



Head Start Newsletter

August / September 2018

WVEC

Welcome to another wonderful Preschool year at Head Start!

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year. We hope you had wonderful restful and rejuvenating summer break. We would like to welcome all of our returning families, with a special greeting to those families who are joining us here at Head Start for the first time. Together we'll provide a positive and nurturing environment where your children can learn and grow as they explore and discover the world



around them. We are partners together in creating a stimulating curriculum that encourages your children to learn and develop at their own pace. I trust we can work together as a team in providing the best learning experience possible for your children and us!

My name is Pamela Fernet and I am the CDS (Child Development Specialist) for your child's center, please feel free to contact me at any time. I look forward to greeting each of you at the center at arrival/dismissal times or during parent meetings. It is great seeing your child's smiling face every day at school, remember that attendance is very important and we are glad to have your child at school every day. I am looking forward to this school year and am very excited for what it has to bring.

Kindergarten! ... here I come!



Gracias
Padres





- Early Release Days: Wednesday @ 1:00 pm / Días de Salida Temprano: Miércoles @ 1:00 pm
- Parent Meeting / Junta de Padres September 6 2:15
- ♦ Next Parent Meeting October 10/ Proxima Junta de Padres es el 10 de Octubre a la 1:10 p.m.

Dear Parents:

Remember that your child's attendance to the school makes a great difference in its academic performance; bring it on time.

Recueden que la asistencia de su niño a la escuela, marca una gran diferencia en su rendimiento académico; tráigalo a tiempo.



Classroom #1 Ms. Yomara and Ms. Aida
Salón #1 Ms. Kristin y Ms. Aida

Welcome to Our School

During the month of August we welcome the students into our class- room. Our

first home activity was send home and the children make a family tree with pictures. The children created the classroom rule and they also choose their classroom job. The teacher introduces to the children one of the shapes; circle. We also work with the classroom management and there Social Emotional Development. We ask the parents to enjoy us in this new school year full of new emotions and a new journey for your children



Classroom #2 Ms. Agustina and Povidencia
Salón #2 Ms. Morgan y Ms. Maria Eva

Dear Parents:

Classroom 2

Welcome to our school year, is a pleasure to work with your child and families. Please make sure to look into the information we are sending home, read it and in some cases practice with your child. Make sure your child have an extra set of clothes, just in case. Also make sure your child has a blanket for nap time.



Dear parents we have done some of the Home Visits, and it is important that we meet, unfortunately, this year started with a lot of excitement, and it has been difficult to coordinate the missing Home Visits. Please I will appreciate your help immensely. When possible I will visit your home, but if not we will talk in the phone in the afternoon.

Have a wonderful month

Agustina Echeverria and Providencia Nieves

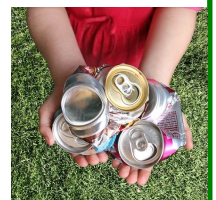


Teachers

September Announcement:

On September 20th, we going to have Art on the Grow visit both classroom at WVEC.

We still working on listening, follow directions, social skills, shapes and help one to each other.



Welcome to this new school year 2018-2019. I am very happy to be working this year at this center and to be your family advocate. I hope that this year we can work in harmony and be able to carry out each of the activities that we have for you. Please remember to bring your children every day and arrive early at 8:00 am , so your child do not miss out on the routine and the curriculum. It is very important to arrive on time. Thank you again and I am here always to help you.

Our Next Parent Meeting is Wednesday, October 10th
@ 1:10 pm.



Bienvenidos a este nuevo año escolar 2017-2018. Estoy muy feliz de poder estar trabajando este año en este centro y de ser su representante de familia. Espero que este año podamos trabajar en armonía y poder llevar a cabo cada una de las actividades que tenemos para ustedes. Por favor recuerden traer a sus niños todos los días y llegar temprano a las 8:00 am para que no se pierdan de la rutina y del currículo de clases. Es muy importante llegar a tiempo. Nuevamente gracias, y estoy para ayudarles siempre.

Nuestro proxima Junta de padres es el miercoles , 10 de Octubre @ 1:10 pm.



Policy Council

Update - August 2018

The August Policy Council Meeting was held on Thursday, August 23rd. Members participated via video conference from the administrative office in their county. Six policy council members were present. Eight staff members were present. Policy Council members who could not attend the meeting were contacted to obtain their approval or disapproval on voting items.

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:* The average daily attendance of nine Early Head Start classrooms in Volusia County was below 85% in July 2018 due to family travel or illness.

Heidi Rand, Director of Early Learning Programs, advised the Policy Council members that our agency will return any unused Early Head Start **grant funds** for the current program year to the federal government. The unused funds were originally identified for expenses related to opening Early Head Start classrooms. Several unavoidable factors temporarily delayed the opening of these classrooms. The classrooms are expected to be opened in 2018-19. The return of the funds will not affect the amount of our Early Head Start grant award for the next program year.

New hires for the following positions in Volusia County were approved: 3 Family Advocates, 1 Community Outreach Coordinator, 4 Early Head Start teachers and 1 substitute teacher.

New hires for the following positions in Hernando/Sumter Counties were approved: 1 Family Advocate, 1 Early Head Start teacher, 1 Head Start teacher and 1 part time Extended Day teacher.

Policy council members were asked to encourage parents at their sites to consider **Policy Council participation**. A special request for Policy Council members to help recruit more children and families was also made.

The **next Policy Council meeting** is scheduled for 9:30am on Thursday, September 27th at Lake Sumter College in Leesburg.





Welcome Kids and parents