



Hollywood Park Elementary Panther News

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Welcome Back Edition

August 2018

WELCOME MESSAGE FROM MRS. MENENDEZ

Greetings Hollywood Park Elementary School Families:

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2018-19 school year! The Hollywood Park Elementary school staff is looking forward to a year full of exciting and meaningful learning for your child(ren). In addition to working hard this summer to make sure we are prepared to push every child to his or her full potential, we have also taken steps to make sure we are providing your child(ren) with the safest learning environment. Please carefully read the safety and school opening information in this newsletter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

MariaElena Menendez

Proud Principal

STUDENT DRESS CODE

Hollywood Park Elementary is a uniform school. In the event of an emergency or evacuation, students need to be easily identified as Hollywood Park Elementary students. Take action now, so that you are prepared to send your child(ren) to school in their school uniform(s) starting on the first day of school.

Tops: powder blue, navy blue, and white collared shirts or T-Shirts with school emblem

Bottoms: skirt/skort, shorts, long pants in khaki/tan, navy blue, and blue jeans (no rips)

SINGLE POINT OF ENTRY

For the safety of all students, parents/guests with school business may only enter the school through the front office, with a government issued photo identification, to receive a visitors' pass. Parents **may not** enter the cafeteria or any other part of the school building without checking in at the front office. Under no circumstances will any adult not employed by Broward County Public Schools be permitted to be on school grounds, or in student areas without following school safety protocol for entrance.

STUDENT ID BADGES

During school hours, all students will wear a student ID badge to identify them as a Hollywood Park Elementary student. Badges will remain at school. Student badges are worn with a lanyard. Plain black lanyards will be provided by the school, however students are permitted to bring a preferred lanyard from home if they wish. Lanyards should be the break-away type for student safety.



SCHOOL HOURS

7:30 – 8:00 am: Breakfast Service

7:40 am: Supervision begins for students who do not eat breakfast

2:10 pm: Dismissal

Please note that the gate on Johnson Street will open at 7:25 am each morning. All gates will remain locked until 2:05 pm each day.

TAKE HOME TUESDAYS

Each Tuesday, students will take home school fliers or other school information for parents. Check your child's bookbag every Tuesday in order to stay informed.

PARENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Important school information is sent home to parents via an automated phone system called parent link. It is VITAL that the school always has an up to date telephone contact for every child. Please make sure to complete your first day forms and immediately update contact information if it is to change during the school year.

FIRST DAY FORMS

The Code of Student Conduct Handbook Goes Green! Parents are invited to review the Code of Student Conduct Handbook and complete the required forms by accessing the Back to School Forms link found on the Broward Schools' webpage at:

<https://www.browardschools.com/backtoschool-onlineforms>

Please complete online forms no later than the third day of school, Friday, August 17, 2018. It is vital that the school has this information. If you are unable to access the internet from home, computers will be made available during Meet & Greet on August 14th or you can stop by the front office for assistance.

ARRIVAL

The academic day starts at 8:10 am. All doors and exterior gates will be closed and locked at 8:10 am. Late students must check in through the front office. Make sure your child arrives to school with enough time to enter their classroom before academics begin.

DISMISSAL

All students will be escorted to their dismissal area by an adult and monitored until they safely leave campus. Parents must inform the classroom teacher of any dismissal changes in writing. Dismissal changes WILL NOT be accepted over the phone.

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Friday, August 17 will be the last day that parents can walk children to the classrooms. On Monday, August 20, 2018, Hollywood Park Elementary will celebrate Independence Day and all students will enter and walk to class by themselves. All guests/visitors must check in at the front office with a government issued photo identification.

EMERGENCY DRILLS

Emergency drills will be conducted on a regular basis. This includes fire drills, tornado drills, and critical incident drills. We will conduct a Code Red Drill within the first two weeks of school and one each month thereafter. Appropriate notice of drills will be communicated to all parents, guardians, students, and staff members.

SCHOOL OPENING EVENTS

Pre-K & Kindergarten Orientation:

Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 1:30 pm

Grades 1-5 Meet Your Teacher:

Tuesday, August 14, 2018 between 9-10 am

First Day of School: Wed., August 15, 2018

Open House: Wed., August 22, 2018, 6:00 pm