



"CROTON CHRONICLE"



Croton Elementary

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"BPS's mission is to serve students with excellence as the standard."



Parent Feedback for recent surveys



Survey Results for PFEP and SIP - There were 15 surveys completed and returned to school. Input provided by parents will be used when completing the 2022-2023 Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) and the Schoolwide Improvement Plan (SIP). **Here are a few things we heard back from YOU!**

Continue with the communication methods being used (emails, texts, Facebook). They allow for more frequent and updated communication.

Suggestions were made to have surveys include multiple choice options and/or provide options to choose from when answering.

Families indicated that to help with collaboration with other programs and/or community agencies we should host a community building night where extra curricular agencies can come and share what they have to offer.

Surveys suggest that Title I should use funds for additional staff members, hands on materials, and technology. (Croton is currently a one to one technology school, meaning that every student has their own device to work on. So, technology funds may be used to update devices and/or purchase educational technology programs.)

Survey Results for the Croton Compact - There were 64 surveys completed and returned to school. We also looked back at our 2021-2022 Title I Family-Based Needs Assessment survey for suggestions. Suggestions for our 2022-2023 School-Family Compact include:



For the **Student responsibility** section: Completing homework, being an Active Learner, attending school, and being respectful of self and school were the most suggested ideas.

For the **Staying informed** section: Feedback on progress and checking planners/weekly folders were preferred.

For the **At Home** section: Read with children, monitor homework, and ensure students attend school were the most preferred ideas.

For the **In the Classroom** section: Feedback on progress and providing small group instruction were the most preferred ideas.

Important Dates

Tuesday, October 4th

Individual School Picture Day



Thursday, October 6th

Family Math Night, 6:00 - 7:15 pm

Friday, October 7th

~End of First Nine Weeks

~Early Release Day, 1:15 pm

Monday, October 10th

Student Holiday, No School



Monday, October 10th - 14th

National School Lunch Week

***Wednesday, October 12th**

Walk/Bike to School Day

Friday, October 14th

~Report Cards Issued

~Early Release Day, 1:15 pm



Tuesday, October 18th

SAC Meeting, 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 20th

Parent Conferences

Friday, October 21st

Early Release Day, 1:15 pm



Monday, October 24th - 28th

Red Ribbon Week - Say NO to Drugs!

Friday, October 28th

Early Release Day, 1:15 pm

Friday, October 7th

End of First Nine Weeks



Monday, October 31st - November 4th

Book Fair Week

*** Please Note: Calendar Change**

As you walk with your child, **Wednesday, October 12, 2022** remember these safety tips:

- Obey all traffic signs and signals.
- Stop at the curb or edge of street.
- Look left, right, left, and behind you and in front of you for traffic.
- Wait until no traffic is coming and begin crossing.
- Keep looking for traffic until you have finished crossing.
- Walk, don't run across the street.



Eyes:
The helmet should sit low on your forehead—two fingers widths above your eyebrows.



Ears:
With the helmet buckled, the straps should meet just below the ears.



Chin:
When buckled, you should be able to fit no more than two fingers between the buckle and chin.

Helping your child be a safe bicyclist:

Bike Fit: When sitting on the bike with feet on the pedals, there should be a slight bend in the knee when the pedal is closest to the ground.

Bike Visibility: The bike should have reflectors on the front, back, and both wheels. If riding when it's dark there should be lights on the front and back.

Helmet Fit: Take the helmet fit test (see directions on the left).

Croton Dress Code Standards

Head: Extreme hairstyles, hair colors, or make-up that is disruptive or does not allow direct eye contact is prohibited (i.e. Mohawks, faux hawks, shaved head art, hair covering the eyes, etc.)



Shoes: Students participate in 30 minutes of wellness and/or PE class each day. Therefore, for safety purposes, students **must** wear sneakers daily.



Shirts: Upper garments must adequately cover the neckline and waistline. Straps on permitted garments should be at least 1 1/2 inches wide.



Accessories: Pierced jewelry shall be limited to the ear only.

Lower Garments: Pants shall conform to the build of the student, worn at the waist, not exposing undergarments. Pants shall have no holes or rips (tights, spandex, leggings, bike shorts, etc. are not permitted). Shorts, dresses, and skirts must reach mid-thigh.



Students are expected to follow the Brevard Public Schools' dress code. Please use good judgment when making attire choices.



Thursday
October 6, 2022
6:00 - 7:15 p.m.

- ⇒ Learn ways to strengthen math dialogue between you and your child.
- ⇒ Participate in hands-on Geometry activities with your child
- ⇒ Learn about our new Math curriculum and the BEST Standards

6:05 - 6:35 - VPK - 2nd grades - Classrooms (curriculum/standards)
3rd - 6th grades - Cafeteria (hands-on stations)

6:40 - 7:10 - VPK - 2nd grades - Cafeteria (hands-on stations)
3rd - 6th grades - Classrooms (curriculum/standards)



Croton Elementary is creating online student art galleries so parents and families can see their student's artwork as it is created throughout the year!

Croton's art gallery is located at: <https://www.artsonia.com/schools/school.asp?id=28770> . If you submitted your email at registration, you should have already received an email from Artsonia containing a link for you to create a parent account. Please create your account at your earliest convenience so you can view your child's artistic creations when they are posted to the gallery. If you have any questions or would like help with creating an account, please contact Mr. Hitchcock through his email address: hitchcock.chad@brevardschools.org.



Rainy Day Plans

Severe Weather Procedures

An announcement will be made when it is necessary to utilize **Severe Weather Procedures**. This will keep in alignment with the **Brevard County 30/30 rule**. Based on School Board Policy 8420 use of the "30-30 Rule" is mandatory during severe weather. If the time between lightning and hearing thunder is **thirty (30) seconds or less**, the outdoor activity (including dismissal) shall be suspended **immediately**.

If that announcement is made, all students will remain in the building. Once the 30 minutes have passed, any walkers/bikers who have 'ride home in a car' indicated as their rainy day plan will be dismissed through the car loop. All other walkers/bikers will be dismissed once the weather is clear enough for safe passage home.

National School Lunch Week

School Lunch: #NSLW22



October 10 - 14, 2022

The National School Lunch Program (NSLP) serves nearly **30 million** children every school day. President John F. Kennedy created National School Lunch Week (NSLW) in 1962 to promote the importance of a healthy school lunch in a child's life and the impact it has inside and outside of the classroom.

School lunches offer students fruits and vegetables, whole grains and milk, and meet federal nutrition standards limiting fat, calories and sodium. Encourage healthy eating and an active lifestyle at home for yourself and your child (actions speak louder than words!)