



Head Start Herald

November 2025



From the Desk of Mrs. Tanya Coles, Head Start Director:

Thank you for your understanding and patience as staffing changes and updates have delayed the delivery of our newsletter for the month of November. Gratitude is a principle that is often highlighted in the month of November. I find myself very thankful for the laughter of our students, the presence of our families, and for the dedication of our staff.

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Our students are adjusting to our routines at York County Head Start! They are enjoying circle time, spending time in centers, and learning how to transition throughout their days. They are working hard to get Kindergarten Ready!

As your child's first and best teacher, you are a key factor in helping your child become Kindergarten Ready, this can be accomplished by promoting learning at home through play. You don't need expensive toys or expensive experiences, all that's needed is time

with caregivers and peers and intentionality. Here are a few fun ways to promote learning through play:

Your child enjoys sorting objects into groups or creating simple crafts. Allow them to sort everyday objects such as kitchen utensils, cardboard boxes, shoes, etc.

Make a game out of dressing- ask your preschooler to name their body parts

Turn everyday activities into opportunities for play. Play make-believe while cleaning the house; take turns making a story while running errands, sort foods into colors or shapes while shopping.

For more information and ideas, visit The American Academy of Pediatrics and explore their information on Early Childhood and Development.

Come and PLAY with York County Head Start by joining some of our upcoming events and volunteering in our classrooms and as always, THANK YOU for gifting us with the opportunity to serve your family!

Tanya Coles, Head Start Director



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

| Day | Date | Time | Event |
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| Monday | November 3 | | No School: Staff In-Service Day |
| Tuesday | November 4 | | No School: Staff In-Service Day |
| Tuesday | November 11 | | Veterans Day - No School |
| | November 17 - 25 | | Parent - Teacher Conferences |
| Tuesday | November 18 | | Dental Screenings @ all sites |
| Tuesday | November 18 | 4:00 pm | VIRTUAL Parent Connection for all sites |
| Wednesday | November 19 | 10:00 am | Policy Council @ GYC or via Zoom |
| Wednesday | November 26 | | No School: Staff In-Service Day |
| Thursday | November 27 | | Thanksgiving - Closed |
| Friday | November 28 | | Day After Thanksgiving - Closed |



Please bring your child's backpack to school every day and ensure that you check it every morning and evening.

For safety and security, children are only allowed to bring clear backpacks to school provided by Head Start.

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<https://www.facebook.com/YorkCountyVirginiaHeadStart>

NOVEMBER

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | Classroom Visitor |
| | | | | | | Winter/Spring Break |
| | | | | | | Closed |
| | | | | | | Evening Event |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| | TEACHER WORKDAY | TEACHER WORKDAY | | | | |
| | In Service Day: No School | Election Day | RIF Reader GYC @ 9:00 am | | | |
| | | No School | | | | |
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| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| | | SCHOOL HOLIDAY | RIF Reader GYC @ 9:00 am | | | |
| | | Veterans Day | | | | |
| | | No School | | | | |
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| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| | Parent/Teacher Conference | Parent/Teacher Conference | Parent/Teacher Conference | Parent/Teacher Conference | Parent/Teacher Conference | Parent/Teacher Conference |
| | | Dental Screenings @ all sites | RIF Reader GYC @ 9:00 am | | | |
| | | Parent Connections Meeting | Policy Council @ 10a (GVC/Zoom) | | | |
| | | for All Sites @ 4:00pm | | | | |
| | | Virtually | | | | |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| | Parent/Teacher Conference | Parent/Teacher Conference | TEACHER WORKDAY | SCHOOL HOLIDAY | SCHOOL HOLIDAY | |
| | | | In Service Day: No School | Thanksgiving | Day After Thanksgiving | |
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