



Campbell Park Elementary



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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL.....

Happy November,

Students have just completed the 1st marking period of the year. Our entire staff is working together to ensure the success of all our scholars. Students have completed their first rounds of assessments. Teachers have begun analyzing assessment data and parent conferences are in full gear to discuss your child's progress. The parent conference will be much more personalized to your child than open house, this is a great opportunity to see how your child is performing in class, receive individualized ideas for helping your child at home and hear about what is being done in the classroom every day by the teacher to help your child achieve success. Please be on the lookout for these conference requests if you haven't received a notice yet.

As parents, you can help Campbell Park increase our school grade by ensuring your child is at school every day on time. Current studies show that students who are chronically absent or late have a higher chance of dropping out of high school. During the month of October we had an average of 40 students absent per day and 100 students late to school each day. These students are missing out on intensive academic interventions that are happening first thing in the morning that allow both the struggling students and higher achieving students to reach their potential. Students can be dropped off as early as 7:35 when breakfast begins and must be inside the gate by 8:05 to be considered on time. Please make every effort to have your students to school every day on time so we can continue to improve our standard of excellence.

Please remember the safety of all of our children as you pick up your child each day. All car riders need to be picked up in the car circle. Parents must stay in your cars and move close to the car that is in front of you. We appreciate your help and continued cooperation as we work to make the car circle safe and efficient for our Campbell Park families.

Principal Kathleen Young—Parker

MESSAGE FROM OUR ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL.....

Every day our scholars learn many interesting things and will be encouraged if parents show your interest, too. Make class activities and information important parts of your conversations with your child. Responses that are not threatening and lead to deeper thinking are:

- ☐ What is the main idea of that section/chapter?
- ☐ Why do you think the author wrote this? Who was the intended audience?
- ☐ Is this statement a fact or an opinion? Where in the text leads you to think that?
- ☐ That's an interesting point of view/opinion. How did you reach that conclusion?

Once your scholars get started talking about their day... **Listen, listen, and listen!** Hold off more questions and let them speak openly. As parents, we tend to jump in with more questions, but pausing is important. Our scholars are *gaining the knowledge to go to college*, let them tell you how!

Assistant Principal Dawn Lewis

WELCOME ABOARD MS. NOORBAKHSH

I am very excited to be joining the Campbell Park family. To learn a little about me. I graduated from Largo High School in 2002 and received a Bachelor's Degree in Varying Exceptionalities and a Masters of Arts in Special Education. I am currently working on a Masters of Education in Educational Leadership from the University of South Florida. Over the last 10 years, I have been a classroom teacher and a behavioral specialist at Lakewood Elementary and North Shore Elementary. Please be sure to stop by the front office and say hello.



PTA GENERAL MEETING

Campbell Park PTA General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 14 at 6:00pm in the media center. Dinner will also be served.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Campbell Park SAC Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 5:00pm in the media center.

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

When schools work together with families to support learning, children are inclined to succeed not just in school, but throughout life. The Florida Department of Education recognizes that a child's education is a responsibility shared by both schools and families during the entire period a child spends in school.

The following are just a few suggestions of the many ways you can be involved with your child's education:

- Contact your child's teacher early in the school year and maintain communication throughout the school year.
- Participate in parent/teacher conferences.
- Ask the teacher what your child is learning and how you can support this at home.
- Talk with your child daily about homework, classroom activities, and events.
- Learn about school policies and expectations so you can help your child understand them.
- Make efforts to stay informed of school and classroom events.
- Model behaviors and attitudes you expect from your child.
- Encourage and nurture your child's creativity.
- Be proactive in making the school aware of your support for your child's education.
- Talk with your employer about flex time so you can participate in school activities.
- Establish a daily family routine.
- Monitor out of school activities.
- Model the value of learning, self-discipline, and hard work.
- Express high, but realistic expectations for achievement.
- Encourage your child's development/progress in school.

FREE BOOKS



Fall in Love with Reading Families- build your home libraries! Receive 5 free books for each child that attends!

WHEN: Saturday, Nov. 11, 2017 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. (or until the books run out) WHERE: John Hopkins Middle School 701 16th St S, St. Petersburg SEE YOU SATURDAY, NOV. 11th!



November 9th 2017

5:30 – 7:00 PM

Be sure to bring the whole family out and participate in the fun night of Food, Music, Games, Vendors, Entertainment, Storytelling Under the Stars, Food, and Much More. Food vendors will be present. Snack items are economical but may cost from \$2.00 to \$10.00.

On behalf of the Campbell Park Faculty and Staff. We would like to wish all of our families a Happy Thanksgiving.

May your turkey be plump,
may your potatoes and gravy have never a lump,
may your pies take the prize.
And may your Thanksgiving dinner
stay off your thighs.

