HAMPTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2 GATOR HAPPENINGS NEWSLETTER

The mission of Hampton County School District 2 is to provide a rigorous, personalized environment of academic excellence that prepares Each child, Each Day and in Every classroom to be college/career and citizen ready

July 13, 2020



"Excellence is not a Skill. It is an Attitude."

Julia Lee, Principal

EES Family: Please visit these free educational websites for our students each week in an effort to assist with the summer slide. The following educational websites offer your child(ren) a variety of learning formats and opportunities to assist them with their summer learning. The Kidz Page has more than 5,000 pages of learning games and activities. Online coloring pages, jigsaw puzzles and word games are just a few sections of this massive site. How Stuff Works - When your child wants to know why the sky is blue, how a tornado forms, or any number of other questions they can come up with on a daily basis, head on over to How Stuff Works. The articles break down subjects like autos, culture, entertainment, science, money, technology and more. Games, quizzes, and videos also round out your children's learning experience. Fun Brain- One visit to Fun Brain and you'll want to bookmark it for your kids. Math, reading, online books and learning games are just some of the site's many treats. Nick Jr. - If you can look past the ads, you'll find printables, games and other activities your kids will enjoy at NickJr.com. The games allow your children to explore their creativity, play dress-up, learn new music, put together puzzles and work on numbers and shape recognition.



8:00 am - 5:00 pm (Monday - Thursday)
Please wear a mask when visiting.



Packets are still available for pick-up from the school.

All students 4 or 5 years old must be registered!!

This is only for students who have
never attended a regular school setting. Thank you!

Ms. Brannette Cohen, our
Reading Coach, is
passionate about her work.
Her love and compassion for
our students is
demonstrated through her
patience and
resourcefulness.



WE SALUTE YOU





Academic Recovery Camp (ARC) has been progressing well.

Week One: 50% Participation

Parents and Students have been excited about the lessons.

Great Job! Ms. Cohen, Mrs. Dennis, Mrs. Ling, and Mrs. Wright



Estill Middle School - Shronda Taylor, Principal

Coronavirus (COVID-19): Calming Anxiety

If you feel stressed about coronavirus, you're not alone. Coronavirus (COVID-19) has had ripple effects into almost every aspect of our lives. It's natural to feel anxiety when we face a crisis, the unknown, or sudden change. It's a normal reaction to feel the need for safety, certainty, predictability, and control. Here are some tips that can help you cope with anxiety and give you a sense of control even during an uncertain time. Many are simple techniques with proven benefits.

Follow the advice of experts. First, know what to do to avoid the spread of germs. This not only helps keep you safer, it gives you and your kids a sense of control! Follow the expert guidelines for health and safety. Wash your hands well and often. Keep surfaces clean. Stay at home. Keep a safe distance from others. When you do these things, you protect yourself, your family, and your community.

Notice, **label**, **and accept your emotions**. When you feel anxious, quietly say to yourself, "OK, there's my anxiety again." Just putting a label on what we feel helps reduce our concern.

Accept anxiety as one of your many emotions. Don't ignore it, fight it, reject it, or be afraid of it. Don't judge yourself for feeling it. Be kind. Give yourself permission to be human.

Keep it in perspective and notice the good. Don't let anxiety run the show. Its one part of your emotional life, but it's not the whole thing. Leave room to challenge yourself: Is there anything going well? What positive things have happened that make me think this anxious thought might not be accurate?

6th grade:

Rising sixth graders are requested to read one of the following:

- One Crazy Summer by Rita Williams-Garcia
- Finding Langston by Lesa Cline-Ransome

7th grade:

Rising seventh graders are requested to read one of the following:

- Miracle's Boys by Jacqueline Woodson
- Blended by Sharon Draper

8th grade:

Rising eighth graders are requested to read one of the following:

- The Invincible Summer of Juniper Jones by Daven McQueen
- Bad Boy by Walter Dean Myers





School law requires all incoming 7th grade students to have proof of a whooping cough booster ('Tdap') shot, in order to attend school.



Estill High School - Synetria Hawkins, Principal

- Procedures for visiting the school during the summer.
 - o Call prior to visiting to make an appointment.
 - o Wear a mask. Persons without a mask will not be allowed to enter the building.
 - Your temperature will be taken prior to entry.
 - If you have been out of town visiting areas that are considered a "hot spot" please be courteous and postpone your visit until 14 days after you're out of town visit.
- Summer school has started. Classes are being held online. In the event you missed the correspondence, please call the school as soon as possible to determine what steps you will need to take in order to complete the necessary courses.
 - o Credit Recovery courses: \$75
 - Seat Time Recovery (Failure Due to Attendance): \$5 per hour, per class.
 - o Initial Courses: \$150 for one class \$225 for two classes. (This option is available only to students that need courses to graduate on time)
- Please turn in all textbooks as soon as possible. There is a drop box next to the front door for you to place them in. Books that have not been turned in prior to August 1, 2020 will result in a fine that must be paid prior to receiving additional textbooks.
- Report cards have been mailed. If you did not receive your report card, please contact the school as soon as possible.
- Please return all cheerleading, sports, and JROTC uniforms as soon as possible.

2019-2020 Senior Class Data

- \$1,147,840 in scholarship funds as of June 8, 2020
- 34 Career Ready (64%)
- 18 College ready (34%)
- 38 Completers (72%)
- 10 DBL Completers (JROTC) (19%)
- 4 CTEDC (7%)
- 45 CTE Concentrators (85%)



Please update contact information by calling the school. Make sure you follow us on Facebook, download the Parent Square app and subscribe to One Call Now.

