



# November 2018

*Here's to another wonderful year at Indian River Blended Pre-K!*

Thank you to all of our parent volunteers this last month during our field trip and fall activities!!! Our families came out and were really involved with the children!

We have a couple of holidays this month, so please mark your calendars.

I would also like to invite our families to our luncheon on November 13th . A flyer was sent home in your child's folder with more information as well as the RSVP form if you would like to order lunch.

We will be holding Parent Conferences in the classroom, at the end of each day. So please, schedule your conference, if you have not already done so.

Please feel free to contact one of us at any time.

Head Start Cellphone 386-681-7618

Indian River Elementary 386-424-2650

## Important Dates

November 12 - Veterans Day Holiday

November 13 - Family Luncheon

November 19-23 - Thanksgiving Holiday (classes resume on 11/26)

## **From the Desk of the CDS**

It has been wonderful getting to know all of your children's smiling faces this last month. Wow, I can't believe a month has gone by already! The Thanksgiving holiday is upon us and I am feeling thankful for

the cooler weather, dedicated staff, and joyful children to spend our days with. Teachers will be starting to hold parent conferences this month so please work with your child's teacher to find a time and date that works for both of you. Keep an eye on the calendar as there several days this month that we will not be having school and enjoy the extra time with your families. 😊

## Policy Council Update – October 2018

The **October Policy Council Meeting** was held on Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at Lake Sumter State College in Leesburg. Seventeen policy council members were present. Seven staff members were present. Two community representatives were present.

The following 2018 -19 Policy Council officers were elected: Chairman – Angela Salazar from Woodward Blended Head Start classroom, Vice Chairman – James Norton from Malloy Head Start classroom and Secretary – Felicia Morrison from Port Orange Head Start.

The following documents **were approved**: *Budget Report, Credit Card Report, Meals and Snacks Report, Service Area Reports, Center Reports and a Behavior Plan.*

*The Enrollment/Attendance Report showed 17 Head Start classrooms and 8 Early Head Start classrooms with an average daily attendance below 85% in September.*

Policy council members approved a 25% limit (of the total activity cost) for the cost of food for Parent Engagement activities.

Six **new hires** were approved for Volusia County sites.

Three **new hires** were approved for Hernando County sites.

The **next Policy Council meeting** is scheduled for 10:00am on Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> via video conference. Policy Council members will meet at the Mid Florida Administrative office in their county.