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A Bi-Monthly Newsletter for
Parents and Students



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EMBASSY CREEK ELEMENTARY MISSION STATEMENT

To empower, nurture and facilitate our students to become global thinkers, lifelong learners and the problem solvers of tomorrow.



- Jan. 18th No School
- Jan. 25th – 29th Literacy Week
- Jan. 29th Yearbook Selfie Deadline

ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

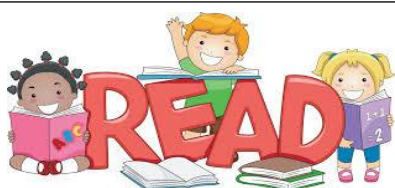


Parents, please be advised we have made a change to our arrival procedures. Effective Tuesday, January 19th, car riders may enter the east school gates at 7:30 a.m. Bike riders and walkers will be permitted on campus beginning at 7:40 a.m.



Grab and Go Meals!

Great news! The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has extended the summer meals flexibility waiver, now allowing Broward County Public Schools to provide breakfast and lunch at no cost to all children 18 years and younger – regardless of meal eligibility status and even if they don't attend a BCPS school. Grab-and-Go meals are available at Embassy Creek, every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. while the District continues instruction through eLearning. In addition, on Fridays students may take home a frozen meal for the weekend. Meals will be available at dismissal for students who wish to pick one up.



ECE will be celebrating Literacy Week the week of January 25th-29th.

We invite all students to celebrate literacy by participating in the fun activities below:

Monday, January 25 - "Reading Gives You Superpowers!" - Wear a SUPERHERO shirt.

Tuesday, January 26 - "Read My Shirt Day!" - Wear a SHIRT WITH WORDS so others can read it.

Wednesday, January 27 - "Reading Makes Our Future Bright!" - Wear SUNGLASSES.

Thursday, January 28 - "Be a Good Sport and Read!" - Wear your favorite SPORTS TEAM shirt.

Friday, January 29 - "Get Lost in Reading!" - Wear CAMOUFLAGE.

For the families that checked out a school laptop and their student is still at home participating in e-learning.

- If you no longer need the school laptop that you checked out and have your own home computer that you are able to use, please return the school issued laptop and battery charger to Embassy Creek. No appointment is needed, you can simply stop by the school and return the laptop and charger to the front office during normal business hours.
- If you have a student in either Kindergarten or 1st grade that has returned to Embassy Creek for face to face learning, we have provided laptops for those students to use in the classroom. However, your student may still need access to a computer at home. For Kindergarten and 1st grade students that have returned to campus and previously checked out a school laptop that is no longer needed, we would ask that those be returned to Embassy Creek at this time along with the battery charger. No appointment is needed, you can simply stop by the school and return the laptop and charger to the front office during normal business hours.



BACK TO SCHOOL FORMS

Please review the **Code of Student Conduct Handbook** and complete your child's necessary back to school forms, online. The forms are easy to complete, available in multiple languages, and all data is protected and secure. For families with multiple children attending Broward County Public Schools, some information will only need to be entered once. Please take a moment to fill out all the required back to school forms for your child. This applies to all students, new or returning. Please visit the BTS forms Wizard: www.browardschools.com/bts



For the safety of our students and staff we are not accepting deliveries (ex: lunch boxes, snacks, backpacks, water, clothes, etc.) In the event your child forgets their lunch or water, the school will provide for them.

Thank you for your understanding.

PTA & OTHER MISC. NEWS...

BSO Update on Safety

The safety and wellbeing of our students is our number one priority. I ask everyone to please continue to follow the procedures that are established here at Embassy Creek to keep things flowing smoothly. As many of us know, traffic is one of our most challenging issues at the school and we continue to need your help. Please follow these expectations at all times during arrival and dismissal.

Refrain from jaywalking on SE Lake Boulevard – You will be ticketed.

Never drop your child off on SE Lake Boulevard and allow them to walk to school – You will be ticketed.

When lining up in the afternoon to pick up your child, do not line up any earlier than your child's dismissal time. This creates a hardship for emergency vehicle's ability to move on SE Lake Boulevard.

Thank you to everyone for understanding and following the procedures outlined above – Your child's safety is our number one concern and everyone should work together to keep our kids safe!

SCHOOL YEARBOOK

The 2019-2020 yearbooks have arrived and are in the front office of the school. Please make arrangements to pick up your child's yearbook during front office hours Monday-Friday.

If for any reason you are not able to pick up your yearbook and would like it mailed to you, please email: thecepta@gmail.com

We will get the yearbook shipped to your house at your cost.



Want to stay informed?

Please join our Embassy Creek Elementary School PTA Facebook group for continuous news and updates of the goings on at ECE. Search FB for Embassy Creek Elementary PTA and request to be added. Please answer the 2 questions on our Facebook page to be approved.

ESE Corner

Fridays with FDLRS: A Virtual Parent Webinar Series

Registration for all Webinars: <http://www.fdlrs.org/free-parent-webinars-fridays-fdlrs>

Time: 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

All sessions will be recorded and posted on the www.fdlrs.org website for access at a later time.

February 19th: Transition for Secondary
March 19th: Technology Tools for Beginners
April 16th: How Understanding Learning Styles Helps When Parenting
May 21st: Resources for Parents and Families

WE'RE HIRING!

Are you interested in becoming part of our ECE family? We have a part-time position available for 3 hours per day (10:15 – 1:15) monitoring the students in the cafeteria. Please contact Mrs. Lanza in the front office at 754-323-5550 if you are interested.

Thank you!

EMBASSY CREEK ELEMENTARY A Year Like No Other 5TH Grade Yearbook Information



DEADLINE EXTENDED – ALL SUBMISSIONS DUE JANUARY 29, 2021

Yearbooks AND Ads can be purchased via:
Pictavo Community at commpe.pictavo.com
All payments are online ONLY

Note: Yearbooks and Ads are first come first served and are VERY limited

NEW This Year:

YEARBOOK ADS: Visit Pictavo Community at commpe.pictavo.com
****Use Google Chrome for best results****

1. Click or tap 'Create an Account'.
2. Find your school.
3. Enter information.
4. Verify e-mail and login.
5. Click or tap 'Shop My School'.
6. Find your product(s) & 'Add to Cart'
7. Enter student information.
8. 'Add to Cart' & 'Check Out' to complete your purchase!
9. Head to 'My Stuff' to design and submit your masterpiece!

5th Graders with Sibling Page and GUESS WHO? Page

Sibling Page: Any 5th grader with a current ECE sibling may submit a photo with **ONLY** that sibling for this page.

Guess Who?: Any 5th grader may submit a photo from when they were 4-5 years old for this page.

For all submissions: Please include your **child's name and teacher when you upload to respective folders – see upload instruction flyer.**

5th Grade Class Page Quotes

Any 5th grader may submit 2-3 sentences about their time at ECE. This quote will go on the class page. **ONLY 2** entries for each class will be taken.

Please include child's full name and teacher Quote submissions must be emailed to: ecyearbookpics@gmail.com

SCHOOL PICTURE DAY IS HERE!



This year, we have made arrangements to use YearbookLife's SELFIE PORTRAIT program

Here's what you need to do:

1. Starting on December 14, 2020 log into <https://high5.id/p/ells2>
2. Enter your Student's name or your child's student ID# to log into the site.
3. Follow the onscreen instructions to take your picture.
4. Click on the "Looks Good!" button once you feel like you've captured your best selfie.
5. Enter your student or parent email address and phone number.
6. Click on "Submit" to submit your picture.

THAT'S IT!

YOUR SELFIE PORTRAIT HAS NOW BEEN SUBMITTED FOR THE YEARBOOK!

Portraits will be accepted until: January 29, 2021

Selfie Rules

We want you to have fun with your portrait and allow it to show your personality, but certain rules still apply:

1. For best image quality, take your picture **outside in natural daylight** if you can.
2. No hands raised in your portrait.
3. No hats or sunglasses.
4. Take your picture on a **plain background**.
5. Be aware of your background. Watch for inappropriate items that may appear.
6. Make sure no one else is in the photo frame with you.

If your portrait is not acceptable, based on the **Selfie Rules**, or if there are technical issues with your portrait, the image will not be accepted and you will be contacted to retake the picture.