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THE SCOOP

HEAD START NEWS



THANK YOU TO EVERYONE for showcasing your classrooms for the **CLASS** Observations last week. The feedback we received was so positive and we are all proud of your efforts.

Also, thank you to our coaches and mentor teachers for their work with JFK Consulting in completing all 34 classroom observations.

Thank You

Pacing Guide

UNIT 9

FARMS AND FOOD SOURCES

Second Step

Week #25

Visiting the Farm

Ms. Landis class at Discovery



Planning Ahead

**May 2 - Window opens for FAST
Assessment**

**May 12- Spring Head Start Assessments
are sent home**

May 19 - End of the Year Family Wrap Up

**May 26 - Complete HS PreK Record and
Salmon Folder**

Reminder to ALL Teachers

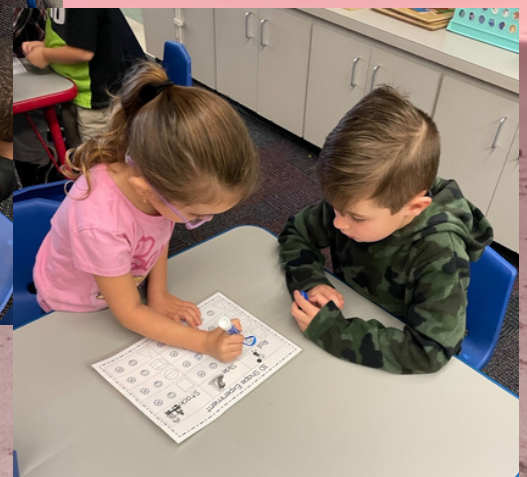
When you make a copy of the last report card to send home to the parents, please make an additional copy for your coach.

5 more weeks
of school



Ms. Burn's class at Enterprise

Children worked together using 3-D shapes to explore what rolls, slides and stacks. Children used sheets to record their trials and experiments after making predictions. (Head Start Assessment #4,5,9,10,12,47,50,51,52,54.57)



Ms. Veal's class at Sherwood Making an Apple Orchard





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EARLY LEARNING PARENTS' PAGES

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE DIVISION OF EARLY LEARNING

Join More Than 2.6 Million Florida Children
On the Road to Success in School and Beyond



To date, Florida's Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program has helped more than 2.6 million Florida children enter kindergarten ready to learn, graduate and succeed. Registration for the 2023-2024 year is open, so now is the time to learn more if you have a child who lives in Florida and will be 4 on or before September 1, 2023.

To register your child for VPK, visit the [Family Portal](#) or contact your local [early learning coalition](#).

Parents can choose from different educational settings and various program options, such as private child care centers, public schools and specialized instructional service providers.

The Division of Early Learning's Annual Reports, which can be found at www.floridaearlylearning.com, show that children who attend a VPK program consistently exceed non-VPK participants in Kindergarten readiness test scores.



Parents Choose

Parents may choose one of three program types for their child:

1. **School Year Program** - Class sizes are not to exceed 11 students with a single lead instructor or up to 20 students with a lead instructor and an assistant. Instructors must have a minimum of a Florida Child Care Professional Credential.
2. **Summer Program** - Classes are not to exceed 12 students with a single lead instructor. Instructors must have a minimum of a bachelor's degree.
3. **Specialized Instructional Services Program** - VPK Specialized Instructional Services (SIS) is a program option available for VPK-age children with a current Individual Educational Plan (IEP). This option allows parents of a VPK-age child to choose additional therapy services consistent with the child's IEP in lieu of attending VPK in a traditional classroom setting.

Did you know that the Division of Early Learning puts out a monthly newsletter for parents? Copy the scan code below for their April edition. Head Start is highlighted on page 4.

