



Coleman Head Start Newsletter

March, 2018

By Jennifer Fowler , CDS

Can't believe March is already upon us. It seems like the months are flying by much too quickly. February was a flash and I am sure summer will be here in the blink of an eye. We had lots of exciting events that occurred in February and have much more to come in March. We are delighted with the progress of all our children at this point of the school year. All have totally excelled in all their preschool activities. Our staff feels so fortunate to have such delightful, bright and beautiful children. We also appreciate all of our parents' efforts in our behalf. Your participation and communication makes our job so much easier. March presents another fun filled and busy month in our center. We will continue to fill the student's days with a combination of fun activities, educational games and

many other events. We want to thank all parents for cooperating with the Teachers to get the home visits completed.

Don't forget Daylight Savings Time starts on March 11, 2018. Set those clocks ahead one hour.

Come in to Volunteer in Your Child's Classroom!!



Family Advocate News

By Migdalia Vega

Dear

parent,

THANK
YOU!

for participating at the parents' meeting!

A lot of your children 6 months dental checks are due now. Therefore, please make the appointment, let me know the appointment date and make sure to take the Dental Verification form that I gave you so the dentist can fill it out and bring it back to me. I take a copy and you keep the original.

Congratulations!

to: Viviana Sierra for winning the fashionable Cool Visor hat and to Shaddaylee Rosado for winning Disney book.

Let me share with you the four "C's" of Loan Decision Making:

What are the Four Cs?

Lenders generally review the Four Cs to decide whether to make a loan to you. The Four Cs are: capacity, capital, character, and collateral.

- Capacity refers to your present and future ability to meet your payment obligations. This includes whether you have enough income to pay your bills and other debts.
- Capital refers to the value of your assets and your net worth.
- Character refers to how you have paid bills or debts in the past. Your credit report is one tool lenders use to consider your willingness to repay your debts.

Collateral refers to property or assets offered to secure the loan.

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Please, feel free to ask more about financial tips. If you would like to have more information on a specific topic, let me know and I will share information for all of you.

Queridos Padres,

Gracias

por participar en la reunión de padres!

Muchos de sus hijos tienen 6 meses de exámenes dentales vencidos ahora. Por lo tanto, haga la cita, hágame

saber la fecha de la cita y asegúrese de llevar el formulario de verificación dental que le di para que el dentista pueda completarlo y traerlo de vuelta a mí. Yo me quedo con una copia y usted con la original.



a: Viviana Sierra por ser la ganadora del sombrero de visera y a Shaddaylee Rosado por ser la ganadora del libro de Disney.

Permítanme compartir con ustedes las cuatro "C" de la toma de decisiones sobre préstamos:



¿Cuáles son las cuatro C?

Los prestamistas generalmente revisan las Cuatro C para decidir si le hacen un préstamo. Las cuatro "C" Cs son: capacidad, capital, carácter y colateral.

- Capacidad se refiere a su capacidad presente y futura para cumplir con sus obligaciones de pago. Esto incluye si tiene suficientes ingresos para pagar sus cuentas y otras deudas.
- Capital se refiere al valor de sus activos y su patrimonio neto.
- Carácter se refiere a cómo ha pagado cuentas o deudas en el pasado. Su informe de crédito es un cobro que utilizan los prestamistas para considerar su disposición a pagar sus deudas.
- Colateral se refiere a la propiedad o los activos ofrecidos para asegurar el préstamo.

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Por favor, siéntase libre de preguntar más sobre consejos financieros. Si desea obtener más información sobre un tema específico, hágamelo saber y compartiré información para todos ustedes.

Policy Council UPDATE

The February Policy Council Meeting was held on Thursday, Feb. 22nd at Mid Florida Head Start/Early Head Start Administrative Offices in Hernando and Volusia Counties via video conference. Fourteen policy council members were present. Twelve staff members were present.

The attendance rate of several classrooms fell below 85% last month. The primary reason for absences was illness.

The following reports were approved:

Budget, Credit Cards, Enrollment/ Attendance, Meals and Snacks, Service Areas and Centers. Parent Activity requests for EVEC and Jo Sheppard were approved. New hires for the following positions were approved: One substitute teacher - Hernando ; Three substitute teachers - Volusia; One Early Head Start Teacher at Malloy - Volusia; One Early Head Start Teacher at Oakridge-Volusia. The submission of an Early Head Start grant application in the amount of \$154,612 was approved.

Denise Thompson, Disabilities Services Coordinator, made a presentation about Disabilities Services provided by the Head Start/Early Head Start program. She explained how the program helps children prepare for school by conducting developmental screenings (if consented by parents), providing referrals for additional evaluations and individualization.

The program is set to expand soon with the opening of one more Early Head Start classroom at the Malloy center and one more at the Hernando center. The program's recent proposal to provide child care services at Hope Place, a transitional hous-

ing community in Volusia, has been accepted and negotiations to initiate the services are in process. The program will open classrooms at this location in the near future.

The annual audit for the agency has been completed. The audit resulted in no findings. The federal review visit was conducted during the week of Feb. 12th. We are awaiting information as to the outcome of the visit.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 22nd at 10am and will be conducted via video conference. Members will meet in the conference room at the administrative office in their county.



**Mid Florida Community Services,
Coleman, Head Start
Parent Meeting Minutes
2/27/18**

1. Parent Committee Vice Chair:

- ♦ Get to know each other game: Human Bingo
- ♦ Pledge of Allegiance
- ♦ February parent's meeting minutes in March's Newsletter

2. New Business

- ♦ Policy Council Report - Sheila Ramos - Security doors will be install. Parents will have a code to get in.

3. Important Dates:

- ♦ Parent Activity tomorrow Wednesday 02/28/18 @ 11:00am. in the portable (How to prepare quick & inexpensive meals) with Jill Taufer RDN from Public Health Nutritionist/Community Health Florida Department of Health in Volusia County.
- ♦ Spring Fling Thursday 03/08/18 @ 10:30am.
- ♦ Spring Break from Friday 03/09/18 - Friday 03/16/18. Classes resume Monday 03/19/18.
- ♦ Next Parent Meeting: Tuesday 03/27/18 @ 2:15pm.
- ♦ It's a Health Thing! Farmers Market Wednesday 04/18/18 in the morning.

4. Service Area Reports:

- ♦ CDS - Jennifer Fowler - On vacation
- ♦ Teachers: Are teaching the children about the Second Step program, social skills, construction, names and shapes.
- ♦ Family Advocate (Migdalia Vega): Money Smart Tip. A lot of your children 6 months dental checks are due now. Therefore, please make the appointment; let me know the appointment date and make sure to take the Dental Verification form that I gave you so the dentist can fill it out and bring it back to me. I take a copy and you keep the original.

5. Guest Speaker: Juan Colón, Behavior Specialist Workshop on: Upbringing & Culture

6. Announcements / Questions / Comments

7. Migdalia (FA) raffled a fashionable Cool Visor hat Viviana Sierra and a

Disney Book Shaddaylee Rosado

- ♦ 15 parents attended
- ♦ Meeting adjourned at 3:25pm.



- ☺ **March 9— No school**
- ☺ **March 12-16— Spring Break**
- ☺ **March 19—Class Resume**
- March 27—Parent Meeting**



Inside Story of Classroom 1

By. Mrs. Keyla Rivera & Ms. Nichole Means

In the month of March our class will be learning about the following themes: Hats on My Head, USDA Nutrition Lesson Peach Tree, Shades of Blue and Green, and Watch my Garden Grow. Students will be engaged in activities related to the themes, gardening, and learning about the life cycle of a plant. In Second

Step we will be learning about Saying the Problem, Thinking of Solutions, and Speaking Assertively. Spring Break will begin Friday, March 9th returning on Monday March 19th. Please continue to read to your child, and practice at home skills we are working on in class (name writing, letter identifi-

cation, counting, and number recognition. Thank you families for all that you do!

Inside Story of Classroom 2

By. Mrs. Mabel & Ms. Katie

Dear parents: The past month we are working on the construction subject. Some activities are make homemade playdoh, make your house or school at

of cardboard, and make a pet's house. The purpose is not only to encourage creativity but to also promote values, working with colors, shapes and team work. Thank you all for your continuous support.

Inside Story of Classroom 3

By. Mrs. Rivas & Ms. Milena

February was a month full of surprises. We studied the Spinach as a vegetable. We made a Spinach Salad, planted Spinach seeds, and compare the Spinach with other kinds of foods, etc. Also, we celebrated the "Friendship Day" in which the students shared some own made cards with their friends. At the same time, we continue studying the

letters, numbers, shapes, sizes, Second Step, and having so much fun learning important skills for each child development. Next Month, we will start with the Spring theme. Remember that you are always welcome to help in the process of learning of your child.



Inside Story of Classroom 4

By. Mrs. Blanca Maldonado & Ms. Margarita Montes

In the month of February children learned about country life and city life. We also learned about the Spinach and how food is processed on the farm and shipped to local supermarkets. We review shapes and sizes concepts. We talked about our Body and clothing as weather changes

In the coming month of March we will:

- * Celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday by reading and partaking in silly activities
- * Learning about peaches
- * We will learn about the different ways we move.

