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A Hillsborough County Public School

**Student Holiday—March 4**

Hillsborough County schools will be closed on Monday, March 4 for Strawberry Festival day.

The Echo Food Drive was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who donated. Echo will use this food to help families in our community. If you are in need of assistance, Echo can help. They are located at 507 Parsons Ave.

**Building Scientists Award**

Congratulations to Ms. McFarlane’s class for earning the Elementary Division Building Scientist Award at the district-wide competition.

In addition to earning this class award, each child received a free pass to MOSI. Congratulations to these young Scientist.

**Save the Date**

**Kindergarten Round-up**

If your child will be 5 years old by September 1, 2023, you are invited to attend our Round Up to learn about the Kindergarten experience.

- **Date:** Thursday, March 28, 2024
- **Time:** 5:00 p.m.
- **Place:** Cafeteria

- Meet our staff.
- Register your child.
- Materials will be given to help better prepare your child for Kindergarten
- Information will be provided regarding Summer Voluntary Pre-K Program (VPK)
- Spanish forms and an interpreter will be available.

**Spring Break —March 11-15**

Spring Break will begin Monday, March 11. All Hillsborough County Schools will be closed. We hope you have a wonderful, safe holiday. Students will return to school on Monday, March 18.

**Daylight Saving Time**

March 10

Remember, Sunday, March 10, is the day to move your clocks ahead one hour. In the Spring we “Spring Ahead”.

Lisa Varnum Principal
Justin Hutcherson Asst. Principal
Kayla Trozzi, School Counselor
Mairi Beckett, Social Worker
Angela Oser, ESE Specialist
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**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.

If you do not have access through your phone or a computer, please let your child’s teacher know and we will provide a printed copy for your family. Your information goes to:

- **Your School Officials:** The tip report goes to your local school officials when submitted.
- **Local Law Enforcement:** Your local police department or sheriff office receive copies of your tips automatically.
- **Site-Level Officials:** Site-level officials also have access to your tips to make sure proper steps are taken.

**REMINDER**

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.

**Florida VPK**

2024-2025 School Year

**Instructional program for Pre-K children!**

Eligible children must turn four years old between February 2, 2023 and September 1, 2024 and not previously participated in a Kindergarten or VPK program.

2024-2025 VPK “Prioritized” Wait List Request Form is available in the school office.

Note that NO transportation will be provided and HOST, our after school program, does not accept 4-year old students.