

Wraparound Notes



1st Semester 2021-22

THANK YOU!

First, thank you all for welcoming me to Scarborough ES! It is my vision to sustain a Community School, where our students can thrive and be the best versions of themselves! We want our students to have access not only to great academic instruction, but a great well-rounded education!

"Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all", Aristotle.

WHATEVER IT TAKES. TOGETHER WE CAN. NO EXCUSES

GOOOOOOO HUSKIES!!!!!!



Ms. Rivas Room B-127

Prevention in the works!

Character Counts! (4th & 5th grade)

This is a Character Education curriculum that is based on 6 Pillars of Character: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship. Each of the Six Pillars of Character help instill a positive school climate and a culture of kindness, making school a safe environment for students to learn.

This Semester we had students from Ms. Gaona & Mr. Chavez, as well as Ms. Ward & Ms. Zuniga complete this Program.

It is our goal to have the remaining 4th and 5th grade students complete this Program during the Spring semester.







Kids Connection! (2nd grade)

This is a 10-session Curriculum-Based Support Group designed for children and youth, ages 4-17, which teaches them how to set and achieve goals, respect others, resist negative peer pressure, cope with difficult family situations, and make healthy choices.

This Semester we had Ms. Guifarro and Ms. Vallejo's classes complete this Program. The remaining 2nd grade students will complete the Program in the Spring.

Nutrition Education (1st & 3rd grade)

The "Choose Health: Food Fun and Fitness (CHFFF) is a nutritional program designed for young people. Its goal is to engage youth in activities that encourage healthy eating and active play. With all ingredients provided by our community partner, every week our students had an opportunity to enjoy a healthy snack. This semester we had two groups of these grade levels participate, and in the Spring we will have the remaining students enjoy the benefits of this Program.



Other Programs and Services!

Counseling Services!

A Licensed Professional Counselor from Family Houston comes every Thursday and works with students that have been referred for services. This service is free, for students with or without insurance. Demand has been so high, that now we had to reach out to agency "Journey through Life" to start providing services in January.

Strengthening Families Program

An online after-school program was offered to our students and their parents every Monday. Together, parents and students learned and discussed topics such as how to avoid conflicts, solve problems, communicate effectively, express feelings, reinforce positive behaviors, etc. A new cohort will start next semester.

Coding Club

Bridges to Science is offering free instruction to our students. In this pilot program, students work during Art class and are exposed to the coding process. On December 10th we had an exciting presentation from Google!

Chase Bank

Chase bank has become a great partner for our school and has sponsored several events. They provided breakfast during Pre-service week; lunch to celebrate the Hispanic Heritage, and will also sponsor our meal during our Christmas celebration!

Resource Center

Thanks to donations, we have put together a Resource Center with:

Backpacks - School supplies - Uniforms (pants, shirts)

- Underwear - Socks - Jackets, etc.



At the end of this school year, EVERY student from 1st through 5th grade would have had the opportunity to complete a full additional enrichment program. We want our families to see that our school has lots to offer, not just the best teachers and academics, but also the best support with Wraparound Services (school supplies, uniforms, food, access to community resources) and Enrichment Programs that sees the "whole" child!

A special thank-you to our Administration that have supported us, to all the teachers that have welcomed the new programs in their classrooms, and to all who have sent SAFs on behalf of our students!!

By the numbers:

- 379 SAFs submitted (THANK YOU!!)
- 2.941 Interventions, such as:
 - Check-ins: 827
 - Resources given: 256 Linked to Services: 310
 - Services Received: 1.401
 - Twelve programs and services running every week.

Here is what teachers have said about the Programs:

"The <u>Kids Connection program</u> has been a fun program for the students. I have seen the students grow in their self-confidence. I have also seen them become more verbal in expressing their thoughts and feelings. Students are also more inclined to help their classmates. It has been a pleasure to see my students participate in this program."

"Character Education has been a success in my classroom. This program is about a variety of personal virtues from which students not only can relate, but practice and use to guide themselves. The following are the six pillars that support the entity of a Person: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, fairness, Caring, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship. As a teacher, I support this program because it encourages students to focus on their own character ."

"The Nutrition Program was a great success with my students. They learned a lot about the types of food that they should be eating. Ms. Gonzales also covered the reasons for making those choices and explained it in terms that they could understand. She created an environment that the students felt comfortable talking about their eating habits at home. Each week, my students looked forward to seeing Ms. Gonzales, learning about the different food groups and tasting food items from the group being studied. My students enjoyed the recipes that Ms. Gonzales taught them each week. Overall, I would say that this is a program that all students should experience. Thank you for including my classes in this program."

SAF (Student Assistance Form) Please save and use this link: tinyurl.com/hisdsaf

YOU are the eyes and ears of this school. If you know of a student in need of Wraparound Services, such as uniforms, school supplies, food, physical and mental health, access to community resources, etc. PLEASE send a SAF and I will take care of the rest! Also, this tool will help us create real data about the needs that our students are facing, the community resources that are meeting that need, and the resources that are still needed.

Thank you for everything. It does take a village!