

HAMPTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2

Gator Happenings

Week of: 2/13/2017

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

Estill Middle/High School

Kamar Lee, Principal

Points of Celebrations

February 2017 -Staff and Students of the Month:

Certified Staff: Mrs. Stephanie Britton

Classified Staff: Mr. John Gadson

Students of the Month:

- Kindergarten – Diamond Williams;
- 1st grade – Mariah Housey;
- 2nd grade – Antayvis Taylor,
- 3rd Grade – Alex Ling-Gillison,
- 4th Grade – Nathaniel Frazier
- 5th grade – Allison Rose



UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, February 15, 2017 (Full Day)

- PBIS Celebration

Wednesday, February 15th and Tuesday, February 21st

- Yearbook Pictures

Thursday and Friday, February 16-17, 2017

- Mid-Winter Break (No School)

Monday, February 20, 2017

- Presidents' Day – No School

Thursday, February 23, 2017

- Literacy/Numeracy Night @ 6:00 - Theme: Unlocking the Mysteries of Literacy and Numeracy

Monday, February 27, 2017

- SIC/PTA Meeting @ 6:00 pm (Food Bank Distribution) Meeting will be held @ Estill Middle/High Auditorium.

Points of Celebrations

Congratulations to the Girls and Boys varsity basketball teams on qualifying for the **Class-A** State Playoffs. Kudos for their great performance!

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Wednesday, February 15, 2017

PBIS College Tour

February 16-20, 2017

Mid-Winter Break

Tuesday, February 21, 2017

Board of Trustees Meeting

Monday, February 27, 2017

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EMS/EHS Expectations

Texting is a form of quick communication via telecommunication devices. While a common practice in today's society, it is often a disruption of the teaching and learning process in schools. When students receive texts from parents during the day, they feel obligated to reply, which pressures them to break our school expectations and/or policies. To reduce instructional disruptions, we are asking parents to avoid texting/calling students while in school on their mobile devices. To help parents communicate with their child(ren) during school, the following guidelines will be implemented:

- Students can have messages left in the office for them at anytime.
- Students can call or text their parents from the office if they must communicate with them between classes, during lunch or on any emergency basis.



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 11, 2017.

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.



Please contact Estill High School @ (803) 625-5100 for additional information. Remember, saving our children is the goal for preserving the future.



1:1 Laptops

Help your student(s) with a few of these "Care" items:

- Remind your students of the appropriate way to carry their device.
- Remind your students to properly care for the device. It is very expensive.
- Remind them to always leave the laptop in the protective case.
- Remind them to shut the lid and zip the case when not in use
- Remind them to shut down the machine when it is not in use
- Remind them to make certain there are no items on their keyboard when they close the lid.
- Avoid storing/leaving in the car or garage during cold or hot weather.
- Maintain parameters on when and where your student uses their devices.
- If ever concerned of your student's usage, have your student's screens facing you when they are using the device.
- Always sit with your child if they are setting up new social media bios, so you know their passwords.
- Encourage your students to avoid having multiple items on the desk when they are using the device.

Upcoming Athletic Events

Basketball



Estill High School

Feb. 13 Mon. (G) McBee Away 6:30 pm

Feb. 14 Tues. (B) Ware Shoals Away 6:30 pm