

October 2, 2019

# Estelle School News

*One Band, One Sound, One School, One Score*

*"To become a high performing "A school"*

*To create an environment in which all teachers, staff members, and community stakeholders work collaboratively to ensure all students achieve success to become positive contributors in our society.*



## Administrative Message

Happy Fall! This year is truly flying by! The first nine weeks ends on October 28th, and you will receive your child's first report card of the year on November 4th. Benchmark Assessments will be administered in mid October.

Please continue to follow all drop off and pick up procedures to ensure student safety. Rider's Gate and Walker's Gate close at 7:15am. Please make sure that your children arrive by 7:15am every morning.

Consequences will begin to be issued on October 5, 2020 for Uniform Policy violations. Please make sure your child is wearing the grade appropriate uniform.

Pre-K Kindergarten—purple shirt, khaki pants, black shoes, black socks

1st-5th—Navy Shirt, khaki pants, black or brown belt, black shoes, black socks

6th-8th—light blue shirt (polo or oxford), plaid skirt (girls), navy pants (boys), black or brown belt, black shoes, black socks

## September Recap....

Just as the month started we had our Labor Day break. We had a couple of hurricane threats that forced us to take a couple of breaks. We came back ready to teach and learn. We are so happy to welcome all of our students back to the campus. We really missed having the children here.

## Open House

**The teachers welcomed the parents with a Virtual Open House on September 9, 2020. Parents were able to learn about the expectations. The teachers shared their syllabus with the parents and let them know about classroom rules. Protocols were different this year as is so much in our lives. We are trying our best as are our students to make the most of what we are all going through with this pandemic. Please make sure that your children know that safety is a top priority. We need to keep them safe with distancing, using their own supplies, making sure masks are clean and worn daily, hand washing and sanitizing is very important. Thank you for helping us to keep all of our children safe.**

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### Important Dates

10/1	Interims Issued
10/7	Title I Parent Meeting
10/19	Middle School Football & Volleyball Tryouts
10/20	Middle School Football & Volleyball Tryouts
10/28	1st Nine Weeks Ends

# October 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				Interims Issued 1	2	3
4	5	6	Title I Parent Meeting 7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	Middle School Football & Volleyball Tryouts 19	Middle School Football & Volleyball Tryouts 20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	1st Nine weeks ends 28	29	30	31

## *Social Worker Minutes....*

**The month of October is Safe School Month. JPS has dedicated the month of October to Bullying Prevention Month. Parents/ Guardians please take a minute to talk with your child about the definition of bullying and the differences between being rude, being mean & bullying.**

### **Bullying**

Bullying is intentionally aggressive behavior, **repeated** over time that involves an imbalance of power. Kids who bully say or do something intentionally hurtful to others and they keep doing it, with no sense of regret or remorse — even when targets of bullying show or express their hurt or tell the aggressors to stop. Bullying includes actions such as making threats, spreading rumors, attacking someone physically or verbally, and excluding someone from a group on purpose. There are different types of bullying: Social Relational, Physical, Verbal and Cyberbullying. The key aspect to all of them is the ongoing nature of the behavior, which leaves the victims feeling powerless and fearful.

### **Rude**

Being rude is inadvertently saying or doing something that hurts someone else. In children this takes the form of social errors like burping in someone's face, jumping ahead in line, bragging about achieving the highest grade or even throwing a crushed up pile of leaves in someone's face. The critical factor? Incidents of rudeness are usually spontaneous, unplanned inconsideration, based on thoughtlessness, poor manners or narcissism, but not meant to actually hurt someone.

### **Mean**

Being mean involves purposefully saying or doing something to hurt someone once (or maybe twice). Unlike unthinking rudeness, mean behavior very much aims to hurt or depreciate someone. Very often, mean behavior in kids is motivated by angry feelings and/or the misguided goal of proving themselves up in comparison to the person they are putting down. And while both rudeness and mean behavior require correction, they are different from bullying in important ways that should be understood and differentiated when it comes to intervention. -----[Signe Whitson](#), Child and Adolescent Therapist