

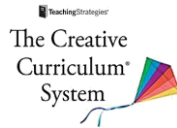
Educational Corner



Welcome to another school year at Committee for Early Childhood Development Head Start.



Whether you are a returning parent or a first-time participant, we hope that your child's experience at C.E.C.D. is fun as well as educational. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's teachers, your Family Assistant or your Site Educational Director.

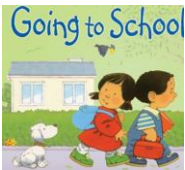


Curriculum

At C.E.C.D., we use the Creative Curriculum for Infants & Toddlers and for Preschool. This curriculum is used by many quality early childhood programs. The curriculum encourages children to experiment, explore and pursue their own interests. Classroom instruction is based on observing and documenting what children say. The teachers provide opportunities for every child to pursue his/her special talents and to demonstrate areas of strength.

Every month, the children will do a variety of activities based on monthly themes. The Creative Curriculum themes for September are "Bags" for the toddlers (EHS) and "Beginning the Year" for the 3s and 4s (HS). The CECD theme is "Going to School" for both the EHS and HS children.

How Parents Can Help



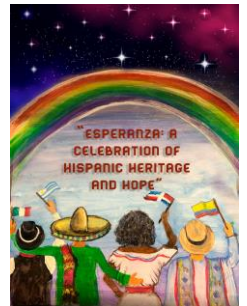
- Participate in all meetings and workshops, so you can be an active part of your child's education.
- Please read through the Parent Handbook when you receive it.
- Read aloud to your child daily.
- Make sure your child has a clean change of **fall clothing** available in his/her cubby at all times.
- Become familiar with the languages of the day:

*Monday: English Tuesday: Spanish Wednesday: Urdu
Thursday: French Friday: Swahili*

- **PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL...**
DAILY: 8:15 AM - 3:30 PM (Pick-up starts at 3:15 PM)
LAST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH: 8:15 AM - 12:30 PM

Reminders/Special Days

- School is closed on **September 5th** for Labor Day and **September 6th – 7th** for Opening Procedures/Staff Development.
- 2-hour transition days are scheduled for **September 8th – 9th**. The first full day of school is **Monday, September 12th**.
- **September 15 – October 15 is Hispanic Heritage Month.** It is a celebration of the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America. This year's theme is "**Esperanza: A Celebration of Hispanic Heritage and Hope.**"
- "**Dads, Take Your Child to School Day**" is observed on **Thursday, September 22nd**. More information will be forthcoming.
- Virtual Classroom Elections Orientation will be held on **Friday, September 23rd at 10:00 AM**. The actual elections will be held in October. More information will be forthcoming. **All parents must participate in the election for their child's class.**
- The first monthly virtual Educational Follow-Through for September will be held on **Monday, September 26th at 9:00 AM**. The topic will be "*Welcome to the Classroom*"
If you want to know what your child will be learning in school, this workshop is for you!



PLEASE NOTE

Covid-19 has changed the way the program will operate this year. Please work with the CECD staff and adhere to the rules, protocols and procedures, both program-wide and site-specific.

Together, we can make 2022-2023 an AWESOME school year!!!

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