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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.



- Mar. 8th Daylight Saving Time
- Mar. 11th SAC/SAF Meeting @ 2:30 p.m.
- Mar. 9th – 13th Spring Grams
- Mar. 13th PTA General Meeting @ 8:15 a.m.
- Mar. 17th Teacher Planning Day – NO SCHOOL
- Mar. 18th Staff Talent Show @ 6:00 p.m.
- Mar. 19th Early Release @ 12:00 p.m.
- Mar. 20th Teacher Planning Day – NO SCHOOL
- Mar. 23rd – 27th Spring Break – NO SCHOOL
- April 16th-17th PTA Drama Club Peter Pan @ CCHS doors open at 6:30 p.m.

8 is Late!

Did you know that students that arrive to class after 8:00 AM are late? We need your help instilling the importance of "arriving to school" on time. Students should not believe it is OK to arrive to class after the late bell rings. Parents that have middle school or high school sons/daughters already know that consequences for such behaviors often impact their child's academic averages at these levels. Let's begin now by letting our kids know how important it is to be on time each and every day.

Beginning on Monday, walkers coming from the east and west of the school will find gates closed promptly at 8:00 AM. Deputy Kiar and school staff members have been mentioning this every day this week on SE Lake Boulevard to our late arriving families to ensure the word gets out. **The 8 is Late** slogan is one that will hopefully be a part of all our students' mindset and our parent's help is needed to ensure the word gets out. Please know school staff (guidance, administration, teachers and social workers) are always trying to make a difference in the lives of our students and being in their classroom before the bell rings is important for all of our boys and girls to understand. Let's work together to teach the importance of being on time. Your help and understanding is very much appreciated.

Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) is monitoring the Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV), commonly known as coronavirus, and providing current information from the Florida Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC).

Education is the key. It is important not to create fear or panic. We urge parents and students to get informed about the virus, how it spreads, how to identify symptoms and recommended actions so we can all do our part to prevent the virus from spreading.

Recommendations for prevention are the same as for the flu:

- Wash your hands frequently.
- Cover your mouth and nose while coughing or sneezing
- Stay home (or keep your child home) when sick until fever free for 24-hours without medication

The health and wellbeing of students, staff and school communities continue to be our focus. Additional information, resources and updates are available on the District's website at browardschools.com/coronavirus.

Annual Parent Customer Survey

Parents,
In an effort to improve System Practices, Broward County School District is conducting a Parent Survey. We value your opinion and ask that you please take time to complete this survey. In order to complete the survey, go to: <https://eprovesurveys.advanc-d.org/surveys/#/action/130076/p568> or scan the QR code below and complete the survey from your phone. Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated. Thank you for taking your time to complete the survey.



Spring Grams will be sold March 9th – 13th at the front and back gates for \$1 each.



Please support our school in the following free and easy ways:

- **Amazon Smile:** Thanks to those who have added Embassy Creek Elementary as their beneficiary. It's not too late to do it now. Please remember to checkout using smile.amazon.com!
- **Box Tops:** *Change in program this year (transition to app) * - Download app and start scanning all receipts. When taking the picture, select the STAR to Credit your Teacher; also continue to cut out box tops where applicable and send in with your Teacher's name.
- **Bottle Caps:**

- Option 1 (preferred) - Go to <https://us.coca-cola.com/give/>, scroll down to Donate to Your Local School, follow prompts and scan codes.
- Option 2 (if needed) - Send in bottle caps with your Teacher's name.

Thank you for supporting this PTA initiative and making sure Embassy Creek Elementary does not miss out on free money for the school!



Embassy Creek's Got Talent!

Come out and see the
STARS

At our annual **Staff Talent Show!**

Wednesday, March 18th @ 6:45 p.m. (Doors open at 6:00)

Pizza, Snacks and drinks available

REPORTING AN ABSENCE

We are asking parents to please use our attendance line to report your child's absence. The number is **754-323-5552**. Please speak clearly and slowly as we have to listen to the recording to gather the information. State your child's name, teacher, the reason, and the date they are absent. All absences should be reported no later than 10 a.m. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the school. For your convenience we have an online **absence form**, an **attendance hotline**, or you can provide a note to our front office. Visit our website, go to "Contact" and click on "Report" an Absence" for more information.

PTA & OTHER MISC. NEWS...



Spanish Fair registration and guidelines are on the school website. Please return the registration forms to Sra. Aguirre.

Dates to remember:

- Turn in projects on Monday, April 27th for 3rd and 5th grade, and Tuesday, April 28th for 4th grade in the Media Center.
- Project viewing and awards will be on Thursday, April 30th during the Spanish Fair.

ESE Corner

March is National Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

BCPS participates in World Down Syndrome Day & Celebration of Inclusion

Thursday, March 19th "Rock Your Socks"
Wear Lots of Socks (colorful, striped, mismatched, long)

Across the Spectrum Autism Parent Support Group

First Tuesday of Every Month (7:00 pm – 8:30 pm)
Mailman Segal Center, Baudhuin Preschool, East Side, Building 200, Room 2218
7600 Southwest 36th St., Davie, FL
www.autismfl.org

Dyslexia/Specific Learning Disabilities Committee

Tuesday, March 10th (6:30 pm)
Hollywood Hills High School
5400 Stirling Rd., Hollywood

ACE (Autism) Committee

Wednesday, March 11th (9:30 am – 11:30 am)
Baudhuin Preschool
7600 SW 36th St., Davie

ESE Advisory Council

Wednesday, March 18th (6:30 pm – 9:00 pm)
Piper High School Media Center (The Nook)
8000 NW 44th St., Sunrise

The Florida Dept. of Education wants to hear from all parents of students with an Individual Educational Plan (IEP). Please complete the paper survey that was sent home or take the survey online at <http://www.esesurvey.com>.



March 23rd – March 27th
Have a safe and restful break.
Classes resume on Monday, March 30th.

HATCHLING PROGRAM

The Hatchling Program is for incoming kindergarten students with siblings currently enrolled at Embassy Creek. The future students are invited to participate in the Hatchling Program in order to familiarize them with their new school. The 4- and 5-year old's who have brothers or sisters attending Embassy Creek will have the opportunity to tour the campus, meet the kindergarten teachers, participate in an activity, such as PE, music, etc. and eat a school meal in the cafeteria.

The last program will be from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on April 7th.

Parents must accompany their children.

If you are interested in registering your future kindergartener, please send me an e-mail to ecehatchlings@gmail.com with the following information:

- Child's name attending the program
- Sibling's name that is currently enrolled at the school, grade and teacher
- Parents' names
- Phone Number

The PTA Drama Club
Invites You to A Special Presentation of



Thursday, April 16th & Friday, April 17th
at 7:00 p.m.
Cooper City High School Auditorium
(Doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

Tickets are \$10.00 each

Purchase your reserved seats here:

<https://embassycreek.seatyourself.biz>



Yearbooks are on sale for \$40. Less than 100 books are still available, don't delay as they will sell out.

Go to www.ybpay.lifetouch.com

Use code: 13273220

Musical Moments



Broward County Elementary Honor Choir!

Eighteen of our Embassy Creek students represented us in the 2020 All County Elementary Honor Choir. These outstanding singers attended several afterschool rehearsals at Cypress Creek School and an all-day rehearsal in preparation at the Coral Springs Center for the Arts. They proudly performed on February 19, 2020 for an enthusiastic, standing room only crowd of parents, friends and dignitaries across the state of Florida. Congratulations to Leah Bustillo, Mya Bustillo, Luna Cedola, Karim Fall, Sophia Hibbard, Tomas Kanevsky, Zoe Kent, Lane Kerstetter, Anabella King, Morgan Longo, Diayani Morales, Samantha Muller, Monae Myers, Jacob Nagy, Greenleigh Panditaratine, Riley Spalding, Saree Young and Giana Zamarin! Embassy is incredibly proud of you!

Junior Chorus!

Our Embassy Creek Junior Chorus began rehearsing in January. Our Second and Third Grade Chorus rehearsals are every Tuesday morning from 7:30 AM until 8:00 AM in the music room. Wake up early and warm up those voices! Our production of Goin' Buggy! Will premiere on April 22, 2020. Everyone is invited! The children should be considering what "bug" they want to be and pulling together their costumes for our show!

Joyful Noise!

Our Joyful Noise members are ready for a busy spring season including community performances and our annual competition and evaluation called the Elementary Music Performance Assessment. Because the music for our spring season is challenging, look for small adjustments in the rehearsal schedule to maximize our learning time together.

Many thanks to the parents of the students involved in our large Embassy Creek musical ensembles. You're the best!



Please join us for our March general PTA meeting on Friday, March 13th at 8:15 a.m. in the cafeteria. We look forward to seeing many of you there.



PLEASE RECYCLE NEWSLETTER

