



EVEC May Newsletter

The Parent Meeting is May 21 at 2:15 pm

From the Desk of Crystal Hill, CDS

Early Release:

- *May 16
- *May 23
- *May 30

No School :

- *May 28 Memorial Day

Kindergarten Trip:

May 8 & 9

Kindergarten Transition Meeting:

- *May 24 @ 2:15pm

Parent Meeting:

- * May 21 @ 2:15

Family Involvement:

- *May 21 @ 1:30

Policy Council Meeting:

- *May 24 @ 10am

Library :

- *May 4 Class 1,2,4
- *May 11 Class 3,5

Last Day Of school:

- *May 30

Summer VPK Start:

- *June 4

Going to Kindergarten

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!



♥ Welcome to Kindergarten

FAMILY ADVOCATE'S CORNER

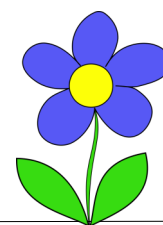
The school year is quickly coming to an end. Can you believe summer is almost here? For some of you this will be a new beginning as your child transitions to kindergarten. Please remember to attend Registration and Orientation at your child's zoned school. Always ask questions when you have concerns. To help relieve anxiety A Guide for Parents about Kindergarten Student Expectations is available with lots of helpful information. Please be reminded that Applications are being taken at this time. To the families who are returning contact your Family Advocate @ 386-323-7114 or 386-323-7115 to have appointment scheduled for enrollment. Parents who are interested in VPK for the summer or during the school year 2018- 2019 you can start applying for your vouchers. Thank you for your involvement and helping to make a difference this year,

we look forward to your support in the future. Enjoy your summer.



CLASSROOM #1: THE SUPER HEROES

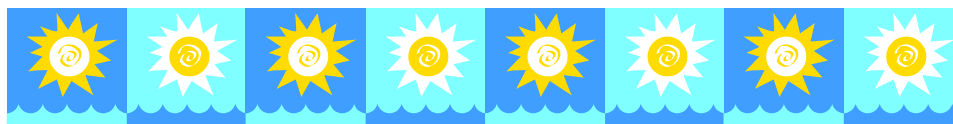
Greetings parents. The year has almost come to an end, and we are beyond pleased with the accomplishments that your little ones have made have, most of them are writing, recognizing and spelling sight words, writing and reading short sentences and writing addition and subtraction problems and know that they will do an awesome job in Kindergarten. We will continue working hard to make sure they are prepared for Kindergarten socially and emotionally as well as academically. We thank you for all of your patience and most definitely for your support as we all know, it takes team work to be effective. Thank you Ms. Kenya and Mrs. Lorri.



CLASSROOM #2: INSIDE OUT

For the month of May our theme is ready for kindergarten, our class will be reviewing our ABC's, counting and reviewing shapes. They will be reviewing shapes, colors, numbers, and alphabets; we also will be reviewing the spelling of our names. Each week please feel free to help your child with writing their name and letter sounds. Ms. Danna and I are encouraging parents to continue to read to your children daily and practice writing their names and reviewing numbers and letter sounds. We would also like parents to make sure that you have registered your child for kindergarten, if your child is attending. We also would like to make sure if your child is coming back to Head Start that you talk to your FA.. We also like to thank our parents for your continue corporation and your support and help with your child, thank you and enjoy your summer!

Ms. Kathryn & Ms. Danna



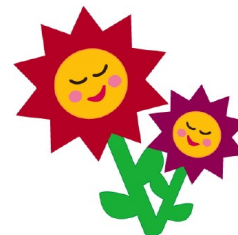
CLASSROOM #3: THE SHINING STARS

What a GREAT year! Each of your children has brought such joy and happiness to our classroom. We were so fortunate to have such a wonderful group of children this year. They all have touched our life in very positive and rewarding ways.

This month we are going to be learning about Growing and Changing. And each week we will also be learning new letters, review the numbers and continue working on fine motor skills, and Second Step Curriculum. We are so proud of the progress our children have been making during the school year, the majority of our class are recognize the letters/sound, colors, shapes, numbers and their names. They are doing a excellent job! We appreciate your help and participation in our school activities during this year.

Thank you !

Mrs. Ada & Mrs. Briget



CLASSROOM #4 UNDER THE SEA

In May, our learning themes will be sports/exercise, creative expression, and let's make music. We will be learning about kindergarten in our second step program, including learning and riding the bus. We will have a few things coming up to help with the transition to kindergarten, such as a field trip to tour an elementary school on May 9 as well as transition to kindergarten meeting on May 24. We appreciate all your help and support in making this a successful Pre-k school year with your child. It was an honor to be their teacher and a joy to see their progress.

Thank you,

Ms. Amanda & Ms. Mary



CLASSROOM #5: JUNGLE BUDDIES

We are so excited for all the progress we have seen in each child! It is almost the end of a school year and we cannot believe how fast time flies. The month of May we are going to kindergarten field trip. This field trip will help our children for their transition next year. Our children will experience in this field trip what are they going to see in the classrooms and how they will go from one classroom to the other. Also they will eat lunch at the cafeteria. We are going on Tuesday May 8th from 10am to 1:00pm.

We are working with: number recognition, the most number and the least, Sight words, all sounds of letters, and their writing skills. Keep doing the homework and coming to parent meeting, especially the last transition meeting for our kindergarten children. Any concerns please contact us, we are here to help our families. We love you all!!!

Policy Council update for April 2018

Policy Council Update – April 2018

The April Policy Council Meeting was held on Thursday, April 26th at Lake Sumter State College in Leesburg, FL. Twelve policy council members were present. Eight staff members were present.

The following **reports were approved:** *Budget, Credit Cards, Meals and Snacks, Service Areas and Centers. Details of the approved Enrollment/Attendance Report included the following:* Four Head Start classrooms in Hernando/Sumter County and six Head Start classrooms in Volusia County were reported to have fallen below the 85% average daily attendance. The main reasons for the absences were illness and out of town travel. Two Early Head Start classrooms in Volusia County fell below the average due to sickness.

New hires for the following positions were approved: Hernando: Early Head Start Teacher in Brooksville, 2 Head Start Teachers in Spring Hill and a Part-time Early Head Start Teacher in Brooksville. Volusia: Substitute Teacher (countywide), Early Head Start Teacher at Oakridge, Head Start teacher and Center Aide for WVEC, Early Head Start and Extended Day Teacher.

Director of Early Learning Programs - Heidi Rand, presented the **Self-Assessment update**. The summary participant information included the following: former Head Start staff, current Head Start staff, Board member, Policy Council members, community partners/volunteers and Head Start/Early Head Start parents/guardians. The self-assessment areas included Fiscal, Health, Disabilities, Education and Early Childhood Development Services and ERSEA. Strengths and action items have been determined for each area. A strength of our Fiscal Management area is a regular review of budget. In regards to Health Services, clarifying exclusion procedures and locating a provider for dental treatment are the action items. Disabilities Services strengths are as follows: timely developmental screenings, advocacy for parents of children with disabilities and meeting the required 10% enrollment. The action items for Education and Early Child Development Services are to formalize dual language learner support and repair/replace playground equipment. In regards to

PARENT MEETING MINUTES

Minutes

Meeting called to order by Evelina Graham at 2:15

Classroom 5 Performance – “Ants Go Marching One by One”

Speaker – Pedro Dash (Financial Aid Advisor)

“Having a budget it is the most important. Only about 6 out of every 100 people have a budget. It is important to make use of your time and better yourself, because your children will follow what you do. Their company works with families in need, but most companies only work with families with over 400K dollar budget.”

Chairperson Evelina Graham

Fall VPK 2018: remember to get your vouchers for ELC

Applications for new school year has started

Visit to Keech St. Library – Classroom May 4 and 11

Transition Meeting – All Kindergarten Parents – May 24th at 2:15 – Kindergarten teacher will be there

Kindergarten Field Trip – May 8 and 9

Closed Monday May 28th – Memorial Day

Last Day for Students May 30th

Summer VPK starts: June 4

Reminder regular attendance is very important

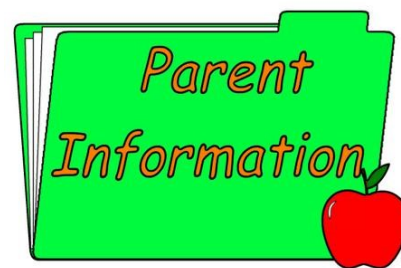
Unless your child is in extended day pick up is at 2:00

Early Release is on Wednesday May 16, 23, and 30th at 1:00

Try to update all personal information (phone number, new address, pick up list)

Next parent meeting – May 21

Meeting adjourned at 2:45



Perfect Attendance for April

Classroom 1

Ashton Foster
Ze'Onna Lyons

Classroom 2

Taliayh Walker

Classroom 3

Jonas Paschal
Wy'Necia Norwood
Patrick Bishop
K'Lynn Reed

Classroom 4

Ivy Gervin

Classroom 5

Ra'mya Hardy
Sh'Rhia Owens
Amarion Palmer
Charles Paschal
Kelvin Pride
Trinity Walker
Ma'Rhiya Williams

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Attendance!