



# Yates Elementary School

## "The Eaglet Eye"

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A Hillsborough County Public School

### Vision

Students will demonstrate mastery in all Florida Standards

### Mission

Encouraging, Empowering & Elevating Eaglets for Tomorrow

**Grow Your Potential!**



### ECHO Food Drive

Share the Love

Restock the food pantry for the new year.



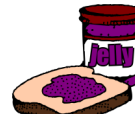
The Emergency Care Help Organization (E.C.H.O.) is in need of our assistance to help replenish their shelves after the holidays. Yates' students and staff has participated in the annual drive for many years. E.C.H.O. serves over 16,000 area residents, half of whom are children. This organization relies upon donations of food items to fulfill their mission. ECHO gives each person 7 days worth of food which includes non-perishable goods such as canned vegetables, pasta, soup, dried milk, cereal, peanut butter, canned meat and more.

The following is a list of items that are always needed:

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| Peanut Butter    | Jelly (any flavor) |
| Spaghetti O's    | Ravioli            |
| Dry soup (ramen) | Manual can opener  |



No items in glass containers please. Your donation would greatly be appreciated. **Our annual drive will begin on Monday, February 13 and end on Monday, February 20.**



Lisa Varnum Principal  
Emilia Suarez, Asst. Principal  
Mairi Beckett, Social Worker  
Angela User, ESE Specialist

### Student Holiday

**February 17**

Hillsborough County schools will be closed on Friday, February 17 for Florida State Fair day.

### Conference Night

**February 23**

Conference Night will be held on February 23. If you have not heard from your child's teacher and would like a conference, you can contact the teacher by email or call the office and leave a message.

### February is Black History Month

Black History Month, also known as African American History Month, takes place every February to honor the accomplishments of Black people in the United States and the important roles they have played in the past and the present. During the month of February, we will have a heightened emphasis on exploring historical as well as current figures in our society who have or are positively contributing to the advancement of equality and fairness for all.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

After graduating from college, "Wally" worked in the mailroom at a talent agency. Wally worked hard and earned several promotions. In 1962, he became the first black talent agent in the company's history. As a talent agent, he headed the Rock 'n' Roll Department. Amos attracted clients by sending them chocolate chip cookies and an invitation to visit him. He helped many singers get record deals and become famous. Five years later, Amos decided to start his own talent company. To do this, he had to borrow a lot of money. This caused him stress, so he baked chocolate chip cookies. A friend suggested he open a store to sell his delicious cookies. In 1975, Wally Amos opened his first cookie store. It was called "Famous Amos".



## Congratulations Terrific Kids for demonstrating Respect

Avi Schaeffer	Eislee Smith	Aniyah Zamora	Caleb Guillen
Journey Cabbagestalk	Brandon Pichardo	Michael Drake	Alis Manso Leon
Evelyn Hernandez Alvarez	Andres Quintero	Shalom Boada Ospina	Priscillia Dzossou-Mawule
Kehniel Ayala Luzunaris	DeMarcus Berry	Atchouelou Kouame	Christopher Huneke
Ashton McFadden	MariaJose Mendieta	Avery Brewster	Amy Ramirez Sanabria
Bryce Black	Jocabethzoe Ortiz-Espinet	Eduardo Alvarez	Chase Blackmon
Arieliz Rivera-De Jesus	Emalynn Steptoe	Anthony Hernandez	Gabriel Clark
Kristina Cameron	Michael Longoria	Mariana Martinez Rojas	

### Cell Phone Policy



**Students bringing a cell phone to school is a parental choice.**

Cell phones are not to be turned on or used during school hours. They should not be visible during the school day. If this policy is not followed, there will be a warning the first time and the second time the cell phone will be sent to the office and a parent/guardian will have to come to the school to pick it up. Please help our students focus on their learning.

## February/March 2023

12	13 Early Release 12:55	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17 Non-Student Day	18
<b>Echo Food Drive</b>						
19	20 Early Release 12:55 ECHO Food Drive ends	21	22	23 Conference Night Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night- ELP	24	25
26	27 Early Release 12:55	28	1	2	3	4
5	6 Non-Student Day	7	8	9	10	



**School Safety is our  
priority!**

The State of Florida developed the "FortifyFL" app where students can report suspicious activities instantly to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.