



## The Buzz from EPCEA 2023 October Newsletter

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**"Books are the bees which carry the quickening pollen from one to another mind."**

~James Russell Lowell

Welcome to the second edition of The EPCEA Buzz. We are off to a great start and most students have completed their first Progress Monitoring Assessments. We are analyzing their progress to plan how we can help them in all areas so they meet all grade level benchmarks.

We need your help by reading nightly to or with your child, help studying their sight words, reviewing math facts and support their education each and every day. Involved parents do make a difference in their child's education.

If you have not connected your child in Focus to the Parent Portal, please do so. Your child may not take home their chromebook each day or be seen in the clinic. If you need help, please call the office and set-up an appointment with the office staff.

We hope to see more families at our monthly PTA meeting. Joining PTA is a wonderful way to get involved with the school and to stay in touch with ways you can support the students and staff at EPCEA.

I look forward to working with you and your child this year!

*Ms. Wipf*  
**Principal of EPCEA**

### October 2023

- 10.2 National Custodian Day
- 10.4 Walk to School Day
- 10.7 Craft Fair
- 10.10 PTA Mtg 6:00PM
- 10.11 National STOP Bullying Day
- 10.12-20 Book Fair
- 10.13 End of Quarter 1
- 10.16 No School- Duty Day
- 10.17 Picture Retake Day
- 10.24 50th Day of School
- 10.23-27 Red Ribbon Week
- 10.27 Sno Cone Day  
Trunk or Treat
- 10.31 Character Parade

### Hurricane Make-Up Dates

Wednesday, October 25th-  
full day of school

Thursday, December 21st-full  
day of school

Friday, December 22nd-  
Early Dismissal Day

### Character Word of the Month:

• **Respect**

Showing regard for the  
value of persons or things  
through courteous  
consideration and  
appreciation.

**Notification Regarding  
Out-of-Field Teachers**

Florida State Statute 1012.42 recognizes that teachers at times must be assigned duties in a class outside the field in which the teacher is certified. The following teachers at Edison Park CEA Elementary School are Certified and Highly Qualified, but are out of field in ESOL. They are currently working toward their needed endorsement. Out of field in ESOL are: Skyla Garton, Ginger Keller, and Madison Hull.

Please join our next PTA meeting on October 10th in the Media Center @ 6:00 pm



October 17th!!

**Picture RETAKE DAY**

**Meet Edison Park's new SRO  
Officer Remy**

Officer Remy moved to the USA in 2008 from Haiti. He was 19 years old. Before joining the police academy, he was a chef at a fine dining restaurant for 10 years. He attend high school in Haiti and college in Miami. He is fluent in Creole, French, and English. He is married and has two children. He has proudly served the City of Fort Myers as an officer for the last five years. He enjoys playing basketball, soccer, and video games. He likes to travel and spend time with his family. Black and green are is his favorite colors and Gladiator is his favorite movie. He is very approachable and willing to help others. If he could have one wish, it would be to make the world a better place for every living being. Stop by and introduce yourself to our SRO Officer Remy!!



**International Walk to School Day**

Meet at the Covenant Presbyterian Church on Marlyn Road  
6:50am  
Wednesday, October 4th!!  
Walk begins at 7:05!! Don't be late!

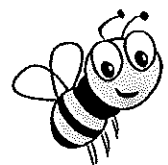
Scholastic Book Fair  
October 12th through  
October 20th!!



**Notice**

This school has been recently inspected and certain asbestos-containing materials or assumed asbestos-containing materials such as: fire doors or roofing materials that are tested prior to repairs or removal as needed, have been located in the school buildings. Please be aware that the School District of Lee County has an active management plan designed to ensure that the building is maintained safely fo all occupants. These materials are being controlled in accordance with the Asbestos Management Program for the School and following the limitations and procedures of the policies and requirements of the Asbestos Operations and Maintenance Program of the School District of Lee County.

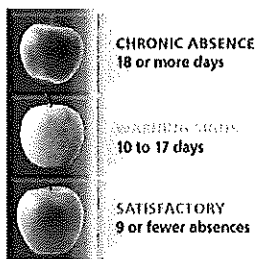
The report lists the location, quantity, and condition of all known materials and contains the details of the control procedures. It is available at the school office for your inspection during normal school hours. Copies of the whole or parts of the school's asbestos file can be supplied to you at a cost of \$0.15/ page.



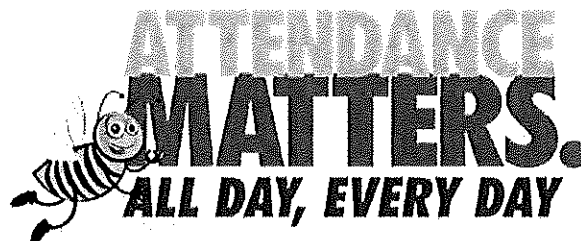
**Dean's Corner**

**DID YOU KNOW?** Starting in kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school. Missing 10%, or about 2 days each month over the course of a school year, can make it harder to learn to read. Being late to school may lead to poor attendance. Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. Start building this habit early so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Eventually good attendance will be a skill that will help them succeed in high school and college.

When Do Absences Become a Problem?



Note: These numbers assume a 180-day school year.



Mrs. Cedeno – Dean of Student Discipline; EPCEA