



Seminole Academy Newsletter – May 7, 2010

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Full Day: 8:10 - 3:29 / Half-Day: 8:10 – 11:18 / Early Release Wed.: 8:10 – 1:29

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Dear Seminole Families:

Did you know this past week was National Teacher Appreciation Week? Seminole teachers are highly qualified and dedicated to your child's academic success. "A teacher affects eternity; we can never tell where their influence will stop" (*Henry Adams*). Please join me in applauding our excellent staff.

Seminole Academy will be offering a two-week Summer Learning Camp. If your child receives an invitation next week, please respond promptly so we can plan accordingly.

A reminder about cell phones...if a student must bring a cell phone to school, it is our policy that **CELL PHONES MUST BE TURNED OFF AND IN THE STUDENT'S BACKPACK DURING THE SCHOOL DAY. PLACING CALLS AND TEXTING DURING THE SCHOOL DAY IS PROHIBITED.** If the cell phone is seen, heard, or used during school hours, it will be taken away from the child, turned in to the office and must be picked up by an adult. If a parent needs to reach their child during the school day, they may call the school office to relay a message. Your cooperation is appreciated.

In the last newsletter, we printed our dress code for warm weather. I want to stress that for your child's safety, we prefer that they wear close-toed shoes. If a child does wear sandals, they should also wear socks. We appreciate your cooperation.

I look forward to seeing you Tuesday at Fine Arts Night!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Jan Hooks, Principal



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TEACHER REQUEST FORMS

Beginning Monday, May 10th, Teacher Request Forms for next school year will be available in the office. You must indicate two choices, and explain why those choices are beneficial to your child's educational needs and development. We will try to accommodate your requests if at all possible, but cannot guarantee placement choices. **Forms will be accepted through Friday, May 29th.**

FOOD SERVICE ACCOUNTS

Now that the end of the year has arrived, we are trying to reduce the past due balances on student lunch accounts. **From this point forward, students will no longer be able to charge lunch to their accounts if there are insufficient funds for the transaction. Students must bring in money on a daily or weekly basis or keep a sufficient balance in their accounts in order to receive lunch.**

If your child currently owes money, we are asking that you please send in the full payment or make any necessary payment arrangements with the school's Dining Services Coordinator. Your cooperation in this matter would be greatly appreciated. For questions about a Seminole account, you may call Val Hagan at 461-3913.

VOLUNTEERS

Field Day is coming up soon (Friday, June 4th). We would love to have adult family members volunteer on that day, but we need to be sure they have been cleared to volunteer. **ALL VOLUNTEER FORMS MUST BE TURNED IN BY FRIDAY, MAY 14TH, TO BE CLEARED IN TIME TO VOLUNTEER ON FIELD DAY.** If you need a

volunteer form or are unsure if you have been cleared to volunteer this school year, please contact the school office.

APRIL PRIDE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to our April P.R.I.D.E. Award Winners:

First Grade – **Devon Baker, Alexis Bieri, John Lewis** (Mrs. Bayer/Mrs. Wheeler); **Ashley Crowe, Takoyia Jones, Jaida Young** (Mrs. Bolt); **Grace Glavich, Jerry Grasty, Rylee Hubbard** (Ms. Ellis); **Ethan Dusenbery, Elijah Joyner, Sarah Willey** (Mrs. Ronayne)

Second Grade – **Sam Joseph, Brittany Lawson, Destiny Williams** (Ms. Kroll); **Antone Gladys, Cheyenne Pickens, Dorian Stevens** (Ms. Messana); **Vermonte Cannon, Aunuim Williams, Ronell Wright**

Third Grade – **Laneisha Adams, Jacari Hamilton, Shanya Osborne** (Ms. Critchfield); **Nathaniel Hernandez, Devon Knight, Mikayla Styers** (Ms. Tan)

PTC NEWS


Grandparents/Grand-Persons Day – We want to express a sincere thank you to the many special individuals who attended Grandparents/Grand-Persons Day this week, and to all the staff members and volunteers who helped make it happen. What a special day for our children!

The next PTC meeting is Thursday, May 13th, at **5:00 p.m.** Please note the time change for this meeting.

U.S. POSTAL SERVICE FOOD DRIVE

On Saturday, May 8th, U.S. postal workers will be collecting food for their annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive. If you would like to donate, please place non-perishable food items in a bag and leave it at your mailbox. Your letter carrier will pick it up and it will be delivered to local food banks.

Back in March, Seminole students participated in a poster coloring contest to promote this food drive, and we are proud to announce that **Shelby Panetta** from Mrs. Tocco's class won the contest. She received a \$50 savings bond from the Macomb Food Program. Congratulations, Shelby!

<p><i>Seminole Mission Statement</i> <i>At Seminole, it's a P.R.I.D.E. thing!</i> Productive learners Respectful, responsible citizens Integrated hands-on learning Diverse opportunities Energetic school environment</p> 
<p><i>Seminole Vision Statement</i> Seminole Academy is a community of learners achieving together.</p>

<p><i>MARK YOUR CALENDAR</i> Tue. 5/11 – Fine Arts Night/Musical (6:00 p.m.) Thu. 5/13 – PTC Meeting (5:00 p.m.)-NOTE TIME CHANGE Wed. 5/19 – Bd. of Ed. Mtg.-HS Small Aud. (6:30 p.m.) Thu. 5/20 – Golden Apple Awards (Secondary Campus) Mon. 5/31 – No Classes (Memorial Day) Fri. 6/4 – Field Day – WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! Mon. 6/7 – 5th Grade DARE Graduation & Awards Day Tue. 6/8 – 1st – 4th Awards Day Tue. 6/8 – A.M. Classes (11:18 dismissal) Wed. 6/9 – 6th Grade Recognition Day Wed. 6/9 – A.M. Classes (11:18 dismissal) Thu. 6/10 – A.M. Classes (11:18 dismissal)-LAST DAY! Wed. 6/16 – Bd. of Ed. Mtg.-HS Small Aud. (6:30 p.m.)</p>
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