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HEAD START NEWS

WVEC Head Start Newsletter



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FROM THE DESK OF YOUR CDS

By: Pam Fernet

We know it has been a hard decision to decide what you wanted for education for your children this year, brick/mortar or virtual. The safety of your children is always the most important aspect. We are super excited to have your children attending daily whether it is in the classroom or you are joining us virtually here at Mid Florida Community Services, Inc. Head Start. The education of your child is very important. You ensuring your child's attendance to school daily, helps to prove how important it is to you. Here at Head Start we thrive on the education of your child and feel it is important that these first years of school for your child are stimulating and happy. Please feel free to discuss any concerns you might have so that we may know your child better and work with him/her more effectively. I especially want to assure families that phone calls to the school are always welcomed. You may call at any time to check on your child, especially if he/she had a difficult time separating from you. Just be aware, that the teachers are busy interacting with the children and may not answer the phone right off. Please follow the prompts and leave a message, they will get back to you as soon as they can. Thank you again and welcome to the Head Start Family. I will also be starting to do perfect attendance certificates for those children that are here every day.



CONTACT US!

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Family Advocate(s):

Rosario Sanchez 386-315-6663

Classroom Phone Numbers

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Extensions

1: **228**

2: **227**

FA Ext. **243**



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

September 7, 2020

No school, Labor day

September 11, 2020

Parent meeting:

2:00 to 2:30 via Zoom



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FAMILY ADVOCATE CORNER

By: Rosario Sanchez

Welcome to the 20-21 school year!! We know that this year will be full of challenges. It's a difficult year because of the pandemic that is affecting us globally, we did some changes but everything will be positive. Head Start and Early Head Start are committed to our children and families to provide you with a safe school year. We know we can do this by taking all the cleaning measures that are required. It's important that you as a parent participate in our parent meetings every month so you will be inform of all your child's activities, I highly recommend you to download the ZOOM app for parent meetings. If you have any questions please call your Family Advocate Rosario Sanchez or your child's teacher, if your child can not assist to class, communication is the key. Please parent school attendance is very important. Parent meeting will be on Friday September 11th at 2:00 PM.

Thanks,
Rosario Sanchez
WVEC Center
386 736-1891 EXT #243

A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS

CLASSROOM 1

Welcome Families!

The beginning of the school year is an exciting time and even with COVID-19 restrictions we hope to have an awesome year! Our first study is "Beginning the Year" and we have lots of fun exciting opportunities planned throughout the centers in the room. Children will be learning their friend's names, letters and numbers and practicing important social skills all while creating pictures in art, building with blocks, sorting and counting in the table and games area, and making believe in dramatic play. Please send in a family picture for us to display in the classroom. Second Step, our social emotional curriculum, starts with Welcoming and also introduces Listening, Focusing Attention, Self -Talk, and Following Directions. Each week's lesson includes a puppet script, story and discussion, and skill practice activities.

Mrs. Lorri & Mrs. Jessica

CLASSROOM 2

Welcome to the new school year 2020-2021!

We'll start with "Beginning the Year" lesson. They will learn to get to know each other, make new friends and socializing skills. You will know each area of learning. The areas of learning are building with blocks, technology, discovery area, art and dramatic game.

Within our learning we will integrate our second step curriculum that covers the social emotional area. This one will start with welcoming through puppets, stories and etc.

Let's hope that this new school year is spectacular despite of this pandemic spread across the world. Don't forget to protect yourself, wear your masks and practice hand washing.

Mrs. Sasha & Mrs. Katherine



HOME LEARNING / FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Encourage reading at home, practice and recognize child's first name. Also encourage learning shapes and colors. Feel free to share photos of children learning at home.

PARENT MEETING MINUTES

The last parent meeting was in March due to COVID-19 and shut down.

POLICY COUNCIL UPDATES

The July minutes were approved. A prospective ten staff were approved for hire. The enrollment, attendance, and snack reports were approved. Additionally, a review of our school options were reviewed and updated with the Council. Service area and center reports were also approved.



CHILDREN'S BOOK SUGGESTION

A Pocket of Corduroy by Don Freeman
<https://youtu.be/AZsUTaMKRFc>