came to order at 11:04 am. 5 parents were present. No Policy Council report was given. April 18<sup>th</sup> will be picture day. No cap and gown pictures will be taken. Ms. Annette is scheduling rollover to complete paperwork for next year. Also, we will have Early Head Start next school year. Ms. Annette will do applications for those also. Kindergarten Roundup will take place April 20<sup>th</sup> at Chisholm Community Center in Deland. Ms. Annette presented What You Do Matters "Making It Routine". Teachers wanted parents to remember to call when children are absent or when coming late. Please be careful when opening the new door. There is less visibility and you cannot see children standing at the door. Kim from the women's club will be bringing by signs and pinwheels for Child Abuse Awareness. *Meeting Adjourned at 11:45.*

### Quote Corner:



ENJOY  
YOUR  
SUMMER  
BREAK!

Happy Summer students, may each of you have a wonderful and safe summer. Take care of yourselves and each other. Parents and guardians thank you for a wonderful year.