

Heads Up



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Welcome to the spring semester!

We are springing into 2022 with high hope and energy.

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

During the month of January, we will be addressing the new Head Start Program Performance Standards (HSPPS), which outline the masking and COVID-19 vaccination requirements for all Head Start grantees, with some exceptions. The new standards require all Head Start staff, contractors working directly with students and volunteers be vaccinated against COVID-19 and universal masking for all people 2 years and older. The requirement for masking is effective immediately. The requirement for vaccination against COVID-19 for all staff, contractors working directly with children and volunteers is effective Jan. 31.

As a Head Start program, we may allow for exemptions to the vaccination requirement for those who cannot be vaccinated due to medical conditions or religious beliefs, practices or observances. For those granted an exemption, there will be a weekly testing requirement. Without an approved vaccine exemption, there is no option for testing in lieu of receiving the vaccine.



L to R: Venetia L. Peacock, Dr. Jesus Amezcua (Santa),
Marcia Leiva and Merevonna Ross

We will be working closely with our staff, community partners and Health Services Advisory Committee to create procedures to ensure we are compliant with our federal regulations. It is our prime directive to ensure the health and safety of our students, families and staff, while continuing to provide high quality services.

Additionally, we will continue to monitor levels of new cases of COVID-19 and the impact on the community. Adjustments will be made to our prevention strategies based on recommendations from local, state and federal health authorities. The situation is fluid, but we remain vigilant. We will also work diligently to provide timely updates and communicate regarding programmatic changes to our staff, families and community.

Together we will ensure that our program stays healthy and strong!

— VENETIA L. PEACOCK



Destini Rhodes - Bates Recipient



Alionuska M. Perez - Bates Recipient



Danny Norris, HCDE Board of Trustees President and Venetia L. Peacock, Senior Director

Making wishes for wheels come true

Two Head Start moms now have the peace of mind of owning a reliable car since being awarded the 2021 Bates Collision Centers Responsible Parenting Award. Sheffield mom Destini Rhodes was presented with a 2011 Equinox and Pugh mom Alionuska Perez received a 2013 Mazda 3 at two separate special events in December. "This award is about somebody who is really determined to take care of their family," said Leila Bates, owner with her husband Lee of Bates Collision Centers in Baytown and Channelview.

Bates said despite their hardships both women, single moms, have been working hard to move their families forward by setting goals and working towards those goals. By taking away

the burden of transportation, Bates said more opportunities will be available to both of them.

Rhodes, 28, had been borrowing a car to transport her two youngest children, 4 year-old Jo'el, who has autism, and Sofia, 3, to school and get to and from work as a teaching assistant and college. Rhodes is studying for an associate's degree in early education. Despite the load, Rhodes has stayed involved in the education needs of all her children, including 12 year-old Serina.

"A reliable car would take a lot of stress out of my life, and I won't be so dependent on others," Rhodes stated.

Perez, who has a son Jencarlos, 3, and a 19 year-old daughter Adianet, has been using the train to get to

and from work cleaning buildings. Jencarlos' father helps with childcare.

"A car would enable me to participate in more activities with Jencarlos and to take him to the park," she stated.

The award also came with gifts from the Bates' employees, vendors, family and friends, including oil change and six months of car insurance from AMI & Bayer Heritage Federal Credit Union.

"I have to give credit to our team – they are the ones volunteering their time – all hands were on deck for this," Bates said of the 23-year tradition of giving reliable vehicles to deserving families in need.



Campuses alive with music!

The sound of music or some version of it will no doubt be reverberating through campuses this spring, thanks to a recent gift of more than 1,000 instruments from Virginia-based Balint Charities. Students have access to egg shakers, tambourines, bells, rattles, drums and rhythm sticks, tools that not only provide an early introduction to music, but also help spur educational success, according to research.

"Even something as simple as a shaker can help children learn timing and teamwork while activating brain development as a precursor to math," founder Kathleen Christesen said. "Both music and math involve patterns, and music notes have numerical connections and number of beats."

Founded by Christesen in 2013 to honor her parents, Fran and Barb Balint, the charity was created to nurture children's capacity for educational success by providing books, Barb's Books, and musical instruments, Fran's Bands, to schools and early childhood centers that could not otherwise afford them. Christesen said they started helping HCDE Head Start with donations of books in the wake of Hurricane Harvey and have since donated almost 8,000 books in total.

Recruitment for 2022-23 school year gears up

With the goal of attaining full enrollment for the 2022-23 school year after adjusted COVID capacity for a year, administrators are calling on parents, staff and the community to spread the word about the benefits of the Head Start and Early Head Start programs.

No one knows better about the benefits of Head Start than parents, especially those who keep coming back. Take Mayra Delgado, who has two children, 4 year-old Lizett and 2 year-old Gabriel, enrolled in Tidwell's Early Head Start and Head Start programs. Both her 12 year-old and 19 year-old children also went to Tidwell.

"I love it – they're being taught a lot of stuff, not just educational but about behavior and getting along with other kids," Delgado said.

Delgado, who cleans houses for a living, wouldn't have been able to afford to pay for day care for her children, nor the interventions required for Lizett's speech problems, had it not been for Head Start, which is free to families who qualify. Though she hasn't tapped into any of the other resources available to families, she knows she could if she needed them.

Jasmine Imo, Health and Family Services Manager, said the benefits of Head Start and Early Head Start for children and families are wide-ranging. Children receive a strong educational foundation in a supportive environment that helps them thrive and form healthy relationships and prepares them for success in kindergarten and beyond. Families, meanwhile, have access to resources, such as help finding a medical and dental home, career counseling, financial support and overall family goal setting.

"The added benefit is that all families who come through Head Start will always be connected to the Head Start family, because we treat each student and family like our own," Imo said.

The year-round Early Head Start program is for children up to 3 years. Head Start is for children 3-5 years and follows a traditional school calendar. **To apply, visit www.hcde-texas.org/head-start or call 713-672-9343.**

EHS-CCP expands as need grows

The owner of Community Partners Fifth Ward Early Childhood Development Center said working with Early Head Start-Childcare Partners (EHS-CCP) means she is able to offer more services to families that need them and continue to provide high quality child care.

"I thought going with a major program like Early Head Start would be beneficial, because it's very hands-on," Alice Kirkmon said. "You're working with a well-trained crew, and we're getting extra training."

Kirkmon has 16 Early Head Start slots for babies and toddlers at the northeast Houston site, 3917 Collingsworth Street. She also operates Community Partners at Kashmere Gardens.

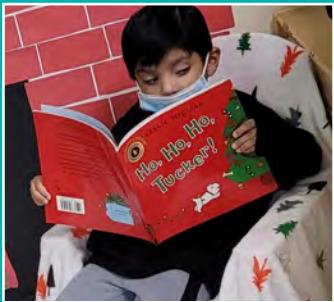
Kirkmon's facility is one of two private child care sites that have been added to EHS-CCP, bringing the total to six. The other is Successful Starters Learning Academy II, 10635 Homestead Rd., also in northeast Houston, which also has 16 slots for infants and toddlers. Other EHS-CCP programs include Kool Kids, John G. Jones, Lets Learn and Purpose Kids.

James Stancill, Assistant Director of Child Care Partnerships, said by adding more early child care partners they can help increase the quality of child care and early learning opportunities in the community and provide a wider range of services to families in need in the service area. In addition, partners have access to support with operations, licensing, mentoring and development and parent and staff training through Early Head Start.

"It also allows children in lower socio-economic households to have the healthy and enriching experiences they need to realize their full potential," Stancill said.

Kirkmon hopes to continue her collaboration with Early Head Start at two more sites she is planning to open this year at Kashmere and Wheatley High Schools. Those sites will be part of a training program for high school students who want to earn credits related to early childhood education.

HOLIDAY PHOTOS





Thank You- Houston Children's Charity

More than 360 HCDE Head Start students and their siblings received gifts over the holiday season through the Houston Children's Charity Christmas Program. Armando Rodriguez, Community Partnerships Manager, thanks Rebecca Hernandez, the charity's Program Services Manager, for making these resources available to Head Start families.

COVID-19 protocols remain in place



Though campuses plan to return to full enrollment this semester, rules to prevent the spread of COVID-19 will continue. Everyone, including students 2 years and older, is required to wear a mask on campuses. In addition, a recent federal mandate requires all staff to be vaccinated by Jan. 31, with exemptions for certain medical conditions and religious beliefs.

"COVID-19 is still present in our community," said Gulshan Rahman, Assistant Director of Compliance and Family Services. "As the situation with the virus changes, we will adapt our practices accordingly."

Campuses will continue daily COVID-19 screenings that encompass a daily symptom assessment and temperature check. Should anyone be exposed to COVID-19, they must report it to the Campus Manager or Assistant Campus Manager. Students and staff who haven't been vaccinated must quarantine for 14 days from the date of exposure. Fully vaccinated staff members may return to work after providing required documentation and if they have no symptoms. Volunteer opportunities are still limited.

"Since there isn't a vaccine available yet for young children, the best protection against COVID-19 is to wear a mask and continue proven safety methods such as washing hands, cleaning and sanitizing, and making sure that everyone who can gets a vaccine," Rahman said.

Rahman said parents should keep in mind that the rules for Head Start students are different from the rules for school-aged children. Schools have to follow Texas Education Agency rules, whereas Head Start must follow rules from the Department of Health and Human Services under the federal government, Texas Child Care Licensing and Harris County Health Authority.

HCDE Head Start is hiring

The need to staff two new Early Head Start programs and a shortfall of eligible teaching staff has opened up opportunities for would-be teachers and teaching assistants at HCDE Head Start campuses. As of late 2021, there were around 50 vacancies for Teachers and Assistant Teachers in Early Head Start and Head Start campuses across the service area. In addition, there is a need for clerks, Family Services Providers, coordinators and cooks.

Human Resources Coordinator Laura Nilon-Williams said they have been advertising heavily in print media, television, on billboards, college job boards, social media and sites such as Indeed.com, ZipRecruiter, Monster.com, United Way and Handshake. Nilon-Williams said salary also plays a factor for the labor shortfall. **To apply for a position at HCDE Head Start, visit www.hcde-texas.org.**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JANUARY

- 5-21 Student Assessments
(DOGAN & FONWOOD)
10-24 Student Assessments
(ALL OTHER CAMPUSES)
17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
(ALL CAMPUSES CLOSED)
18 Policy Council meeting
28-29 Staff Development Day

FEBRUARY

- 1-9 Student Assessments
(DOGAN & FONWOOD)
7-10 Parent/Child Food Science Fair
11 Staff Development Day
(ALL CAMPUSES)
18 Policy Council meeting
24-25 Home Visit #2

MARCH

- 7-11 Spring Break
(BAYTOWN & JD WALKER)
14-18 Spring Break
(ALL OTHER CAMPUSES)
22 Policy Council meeting
28 Staff Development day
(DOGAN & FONWOOD)

APRIL

- 1 Staff Development Day
4-8 Week of the Young Child
7 Art Show
15 Spring Holiday
19 Policy Council meeting
28-29 Student Assessments
(DOGAN & FONWOOD)
18-29 Student Assessments
(ALL OTHER CAMPUSES)

MAY

- 2-27 Student Assessments
(DOGAN & FONWOOD)
17 Policy Council Celebration
19-20 Parent/Teacher Conference #2
27 Early dismissal **(ALL CAMPUSES)**
27 Last day of school **(ALL CAMPUSES)**
30 Memorial Day

Check with each Center Manager for details of these and other happenings, as dates may vary for each center

Campuses to celebrate Week of the Young Child

Head Start campuses will be celebrating the Week of the Young Child April 4 – 8 in recognition of early childhood programs and services. While plans may change depending on the situation with COVID-19, campuses will offer tours for community partners and parents on April 5 and 7, bring in Community Readers and put on other fun activities.

The Education and Special Services Team have been working on putting together a fun-filled week that celebrates early learning and young children and brings families and communities together. "We look forward to celebrating all the important things we do for children and families and to highlighting our wonderful staff," HCDE Senior Director Venetia L. Peacock said.

Parents are an integral part of the celebrations and are encouraged to get involved by helping campus staff come up with fun ideas and activities for students throughout the week and to assist in any way possible to make the events at their campus a success. Campuses will have hands-on activities with themes for each day — Music Monday, Tasty Tuesday, Work together Wednesday, Artsy Thursday, Family Friday. To volunteer, parents should contact their Campus Manager or Assistant Campus Manager.

Spring Break activities

Spring Break in Houston is a great time to get outside and enjoy the weather and take advantage of the many fun activities that families can do together, and they don't have to cost an arm and leg! Here are a few suggestions to get going:

- Hermann Park encompasses a lake with pedal boats, Japanese Garden, rail ride for children, trails, Miller Outdoor Theater, barbecue and picnicking areas and playground. Hermannpark.org
- Houston Zoo is free on the first Tuesday of the month. Houstonzoo.org
- Deussen Park on Lake Houston offers boating, trails, picnic area, playgrounds and duck pond. Hcp1.net/parks/AlexanderDeussen
- Discovery Green in downtown Houston offers art exhibits, boating, splash pad, playground, picnic areas, a stage and putting green. discoverygreen.com
- Museum of Fine Arts Houston offers free admission on Thursdays. mfah.org
- The Menil Collection has a terrific and varied art collection that is free and is set in lovely grounds, ideal for a picnic. Menil.org
- The Children's Museum Houston has free family night on Thursdays. cmhouston.org
- Kemah Boardwalk is destination with restaurants, amusement rides and shopping. Kemah Boardwalk.com

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¡Bienvenidos al semestre de la primavera!

Estamos entrando en 2022 con
mucho esperanza y energía.

RINCÓN DEL DIRECTOR

Durante el mes de enero, abordaremos las nuevas Normas de Desempeño del Programa Head Start (HSPPS, por sus siglas en inglés), que describen los requisitos de uso de máscara y vacunación contra el COVID-19 para todos los beneficiarios de Head Start, con algunas excepciones. Las nuevas normas exigen que todo el personal de Head Start, los contratistas que trabajan directamente con los estudiantes y los voluntarios se vacunen contra el COVID-19 y el uso de máscara universal para todas las personas de 2 años o más. El requisito de uso de máscara entra en vigor de forma inmediata. El requisito de vacunación contra el COVID-19 para todo el personal, los contratistas que trabajan directamente con los niños y los voluntarios entra en vigor el 31 de enero.

Como programa de Head Start, podemos permitir exenciones al requisito de vacunación para aquellos que no pueden ser vacunados debido a condiciones médicas o creencias, prácticas u observancias religiosas. Para los que se les conceda una exención, habrá un requisito de prueba semanal. Sin una exención de vacunación aprobada, no existe la opción de realizar la prueba en vez de recibir la vacuna.



Venetia L. Peacock, Senior Director

Trabajaremos estrechamente con nuestro personal, los socios de la comunidad y el Comité Asesor de Servicios de Salud para crear procedimientos que garanticen que cumplimos con nuestras normas federales. Nuestra directiva principal es asegurar la salud y seguridad de nuestros estudiantes, familias y personal, mientras continuamos proporcionando servicios de alta calidad.

Además, seguiremos vigilando los niveles de nuevos casos de COVID-19 y el impacto en la comunidad. Se realizarán ajustes en nuestras estrategias de prevención basados en las recomendaciones de las autoridades sanitarias locales, estatales y federales. La situación es fluida, pero seguimos atentos. También trabajaremos con diligencia para proporcionar actualizaciones oportunas y comunicar los cambios programáticos a nuestro personal, las familias y la comunidad.

¡Juntos garantizamos que nuestro programa se mantenga sano y fuerte!

— VENETIA L. PEACOCK



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Venetia L. Peacock, Senior Director and
David W. Brown, HCDE Board Trustee

Haciendo realidad el deseo de tener auto

Dos mamás de Head Start ahora tienen la tranquilidad de poseer un auto confiable desde que fueron premiadas con el premio 2021 a la paternidad responsable de Bates Collision Centers. La mamá de Sheffield, Destini Rhodes, recibió un 2011 Equinox y la mamá de Pugh, Alionuska Pérez, recibió un 2013 Mazda 3 en dos eventos especiales separados en diciembre.

"Este premio se refiere a alguien que está realmente decidido a cuidar

de su familia", dijo Leila Bates, propietaria con su marido Lee de Bates Collision Centers en Baytown y Channelview.

Rhodes, de 28 años, había estado pidiendo prestado un auto para llevar y traer a sus dos hijos menores de la escuela y para ir y venir del trabajo como asistente de enseñanza y de la universidad. Rhodes está estudiando para obtener un título de asociada en educación temprana. Pérez, que tiene un hijo de 3 años y una hija de 19, ha

estado utilizando el tren para ir y volver del trabajo de limpieza de edificios y para dejar a su hijo.

Los autos venían con todo tipo de regalos de empleados, proveedores, familiares y amigos, incluido el cambio de aceite y 6 meses de seguro para el auto de AMI Insurance y Bayer Heritage Federal Credit Union.

"Fue un esfuerzo de equipo", dijo Bates sobre la tradición de 23 años de entregar vehículos fiables a familias necesitadas.



Los campus se animan con el sonido de la música

El sonido de la música, o alguna versión de ella, resonará sin duda en los campus esta primavera, gracias a una reciente donación de más de 1.000 instrumentos realizada por Balint Charities, con sede en Virginia. Los estudiantes tienen acceso a maracas con forma de huevo, panderetas, campanas, sonajeros, tambores y palos rítmicos, instrumentos que no solo proporcionan una introducción temprana a la música, sino que también ayudan a estimular el éxito educativo, según las investigaciones. Fundada por Kathleen Christesen en 2013 en honor a sus padres, Fran y Barb Balint, la organización benéfica se creó para fomentar la capacidad de los niños para el éxito educativo proporcionando libros, Barb's Books, e instrumentos musicales, Fran's Bands, a las escuelas y centros de primera infancia que no podrían permitírselo de otro modo. La organización benéfica ha donado casi 8.000 libros en total a Head Start de HCDE.

El reclutamiento para el año escolar 2022-23 se prepara

Con el objetivo de lograr la matrícula total para el año escolar 2022-23 después de ajustar la capacidad por COVID durante un año, los administradores llaman a los padres, al personal y a la comunidad a correr la voz sobre los beneficios de los programas Head Start y Early Head Start.

Mayra Delgado, que tiene dos hijos, Lizett de 4 años y Gabriel de 2 años, inscritos en los programas Early Head Start y Head Start de Tidwell, conoce muy bien los beneficios. Delgado, que se gana la vida limpiando casas, no habría podido pagar la guardería de sus hijos, ni las intervenciones necesarias para los problemas de habla de Lizett, de no haber sido por el programa Head Start, que es gratuito para las familias que califican. Nina Pines dijo que los programas de Tidwell han sido increíbles para su hijo Karry, de 4 años, y su hija de acogida Daisy, de 3 años. La madre de cinco hijos elogió al personal por su apoyo, capacidad de respuesta y disponibilidad. También aprecia el hecho de poder llamar al centro a cualquier hora del día.

Jasmine Imo, gerente de Servicios de Salud y Familia, dijo que los niños de Head Start y Early Head Start, reciben una sólida base educativa en un entorno de apoyo que los prepara para el éxito en kínder y más allá, mientras que las familias tienen acceso a muchos recursos, tales como ayuda para encontrar un centro médico y dental, asesoramiento profesional y ayuda con la renta y la comida. El programa Early Head Start, que funciona todo el año, es para niños de hasta 3 años. Head Start es para niños de 3 a 5 años. Para postularse, visite www.hcde-texas.org/head-start o llame al 713-672-9343.

EHS-CCP se amplía a medida que crece la necesidad

El Programa de Asociaciones de Cuidado de Niños de Early Head Start (EHS-CCP, por sus siglas en inglés) cuenta ahora con 6 socios desde que Community Partners Fifth Ward Early Childhood Development Center y Successful Starters Learning Academy II se incorporaron el año pasado. Los dos sitios privados de cuidado de niños, ambos ubicados en el noreste de Houston en el área de servicio de Head Start de HCDE, cada uno ofrece 16 plazas de Early Head Start para bebés y niños pequeños. Los otros socios son Cool Kids, John G. Jones, Let's Learn y Purpose Kids.

Jameese Stancill, Director Adjunto de Asociaciones de Cuidado de Niños, dijo que mediante la colaboración con más sitios que ofrecen cuidado infantil temprano pueden ayudar a aumentar la calidad y la cantidad de cuidado de niños y oportunidades de aprendizaje temprano, y al mismo tiempo prestar servicios de apoyo para las familias de bajos ingresos. Además, los socios tienen acceso al apoyo con las operaciones, la concesión de licencias, la tutoría y el desarrollo y la capacitación de los padres y el personal a través de Early Head Start.

"[Las colaboraciones] permiten a los niños de hogares de bajo nivel socioeconómico tener las experiencias saludables y enriquecedoras que necesitan para desarrollar todo su potencial", dijo Stancill.

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Gracias - Houston Children's Charity

Más de 360 estudiantes de Head Start de HCDE y sus hermanos recibieron regalos durante la época de fiestas a través del Programa de Navidad de Houston Children's Charity. Armando Rodriguez, Gerente de Asociaciones Comunitarias, agradece a Rebecca Hernandez, Gerente de Servicios de Programas de la organización benéfica, por poner estos recursos a disposición de las familias de Head Start.

Se mantienen los protocolos de COVID-19



Aunque los campus tienen previsto volver a la matrícula plena este semestre, las normas para prevenir la propagación del COVID-19 seguirán vigentes. Todos, incluidos los estudiantes de 2 años o más, deben usar máscara en los campus. Además, una orden federal exige que todo el personal se vacune antes del 31 de enero, con excepciones para ciertas condiciones médicas y creencias religiosas.

Los campus continuarán con los controles diarios de COVID-19, que incluyen una evaluación diaria de síntomas y el control de temperatura. Si alguien queda expuesto al COVID-19, debe informar a la dirección del campus. Los estudiantes y el personal que no hayan sido vacunados deberán permanecer en cuarentena durante 14 días a partir de la fecha de exposición. Los miembros del personal completamente vacunados pueden volver al trabajo tras presentar la documentación requerida y si no presentan síntomas. Las oportunidades de voluntariado siguen siendo limitadas.

Las normas para los estudiantes de Head Start son diferentes de las normas para los niños en edad escolar. Las escuelas tienen que seguir las normas de la Agencia de Educación de Texas, mientras que Head Start tiene que seguir las normas del Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos del gobierno federal, de Texas Child Care Licensing y de Harris County Health Authority.

Head Start de HCDE está contratando

La necesidad de dotar de personal a dos nuevos programas de Early Head Start y un déficit de personal docente elegible ha abierto oportunidades para futuros maestros y asistentes de enseñanza en los campus de Head Start de HCDE. A fines de 2021, había alrededor de 50 vacantes para maestros y asistentes de maestros en los campus de Early Head Start y Head Start en toda el área de servicio. Además, se necesitan oficinistas, proveedores de servicios familiares, coordinadores y cocineros.

La Coordinadora de Recursos Humanos Laura Nilon-Williams dijo que han estado anunciando mucho en los medios de comunicación gráficos, la televisión, en vallas publicitarias, bolsas de trabajo de la universidad, redes sociales y sitios como Indeed.com, ZipRecruiter, Monster.com, United Way y Handshake. Nilon-Williams dijo que el salario también es un factor para la escasez de mano de obra. **Para postularse para un puesto en Head Start de HCDE, visite www.hcde-texas.org.**

MARQUE SU CALENDARIO

ENERO

- 5-21Evaluaciones de los estudiantes
(DOGAN Y FONWOOD)
10-24Evaluaciones de los estudiantes
(TODOS LOS OTROS CAMPUS)
17Día de Martin Luther King, Jr.
(TODOS LOS CAMPUS CERRADOS)
18.....Reunión del Consejo de Políticas
28-29Día de desarrollo del personal

FEBRERO

- 1-9Evaluaciones de los estudiantes
(DOGAN Y FONWOOD)
7-10.....Feria de ciencias de los alimentos
para padres y niños
11Día de desarrollo del personal
(TODOS LOS CAMPUS)
18Reunión del Consejo de Políticas
24-25Visita al hogar n.º2

MARZO

- 7-11Vacaciones de primavera
(BAYTOWN Y JD WALKER)
14-18Vacaciones de primavera
(TODOS LOS OTROS CAMPUS)
22Reunión del Consejo de Políticas
28Día de desarrollo del personal
(DOGAN Y FONWOOD)

ABRIL

- 1.....Día de desarrollo del personal
4-8Semana de los niños pequeños
7Espectáculo de arte
15.....Feriado de primavera
19.....Reunión del Consejo de Políticas
28-29.....Evaluaciones de los estudiantes
(DOGAN Y FONWOOD)
18-29.....Evaluaciones de los estudiantes
(TODOS LOS OTROS CAMPUS)

MAYO

- 2-27.....Evaluaciones de los estudiantes
(DOGAN Y FONWOOD)
17.....Celebración del Consejo de Políticas
19-20Reunión de padres y maestros n.º 2
27Salida temprano **(TODOS LOS CAMPUS)**
27Último día de clases
(TODOS LOS CAMPUS)
30Día de los Caídos

Consulte con cada Administrador de Campus para conocer detalles sobre estos y otros eventos ya que las fechas pueden variar.

Los campus celebrarán la Semana del Niño Pequeño

Los campus de Head Start celebrarán la Semana del Niño Pequeño del 4 al 8 de abril en reconocimiento a los programas y servicios de la primera infancia. Mientras que los planes pueden cambiar dependiendo de la situación con el COVID-19, los campus ofrecerán visitas para los socios de la comunidad y los padres el 5 y 7 de abril, Community Readers y otras actividades divertidas.

Animó a los padres a participar ayudando al personal del campus con la creación de ideas y actividades divertidas para los estudiantes a lo largo de la semana y a ayudar de cualquier manera posible para que los eventos en su campus sean un éxito. Los campus tendrán actividades prácticas con temas para cada día: lunes de música, martes de sabor, miércoles de trabajo conjunto, jueves de arte, viernes de familia. Para ser voluntarios, los padres deben comunicarse con el administrador del campus o el administrador asistente del campus.

Póngase en acción para las vacaciones de primavera

Las vacaciones de primavera en Houston son un buen momento para salir a disfrutar del clima y aprovechar las tantas actividades divertidas que las familias pueden hacer juntas, ¡y no tienen que costar un ojo de la cara! Aquí hay algunas sugerencias para ponerse en marcha:

- El Parque Hermann cuenta con un lago con barcas a pedales, un jardín japonés, un paseo en tren para niños, senderos, el teatro Miller Outdoor Theater, zonas de barbacoa y picnic y un parque infantil. Hermannpark.org
- El zoo de Houston es gratuito el primer martes del mes. Houstonzoo.org
- El parque Deussen, en el lago Houston, ofrece paseos en barco, senderos, zona de picnic, parques infantiles y estanque de patos. Hcp1.net/parks/AlexanderDeussen
- Discovery Green, en el centro de Houston, ofrece exposiciones de arte, paseos en barco, zona de chapoteo, parque infantil, áreas de picnic, un escenario y un campo de mini golf. discoverygreen.com
- El Museo de Bellas Artes de Houston ofrece entrada gratuita los jueves. mfah.org
- Menil Collection cuenta con una estupenda y variada colección de arte que es gratuita y está situada en un precioso terreno, ideal para hacer un picnic. Menil.org
- Children's Museum Houston tiene una noche familiar gratuita los jueves. cmhouston.org
- Kemah Boardwalk es un destino con restaurantes, atracciones y compras. KemahBoardwalk.com

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