

PENGUIN PRESS

Annabel C. Perry PreK-8



"A Culture of Caring"

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October is Hispanic Heritage Month

PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

Penguin Family – I cannot believe that we are already a quarter of the way through the school year. It feels like just last week I was typing up our Back to School letter and welcoming students and families on to campus. With that being said, I am extremely excited about the direction we are heading and how our first eight weeks have gone.

As a school, student achievement is a priority for us and we work diligently to ensure student success. This, however, is not our only focus. Over the past few weeks, we have embedded social and emotional learning into our classrooms and have made sure the needs of our students are being met beyond the books. Our Brain Start Smart, stretching, music, and breathing techniques have fostered a sense of unity and mindfulness among both staff and students. Our daily high-fives, hugs, and fist bumps have also created a Culture of Caring that allows EVERY student to feel welcomed and valued.

Before we close out quarter 1, I want to thank the over 100 dads, grandfathers, uncles, and father figures who showed up for our Donuts with Dads. This involvement was priceless. As always I can be reached at thomas.correll@browardschools.com and you can follow our journey on Twitter @Annabel_C_Perry.

Sincerely,
Thomas J. Correll, Principal

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Responsibility is the character trait for the month of October. This newsletter offers you activities and ideas which will assist you with helping your child to understand the importance of responsibility. Responsibility is essential for becoming a healthy, happy, and productive person, and it is the basis for a free and civil society where each person does what he or she is expected to do. This begins at home where children learn to take care of their belongings, clean up after themselves, do chores with a good attitude, finish their homework and resolve conflicts peacefully. Encourage your children to take responsibility in "little things" so they are ready for greater opportunities in the future!

Ideas to do as a family • Have your child share with you about times they were responsible. Emphasize that being responsible requires knowing what is expected and not making excuses.
• Share with your child about something you did that required responsibility. Explain how you are responsible. • Schedule daily household chores that your child will be responsible for.
• Remember that the best teaching tool is to always model the behavior you want your child to learn.

PARENT PLEDGE:

1. As parents and citizens, we will talk to our children and the children in our lives about the dangers of drug abuse.
2. We will set clear rules for our children about not using drugs.
3. We will set a good example for our children by not using illegal drugs or medicine without a prescription.
4. We will monitor our children's behavior and enforce appropriate consequences, so that our rules are respected.
5. We will encourage family and friends to follow the same guidelines to keep children safe from substance abuse.

Leslie J. Dorsett,
National Board Certified School Counselor



Annabel C. Perry PreK-8 is proud to be a **"B"** School.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Annabel C. Perry PreK-8 is to create *"A Culture of Caring"* in a safe and nurturing environment by being open-minded about other cultures, showing compassion toward others, and reflecting on individual behaviors to promote internationally-minded people.

VISION STATEMENT

The vision of Annabel C. Perry PreK-8 is to develop internationally minded students, through inquiry-based learning and a curriculum that fosters cultural awareness.

IB LEARNER PROFILE: October

Open-Minded: We critically appreciate our own cultures and personal histories, as well as the value and traditions of others. We seek and evaluate a range of points of view, and we are willing to grow from the experience.

Appreciation: Help your child(ren) by demonstrating how to recognize and enjoy good qualities of Hispanics and their culture.

ANNABEL C. PERRY PREK-8

Candidate School for International Baccalaureate (IB)

- Primary Years Program (PYP)
- Middle Years Program (MYP)

Walk to School! October 30th, 2019

On October 30th, A. C. Perry PK-8 is participating in the **National Walk to School!** event to promote active transportation and healthy habits.

Please join us as we walk from the Multi-Service Community Center to A. C. Perry PK-8! Please plan to arrive at the center **NO LATER** than 7:10 A.M. We will begin our **Walking Bus** all the way to school.

Free giveaways will be provided. We will also be hosting numerous media outlets, City, and District Officials. Bring your smiles for a fun time! Flyers will continue to be distributed.

RED RIBBON WEEK!

Red Ribbon Week is the nation's oldest and largest drug prevention program. It is an ideal way for parents, students, and communities to unite and take a visible stand against drugs. Help us to show our commitment to a drug-free lifestyle through the symbol of the Red Ribbon. This year the theme is: **SEND A MESSAGE. STAY DRUG FREE**

YOUTH PLEDGE:

I pledge to grow up safe, healthy and drug free by:

1. Understanding the dangers of drug use and abuse.
2. Respecting myself and being drug free.
3. Spreading the word to family and friends about the importance of being healthy and drug free.

National Hispanic Heritage Month



What is the purpose of Hispanic Heritage Month?

Hispanic Heritage month is celebrated to recognize the contributions and vital presence of both Hispanic and Latino Americans. We observe their native Heritage, their cultural, and people who made significant contributions to the United States.

Music Genre for October: Latin

Latin music encompasses rhythms and styles originated or related to Latin America and its influence in the United States and several European countries such as Spain or Portugal.

Literacy Night

When: November 20th, 2019
from 6:00-8:00 P. M.

Where: Annabel C. Perry
Prek-8

Why: Learn a variety of literacy skills that you can use at home to help your child(ren) with his/her academics.

REMINDERS

- Breakfast begins at 7:30 A. M.
- Class starts at 8:00 A. M.
- School dismisses at 2:00 P. M.
- Grades 3-8 dismisses on the East
- Grades K-2 dismisses on the West
- Return overdue library books

CURRICULUM UPDATES

Kindergarten is asking and answering questions about key details in an informational text, learning letter names, letter sounds, and high frequency words.

1st grade is describing the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text. They are also working on high frequency words.

2nd grade is working on asking and answering questions as who, what, where, when, why, and how to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text. They are also working on recounting stories including fables and folktales from diverse cultures to determine the central message, lesson, or moral.

3rd grade is working on asking and answering questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as a basis for the answers. They are also working on fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures to determine the central message, lesson, or moral.

4th grade is working on referring to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text. They are also working on determining a theme of a story, drama or poem from details in the text.

5th grade is working quoting accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text. They are also learning to determine the theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text, including how characters respond to challenges.

6-8 grade is working on Main idea, Summarize text, and cite Text evidence. Students will determine a central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments; cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

6th grade: Citing Evidence to Make Inferences; Describing Plot, Analyzing Character Development; Determining Theme or Central Idea and Summarizing Literary Text

7th grade: Citing Evidence to Support Inferences; Analyzing Dialogue and Incidents in Stories and Drama; Determining Theme and Summarizing Literary Texts

8th grade: Citing Evidence to Support Inferences; Analyzing the Interaction of Story Elements; Determining Theme and Summarizing Literary Texts.

WELCOME PENGUIN

Annabel C. Perry PreK-8 welcomes our new Penguins to our family.

Ms. C. Cuza: Social Science, 6th grade

Ms. Kelly: Front Office Clerk

Ms. McFadden: Security

Ms. Hall: PreK

Ms. Burgess: Front office

Welcome! We are happy you joined us!

LIBRARY NEWS

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR! NOVEMBER 15-22, 2019

Please support our book fair. We are promoting and reinforcing a life-long interest in reading.

Look-out for book-fair flyers that will be sent home toward the end of October.

The scholastic bookfair will be open to parents for book purchase during Literacy Night.

Volunteer Needed: Please contact Ms. Berry if you would like to volunteer in the book fair.

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

Annabel C. Perry PreK-8 encourages families to get involved in education by volunteering.

How Do I Become a BCPS volunteer?

-Go to Browardschools.com Complete and submit a [volunteer application](#).

-Check application status. Wait one week and contact the school or department you selected to check your approval status.

-Get a volunteer badge at the school or department. This badge may be used at any District location during the school year.

RED RIBBON WEEK

Wed., October 23rd- Put a Cap On Drugs Day (Hat Day)

Thurs., October 24th – Put a Sock on Drugs Day (Wear Your Silly Socks Day)

Fri., October 25th - Wear RED on to show your support for Red Ribbon Week.

Mon., October 28th Be On A Drug Free Team Day (Wear Your Favorite Sports Team Gear Day)

Tues., October 29th- Shade Out Drugs Day (Wear Sunglasses Day)

Wed., October 30th- Together We Stand Against Drugs and Bullying (Twin Day)

Thurs., October 31st- Don't be **tricked!** Bullying and Drugs are no **treat!**