



Director's Corner

Rhonda Mallory-Burns

Welcome to Development Centers Early Head Start/Head Start Program 2019-2020. It is indeed an honor and a pleasure that you selected our program to allow us to service you and your children.

This is just a friendly reminder that school begins promptly at 8:30am and dismiss at 3:30pm. It is very important that children arrive to school on time to get the full benefits of the program. Each classroom follows a daily schedule and late arrivals can disrupt the routine. Full day classes are designed for children to be in class for a minimum of six hours per day.

This is why we are continuing our practice this school year informing parents if children arriving after 9am they will not be admitted in class, unless the child had an appointment or your contacted the Family Service Worker.

Mental Health/Disability Specialist Stephanie Center

What is mental health?

It is easy for parents to identify their child's physical needs: nutritious food, warm clothes, bedtime at a reasonable hour. However, a child's mental and emotional needs may not be as obvious. Good mental health allows children to think clearly, develop socially and learn new skills. When young children are worried, sad or angry it can be hard to make friends, follow directions and do well in school. A child's physical and mental health are both important.

Basic needs for a child's good mental health:

- Unconditional love from family
- Self- confidence and high self-esteem
- Time for play
- Encouraging teachers and caregivers
- Safe and secure surroundings
- Appropriate guidance and discipline

PARENT MEETING OCTOBER @ 8:45am

Northrop—10/10

McKenny Center base— 10/19

McKenny Home base— 10//25

Seven Mile—10/6

St. Suzanne—10/18

PARENT POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
AT MCKENNY DEHS SITE
@ 9AM

Willette Kelly Education Specialist

We are off and running to a new and exciting school year. When Parents and Teachers partner in educating our children, children aspire to learn. We are looking forward to working together to make Development Centers the Premiere EHS/HS program in Detroit. Remember, **You** are your child's first Teacher.

Health Specialist Sabrina Taliaferro



This is the time for colds, flus and virus.

According to the American Pediatric Academy, there are few things we should be aware of as staff and parents:

1. Does your child have a fever over 101F; this is a general sign of illness, so children should stay home from school.
2. Is the child well enough to participate in school activities or do they seem run down and tired? Keep them home until they feel better.
3. Does the child have an illness, such as flu like symptoms or pinkeye? Children must be excluded immediately, with a doctor's excuse to return back to school.
4. A severe cough or cold can be symptoms of contagious condition such whooping cough, viral bronchitis or the croup. It can also be a warning sign of asthma or allergies.

MISSION:

Helping children, adults and families live healthier, happier lives.

WELCOME NEW STAFF

Willette Kelly – Education Specialist
 Sabrina Taliaferro – Health Specialist
 Ramona Brown – Center Manager
 Krystal Chapman – Mental Health Consultant
 Cheryl Austin – Interim Ctr Manager
 Monica Anderson – Office Coordinator
 Miriam White – EHS Teacher
 Jessica Emerson – DEHS Teacher
 Rhonda Steward – DEHS Teacher
 Rachel Geyer – DEHS Teacher
 Deanna Wilson – DEHS Teacher
 Taya Harris – Hme Visitor/Teacher
 Lydia Colley – HS Teacher
 Shelia Young –Asst. HS Teacher
 Mia Ratliff –EHS Teacher
 Adrienne Word – On Call Teacher
 Delphine Webster – Center Aide
 Aliyah Harris – Center Aide
 Nieya Gaston – Center Aide
 Johnnie Booth –Center Aide
 Dominique Nickens – Food Aide
 Beatrice Guy – Food Aide
 Vastein Martin – Food Aide

Yolanda M. Wilson
Family Community
Partnership Specialist

Children want
the same things
we want.
To laugh, to be
challenged, to
be entertained,
and delighted.
~ Dr. Seuss
Herding Kats in Kindergarten

Renae Micou Center Manager
St. Suzanne EHS/HS



Welcome children and parents,
 We're so glad you're here.
 We're going to have a wonderful year!
 We'll draw and write,
 We'll sing and play,
 We'll paint and build,
 And learn new things each day!

The staff at St. Suzanne Site welcomes all of our families and we look forward to a year of growing and learning together!

Carmen Donaldson
Center Manager
McKenny DEHS

Greetings families! One of the most important things that you can do to make your young child feel safe is to establish as much routine in his or her home life as possible. Children (and adults) feel the most secure when their lives are predictable. When adults provide environments that feel safe, children learn that they can trust others to take care of them **and meet their needs, so they become free to relax and explore their world. When events happen in the same order every day, children** have a better understanding of their world, and therefore feel more secure. A regular schedule gives children a way to order and organize their lives and when they know what to expect, they become more confident in both themselves and the world around them.
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Debbie Taylor
Center Manager
Seven Mile Site EHS/HS



Greetings Parents,

Fall has arrived the days are getting shorter as well as the nights getting longer. Parents the children go outside everyday be sure your children are appropriately dressed for the weather. Good-bye, sweet flowers! Through bright summer hours you have filled our hearts with cheer

We shall miss you so,
 And yet you must go,
 for this is the Fall of the year.



Greetings

Welcome to the 2019/2020 School Year
 It's a pleasure to see you each morning

I am **Mrs. Brown the new Site Manager** for our **Northrop location**. I am excited to be here and ready to be a resource to you as needed.

Today I want to share with you a fun sensory home activity I hope that you will try it and enjoy it with your child (ren)

How to Make Playdough



- 2 cups of all-purpose flour
- ¾ cup salt
- 4 Teaspoons cream of tartar
- 2 Cups lukewarm water
- 2 Tablespoons of vegetable oil
- Food coloring

Rose Pardiac Lead Home Visitor

Home visitors are parent educators who specialize in strengthening the parent/child relationship. The home visitor's role is to partner with the parent to support the development of the child. The importance of having a home visitor as additional support for parents is to have someone who can guide and strengthen the parenting skills all the while understanding the stresses and sometime difficult processes being a parent can be. A home visitor is also someone who can offer suggestions, strategies and aged appropriate activities to encourage the child's growth in reaching milestones of development. Home visitors encourage parents to provide learning experiences for their children which build and make the connections in the brain grow stronger. By providing experiences that are fun, exciting, new and interesting and somewhat challenging, the child wants to do them over and over again. This is how learning happens. Parents are the child's first teacher. You know your child better than anyone else. Home visitors are added support in that education process. Enroll in home based!

SIGN UP FOR OUR COOKING CLASS!!!

CHOOSE THE BEST LOCATION & DAY FOR YOU

You will get \$10 to spend at Meijer. Plus, you will get an ADDITIONAL Meijer Gift card from us just for participating! Enjoy a Free dinner each week enough for 4 people! Have fun learning to cook delicious, healthy meals.

Call Kathryn Curtis, RD - Your Nutrition Specialist at 313-246-6060 to Register, or sign up through Beaumont At 1-800-633-7377

CLASSES RUN FOR 6 WEEKS * FROM 9:00AM – 11:00AM
McKenny CENTER – RM. 121
WEDNESDAYS, OCTOBER 9TH- NOVEMBER 13TH

NORTHROP CENTER – RM 10A
THURSDAY'S OCTOBER 10TH- NOVEMBER 14TH

ALL FAMILY MEMBERS ARE WELCOME
to attend with you, or in your place.

DONUTS FOR DADS!
CONVERSATION WITH OUR DADS
8:45am

WEEK OF OCTOBER 6TH
PLEASE CHECK POSTINGS AT YOUR LOCAL CENTERS

Please check with Mr. Aaron,
Fatherhood Coordinator
313.307.7000 X 7011

