



A Note from your Site Supervisor

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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.

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! We would like to welcome our returning families this year and give a special greeting to all of those new families who are joining us here at Head Start & Early Head Start for the first time! All of the staff here look forward to a sharing a wonderful year with you and your little ones.

My name is Jennifer Tinstman, and I am the Site Supervisor at your center. Please feel free to contact me, at (386) 235-4480, or jtinstman@mfcs.us.com with questions or concerns at any time. I look forward to meeting each of you soon, if we have not met already at drop off or pick up at the center.

Working together with you, we can all build a positive and nurturing environment where your children will learn and grow as they discover the world around them. I thank you in advance for your help in working with us to provide the best learning experience possible for the children.

We know it will be a fun school year and are very excited for all that it has to offer!



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H5 Classroom 1...Ext. #101

H5 Classroom 2...Ext. #102

EHS Classroom #3... Ext.# 103

Message from your Family Advocate

We are happy to welcome you to the 2023-2024 school year at Oak Ridge Head Start/Early Head Start. We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in our school our children need support from both home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. Thank you to all of our families for giving us the privilege to serve and to guide your families. You are truly our inspiration for making the difference in 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 situations that you may have. We are here to support and assist you throughout the school year. Our work is to make sure that you can also learn, improve and achieve your goals, because you are as important as your child is to us at Oak Ridge Head Start/Early Head Start

H5 Classroom 1

Wow, what a wonderful month we had. Full of learning and fun! The month of September will be even better! We will continue learning about clothing, colors and name recognition. We will also continue to reinforce children to use language and social emotional skills to communicate with each other. The children are learning to recognize their feelings and emotions, through modeling.

We would also like to make a special request for the parents to arrive by 8:00am and come pick up children by 2:00 pm. This way your child will not be left out of our daily activities. We also encourage parents to check your child's cubby daily.

We are very happy to be part of this important stage in the lives of our little ones. Thank you for your trust and support! Ms. Zhane and Ms. Adriana

H5 Classroom 2

Welcome! Welcome! Welcome to classroom #2. We will be "Wild About Learning"! We would like to thank you for entrusting us with your child with us. They have transitioned from home to school with ease. They are making new friends and most of all becoming comfortable with our school environment. They are learning the various areas in the class along with learning our daily schedule and class rules. Your child will have lots of learning opportunities as we open up with our various studies from our Teaching Strategies Curriculum, along with learning about Social-Emotional skills. We will also introduce our Grow it, Try it, Like it curriculum to encourage healthy eating. We will learn & have lots of fun!!!

We are excited that you have allowed us to be a part of your child's educational journey. Always know that our doors are always open for any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to talk to us so that we can make a plan that everyone is at ease with. Again, we say Welcome, Welcome, Welcome!

Always remember You are your child's first teacher!!

Mrs. Stephanie/Mrs. Rosa

EH\$ Classroom 3

Dear Parents,

We would like to thank you for letting your child be a part of our classroom for the 23-24 School year.

We will be working on communication , sharing and taking turn. Our theme for the month of September is clothes.

Thank You!

Ms. Dawn / Mrs. Jessica

EH\$ Classroom 4

Welcome to Classroom #4!
We had a great first month. We have been doing a study on clothing this month. We have had a lot of fun learning about the different types of clothes.

Next month we will be learning about shoes. We will also be doing some Fall crafts We are looking forward to many more adventures.

Thank you,

Ms. Jody and Ms. Brooke

Quote Corner:

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A new school year means new beginnings, new adventures, new friendships, and new challenges. The slate is clean and anything can happen.”

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Parents

Parent Meeting Minutes

The parent meeting was held on Tuesday, August 29, 2023 at 9:00 am. There were 15 parents in attendance on Zoom. The Family Advocate and The site supervisor greeted the parents. The Site Supervisor discussed what was going on in the classrooms. Officers were discussed, some were selected but more discussion is needed. Parent meeting date and time set for the year. It will be the Second Tuesday of each month at 9:00 am. The next parent meeting will be on Tuesday September 12, 2023 at 9:00 am.

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 Taya 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.