

HAMPTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2

Gator Happenings

Week of: 2/27/2017

Vision

Hampton County School District 2 will become a *world-class* rural school district. Demonstrating our **BEST**.

Behave Responsibly
Exceed Expectations
Scholarship First
Team work always!

Mission

The mission of Hampton County School District 2 is to provide a rigorous, personalized environment of academic excellence that prepares Each child, Each Day and in Every classroom to be **college/career** and **citizen ready** with no excuses.

Martin L. Wright, Superintendent

Estill Elementary School

Julia Lee, Principal

Points of Celebrations



They are the first ones to say hello to students in the morning, and the last ones to say goodbye before heading home.

Kudos to our Top Notch Bus Drivers: Mrs. Ann Beckett, Mr. July Best, Mrs. Sophie Council, Mr. Irvin James, Mrs. Peggy Johnson, Ms. Arica Smalls, Mrs. Mary Stokes, Ms. Sheila Whitney, Mr. Joaquin Wilson, Mrs. Louise Wright, and Ms. Tara Wright.

Thank-you for transporting our precious jewels (students) to school daily, we love you all.

Ice cream as a symbol of “Chilling with Cool People” and a framed certificate was given in recognition for Bus Driver’s Appreciation.

Ms. Brannette Cohen’s 1st grade class showed love to our dedicated bus drivers by giving personal cards and fruits.



Coats - We have student’s coats that have been left over a period of time. Beginning January 11th, we will display these items in our parent /family coordinator office on Wednesday, Thursday and every other Friday. This will continue until March 11th on those days.

Estill Middle/High School

Kamar Lee, Principal

Points of Celebrations

January 2017- Staff and Student of the month:

Certified Staff:

Estill High School

- Mr. Michael Council, CATE Teacher

Estill Middle School

- Ms. Susan Lennon, Math Teacher

Students of the Month:

Estill High School

- Mason Farmer,
- Sierra Crawford

Estill Middle School

- Anthony Dorris,
- Alassia Smart,
- Tyliek Isham

Varsity Girls Basketball Team

Congratulations to Estill High School’s Varsity Girls Basketball



Team for winning the Upper State Championship against Lamar High School and advancing to the Class- A State Championship game. The Lady Gators will play Green Sea-Floyds on Friday, March 3, 2017 at the Colonial Life Arena at 4:00 PM. Please come out and support our Lady Gators.

EES Expectations



Punctuality – Instruction at Estill Elementary School is priority # 1. Be reminded that teaching and learning begins at 8:00 am and ends at 3:00 pm. Students are tardy at 8:01 am. It is important that students get to school on time each day. We are asking parents for your help in this area.



Parental Identification: All parents or legal guardians who pick-up their child or children before 2:00 pm will need to have a form of identification such as: driver's license, state issued id, etc.



Early Check-Out - Early check-outs are not permitted after 2:00 pm. If you would like to request a transportation change from bus rider to car rider, please call the main office before 2:00 pm to make your request.

Dismissal Time:



Bus Riders: 3:00 pm



Car Pick-up: 3:15 pm.

Superintendent's State of the District Address

Parents and stakeholders from the Hampton 2 learning community are invited to attend the *Superintendent's State of the District Address*. The district will host two sessions of the *Superintendent's State of the District Address*. The first meeting will take place on April 24, 2017, at 10:00 am with a repeated session occurring at 6:30 pm. Both sessions will be held in the gymnasium of Estill Middle.

Project-based Learning (Solar System)



Project-based Learning is a teaching method in which students gain knowledge and skills by working for an extended period of time to investigate and respond to an authentic, engaging and complex question, problem, or challenge.

The Exceptional Children classes are exploring the solar system. They have created a model of the solar system using balloons and soil.

Each student researched a planet, was required to write facts about their planet, and had to present the information to the class on their science board.

PBL-solar system mobile, solar system diorama, solar system cake, and solar system using a science board are the projects that students are working on independently.



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When it comes to preparing students for success, especially in today's competitive and fast paced college and career world, meeting minimum expectations at **70%** just isn't good enough!!

For Estill Middle/High students to be successful, they will need to be held to much higher standards. When they are being consistently successful at **82%** mastery on all of the concepts and skills introduced and taught to them, only then can we breathe a sigh of "temporary" relief and rest assured that they are on track to becoming **College and Career Ready**.

Student Attendance:

Protecting instructional time at Estill Middle and High School is our #1 priority. Be reminded that teaching and learning begins at 8:30 am and ends at 3:30 pm. Students are considered tardy at 8:31 am. It is important that students get to school on time each day. We are asking parents for your help in this area.

Also, please be reminded that no student should be dropped off before **8:00 am**. This causes a supervision issue for your child and the school.