

Hunter's Creek Elementary School 5th Grade 2023-2024

Embrace Opportunities . . . Unlock Potential . . .

Inspire Excellence!



OCPS

Vision: To ensure every student has a promising and successful future.

Mission: With the support of families and the community, we create enriching and diverse pathways that lead our students to success.



OCPS

Objectives:

- High Expectations for Student Learning
- Student Social and Emotional Well-Being
- Dedicated and High-Quality Team
- Positive Climate and Safe Environment
- Efficient Operations
- Engaged and Invested Community





HCES STAFF

Bradley Martin

Principal

Christie DePriest

Assistant Principal

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Curriculum Resource Teacher

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Staffing Specialist

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/ Math Instructional Coach

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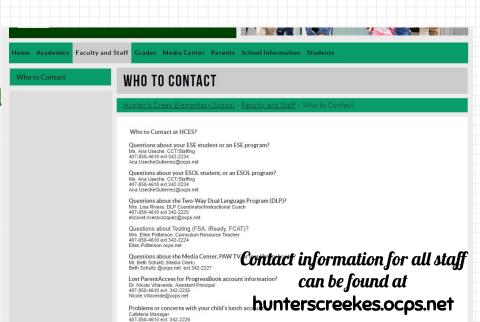
Science Instructional Coach

Zaida Huertas

Guidance Counselor

Andrea Parisi

Media Specialist





Ways to get involved at HCES

 ADDitions, PTA, School Advisory Council, Multilingual Parent Leadership Council

- Two-Way Dual Language Parents' Advisory Committee
- Classroom donations from Amazon



Ways to get involved with our class

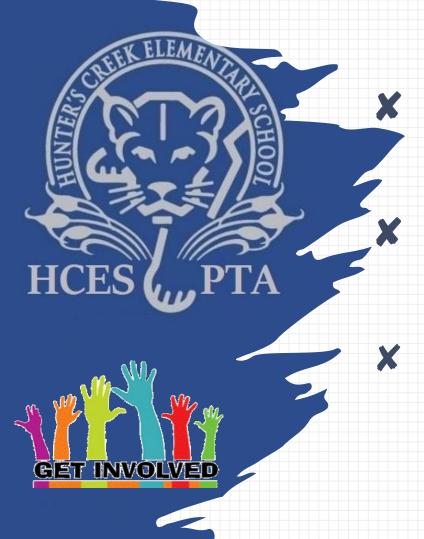
Mrs. Rojas' Amazon Wishlists



Mrs. Adam's Amazon Wishlists







HCES PTA

HCES PTA is a volunteer team of parents, guardians, teachers, students and community partners that are committed to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

HCES PTA helps support the school in various ways throughout the year. This year we are paying for Scholastic Weekly. Other things we fund are our Pastries with Parents, teacher appreciation and other needs throughout the year.

Visit our website to get involved!

https://hcespanthers.memberhub.com/. This is where families can purchase memberships and school apparel.)

5th Grade Teachers

- Mrs. Adams
- Mr. Butcher
- Ms. Cleter
- Mrs. McDaniel-Fletcher
- Mrs. Orta
- Mrs. Rojas



Daily Schedule- MTRF

Rojas' Homeroom/ Week A

- 8:45-10:15 Reading/ ELA Instruction
- 10:15-11:00 Specials
- 11:00-11:30 Writing Instruction
- 11:30–12:15 Reading Interventions/ Enrichment
- 12:15-12:45 Math Interventions
- 12:45-1:30 Lunch/ Recess
- 1:30-2:15 Math
- 2:15-3:00 Science

Adams' Homeroom Week A

- 8:45-9:30 Science
- 9:30-10:15 Math
- 10:15-11:00 Specials
- 11:00-11:30 Math Interventions
- 11:30-12:15 Reading Interventions/ Enrichment
- 12:15–12:45 Writing Instruction
- 12:45-1:30 Lunch/ Recess
- 1:30-3:00 Reading/ ELA Instruction

Wednesday Schedule

Rojas' Homeroom/ Week A

- 8:45–10:15 Reading/ ELA Instruction
- 10:15-11:00 Specials
- 11:00-12:00 Math Instruction
- 12:00-12:30 Alternate PE
- 12:30-1:15 Lunch/ Recess
- 1:15-2:00 Health

Adams' Homeroom/ Week A

- 8:45-9:15 Alternate PE
- 9:15-10:15 Math Instruction
- 10:15-11:00 Specials
- 11:00-12:30 Reading/ELA Instruction
- 12:30-1:15 Lunch/ Recess
- 1:15-2:00 Health



HCES SPECIAL AREAS

Mrs. McCarthy (Art)

Ms. Lane (Music)

Mr. Campbell (Physical Education)

 Students have PE three times each week. Please send students in sneakers/tennis shoes on PE days for safety.





Specials Schedule

Rojas

- Monday: Art
- Tuesday: PE
- Wednesday: PE
- Thursday: PE
- Friday: Music

Adams

- Monday: Music
- Tuesday: PE
- Wednesday: PE
- Thursday: PE
- Friday: Art



Lunch







Click below to check out the menus

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HCES Procedures Arrival & Dismissal

- Students need to be in class no later than 8:40am.
- 5th grade students wait in front of their classrooms before class begins.
- Dismissal begins at 3:00 pm, 2:00 pm on Wednesday.









HCES Procedures

- *Be on time to school and class.
- *Be in your seat ready to begin with your completed homework and required supplies and materials.
- *Follow directions the first time they are given.
- *Raise your hand to speak, and wait to be called upon.





Curriculum

5th Grade curriculum is based on the newly adopted B.E.S.T standards.

Reading and math lessons include a whole group activity, a teacher-led small group activity, and student-led independent practice activities.



Curriculum- ELA

- Reading lessons include a whole group activity, a teacher-led small group activity, and student-led independent practice activities.
- We use Wonder's as our textbook and supplement texts from additional resources for Interventions.

Writing time focuses on narrative, argumentative, and expository writing. Students work on how to support their ideas with text evidence in all subjects.





Curriculum- Math

- Math lessons include a whole group activity, a teacher-led small group activity, and student-led independent practice activities.
- We have built in intervention time to help review previously taught skills.

Foundational skills are very important! Please be sure your child knows their multiplication facts.



Curriculum- Science

- Science includes many hands on inquiries as well as class demonstrations. This helps students understand the scientific concepts that are taking place.
- Science involves a lot of vocabulary. We encourage you to practice this at home!



Curriculum- Social Studies

For Social Studies Instruction, we embed historical texts during ELA and Reading intervention time.

Students will receive a Scholastic News weekly that will be used for classwork, homework and centers assignments.



Curriculum- Health

Health is focused on Social Emotional Learning.

Students are asked to think about how they feel or would react to things happening around them and reflect on what is going on in their lives. This occurs once a week on Wednesday.



Homework

 Students will be receiving homework in English Language Arts (ELA), and homework in Math, Science and SS These are written in their planners,





- Students are assigned a computer.
 - Textbooks are available online via Launchpad.
 - Parents may keep track of their child's academic performance in school by checking their Skyward.



"One Stop Shop" for all of your online resources!

launch.ocps.net

OCPS has created an amazing resource for parents and students! We are moving in the direction of technology based resources and even online curriculum, so how can we make it easier for parents and students to keep everything organized?

We have your answer! Every student has a launch page where they can store all of their important websites. No more bookmarks needed! It can all be placed right on their launch page and accessed anywhere there is internet access. All you need is your child's student number and birthdate to use the launch page. Be sure to use the Google Chrome browser. Below you will find instructions and resources that may be useful to you.

Apps that are currently accessible on the Launch page:

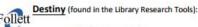
HMH: Science Fusion, Go Math, and Journey's Reading textbooks can be accessed here

ConnectED: Social Studies textbook can be

accessed here

BrainPop: Informative Videos, with practice and guizzes:

username: waterbridge password: waterbridge123



ewb library catalog





Launchpad



https://launchpad.classlink.com/ocps

This is the site students access most of there apps for school.

Grading Policies

Grades are not weighted but based on points.

We will give point based on the following categories:

- Classwork
- Homework
- Quizzes
- Tests





Skyward

Step #1: Go to ocps.net

Step #2: Click the Student and Parent tab

Step #3: Scroll down to Skyward link





Skyward-Grades

- Grades are updated in Skyward.
- Progress Reports and Report Cards will be available in Skyward and sent home each 9 Weeks.
- The first progress report will go home on Thursday,
 September 21st.



F.A.S.T Testing/Additional Testing

- This new assessment will be administered three times per year to track your child's progress in learning the newly implemented B.E.S.T. standards.
- Your child participated in the first administration of this test for Reading and Math last month. Results are for informational purposes only.
- Next BEST assessments will be administered in December and May.
- 5th graders will take the BEST Writing Test online in April.
- 5th graders will take the NGSSS Science Test online in May.
- 5th graders also take End of Course Exams in PE, Art, Music (or Orchestra), and Health in May.

OCPS Cell Phone Policy

Hunter's Creek Elementary is following the OCPS Cell Phone Policy as listed below.

OCPS requires that wireless communications device(s)* be silenced and put away (in a backpack or purse) during the school day while on campus, including lunchtime and transitioning between classes.

*Wireless communication devices include but are not limited to, cell phones and/or auxiliary/ancillary devices such as watches and ear buds.

The following actions will be taken if a student violates OCPS' cell phone policy:

- Confiscation (Item returned at the end of the day)
- Detention
- Positive Alternative to School Suspension (PASS)
- Out-of-School Suspension (OSS)

Pursuant to the Technology in K-12 Public Schools law that took effect on July 1, 2023 and Section 1006.07, Florida Statutes.

At no time shall OCPS be responsible for theft, loss or damage of cell phones or other electronic devices brought onto district property.



Communication

- Monthly Newsletters
- Talking Points
- Phone call (upon request)
- Please feel free to email us at the following:
 - gwynne.adams@ocps.net
 - susana.rojas<u>@ocps.net</u>





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Reminder:

Any changes with dismissal the day of, parents need to contact the office if the change is after 1:00pm

Mrs. Adams and I are not always able to see, answer or attend to messages during class.





How do I support my 5th grader?

- Have your child explain what they are doing in Math or Science, or explain how they came to their answer. One of the major skills we are focusing on in 5th grade is being able to explain our reasoning and communicate our thoughts clearly.
- Encourage your student to do more than the minimum when you see there is a need for more practice. It may not be graded but it can be checked by us and have specific feedback sent home to aid learning and clarify misconceptions.
- Students can work on Exact Path, SuccessMaker, Reflex, and Study Island at home as well.

Conference Night

We will host a school wide conference night very soon. However, if you need to discuss your child's progress before that time, please email us so that we can arrange a conference.

Conferences may be held virtually or over the phone if needed.





Thank you for choosing OCPS and HCES!



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We will now be happy to answer any questions you may have.

