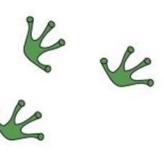


### **Welcome Parents**

We are excited to welcome your child to Kindergarten at Deer Park Elementary!

- Share information about Deer Park Elementary
- Overview of Kindergarten
- Parent and Student Expectations
- Dual Language Program
- Registration Requirements







#### **Deer Park Elementary**

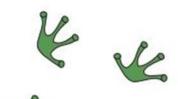
- ► An "A" from the state of Florida since established in 2006
- Numerous academic competition awards: STEM Fair, Math Bowl, Math Tivitz, and more!
- ▶ Deer Park is a very diverse school with over 35 different home languages.
- ▶ Population of over 1000 students

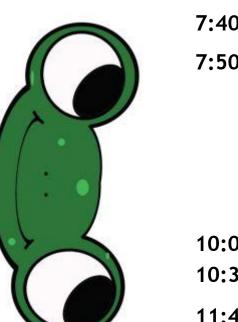




- Edith Lefler, Principal
- Eric Findley, Assistant Principal

## A Typical Day in Kindergarten





7:10 Morning Work, Morning Show

7:40 Calendar Math

7:50 ELA Block (English Language Arts)

**Explicit Phonics Instruction** 

**Read Aloud** 

**Shared Reading** 

**Small Group Instruction** 

Writer's Workshop

10:00 Lunch

10:30 Math

11:40 Teacher P.E. (Recess)

12:10 Science/Social Studies

1:00 Snack

1:10 Social Studies/Developmental Centers

1:40 Daily Reflection/Pack Up

1:45 Ready for Dismissal

School begins at 7:40am

Monday Early Release Dismissal 12:55pm

Tuesday - Friday Dismissal 1:55pm

No Sign Outs after 12:30 on Monday and

1:30 Tuesday - Friday





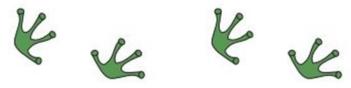
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## What is expected from your child?

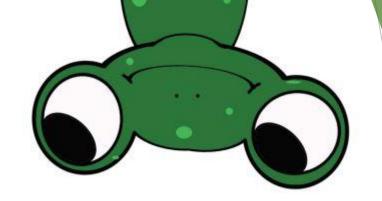


- Behavior that promotes learning
- Participation in the classroom family
- Active listening throughout the day
- Responsibility (getting work done)
- Independence
- Effort
- Self-sufficiency in the restroom

Note - Refer to Critical Readiness Skills listed in your Ready for Kindergarten Flyer

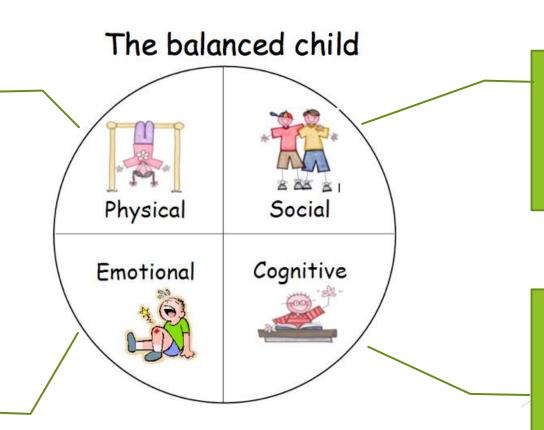


# So......What is meant by Kindergarten Readiness?



Gross motor: throwing, skipping, monkey bars
Small motor: ability to use pencils, pens, or markers, use tweezers, buttoning, cutting with scissors

Self-control, avoids melt downs, is able to wait for a turn, is comfortable in new environments and with new people



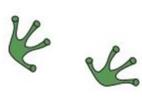
Plays well with others Shares Resolves conflicts with words

Knowledge of letters/sounds Concepts of print Number skills Ability to focus on tasks

## What is expected from parents?

- Encourage positive behavior
- Create independence
- Review folders/daily work together
- ► Read <u>with</u> and/or <u>to</u> your child every night
- Make sure the teacher knows how your child will be going home (bus, car, walking, private provider van) and notify the office and teacher of any changes
- Make sure the office has your current phone numbers, address, emergency contacts, and email address
- Have your child arrive at school on time everyday







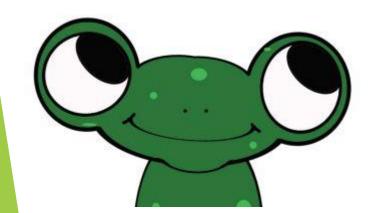
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#### **Steps to Enrollment**

- ► You can pick up a Kindergarten Registration Packet at the school main office.
- ▶ Please pick up packet or drop off completed packet
  - ► Monday Friday 8:00 am-12:30 pm or 2:15 pm -3:00 pm





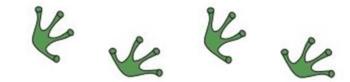


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## **Enrollment**

- Your child can attend kindergarten next August as long as she or he turns 5 on or before September 1, 2024.
- Your child is zoned for a particular elementary school based on your address. Find your <u>assigned school at http://gis.sdhc.k12.fl.us/schoollocator/</u>.
- For parents who wish to send their child to a school outside of their zoned area, see our <u>choice options at https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/choice</u>.
- What forms do I need to compete?
  - Student Enrollment Record Form SER (provided at the school site or electronically)
  - Student Residency Form can be completed ahead of time, supporting documentation is required





#### Documents needed for enrollment

#### Registration Requirements

You MUST have all of the following for your registration to be complete:

- ► Child must be 5 before September 1st, 2024
- ► Copy of Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card
- ► Florida Physical HRS Form -- Florida Physical HRS form supplied by a doctor dated within 12 months prior to entry in Florida Schools (first day of school)
- ► Florida Immunization Record on HRS hard card (form #680) supplied by a doctor
- ► Two forms of verification of address that prove where you live but are NOT your driver's license or state-issued ID card (some examples are a utility bill, lease, or a contract to purchase a home)



#### What is the Dual Language Program?

- > A program that fosters the development of a students' oral, written and reading proficiency in two languages.
- > Students in the Dual Language program are on a pathway to biliteracy with the goal of attaining the prestigious Florida State Seal of Biliteracy upon high school graduation.





# What Should You Expect From the Dual Language Program?

- > Become bilingual, biliterate and bicultural in both English and Spanish.
- Receive daily instruction in both English and in Spanish for all subject areas.
- > Be taught the skills necessary to compete in a global society
- Gain an appreciation for other cultures
- > Experience both languages through experiments, stories, songs and games, etc.
- Receive homework in English and in Spanish
- Six Year commitment to program



## How do I enroll my child in Dual Language?

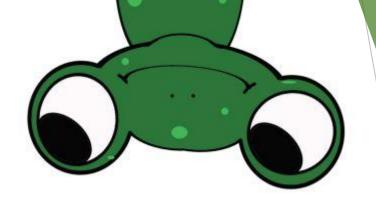


School-zoned students Choice approved students

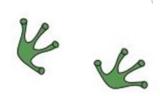
- 1. Enroll student at the assigned/approved school.
- Request a Dual Language program Interest form from the school front office or visit HCPS Dual Language website - https://www.sdhc.k12.fl.us/duallang
- 3. Complete form and submit by the deadline.
- 4. Lottery process conducted to identify students selected.
- ✓ PROGRAM GOAL IS TO AWARD SEATS EVENLY AMONG ENGLISH AND SPANISH LANGUAGE DOMINANT STUDENTS. THERE ARE 2 CLASSES IN THE GRADE LEVEL THAT PARTICIPATE IN THE DUAL LANGUAGE PROGRAM.

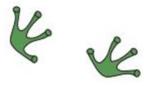


## Lunchroom

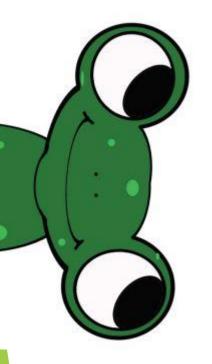


- ► Student numbers
- ▶ Dietary Restriction Forms available online
- ► Universal Breakfast
  - ► Free for all students
  - ► Served between 7:10 -7:40 a.m.
- ► Free and Reduced Lunch
  - Forms available online July 1st
- ► Current lunch price is \$2.25 (2024-2025 prices are subject to change)
- ► Payment options: Online Payment available through MyPaymentsPlus.com



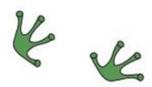


#### **Student Services Team**



- School-wide discipline plan
- Guidance services
- Social work services
- Psychological services

Shelby Machart & Keely Harris- Guidance Counselors
Juliet Johnson- Social Worker
Jessica Newmann- School Psychologist





## English Language Learner Program

- ► SER form Home Language Survey section
- Screeners
- Small Group Instruction for children who speak other languages

# Uniforms

Uniforms are Mandatory at Deer Park

- ► Tops are White, Gold, or Hunter Green
- Navy and Khaki Dresses, Pants, Shorts, Skirts or Skorts
- Appropriate closed-toe shoes for outside play
- Logo uniform tops can be purchased on the Deer Park PTA website:

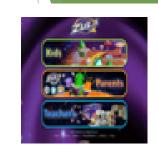
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Child Must be 5 years old.

**HOST Mission-**Provide out-of-school time programs that empower students to grow and develop in a safe, caring and educationally enriched environment.



#### Hours-



After School - Dismissal to 6:00pm

Summer- 7:00am – 6:00pm



ENRICHMENT CLUBS Fee Based Program



#### Deer Park PTA

The purpose of our PTA is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

- Promote fun activities for our school
- Help to raise money for schoolwide benefits like new technology and positive interactions
- Support our students, teachers and staff

Become involved and learn more by visiting deerparkpta.org and follow us on Facebook!

- Uniform info
- Upcoming events
- Download your teacher's favorite things list and wish list
- Meet our business sponsors
- Order your student's school supplies
- Join the PTA

Any questions? Please reach out the 2023-2024 DPE PTA President Ashley Coxwell at <a href="mailto:president@deerparkpta.org">president@deerparkpta.org</a>

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### **Important Contact Information**

**School Phone Number:** (813) 854 -6031

**School Website:** 

https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/deerpark

School Office Hours: 7:00-3:30

School Social Media:

Facebook @DeerParkElementaryHCPS
Twitter @DeerParkHCPS

Deer Park PTA:

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Facebook @deerparkpta05

First Day of School is Monday, August 12th



