

HAMPTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2 GATOR HAPPENINGS NEWSLETTER

June 29, 2020

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



“Excellence is not a Skill. It is an Attitude.”

Julia Lee, Principal

Hello!

EES Family:

We will be sending home free educational websites for our students each week in an effort to assist with the summer slide. Just click on the site or type the site in and you and your child will experience a learning format that will do wonders for our children. Younger children will love everything about [Sesame Street's online home](#). They can watch hundreds of the show's video clips and play games that help them learn letters, animal sounds, rhymes, colors, and more. [Scholastic](#) is one of the more unique educational websites for kids. This site, from the publishers of the educational magazines you find in schools, contains activities organized by grade level. Kids from pre-K all the way up to high school can find learning activities geared toward them. Each of the educational shows your children watch on PBS has its own section on [PBSKids.org](#). Find sing-a-long songs, sorting and [counting games](#), bonus videos, and more.



Effective 6/15/2020

8:00 am - 5:00 pm (Monday - Thursday)

Due to COVID-19 and all advised precautions, please call before visiting the school.

(803) 625 – 5030

**EARLY REGISTRATION
PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN**



for 2020-21 School Year

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



WE SALUTE YOU

Mr. John Gadson, Head Custodian, Mrs. Sherry Ling,
Mr. Melvin Robinson, and Mr. Sam Sanders



Not Pictured
Mr. Gadson



Mrs. Ling



Mr. Sanders



Not Pictured
Mr. Robinson



on the upkeep of
the school grounds
and the cleanliness
of the overall
building.

CALENDAR of Events

Academic Recovery Camp (ARC) is fast approaching: July 7, 2020 – August 3, 2020

Awards from the 4th 9-weeks will be sent out on Thursday, July 2, 2020.



“Reading gives us someplace to go when we have to stay where we are.”
 --Mason Cooley

Students are asked to read one of the suggested titles for their grade and complete a written, detailed journal for each chapter, due the first week upon returning to school. Upon returning to school, students will discuss and engage in activities centered on the titles suggested for each grade level with their English teachers. Students should complete a reading log of additional novels, books, or articles read during the summer and turn in to their teachers.

6th grade:

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

- ***One Crazy Summer* by Rita Williams-Garcia**—In this Newbery Honor novel, *New York Times* bestselling author Rita Williams-Garcia tells the story of three sisters who travel to Oakland, California, in 1968 to meet the mother who abandoned them.
- ***Finding Langston* by Lesa Cline-Ransome**—When eleven-year-old Langston's father moves them from their home in Alabama to Chicago's Bronzeville district, it feels like he's giving up everything he loves...

7th grade:

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

- ***Miracle's Boys* by Jacqueline Woodson**—For Lafayette and his brothers, the challenges of growing up in New York City are compounded by the facts that they've lost their parents and it's up to eldest brother Ty'ree to support the boys...
- ***Blended* by Sharon Draper**—Eleven-year-old Isabella's blended family is more divided than ever in this “timely but genuine” (*Publishers Weekly*) story about divorce and racial identity from the award-winning and *New York Times* bestselling author.

8th grade:

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

- ***The Invincible Summer of Juniper Jones* by Daven McQueen**—It's the summer of 1955. For Ethan Harper, a biracial kid raised mostly by his white father, race has always been a distant conversation. When he's sent to spend the summer with his aunt and uncle in small-town Alabama, his blackness is suddenly front and center, and no one is shy about making it known he's not welcome there. Enter Juniper Jones. The town's resident oddball and free spirit, she's everything the townspeople aren't—open, kind, and accepting.
- ***Bad Boy* by Walter Dean Myers**—As a boy, Myers was quick-tempered and physically strong, always ready for a fight. He also read voraciously—he would check out books from the library and carry them home, hidden in brown paper bags in order to avoid other boys' teasing. He aspired to be a writer (and he eventually succeeded). But as his hope for a successful future diminished, the values he had been taught at home, in school, and in his community seemed worthless, and he turned to the streets and to his books for comfort.

**All titles can be purchased from Amazon.com, title descriptions courtesy of Amazon, and other bookstores.*



Congratulations to

Lizbeth Gonzalez

for receiving the Bronze R.O.T.C. Medal from The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. The Bronze R.O.T.C. Medal was in recognition of outstanding leadership qualities, military bearing and excellence, thus exemplifying the high ideals and principles which motivated and sustained our patriot ancestors.



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 turn in all textbooks as soon as possible. Books that are not 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.