# **HAMPTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2**

# **Gator Happenings**

Week of: 3/13/2017

# Vision

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

**B**ehave Responsibly

**E**xceed Expectations

**S**cholarship 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

- Congratulations to Mrs. Shronda Taylor for passing the Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision test produced by Educational Testing Services (ETS). The Educational Leadership examination is a rigorous assessment administered to leadership candidates completing Educational Leadership certification programs. Again, congratulations to Mrs. Shronda Taylor!
- Kudos to EES Faculty and Staff for an informative career week. We had a variety of guest speakers ranging from Sweet P's, Federal Correctional Institute, Wright Directions, Hampton County Department of Juvenile Justice, Estill Public Work, and more.



# Monday, March 13 – 31, 2017 (March Madness)

 School-wide Math Common Formative Assessment (CFA) challenge began during the week of March 6, 2017. The class from each grade level with the most CFAs passed with an 80% or higher will receive an out of uniform pass. Using this competitive strategy is designed to get our students excited about math.

#### Monday, March 13, 2017

- K- 2 will implement Lucy Calkins writing. The focus will be on Narrative writing. Parents, please inquire more information from K-2 teachers.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> will continue with Text Dependent Analysis (TDA). Review with your child the Six Step Process of TDAs:
  - Read for Generating Interaction between Schemata and Text (GIST)
  - 2) Read the prompt to learn the question
  - 3) Close read the passage

# Estill Middle/High School Kamar Lee, Principal

# **Points of Celebrations**

February 2017 Staff and Student of the month:

#### **Certified Staff:**

#### **Estill High School**

• Ms. Barbara Moomey, Spanish Teacher

#### **Estill Middle School**

Ms. Karine Rhule, Science/Social Studies Teacher

# Students of the Month:

#### **Estill High School**

Jonnesha Mims

#### **Estill Middle School**

- Jaylen Smart,
- Jerrion Englum,
- Danayzjha Newton



Research shows that attendance is an important factor in student achievement. A missed school day is a lost opportunity for students to learn. Your child's future is bright when he/she attends class, each day, in every classroom on time and ready to learn, becoming college/career and citizen ready with no excuses. Students cannot learn if they are not in school. Thank you for ensuring that your child is here on time each day. The first bell rings at 8:25 a.m. and the official start of the instructional day is 8:30 a.m.

Our teachers work extremely hard to prepare and deliver instruction from **8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.** Unless necessary (medical appointment, family emergency), please do not pick up your child early from school. Every minute of our learning day counts!

- 4) Re-read the questions
- 5) Organize thoughts
- 6) Compose responses.

# Monday- Friday, March 20 - 24, 2017

Progress Monitoring (Math Tier 3 Only)

#### Monday, March 27, 2017

- SIC @ 6:00 pm
- PTA @ 7:00 pm

# Monday - Friday, March 27 - 31, 2017

Progress Monitoring (ELA Tier 3 only)

# **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:**

School School

Bus Riders: 3:00 pm

Car

Car Pick-up: 3:15 pm.

# **Strategies for Student Success**



- **-Better organization leads to better grades.** Being organized will allow your child to always be prepared.
- -Take Good Notes. Before leaving each class, your child should write down exactly what they need to have/do/study for the next day. Note taking affects kids' ability to store and retrieve information for learning.
- -**Keep subjects separate**. Handouts should be in separate folder for each class, that way their work will be divided by subject. Keeping subjects separate allows for a clutter-free backpack/binder.
- -Check in with them nightly. To maintain expectations, check your students' notebook and ask your child everyday if schoolwork needs to be done, and if so, make sure your child complete their assignment. You can also use this time to check their bags and insure that they are staying organized and prepared for the upcoming day of school.



The Town of Estill will be honoring our State Championship Team with a parade on Saturday, March 18, 2017 at 11:00 am. Please come out and support our Lady Gators basketball team because of their huge accomplishment.

#### 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.