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HAMPTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2 GATOR HAPPENINGS NEWSLETTER

February 15, 2021



“Where We Make It Do, What It Do!”

Estill Elementary School – Mrs. Julia Lee, Principal

[SC Ready and SC PASS sample questions:](https://ed.sc.gov/tests/assessment-information/quick-links-for-teachers)

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The questions are from 2018, but keep in mind, we did not test in 2019, so it will still be good practice.

Week of February 8th Question and Answer Math Grade 4: An equation is shown. $3\frac{1}{5} - \frac{9}{20} = \square$ Which mixed number makes the equation true? C. $2\frac{3}{4}$

Week of February 15th Question and Choices ELA Grade 3: The students listened as their class leader explained her _____ about how they should spend their class money. Which word **best** completes the sentence?

- A. opinion B. liberty C. opportunity D. mood

Let's Celebrate!

Whose that Lady? Whose that Lady? That EES Lady, whose that lady? It's the greatest School Counselor in the land:

“Ms. GERMERA OWENS”



Reading Strategies

Parents' and Students'

Reading Strategies

WEEK

Nineteen: Parents

Building words. For this activity you will need magnetic letters and 3 Ziploc bags. Place consonants in bag 1 and bag 3. Place vowels in bag 2. Allow your children to pull from each bag in order until they can build a real word and say the word. Try building words that have 3-5 sounds in them.

WEEK

Nineteen: Students

Grab a nonfiction book. Read all of the captions, and headings. Look over all of the pictures. Write a summary based on what you learned from using these specific text features. Record what you feel the author thinks is most important.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Mr. Clementa Pinckney



Quote:

I see everything I do as an extension of the ministry. It's all about service.

In 1996, became the youngest black elected as a South Carolina state legislator.

In 2000, became the youngest South Carolina black elected to the State Senate.

FEBRUARY

Hybrid Students: \$2.00 Dress Down (Wed. & Thurs.)

Thursday, February 18th – Virtual Awards Day (Pre-K thru 1st @ 9:00 am; 2nd and 3rd @ 10:00 am; and 4th and 5th @ 11:00 am.

Monday, February 22nd -HBCU in the House-wear your favorite historically black colleges or universities attire

Tuesday, February 23rd -African American Leader – dress like an African American hero

Tuesday, February 23rd – SIC Virtual Literacy Night @ 6:00 pm

Wednesday, February 24th -I'm Black and I'm Proud – dress in '60s, 70's, etc. attire

Thursday, February 25th – Jamaican Day/Heritage T-shirts

Thursday, February 25th – Virtual Black History Program @ 9:30 am



February 17-18, 2021	Dress Down Contest --students with the best outfit/costume that represents a moment/contributor to Black History will win a prize (dress down days only)
February 22, 2021	Red/Afro Day --wear red and/or wear your Afros out (or buy/borrow one!)
February 23, 2021	Black/Black Panther Day --wear black and/or wear Black Panther apparel
February 24, 2021	Green/ Black Pride Day --wear green and/or wear clothes that exhibit black pride and awareness images and phrases
February 25, 2021	Back to Our Roots Day --wear attire representative of African culture Virtual "Zembly" Black History Program: Cultural Competence
February 25, 2021	Pledge for Change --virtual activity hosted by teachers

2nd Nine Weeks Reading Challenge Winner

Alaina Beckett
8th Grade Student



Weekly Reminders

Monday, Feb. 15, 2021	President's Day/ No School
Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2021	Virtual SIC Meeting at 6 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 25, 2021	Virtual Black History Program

Estill High School – Synetria Hawkins, Principal



Black History Highlight

Before there was Rosa Parks, there was Claudette Colvin.

Most people think of [Rosa Parks](#) as the first person to refuse to give up their seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama. There were actually several women who came before her; one of whom was Claudette Colvin. It was March 2, 1955, when the fifteen-year-old schoolgirl refused to move to the back of the bus, nine months *before* Rosa Parks' stand that launched the Montgomery bus boycott. Claudette had been studying Black leaders like Harriet Tubman in her segregated school, those conversations had led to discussions around the current day Jim Crow laws they were all experiencing. When the bus driver ordered Claudette to get up, she refused, "It felt like Sojourner Truth was on one side pushing me down, and Harriet Tubman was on the other side of me pushing me down. I couldn't get up."

Claudette Colvin's stand didn't stop there. Arrested and thrown in jail, she was one of four women who challenged the segregation law in court. If *Browder v. Gayle* became the court case that successfully overturned bus segregation laws in both Montgomery and Alabama, why has Claudette's story been largely forgotten? At the time, the NAACP and other Black organizations felt Rosa Parks made a better icon for the movement than a teenager. As an adult with the right look, Rosa Parks was also the secretary of the NAACP, and was both well-known and respected – people would associate her with the middle class and that would attract support for the cause. But the struggle to end segregation was often fought by young people, more than half of which were women.

Stay tune for next week's "Little Known Black History Fact"

EHS Writer's Corner featuring Antyshia Cheeks

My attitude about my life ambition is that I can do anything I put my mind to. Growing up, I was in love with baking. So, my mother asked me if that's something I really want to do. I said, "yes." She always told me whatever life throws at you, never back down. Back then, I didn't know what she meant by that; but now that I'm older, I finally know and understand what she meant. All my life, my mother has wanted what's best for me and my brother. I'm going to do just that. My best. One of my favorite quotes is, "Let no one discourage your ambitious attitude. You don't need a fan club to achieve your goals. Be your own motivation."

Estill High School making history one student at a time.



Graduation Rate: 88%

February

22nd -SIC Meeting 6:00 p.m.

24th - ASVAB Testing 8:00 a.m.

25th - Black History Program (Virtual)

March

8th - Herff Jones Class Ring Delivery 2:30 p.m.