



# Wraparound Notes

2nd Semester 2021-22



## WRAPPING UP THIS YEAR!

WE MADE IT! We are wrapping up this year and although it has been challenging at times, it has also been very rewarding and we have had many successes. None of it would have been possible without all of you.

A special thank-you to our Administration for supporting this initiative, to all the teachers for welcoming the new Programs into their classrooms, and submitting SAFs, our Admin support staff for always being ready to step up and do whatever is needed for our students, our cafeteria ladies for feeding us and our maintenance staff for keeping our workplace so beautiful and clean. Thanks to all of you for being part of TEAM SCARBOROUGH ELEMENTARY and I feel happy to be part of it! **WHATEVER IT TAKES. TOGETHER WE CAN. NO EXCUSES - GOOOOOO HUSKIES!!!!!!**



Ms. Rivas - Room B127

## Prevention in the works!

We firmly believe that preventing is so much better than remediating. This is why this year we brought several Character Education and Nutrition Programs, so our students can learn how to build a strong self-esteem, make good decisions, manage their emotions, and live a healthy lifestyle. In this newsletter we will hear directly from our students. I have included their testimonials about the Programs in *Italic*.

## Character Counts! (4th & 5th grade)

By the end of this year we had ALL 4th and 5th grade students receive the Character Education curriculum based on 6 Pillars of Character: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship. Each of the Six Pillars of Character helps instill a positive school climate and a culture of kindness, making school a safe environment for students to learn.

*"I learned that TRUSTWORTHINESS is when you are trustable. Like when the teacher gives you homework, they trust you to bring the homework without having to tell you. Another pillar I also learned is to RESPECT. Like when the announcements are on I will be quiet and respect what they are saying. I also learned how to take RESPONSIBILITY. Like if I accidentally drop a cup I will take responsibility for it. I also remember learning about FAIRNESS. Like if I were to share a cookie, I will be fair and give an equal amount to me and the person. It's also good to think about how I learned CARING. An act of caring can be when I see someone crying and ask if they are OK. The last thing I learned is CITIZENSHIP. An example can be when I respect all the laws..."*

*"I learned that CARING means when you help someone when they need help with something... I learned that RESPECT is like when you respect the laws and do the right thing. I learned that RESPONSIBILITY means when you do your job. I learned that CITIZENSHIP means you care for each other."*



## Nutrition Education (1st & 3rd grade)

ALL 1st and 3rd grade students attended the "Choose Health: Food Fun and Fitness" (CHFFF), a nutritional program designed for children. 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.



## SAF (Student Assistance Form)

**Please save and use this link: [www.houstonisdSAF.com](http://www.houstonisdSAF.com)**

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 helps 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!

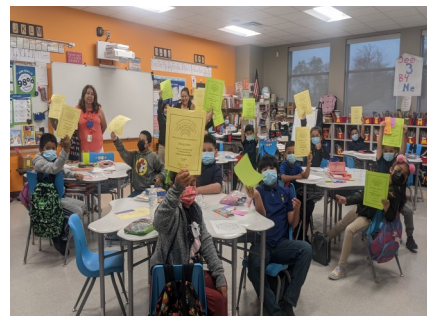


## Kids Connection! (2nd grade)

ALL 2nd graders completed this Curriculum Based Support Group that teaches students how to set and achieve goals, respect others, resist negative peer pressure, cope with difficult family situations, and make healthy choices.

*I liked the Kids Connection classes because...*

- "... they treated us well and taught us to do good things. It's okay to get angry but you have to stay calm and in control, not do bad things."
- "... it was very fun. Another thing I learned was to ignore bad friendships. Another thing is to make your dreams come true by going to school"
- "... it helped me with feelings. I learned that even if you're angry you can calm down."
- "...he told us about the good things we could do... I also learned that we should be good and respect our parents"
- "...one thing I learned is to remain calm and in control when we are angry"
- "...I liked it because they taught us to make your dreams come true and not to give up"
- "...I'm going to make my dreams come true. Another thing I learned was to ignore bad people. I also learned to stay calm and in control."
- "Ms. Gaby told us you can be mad but you can be nice"
- "I enjoyed coloring the "All about me" book... I liked to talk about how we feel today"
- I enjoyed the coloring, puzzle, prizes, sun and the cloud, the puppet, and the feelings".



## Strengthening Families Program

This Semester we had this after-school parenting program in person. Together, parents and students learned and discussed topics such as how to avoid conflicts, solve problems, communicate effectively, express feelings, etc.



*"... I liked attending this program because I received many tips and lessons that help me to live much better with my daughter..."*

*"For me it was very educational. We learned the importance of living together as a family, the children learned to say no to what is not good, we learned important rules, I learned to praise the children... I am putting what we learned into practice."*

*"...It has helped me to implement efficient tools in my home, to create healthy bonds, identify the personality of each one, understand them with awareness and patience, make corrections in love, respect decisions and support and discover their talents".*

## Resource Center

We created a Resource Center with:  
Backpacks - School supplies - Uniforms - Underwear - Socks - Jackets, etc.

## Counseling Services!

We have two Counseling Service agencies come on campus and serve our students: Family Houston and Journey through Life.

## Our goals are 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!
- Pair our excellent Academics with effective "Wraparound Support", so that by the end of the school year, EVERY student from 1st through 5th grade would have had the opportunity to complete a full extra-curricular enrichment program.
- Put together a Resource Center (school supplies, uniforms, jackets, shoes, underwear, food, access to community resources, etc.)
- Build relationships with different non-profit and service providers to better serve our students and families.

**...and we will continue working on it!**

Other Services made possible through strategic partnerships:

- 30+ students received free eye exams and free eyeglasses
- 45 students received free dental evaluations
- Had different guest speakers present about:  
Empathy - Respect - Stress management - Responsibility  
- Pursuing careers in STEM, etc.

## By the numbers (by 6/1/22):

- 694 SAFs submitted by you (THANK YOU!!)
- 7.347 Interventions, such as:
  - Check-ins: 2.015
  - Resources given: 926
  - Linked to Services: 751
  - Services Received: 3.353

... and counting!