



## Want to praise your child's teacher?

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.



## Quote Corner:

"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today."

~Malcom X

## From the Desk of your Site Supervisor:

The safety of your children is always the most important aspect. We are super excited to have your children attending daily in the classrooms here at Mid Florida Community Service, Inc. Head Start/Early Head Start. The education of your child is very important and you ensuring your child's attendance to school daily; helps to prove how important it is to you. Here at Head Start/Early Head Start we thrive on the education of your child and feel it is important that these first years of school for your child are stimulating and happy. Please feel free to discuss any concerns you might have so that we may know your child better and work with him/her more effectively. I especially want to assure families that phone calls to the school are always welcomed. You may call at any time to check on your child, especially if he/she had a difficult time separating from you. Just be aware that the teachers are busy interacting with the children and may not answer the phone right off. Please follow the prompts and leave a message, they will get back to you as soon as they can. Thank you again and welcome to the Head Start/Early Head Start Family. I would like to share that September is "Baby Safety" month.

~Pamela Fernet



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## Phone Numbers

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Classroom 1: Ext. 301

Classroom 2: Ext. 302

Classroom 3: Ext. 303



## Message for Families

Dear Families:

Special thanks to all of our families, for giving us the privilege to serve and to guide you; you are truly our inspiration for making the difference on your child's life by providing the opportunity of early learning development by setting the foundations for your child's success in the future. I would like to invite you to share your goals, needs, concerns and any other special situation that you may have, we are here to support and assist you through the school year. Our mission is to make sure that you as families, can also learn, improve and achieve your goals, because you are as important as your child is to us, in DeLand Head Start/Early Head Start

## Classroom #1 New

Welcome parents to our new school year 2023-2024. We are eager to have your child in our class. We are going to have lots of fun together, and also learning something new about each other every day. We are going to sing, dance, and free play with our friends. We will use the Creative Curriculum for Infants and Toddlers. The theme for this month is Clothes. The kids will learn about the names of the clothes, how they wear it daily and the difference between it being clean and dirty. Thank you parents for allowing your child to be apart of our amazing journey. We have so much in store for them!

Classroom 2 Teachers: Ms. Raiza Ms. Ryesha

## Classroom#2 New

Welcome parents to the school year 2023-2024 we are happy to have your children with us. We are going to be having lots of fun while learning about ourselves, how we are growing each day, also we will be singing songs and dancing with our friends. We will be discovering and playing with the toys in an imaginative way. We will be learning on how to follow rules in the classroom and be a friend. We use The Creative Curriculum for Twos. The theme for this week and the following 3 more weeks is Clothes. They will be learning about the names of the clothes they put on daily and in what color, materials and patterns they can come in. What we do with clothes when they become dirty and what clothes people use to go to work. Thank you parents for having your children with us in this adventure of growing up.

Your teachers this year are Ms. Maria and Ms. Dishenda



## Classroom #3 News

Welcome Families! We are so excited for the 2023-2024 school year! This month we will be concentrating on getting to know each other and our classroom rules and routines. Our study this month is called **The Beginning of the School Year**. It focuses on getting to know each center in the classroom, along with the materials and how we can use them correctly. In Second Step/Pyramid we will familiarize the children with classroom expectations, making new friends and creating a strong teacher-child relationship. Communication is a key factor in building a solid parent-teacher relationship and ultimate success in a child's academic journey. Our door is always open and we look forward to a fantastic school year.

Thank you for your support and sharing your children with us!

Ms. Britnie & Mr. Hector

## Parent Meeting Minutes

### Deland Parent Connect

Meeting took place on 8/22/23 at 2:00.

Introductions of staff were conducted; the Center Supervisor Pam provided business cards to the parents.

Packets containing the following documents and forms were provided to each parent who attended our first parent connect meeting. Parent handbook, volunteering in the classroom form, and dental form. Also information regarding being part of the Parent Committee and Policy Council.

Brightwheel: that is discussed in the Parent Handbook will not be used this year.

Ericka Torres: was elected at the Committee chairperson. We are still in need of a Vice Chairperson and Secretary. As well as a Policy Council representative, that will represent Deland center at once a month meetings. Please contact Family Advocate Anna Triplett if you would like to volunteer.

Parent meetings will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month.



## E-book Suggestion:

Link for book :

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=paw2RGSdwG0&pp=ygUaYnJvd24gYmVhciB3aGF0IGRvIHlvdSBzZWU%3D>

## Mark Your Calendar:

Sept/4– Labor Day Holiday

Sept/11- Memorial Day

Sept/22- In-Service/ Student Holiday

Sept/6th, 13th, 20th, & 27th —Early Release Days

# Policy Council Notes

**Meeting Date August 24th, 2023**

August Policy Council met via Zoom on August 24, 2023. Quorum was established with (9) policy council representatives present.

June 2023 Policy Council minutes were approved.

Welcome and Introductions presented by Tanya Hall, Director of Early Learning Programs. Michelle Hann, Education Manager for Hernando and Sumter County was introduced.

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 May & June 2023 reviewed by Seth Williams, Program Manager. All approved.

Information Memorandum reviewed by Tanya Hall. All approved.

Policies and Producers reviewed by Tanya Hall. All approved.

Staffing Reports & Acceptance of Service Area Reports reviewed by Tanya Hall.

Next Policy Council meeting is Thursday, September 28, 2023.