

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

LEVEL UP!



Winter Break (No School) Dec. 25—Jan 5
Students return on Monday, January 8.

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

Field Day is Coming. Save the date!

Hello Parents! The Yates PE Department is having our annual Field Day on Thursday, December 21.

We will need parent volunteers!

If you are interested in helping in some capacity, you must go to the district website (hillsboroughschools.org) and fill out the volunteer form.



There is plenty of work and your help will be greatly appreciated.

Email Coach Surcy at brian.surcy@hcps.net to discuss more details.

Thank you and we are looking forward to having an awesome event.



**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS**

All classroom parties will be held on Friday, December 22. If you prefer for your child to not participate due to personal or religious reasons, please let your child's teacher know. An alternative activity will be planned in the Media Center.

Pirate Ice and Frozen Treats is coming



Field Day
December 21
All Day



Everything is \$5.00

Shave Ice and a variety of ice cream



December 2023

3	4 Early Release 12:55	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Early Release 12:55	12	13	14 4th grade Field Trip	15 Chorus Walking Fieldtrip	16
17	18 Dismissal at 1:55 Not Early Release	19	20	21 Field Day	22 End of 2nd Grading Period	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6

Winter Break

December 18 is
not an Early
Release Day

We have VPK spots open
for the 23-24 school year.
Please contact Ms.
Pedroso at 813-744-8177
for more information.



Thunderbug, from the Tampa Bay Lightning, will be here
January 8th. A flyer is included in this newsletter.



211 Resource Center

The holidays can be an exciting time for students and families. However, the holidays can also bring awareness to mental health needs. Here are some quick strategies to keep you and your child healthy over the winter break:

- Keep a regular sleep schedule
- Keep expectations manageable for you and your child
- Be mindful of stressful situations for your child
- Spend time with supportive people
- Be aware of warning signs
 - Excessive worrying, feeling excessively sad, extreme mood changes, avoiding friends or family, increase in irritability or hyperactivity, increase in nightmares, or changes in eating habits
- Seek help if needed
 - Crisis Center of Tampa Bay (Call 2-1-1)
 - National Alliance on Mental Illness (Text "Helpline" to 62640 or call 800-950-NAMI)
 - Suicide and Crisis Lifeline (Call or text 988)
 - 911 in case of an emergency

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.

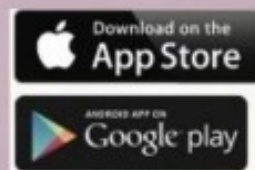
Your information goes to:

- **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.



Steps To Create "Here Comes the Bus" (HCTB) Account

1. Download and install "Here Comes the Bus" app from Apple App Store or Google Play.



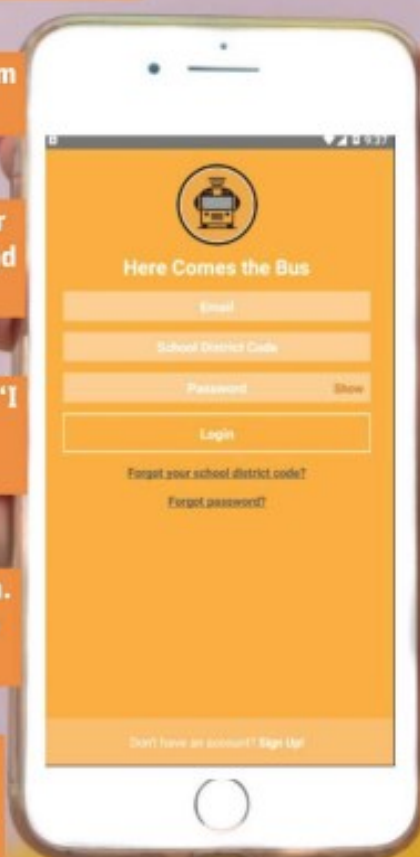
2. Click Sign Up! button (near bottom of page) to create your account.

3. Click "I have the Code". Type your email address, first and last name and school district code 75255.

4. If terms are acceptable, click the "I Accept the Terms of Use Agreement" radio button then click continue"

5. Create your password and confirm. You will receive an email to activate account.

6. Use your credentials to login and add your students. Must have student ID to add with student's last name.



Any issues visit HereComestheBus.com to submit a support ticket for help or Call (844) 854-9316

Download the App Today!

"Here Comes the Bus" is a free, easy-to-use app that enables you to see the location of your child's school bus on smartphone, table, or personal computer. You will know when the bus is near your stop, so you can send your child out at just the right time. No more worrying about whether your child has missed the bus.

Hillsborough County Public Schools

Attendance Matters!

DO YOU WANT
TO MEET
THUNDERBUG?

JANUARY 8 AT 10 AM



COME TO
SCHOOL
EVERY DAY,
AND YOU
COULD!

THE WINNERS WILL BE
THE CLASS WITH THE
BEST ATTENDANCE IN
EACH GRADE, AND ANY
STUDENT WITH 97%
ATTENDANCE OR HIGHER