

Prowls N' Growls | August 2022

# WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL



Nicole Ortega  
Principal

April Wyche  
Assistant Principal

Our mission at Country Hills Elementary is to provide a nurturing environment that encourages all students to reach their maximum potential through active participation in a developmentally appropriate and engaging learning process. In partnership with home and community, Country Hills will strive for excellence in education, while meeting the diverse needs of our students and fostering a lifelong love of learning.

10550 Westview Drive  
Coral Springs, Florida 33076  
Phone Number: 754-322-5950

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year. We are very proud to announce that Country Hills Elementary is once again an "A" Graded school. Kudos to our students, staff, parents and community for all the hard work in helping our school attain this incredible success. Our theme this year is Adventure Awaits. We are excited to welcome all of our students and families. It is our commitment and promise to provide each of our panthers with the best possible learning environment.

Please visit our website which contains the most up-to-date information available on our many outstanding programs and initiatives. It is our sincere hope that this will give you a glimpse into the joy and excitement felt on a daily basis at our wonderful school. We are proud to serve as your administrators and look forward to an exhilarating and fantastic school year.

We wish all of our students, parents, staff, and community members an incredible year of learning!



## MORNING ARRIVAL

1. Gates open at 7:40 am. No supervision is provided prior to this time
2. Breakfast is served from 7:40-8:05 am.
3. School begins at 8:10 am.
4. Late arrivals must be signed in at the front office.
5. Please contact the attendance line to report an absence @ 754-322-5952

## SCHOOL DISMISSAL

- School finishes at 2:10 pm.
- Early sign-outs end at 1:40 pm
- Please be sure your child know his/her method of pickup (car, bus, parent, walker)
- If there is any change in your child's transportation schedule, please notify the front office or your teacher directly



**[BROWARDSCHOOLS.COM/READYFORYOU](https://www.browardschools.com/readyforyou)**

- Use the District's back-to-school Wizard to complete annual forms @ <https://scaweb.browardschools.com/bts>
- Watch the Code Book for Student Conduct together as a family
- Download the mobile app to stay connected with information on your student's academics & school accounts
- The World According to Humphrey by Betty Birney



# Lunch

**Lunch meals are \$2.00**

Students wishing to apply for free and reduced lunches must complete a Meal Benefits application for the 2022-2023 school year at [MySchoolApps.com](https://www.myschoolbucks.com)



## MY SCHOOL BUCKS



# The Simple Way to Pay FOR SCHOOL MEALS

[myschoolbucks.com](https://www.myschoolbucks.com)



View account balances and meal purchases



Schedule automatic payments



Make payments anytime, anywhere from our mobile app

# Important Dates and INFORMATION

**August 15** - Meet & Greet  
K - 11:00-12:30pm  
1-5 - 1:00-3:00 pm

**August 19** - Independence Day - Students will walk to class with the help of CHE staff

**September 5** - Labor Day (No School)

**September 8** - Afterschool Enrichment Begins  
See page 7 to register

**September 14** - Open House  
K-2 - 6:00-6:45 PM  
3-5 - 6:45-7:30 PM



Here Comes The Bus<sup>®</sup>

**HERE COMES THE BUS IS AN EASY-TO-USE WEBSITE AND APP THAT ENABLES PARENTS TO SEE THE LOCATION OF THEIR CHILD'S SCHOOL BUS ON A SMARTPHONE, TABLET, OR PERSONAL COMPUTER.**

**All students in Broward County Schools are required to wear identification tags. Country Hills will provide your child with an ID badge and lanyard. The ID badge will remain in school. All staff are required to wear ID badges as well.**

## SCHOOL HEALTH



In order to receive optional in-school health service, be tested for Covid-19 and/or receive the COVID-19 vaccine, parent and/or guardians must complete and return required consent forms to school. Please visit our school website to download and complete.

Thank you for partnering with us in support of your child's health.



**BROWARD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS EXCITED TO WELCOME VOLUNTEERS TO OUR SCHOOLS FOR THE 2022/23 SCHOOL YEAR.**

ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST COMPLETE THE ONLINE APPLICATION FOR LEVEL 1 SCREENING, WHICH IS AVAILABLE AT [BROWARDSCHOOLS.COM/VOLUNTEER](https://www.browardschools.com/volunteer). APPROVED VOLUNTEERS WILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL INFORMING THEM TO VISIT THE PREFERRED SCHOOL LISTED ON THEIR APPLICATIONS.

NOTE: A VALID SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER IS REQUIRED TO SCREEN ALL INDIVIDUALS WHO WANT TO VOLUNTEER WITH OUR SCHOOL. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE DISTRICT'S SCREENING POLICY,

PLEASE CONTACT KAREN MANIE IN THE SECURITY CLEARANCE OFFICE AT

[KAREN.MANIE@BROWARDSCHOOLS.COM](mailto:karen.manie@browardschools.com) OR 754-321-2374.

Please support our PTA!  
Membership is \$10.

Monthly meeting dates and times will be listed each month in the newsletter.

We look forward to seeing you!

To JOIN, visit us online @

<https://countryhillselem.new.memberhub.store/store>



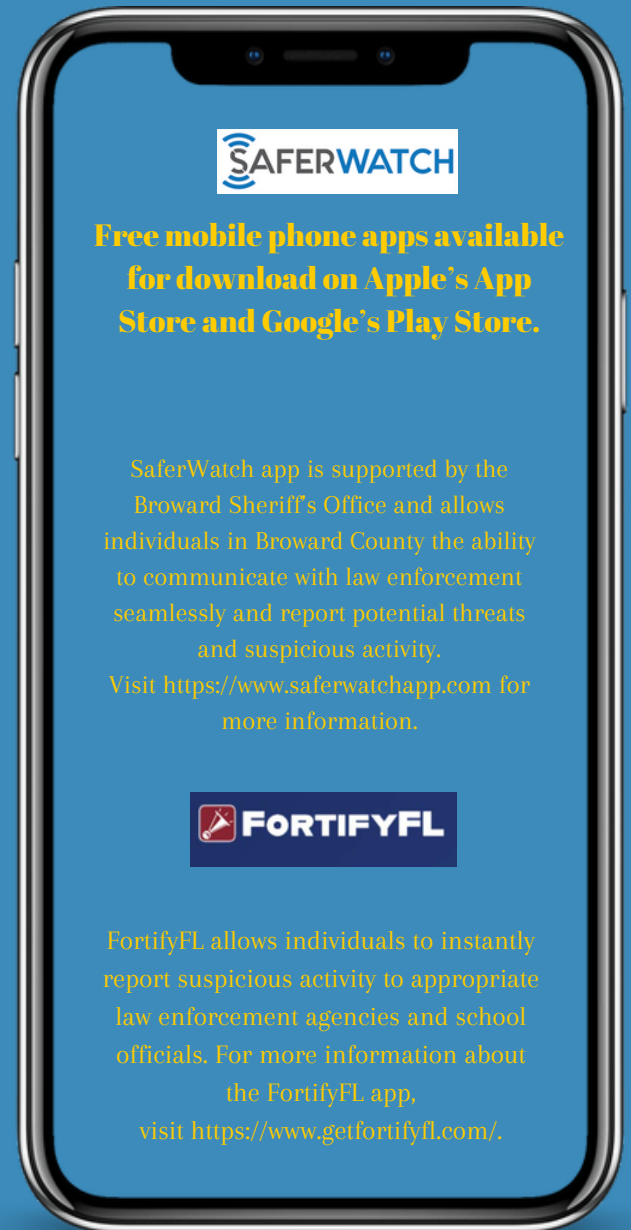
# MOMENT OF SILENCE

Recent legislation requires that all schools observe a moment of silence at the beginning of the school day.

Classes will participate in the moment of silence during homeroom.

The moment of silence will last one minute during which time students may not interfere with other students' participation. Teachers may not make suggestions as to the nature of any reflection that a student may engage in during the moment of silence. However, parents and guardians are encouraged to discuss the moment of silence with their child and to make suggestions as to the best use of this time.

The legislation states "in today's hectic society too few persons are able to experience a moment of quiet reflection before plunging headlong into the activities of daily life. The Legislature finds that our youth will be well served if students are afforded a moment of silence at the beginning of each school day."



## Back-To-School Online Documents

Complete all Back-to-School forms needed on line!

<https://scaweb.browardschools.com/bts/>



JOIN US FOR A

# Back To School!

## MEET & GREET

COME MEET YOUR TEACHER & SEE YOUR CLASSROOM

Purchase your CHE Spirit Wear

Monday

AUGUST 15, 2022

Kindergarten: 11-12:30pm  
Grades 1st-5th: 1-3:00pm

Country Hills  
ELEMENTARY

10550 Westview Drive  
FOR INFO: 754.322.5950

Pick up your pre-ordered school supplies OR purchase a pre-packaged grade-level kit from the school store





# Country Hills Elementary Car Loop, Parent Walk-Up & Parking Notice



## Car Loop Procedures

**All vehicles picking up students are REQUIRED to hang the provided CurbSmart placard from the rear-view mirror.**

Please utilize the grade designated car loop when picking up your children.

### Car Loop A- Enter from Coral Springs Drive

**Students in grades K-2 and Special Programs and their older siblings will be picked up at Car Loop A.**

### Car Loop B- Enter from Westview Drive

**Students in grades 2/3 Multiage & 3-5 will be picked up at Car Loop B.**



**Carpools are encouraged! Carpool students should go to the car loop of the youngest child in the car.**

Students will only be loaded on the passenger side of the vehicle. Vehicles **MUST** pull all the way forward in the car loop. Drivers should always remain in the car while in the car loop; use of cell phones is NOT permitted.

Parents are not permitted in the Car Loops on foot for the safety and security of our students.

Dismissal time begins at 2:10pm.

## Parent Walk-Up Procedures- Located in the Bike Rack between Car Loop A and Car Loop B

Students in K-2 who are walkers must be released to an adult following these procedures.

Students in K-2 will be in the bike rack between Car Loop A and Car Loop B.

You will receive a CurbSmart placard with your child's pickup number on it.

Please show your placard to the staff member at the gate for input into the system.

This will ensure the safety and security of ALL students.



**BIKES MAY BE PARKED IN THE BIKE RACKS BETWEEN CAR LOOP A AND CAR LOOP B**

## Dismissal Changes

ALL dismissal changes need to be in writing. No exceptions!

## Friendly Reminders

- o Please Do Not Park in the Fire Lane in the bus loading zone unless it is a medical emergency.
- o Children may not walk alone through the parking lot area.
- o Please use the crosswalks and crossing guards when walking to and from school.
- o During school-wide events please use both parking lots and North Community Park to park your cars safely.
- o Please remember there is no parking on the grassy areas around the school.
- o Please be sure your child's teacher has your completed dismissal permission slip.

**We Thank You for your patience and support with our Dismissal Procedures!**

**Our #1 Priority is to keep ALL OUR kids SAFE!!!**

# Enrichment Masters

Specialized-Enrichment Programs

SPACES  
ARE  
LIMITED

ATTENTION C.H.E. PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Country Hills Elementary is pleased to announce that starting **September 8th**, students will be able to participate in a variety of fun and engaging specialized-enrichment programs (e.g. Robotics) during after-school hours. These programs are conducted **on-campus** by *Enrichment Masters* (i.e. an approved certified BCPS vendor) and will be held once a week on Thursdays. Parents can register online today by visiting [www.enrichmentmasters.com](http://www.enrichmentmasters.com).

## CHOOSE ONE OR TWO ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS



ONLY 50 SPACES



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### PRICE

\$13 Per Week Per Program

### PROGRAM DAY(S)

Thursdays

### AVAILABLE SESSIONS

S1: 2:15PM - 3:15PM

S2: 3:15PM - 4:15PM

### GRADES

K - 5TH



REGISTER



TODAY

Focus \* Friendship \* Fortitude \* Fun

954-641-8770

[www.enrichmentmasters.com](http://www.enrichmentmasters.com)

[info@enrichmentmasters.com](mailto:info@enrichmentmasters.com)

These enrichment programs are provided by a private company and is not affiliated with the school.



# Hello **CHE'S AMAZING** Rising Stars



Beanstack!

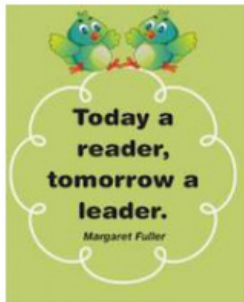
## DAILY READING

Students need to continue reading every night! They should be reading or listening to reading at least 20 minutes a night.

We will be successful because

*we can do* **HARD** *things.*

**Please make sure your child reads daily!**



Beanstack is a way to record your Reading Across Broward.

You and/or your child are to record their reading.

You can record daily or weekly – whichever works best for your family.

## Reading Across **BROWARD**

**BEGINS** April 1 of each year

**ENDS** March 31 of each year

**GOAL** 7,000 minutes read

**CELEBRATIONS** In May/June

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Mrs. Cuadra

## READING

*learning* **100%**

*enjoying* **100%**

*grade* **A+**

## Contact



[caryncuadra@browardschools.com](mailto:caryncuadra@browardschools.com)



## Log-in Directions

Computer: Go through Clever

Log-in: 06#

PW: Birthday – PXX/XX/XXXX



Mrs. Cuadra

App: "Beanstack Tracker"

Log-in: 06#

PW: Birthday –

XXXXXX 2 digits for each

**YOU'VE GOT THIS RISING STARS!**





**All eligible students needing bus transportation for the upcoming school year MUST register for bus assignment. Use the webpage below to register for a bus assignment for the next year.** Private Schools, Charter School, and new registering students entering the Broward County Public School (BCPS) system, that are eligible for transportation can register starting June 13, 2022.

Newly enrolled students to Broward County Public Schools, eligible for transportation, need an assigned student ID prior to registering to ride. Please contact your school to get a student ID. It could take several days for your student information to populate in the transportation database (approx. 3-4 days).

**Eligible students registered by July 15th will be guaranteed a bus for the first day of school.**

## Register 2 Ride Instructions

- 1.) Navigate to <https://ffsweb.browardschools.com/Ride>



- 3.) Answer the corresponding question(s):

Are you going to ride the bus for the 2022-23 school year? (Based on eligibility)

Yes  
 No

- 2.) Log in with a student account, i.e.: [06XXXXXXXX@my.browardschools.com](mailto:06XXXXXXXX@my.browardschools.com)

- 4.) Press Submit to complete. You may return to the form at any point before the deadline to update your answer.



**Register by July 15, 2022**, be guaranteed a bus for the first day of school. After registration, contact your assigned school for an effective bus assignment date.

**After July 16, 2022**, may not get a bus until the second week of school, bus assignment timelines will vary. You must register to ride. After registration, contact your assigned school for an effective bus assignment date.

## Register 2 Ride Contact Info

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at  
 Email: [register2ride@browardschools.com](mailto:register2ride@browardschools.com) Phone: [754-321-4499](tel:754-321-4499)

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**FREE**

# 2022 Back to School IMMUNIZATIONS!

Get your child's vaccinations up to date  
before school starts

**CHILDREN'S READING CENTER & MUSEUM**

751 SW 121ST AVE. DAVIE, FL 33325

July 6 - September 2

Tuesday - Saturday

8:00am - 4:00pm

Thursday hours are 10:00am - 6:00pm

No  
appointment  
necessary!







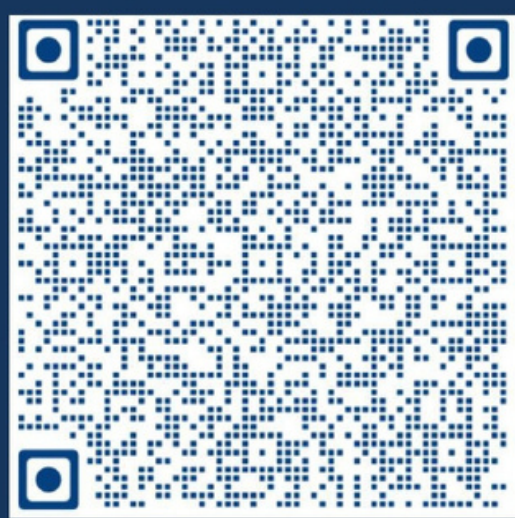
# ADVENTURE



*is Calling!*



**Cub Scout Pack 246**  
**Coral Springs / Parkland**  
**(Boys & Girls) Grades K-5<sup>th</sup>**  
**[Cubscoutspack246@gmail.com](mailto:Cubscoutspack246@gmail.com)**  
**(954) 914-5137**





For an ADA accessible version of this calendar, visit [browardschools.com/accessiblecalendar](http://browardschools.com/accessiblecalendar).

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- Employee Planning (no school for students)
- Schools and Administrative Offices Closed
- Schools Closed
- Report Cards Issued
- Interim Reports Issued
- Early Release Day
- First and Last Day of School