

Hunter's Creek Elementary School

Kindergarten Open House 2023-2024



*Embrace Opportunities . . . Unlock Potential . . .
Inspire Excellence!*





HCES Procedures

School Hours



Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

8:15 a.m. Student drop-off begins

8:40 a.m. 1st bell

8:45 a.m. Tardy bell

3:00 p.m. Dismissal

Wednesday

8:15 a.m. Student drop-off begins

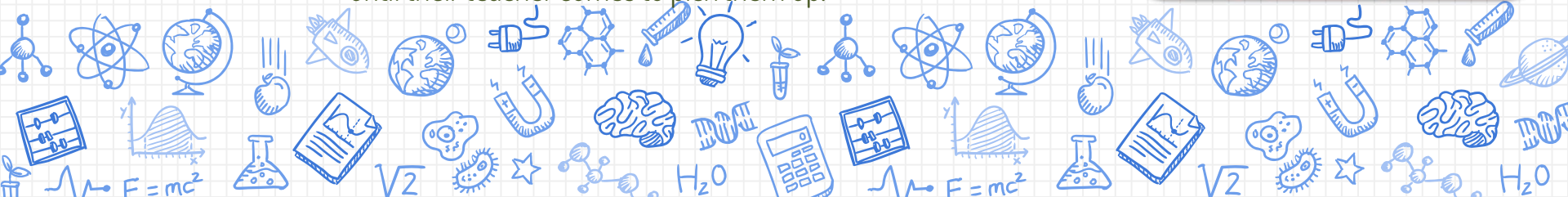
8:40 a.m. 1st bell

8:45 a.m. Tardy bell

2:00 p.m. Dismissal



**Upon arrival, students will wait in their designated area outside of the Media Center until their teacher comes to pick them up.





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Cell Phone Policy

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.



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Dismissal

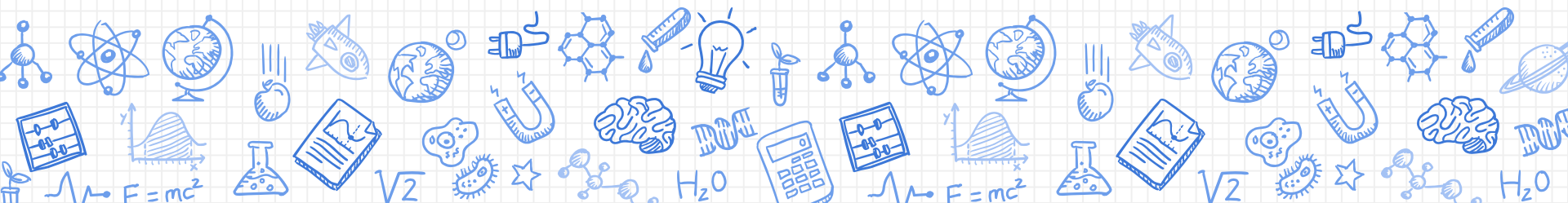
HCES WALKER COMMUNITIES

Front & Back

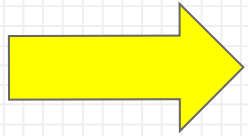
- Walkers
- Bike Riders
- Bus Riders



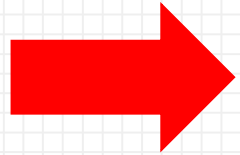
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RED Must wait for adult/sibling	ORANGE Must wait for adult/sibling
LAVENDER May leave alone	GREEN May leave alone



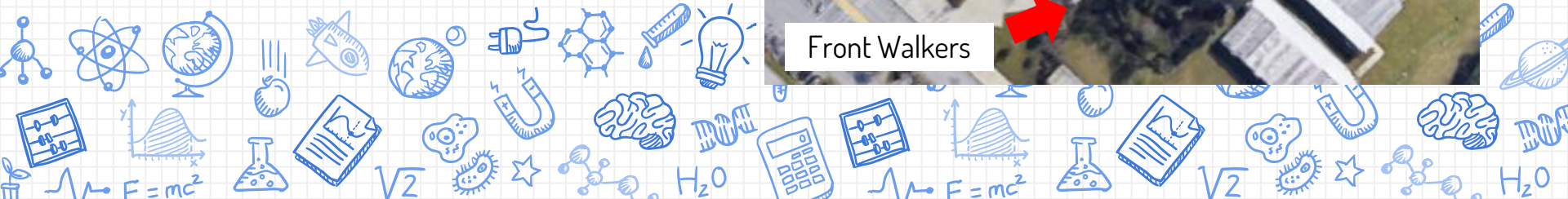
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Students are escorted
by faculty and staff.

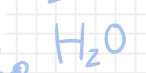
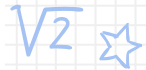
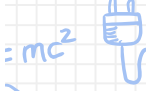
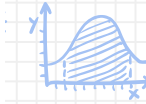
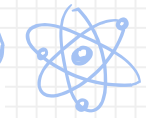


Parent/Guardian Pick-
Up Area



Welcome to Mrs. Richoux's Kindergarten class

8:45-10:15 ELA
10:15- 10:40 Lunch
10:40-11:00 Gross Motor/Hygiene/Recess
11:00-11:30 ELA Writing
11:30-12:00 Science
12:00-12:45 SPECIALS
12:45- 12:55 Snack
12:55-1:30 Math
1:30-2:00 Math Interventions
2:00- 2:30 Reading Interventions
2:30- 3:00 Health and Dismissal





Classroom Procedures Rules and Expectations



Mrs. Richoux's Classroom Behavior Plan

Please review them with your child periodically. The rules and guidelines in our classroom are:

1. **Raise your hand to share**
2. **Listen when others are speaking - Ears are listening!**
3. **Stay seated**
4. **Keep your hands and feet to yourself - Hands and feet are friendly!**
5. **Use your inside voice**
6. **Work together as a team**
7. **Eyes are watching.**
8. **Lips are silent.**
9. **Feet are still.**
10. **Always be kind.**

Each child has a popsicle stick with his/her name on it in the pocket chart at the front of the room:

- **Green**—each child starts the day on green
- **Yellow**—children have to move their car down to this color if they receive more than one warning regarding their behavior. They have to sit out for five minutes at recess and during free choice centers.
- **Red**—If the misbehavior continues, children need to move their car to red. A note is sent home in either English with the inappropriate behavior(s) checked off. The child loses recess and free choice centers.

It is my hope that the children will become responsible for their own behavior and learn to make the correct choices. I cannot stress to you enough the importance of following through with your involvement in this program. Our classroom expectations are displayed in the classroom and discussed frequently.

Thanks again!

Mrs. Richoux

I have read and agree with the Discipline Plan in Mrs. Richoux's Kdg Class

Parent signature: _____

Child signature: _____

Students are expected to follow all classroom rules and procedures in order to create a safe learning environment for all students.

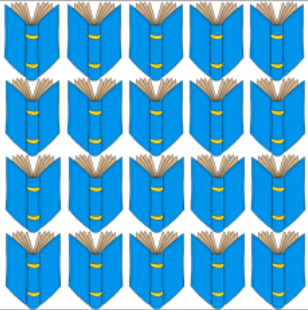


Classroom Procedures

Homework



- The best way to help your child is to read! Students should read nightly and fill out their reading logs.
- Complete weekly sight word practice according to the schedule provided by your child's teacher.

WHY READ 20 MINUTES AT HOME?

Student A Reads	Student B Reads	Student C Reads
20 minutes per day	5 minutes per day	1 minute per day
3,600 minutes per school year	900 minutes per school year	180 minutes per school year
1,800,000 words per year	282,000 words per year	8,000 words per year
		
Scores in the 90th percentile on standardized tests.	Scores in the 50th percentile on standardized tests.	Scores in the 10th percentile on standardized tests.

If a student starts reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student C will have read for 3.



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Talking Points

Talking Points is a new way to text your student's teachers and school! There's an app, too! (You should have already received your first texts!) Here is a flyer to tell you more:

TalkingPoints
TalkingPoints for Families

Learn more about the communication tool your school/district will be using this year!

What is TalkingPoints?
TalkingPoints is an easy and safe way for parents and guardians to communicate with their child's teachers in their home language. We will be using this platform to communicate with you about your child's education and progress.

You can communicate with me in your home language!
TalkingPoints will translate our messages so that you can communicate with us in your preferred language!

Family Text Messaging

Family Mobile & Web App

Types of Messages

Accessibility Features Text-to-speech and Speech-to-text, phone permitting.

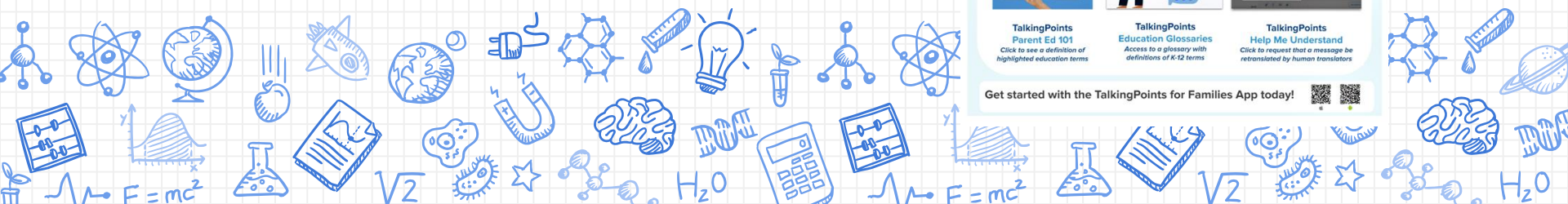
Accessibility Features for the Family App Only

TalkingPoints Parent Ed 101
Click to see a definition of highlighted education terms

TalkingPoints Education Glossaries
Access to a glossary with definitions of K-12 terms

TalkingPoints Help Me Understand
Click to request that a message be retransmitted by human translator

Get started with the TalkingPoints for Families App today!



Lunch & Snack Times

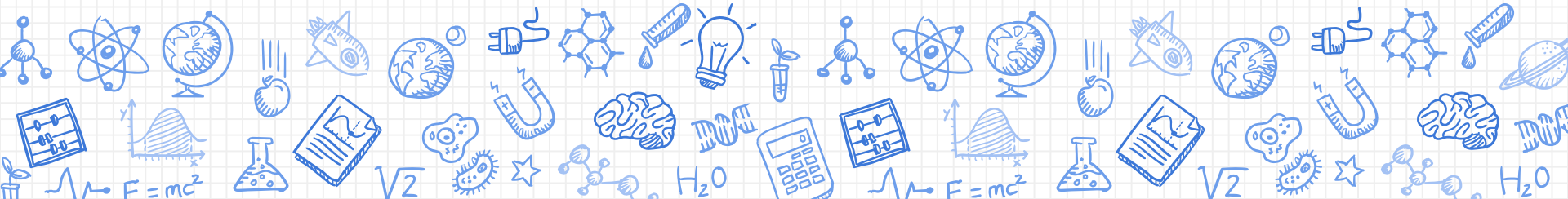


- Lunch is 10:15–10:40 am
- Please send a quick snack for your child to eat in the afternoons. Ensure your child understands what food is meant for lunch and what is meant for snack.



Click below to check out the menus.

Menus are subject to change without notice.



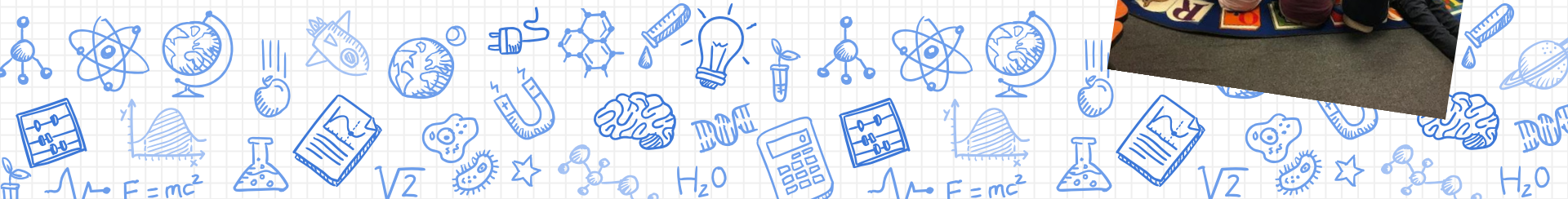


Our Curriculum



Our curriculum is based on Florida's 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.



The Science of Reading

What is the Science of Reading?

Instructional Shifts in OCPS

The **Science of Reading** is research from thousands of studies that tells us about how people learn to read.

Word Recognition	x	Language Comprehension	=	Reading Comprehension
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Structured Literacy is an approach to reading instruction that is explicit, systematic, cumulative, sequential and multisensory.

OCPS is creating a stronger alignment with the Science of Reading through explicit instruction for both **word recognition** and **language comprehension** to help students become successful readers.

- Read different types of books
- Ask questions before, during, and after reading
- Play word games
- Discuss new words included in the text
- Ask your child's teacher for more tips

How Do We Implement?

Activities for Home

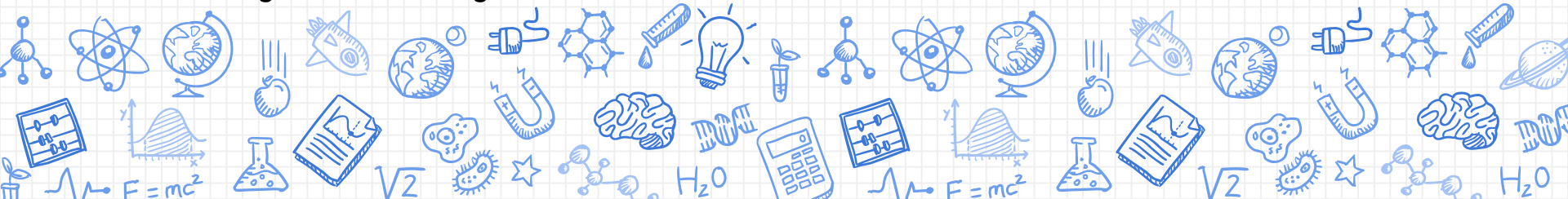


Our Curriculum: ELA



Florida's B.E.S.T. Standards

- **Foundations:** Focuses on print concepts, phonological awareness, phonics/word analysis and fluency
- **Reading:** Focuses on Prose and Poetry, Informational Texts and Reading across genres
- **Communication:** Focuses on written and oral communication, as well as following conventions.
- **Vocabulary:** Focuses on using academic vocabulary appropriately, asking and answering questions about unfamiliar words, and relating words to background knowledge.





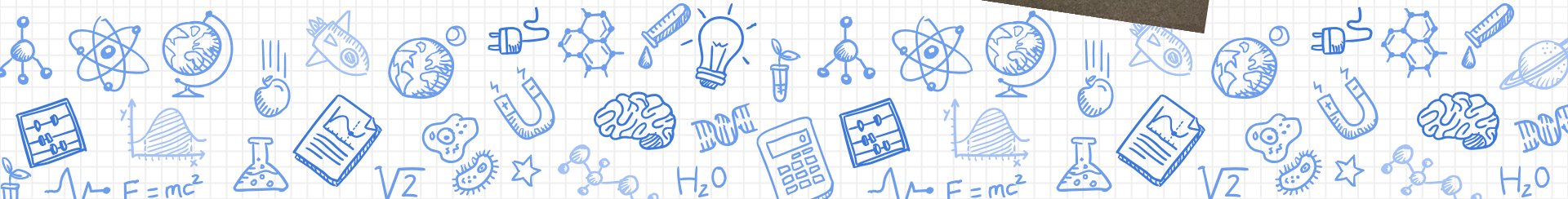
Our Curriculum: Math



Florida's B.E.S.T. Standards

Instructional time will emphasize three areas:

- Developing an understanding of counting to represent the total number of objects in a set and to order the objects within a set
- Developing an understanding of addition and subtraction and the relationship of these operations to counting
- Measuring, comparing and categorizing objects according to various attributes, including their two- and three-dimensional shapes.





Our Curriculum: Science



Nature of Science

- Introduces students to science and the role of a scientist

Earth and Space Science

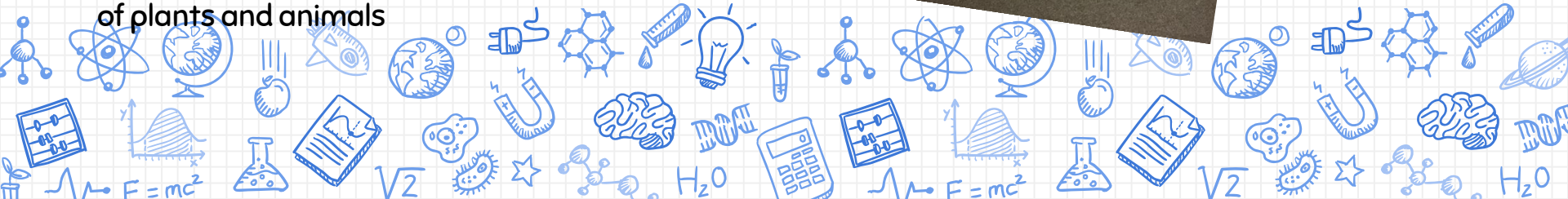
- Explores gravity, day and nighttime sky, observing size and distance of objects as see from the Earth

Physical Science

- Sorting objects by observable properties such as size, shape, color, weight, texture, and temperature

Life Science

- Characteristics, behaviors and basic needs of plants and animals



Our Curriculum: Social Studies and Health



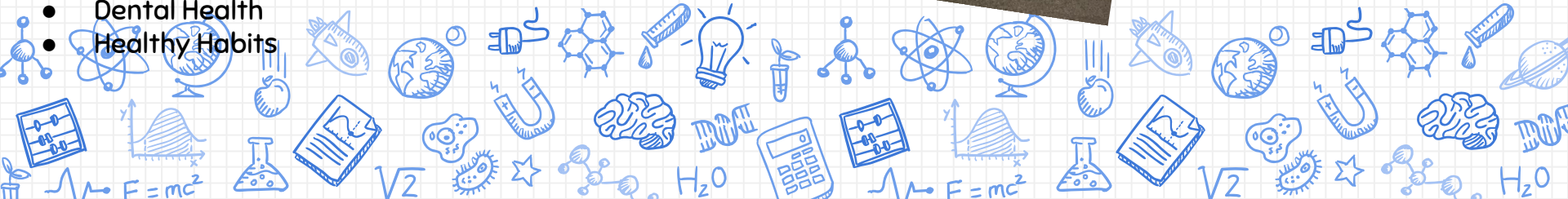
Social Studies:

- Civics and Government
- American History
- Economics
- Geography



Health- Sanford Harmony Curriculum

- Diversity and Inclusion
- Empathy and Critical Thinking
- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Peer Relationships
- social/Emotional Learning (SANFORD HARMONY)
- Dental Health
- Healthy Habits



Grades

- Parent Skyward Access
 - Parents can sign up for Skyward access at <https://parents.classlink.com/ocps>
- Student Skyward Access
 - Students can access Skyward through their Launchpad
- Grade Updates
 - Grades will be updated regularly





Assessments



F.A.S.T. Assessments:

Student progress is monitored through the computer-based assessment. Students take diagnostic tests at the beginning, middle, and end of the school year to demonstrate learning.

Standards Based Unit Assessments:

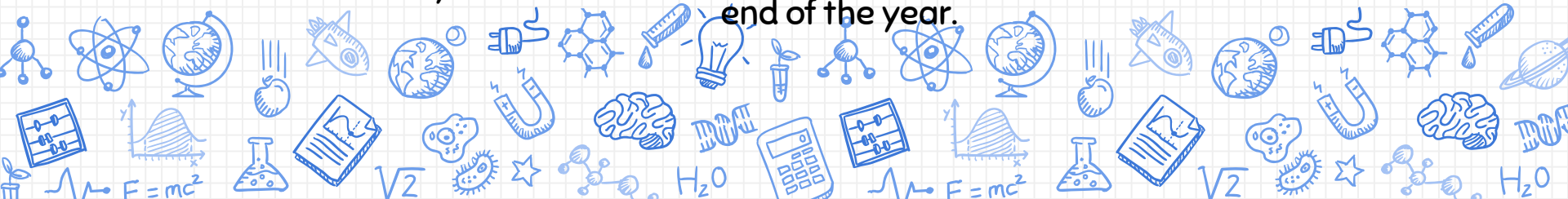
Students will complete unit assessments in ELA, Math, and Science to demonstrate mastery of standards.

Phonics

Letter and letter sound recognition are assessed regularly and recorded for grades. It is the expectation know all letters and sounds by the end of the 2nd quarter.

Sight Words:

Sight Words are assessed quarterly for a grade. It is the expectation that students know all sights words at the end of the year.

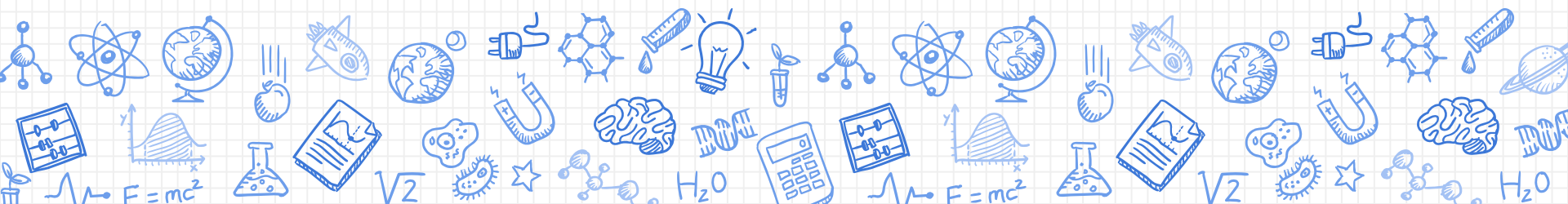




Get Involved!


- Visit ocps.samaritan.com and register to be an ADDitions volunteer. The application process takes about two weeks.
- Sign in at the main office every time you come to school.
- Join PTA! Meetings are held monthly.
- School Advisory Council
- Multilingual Parent Leadership Council

The screenshot shows the website's header with the OCPS logo and social media icons. A navigation menu includes 'Search Opportunities', 'Log in', 'Opportunity Calendar', and 'Help/FAQs'. The main content area features a group photo of diverse professionals and a 'Partnerships grow the workforce of tomorrow.' message with a 'Learn more »' button. Below the photo are three small square icons. A welcome message reads: 'Welcome to the Online Orange County Public Schools Volunteer Management System'. A thank you note follows: 'Thank you for your interest in becoming an ADDitions School Volunteer and/or a Partner in Education for OCPS! Our mission is to lead our students to success with the support and involvement of families and the community. Each Orange County school has specific needs/opportunities on their campus; therefore the online system gives you the ability to search for an opportunity based on location and interests.' A blue bar contains the heading 'WHAT DO I NEED TO GET STARTED?' and a bullet point: '• Time - These forms take approximately 5 to 15 minutes to complete'.





Thank you for choosing OCPS and HCES!

 us on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/HuntersCreekElementary/>



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

