# Monthly Family Newsletter

**April 2021** 

### **April is National Diversity Month!**

As you notice around you, the world in which we live in is so diverse! We celebrate it this month to acknowledge various cultures and populations. Diversity means understanding that each individual is unique and recognizing our individual differences. It is so important to honor the diversity that makes up this world and appreciate the differences that separates us as well as the similarities that unite us. Let's be inclusive and all celebrate our unique backgrounds together!

"It is time for parents to teach young people early on the in diversity there is beauty and there is strength." - Maya Angelou











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# From Our Executive Director

JA'NEL JAMERSON

#### April is Math Awareness Month!

Math starts early and is essential to learn at a young age, as it is such a vital life skill. It teaches logical and critical thinking which we need at all ages in every day life. Making math fun can help kids feel less anxious. Getting familiar with new ways of teaching math makes it easier to help your child. There are many ways you can help your children learn math at home.

A few to try are:

- · Read books that build math skills in young kids.
- Play boardgames that help you kids build math skills.
- Bake Something Together.
- Build Something.
- · Mix math in your bedtime reading.
- Review math vocabulary to ensure your child can define the skills she's learning.
- Have your child teach you the math problem.
- Encourage your child to play some math games.



#### **Important Dates**

- April 8, 09:30AM | April 14, 5:30PM 6:30PM |
   April 30, 09:30AM : Topic: Countdown to Kindergarten: What Every Parent Should Know. 3 dates you can choose from!
- April 15, EduShare Market Curbside Pickup
- April 20, 9:30-11:30 GISD Head Start Parent Policy Committee Meeting
- April 21 9:30-11:30 FAME Real Talk
- April 22 10:30 OR 4:30 Virtual Cooking Hosted by the CRIM
- April 28 11:00-12:00 FAME Dad's Cafe

#### From Our Staff Members

MARIAH RANDLE

# Attention Parents, Here Are Some Upcoming Events:

Parent Ambassadors are hosting a Mini Parent Café on 4/8/21 from 9:30am-10:30am: Countdown to Kindergarten. This is a meeting for families that has children transitioning to Kindergarten for the 21-22 school year.

Parents if your child turns 5 between 9/2/21 – 12/1/21, please contact your child's teaching staff or Family Engagement Advocate to discuss options for your child to return to Educare for the 21-22 school year or if you would like your child to transition to Kindergarten.

Re-Enrollments and Enrollments has begun! Please contact your Family Engagement Advocate to set up appointment for 21-22 enrollment, or to submit paperwork.

Virtual Parent Café is Thursday, April 29, 2021 starting at 9:30am. If you attend, you will be entered into a raffle to have a chance to win gifts.

#### From Our School Director

**IODI RAMOS** 

It is important that we celebrate diversity within our own community. Our culture is what shapes us, it shapes our behavior and our identity and is our way of living.

Cultural diversity is a good thing because we can all learn from one another and helps us understand different perspectives of people around us. When we learn about other cultures, we respect the ways of being that are not our own, and provides us with new knowledge coming from different experiences.

I encourage you to increase your level of understanding and awareness by interacting with people outside of your own culture. Listen, welcome and share ideas and traditions of someone outside of your culture.

## New Understandings Bring Us Together.





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