# **Educational Horizons Charter School**

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# **October 2025 Newsletter**

Dear Educational Horizons Families,

As we move into fall, we look forward to cooler weather bringing relief from the heat and humidity. **October** is a month of important awareness campaigns, and we want to take a moment to highlight two that touch many families across the country—and even here in our own school community.

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Awareness

First recognized nationally in 1988 by President Ronald Reagan, this campaign raises awareness of ASD, a neurodevelopmental disorder that affects communication, social interaction, and repetitive behaviors. Today, it is estimated that more than 3 million children in the United States are affected.

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Awareness

ADHD is a neurodevelopmental disorder characterized by persistent patterns of inattention and/or hyperactivity-impulsivity that interferes with functioning or development in multiple areas of life. ADHD Awareness Month was established to dispel myths and promote understanding, ADHD Awareness Month brings attention to a condition that impacts an estimated 7.1 million children ages 3–17 in the United States.

We will also be observing **Red Ribbon Week** this October 27th-31st.

Red Ribbon Week highlights the importance of making good choices, and this will be the message we will continue to reinforce through the classroom activities that week. Our goal is to guide students toward decisions that will positively shape their futures.

I wish you and your family a wonderful month of October. Best Regards,

**Principal Galloway** 



Oct 3 - Spirit Day RM 2 Grades 3&4

Oct 13 - No School Teacher workday Lunch provided by RM 8 families

Oct 14 - PTO Meeting Focus on Science Fair 6:30-8pm

Oct 22 - Impact Survey begins

Oct 23 - Timeline 6-8 pm at Calvary Baptist

Oct 27-31 Red Ribbon Week See flyer for details

Oct 27 - Dress Down Day Wear Red for Red Ribbon Week

Oct 28 - Crazy Hat/Hair Day. WMPD Canine Demonstration 9:15am

Oct 29 - Wear your Favorite Sports Team today!

Oct 30 - Crazy Socks Day. Fire Station 82 Visit - 10 am

Oct 31 - Dress Down Friday. Wear seasons attire, but no costumes.

#### **PTO News**

Our next meeting is October 14th at 6:30pm.

The focus will be the upcoming **Science and Engineering Fair** for grades 4-6. **Judges Needed.** We invite you to assist as an official in the judging process.

See Mr. Galloway for more information.



# No School

Monday, October 13th is a Student Holiday and Teacher Work Day.

Our teachers will be here working on plans, cleaning, and preparing for their students. Families from Grades 1 & 2 (Room 8) will graciously provide a luncheon for our staff. Thank you in advance for letting our staff know they are appreciated! Look for an email to participate. This will go towards volunteer hours.

Students who participate in our before and after care program may use the day care service on this day. Please sign up with Catalina at **Country Day for Children** to be included. Rates vary depending on your program.

Click for the RM 8 signup for the Teacher Luncheon <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084AAFA72AA4FCC25-58540099-room">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084AAFA72AA4FCC25-58540099-room</a>

# **Timeline**

Join us on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at Calvary Baptist Church 2980 N Wickham Rd, Melbourne, FL 32935

**Timeline** is a celebration of positive contributions from historical figures and a chance for students to take their place on stage.

We will gather and doors open at 6:00pm. Students will line up in chronological order and when they are done, will return to their seats.

Kindergarten will lead us with a song to kick off the event.

# **Red Ribbon Week**

October 27<sup>th</sup> through 31<sup>st</sup> is Red Ribbon Week. This time is designed to help students make good choices in their lives.
See the attached flyer for daily events.

We will be **collecting snacks** and **making cards** to thank our friends at **West Melbourne Police Department** and **Brevard Fire Rescue Station 82** for keeping us all safe at school and in our city. If you would like to donate snacks please drop them by the Front Office by Monday, **October 27th**.

**Fire Safety Reminder** to check your smoke detectors and change those batteries! (See Flyer)







#### Art to Remember

Brochures will be going home in late October for you to order products with your child's art. If you do not like the picture, you can also upload an original piece of art directly on their website. Proceeds from sales go to our PTO.

# **Morning Mile**

We kicked off last month and are off to a great start!

Volunteers are always needed each Tuesday and Thursday from 8-8:30am. If you are a registered volunteer and are interested in helping, please sign up here:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E44ABAD23A1FCC25-educational

Yearbook Sales will begin soon! Watch for ordering information to go home.

### **Car Line Reminder**

Arrive at your child's designated dismissal time, not early, to avoid congestion. For multiple children, pick up at the oldest child's dismissal time; younger siblings will be brought to the same area.

Thank you for helping keep dismissal safe and efficient.



# **Your Team**

# Kindergarten

Destiny Lujan, Ye Li, Catia Badiglian

# First & Second Grade

Room 8 Heidi Murphy, Lavita Saldanha Room 7 Sarah Garrett, Josephine Oliveras

# Third & Fourth Grade

Room 6 Christina Caldarola, Forlette Trail Room 2 Jessica Jefferson, Rebecca Schultze

#### Fifth & Six Grade

Room 1 Lisa Eiben, Michelle Rhodes

# Special & Support Staff Computer: Kathy Herbert

Physical Education: Kylie Mulholland

Art: Catia Badiglian

## Administration

**Principal:** Paul Galloway

Assistant Principal/ESE: Josephine Parker

Admin Assistant/Student Services: Eileen Needle

**Operator:** Dr. Erik Thorson

**For Questions or Concerns About School Operations** 

Please contact: Dr. Erik Thorson, Operator/ Parent Liaison 📞 321-729-0786

# **Impact Survey**

The survey will be open and available to all families on October 22nd in your Parent Portal in Focus. The Impact Survey directly impacts school funding in our district. Please take a few moments to complete and submit your survey online.

All Impact surveys <u>completed</u> <u>before the deadline of</u>

November 7th will receive a dress down pass for your student(s).

### Links

# Volunteer

https://brevardschools.org/page/volunteers

# Visit our Website

https://educationalhorizons.net/

#### Visit our Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/edhorizonscharterschool/