



H.E.S. HAPPENINGS

Hopkins Elementary School Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

I am truly honored and excited to join the Hopkins Elementary Family. We are in for a fantastic year! As the principal of Hopkins Elementary, it is my mission to engage, educate, and empower each and every stakeholder of our school community into places of continual excellence as collaborative partners in education.

Hopkins Elementary will continue The Leader in Me process which develops the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People in both teachers and students. The process nurtures leadership skills in students, while helping them learn about their unique strengths. Additionally, we will continue with AVID Elementary (Advancement via Individual Determination) which encourages students to have a "growth mindset" by emphasizing the principle that "progress is determined by personal effort."

This year we will continue our partnership with Palmetto Health. As a result of the partnership students with health needs may now be instantly connected to a Palmetto Health nurse practitioner for non-emergency needs and have prescriptions sent to the pharmacy of your choice following the visit.

We invite you to get involved by joining our Parent/Teacher Organization or School Improvement Council; or by attending our parent engagement events throughout the school year. Information regarding the events will be posted within our Monthly "H.E.S. Happenings" Newsletter, and our website.

We hope that you will find the contents of the newsletter resourceful as we work together to ensure we have a successful school year.

Here to serve,

Audrey Garner, M.Ed., Principal

PTO NEWS

This year's Fall Fundraiser is World's Finest Chocolate. The fundraiser will be held September 27- October 12. Each bar cost only \$1. More details to come next month.

LEADER IN ME



August/September HABIT OF THE MONTH

Our Habit for August is 'Be Proactive.' We will be learning all about this habit and how being proactive in school, at home, and in the community can benefit us and the people around us. With your child, think of ideas on how they can Be Proactive at home. Picking out their clothes at night, making their beds, picking up toys, packing their backpack, etc. are examples of being proactive.

LITERACY @ HOME

Reading everyday at school and at home is a great way to strengthen and grow in the area of reading. Using a kitchen timer is a great way to set time to read each night. Children can read menus from restaurants, street names, cereal boxes, coupon papers, magazines, newspapers and so much more.

The more I read, the better I become at reading.

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER

NO SCHOOL/LABOR DAY	3
HEALTHY PALMETTO ENROLLMENT	4-28
CURRICULUM NIGHT @ 6PM	6
FALL PICTURE DAY	25
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AVID

AVID stands for *Advancement Via Individual Determination*. It's mission is to "close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society." Through the use of **AVID Elementary** our students will learn about *Note-taking, Organization, and Collaboration Skills*—and will be able to start thinking about their educational path to college and beyond. **Be sure to check back here each month for our monthly strategy focus.**

RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE

MISSION STATEMENT

**We are Richland One, a leader in transforming lives through education,
empowering all students to achieve their potential and dreams.**