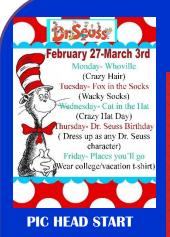


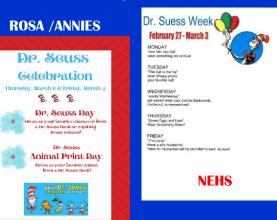
Picayune School District Early Childhood Programs







FAMILY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT







PRCC Lab School

EHS / CCP PARENT MEETINGS

- •PRCC Fri, March 3 @ 10:30A
- •NEHS Tues, March 7th @3:30P
- •Rosa / Annie's Tues, March 7th @5:00P

HS / PRE-K PARENT MEETINGS

- •Pic HS Wed, March 1st @5:00P
- •Pop HS Tues, March 7th @5:30P
- •Transition Meeting Wed, March 8th @ 5:00P

EHS / CCP EDUCATION

READING MATTERS! Reading to children is an intimate, shared experience that boosts development and learning. Making time for story sharing in busy infants/ toddlers settings is essential for children's vocabulary development and later reading ability. Being intentional about embedding literacy experiences in infants / toddlers everyday routines creates joyful, loving moments in the short term and builds critical skills in the long term. Here are some tips that can make reading easier for you and more beneficial for the children in your care.

- 1.Make books part of daily routines, such as when lulling an infant / toddler to sleep or feeding a baby.
- 2. Talk to children about the story-for example, "See the baby pat the bunny?"
- 3. Use an animated voice when reading to children. This is a good way to show that you're interested and you enjoy reading! If you're engaged, children will be too.

The Unit Topics for this month will include Dr. Seuss; Spring, Plants & Seeds; Children Around the World; Sea Life and Easter/Bunnies. The teachers will be planning activities to go along with our topics.

E.R.S.E.A.

The ERSEA Team will send out intent letters for parents to consent to re- enrolling their children for the 2023-2024 school term. Parents will be notified in different ways (parent meetings, flyers and a letter) about dates re-enrollment activities for all age eligible children. All service staff will be ready to conduct re-enrollment interviews in a welcoming and culturally respectful manner. If you have questions please contact your **ERSEA Coordinators.**

HS / PRE-K EDUCATION

1. Curriculum:

- February 27 March 3: Jump into Reading; March 6 17: Pets; March 20 31: Farm / Easter
- Letters of the Month: Gg and Rr Shape of the Month: Trapezoid Color of the Month: White
- Math Focus: Recognize and Compare Shapes and Heights; Recognize how much an object holds; Recognize and compare weights

This month we are focusing on Creative Arts. Process Art is exactly what you think – it's all about the process and not the finished product. It doesn't have to resemble anything you've ever seen before. Process Art is developmentally appropriate for preschoolers and Kindergarteners who have yet to acquire the fine motor skills and self- awareness to represent objects accurately. You can encourage Process Art at home with your child by offering a variety of tools and materials such as colored paper, recyclables, scissors, glue, tape, paint, yarn, crayons, clay, etc.

Parent Transition Meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 8th via Zoom. All parents of children transitioning to Kindergarten should attend this meeting. We will discuss Transition Field Trips and local administrators will be present to provide information about their schools, their registration process, and they will be available to answer any questions that you may have at that time.

Transition Field Trips: March 16th – West Side Elementary; March 22nd – Poplarville Lower Elementary: March 24th – Roseland Park Elementary; March 28th – South Side Lower Elementary; March 29th – Nicholson Elementary; March 30th – Pearl River Central Elementary.

TEACHERS OF THE MONTH













Vanessa Lee, CDA

DA Patricia Johns EHS Rosa

Jamilya Frazier, CDA EHS Nicholson

Paula Stubbs, B.S. HS Picayune

Ola Kendrick <u>HS</u>Poplarville

Sherry Young, A.A. SSL Pre-K

HEALTH

March is Poison Prevention Month! What is poison? It is a substance that can cause illness or harm to someone. Poison-proofing your home is the key to preventing childhood poisonings. In the case of iron-containing pills or any medicine: 1) Always close the container as soon as you've finished using it. Properly secure the child-resistant packaging, and put it away immediately in a place where children can't reach it; 2) Keep pills in their original container. 3) Keep iron-containing tablets, and all medicines, out of reach—and out of sight—of children; 4) Never keep medicines on a countertop or bedside table: 5) Follow medicine label directions carefully to avoid accidental overdoses that could result in accidental poisoning.

The most common poisons are:

*Medicines *Iron Pills *Cleaning Products *Laundry Products *Nail Glue Remover & Primer *Lighter Fluids * Batteries * Bug & Weed Killers *Cigarettes *Alcohol *Mouthwash * Plants (indoor & outdoor)

Whom should you call: 1-800-222-1222 Poison control center for more information. Call 911 if someone collapsed, has a seizure, won't wake up, or stops breathing.

<u>March is also Disability Awareness Month!</u> This is the practice of knowing, acknowledging, and accepting individuals' experiences as they relate to disability. The month reminds us that we are all a part of a broad spectrum of intellectual and physical functioning. It is a chance to be more empathetic and understand the everyone faces challenges. Let's work together to make sure everybody has the same opportunities in every aspect of life to the best of their abilities.

MARCH 2023 (HEAD START / EARLY HEAD START CENTER-BASED MENU)

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		Breakfast: Grits w/Toast Blueberry Cup 1% Milk Water Lunch: Beef Patty in Gravy Mashed Potatoes Fresh Baked Roll Peach Cup 1% Milk Water	Breakfast: Cinnamon Chex Mandarin Orange Cup 1% Milk Water Lunch: Macaroni & Cheese Spinach Applesauce Cup 1% Milk Water	3 Breakfast: Egg Patty w/ Toast Strawberry Cup 1% Milk Water Lunch: Cheese Pizza Glazed Carrots Pear Cup 1% Milk Water
6 Breakfast: Grits/ Biscuit, Mandarin Orange Cup, 1% Milk, Water Lunch: Chili on Bun, Broccoli, Strawberry Cup, 1% Milk, Water	7 Breakfast: Pancake, Pear Cup, 1% Milk, Water Lunch: BBQ Chicken on Bun, Broccoli, Strawberry Cup, 1% Milk Water	8 Breakfast: Cinnamon Chex, Mandarin Orange cup, 1% Milk Water Lunch: Macaroni & Cheese, Spinach, Apple Sauce Cup, 1% Milk, Water	9 Breakfast: Cheese Toast, Pear Cup, 1% Milk, Water Lunch: Beef Patty in Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Fresh Baked Roll, Mandarin Orange Cup, 1% Milk, Water	10 Breakfast: Egg patty w/Toast, Sliced Baked Potatoes, Pear Cup, 1% Milk, Water Lunch: Cheese Pizza, Sliced Baked Potatoes, Pear Cup, 1% Milk, Water
13 Breakfast: Cinnamon Chex, Peach Cup, 1% Milk Water Lunch: Red Beans and Rice, Turnip Greens, Corn Bread, Applesauce Cup, 1% Milk Water	14 Breakfast: Egg Patty w / Toast, Pineapple Cup, 1% Milk, Water Lunch: Macaroni & Cheese, California Veggies, Pear Cup, 1% Milk, Water	15 Breakfast: Grits, Biscuit, Peach Cup, 1% Milk, Water Lunch: Baked Chicken Breast, Glazed Carrots, Fresh Baked Roll, Applesauce Cup, 1% Milk, Water	16 Breakfast: French Toast, Mandarin Orange Cup, 1% Milk, Water Lunch: Cheeseburger / Bun, Collard Greens, Pear Cup, 1% Milk, Water	17 Breakfast: Grits, Toast, Strawberry Cup, 1% Milk, Water Lunch: Cheese Pizza, Yam Patty, Peach Cup, 1% Milk, Water
20 Breakfast: Cheese Toast Pineapple Cup 1% Milk Water Lunch: Cheese Pizza, Yam patty, Peach Cup, 1% Milk, Water	21 Breakfast: Grits Strawberry Cup 1% Milk, Water Lunch: Hamburger / Bun, California Veggies, Pear Cup, 1% Milk Water	22 Breakfast: Egg Patty w/Toast Mandarin Orange Cup, 1% Milk, Water Lunch: Baked Chicken Tenders, Lima Beans, Peach Cup, 1% Milk Water	23 Breakfast: French Toast Sticks Diced Peach Cup 1% Milk Water Lunch: Beans and Rice, Turnip Greens, Corn Bread, Strawberry Cup, 1% Milk Water	24 Breakfast: Cinnamon Chex, Pear Cup, 1% Milk Water Lunch: Macaroni & Cheese, Glazed Carrots, Mandarin Orange Cup, 1% Milk, Water
	28 Breakfast: Pancake, Pineapple Cup, 1% Milk, Water Lunch: BBQ Boneless Chicken on Bun, Sliced Baked Potatoes, Pear Cup, 1% Milk, Water	Lunch: Beef Patty in Gravy, Mashed	30 Breakfast: Cinnamon Chex Cereal, Mandarin Orange Cup 1% Milk Water Lunch: Mac and Cheese, Spinach, Applesauce Cup, 1% Milk, Water	31 Breakfast: Egg Patty w/Toast Strawberry Cup, 1% Milk, Water Lunch: Cheese Pizza, Glazed Carrots, Pear Cup, 1% Milk, Water

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- Early Head Start Rosa Early Head Start Nicholson EHS CCP Annie's Kindergarten & Daycare
 - EHS CCP − Pearl River Community College Lab School
 PSD Pre-K Program
 - PSD Head Start Picayune
 PSD Head Start Poplarville