# NORTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TIGER TIMES

## DEAR NORTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FAMILIES,

In just the blink of an eye, we are getting ready to wrap up our first grading period. We have completed our initial iReady diagnostic assessments in ELA and Math, and everyone is in a full swing of teaching and learning. As you know, our school grade last year was a "B", and with just a few percent points away from the next grade, we are definitely aiming for an "A" this year! Our School Advisory Committee and the Leadership Team have developed a plan for reaching our goal. Parents, please help us by ensuring that students are at school, every day, on time, to take advantage of the instruction that we have planned.

Additionally, there are several things that students can do at home. We encourage students to read a minimum of 20 minutes each day to build fluency, to aid with reading comprehension, and to develop a rich vocabulary. For math fluency, we recommend students to practice their math skills online on Reflex Math website (<a href="www.reflexmath.com">www.reflexmath.com</a>). iReady additional lessons are available online, but we do not recommend students to spend more than 45 minutes on iReady per week, per subject. iReady lessons can be accessed at <a href="https://login.i-ready.com/">https://login.i-ready.com/</a>.

Advanced learning materials are available via Khan Academy, a free online learning platform - accessible at https://www.khanacademy.org.

Last but not least, important information about students' progress and additional supports that are available is shared at our Academic Parent Teacher Team (APTT) meetings. Thank you parents for attending these important meetings! Together, we can make a difference!

Dr. Tuuli Robinson, Principal of NES



In addition to the grade level newsletters, Class DOJO or Remind messages, agenda communication, and Skylert calls, NES issues a Weekly Memo for Parents that is distributed to parents electronically. These memos include important information about the school-wide events and initiatives. Upcoming dates and assessment information are included also in the parent memos.

There are three ways to access the newsletter:

- Log on to NES Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/NESTigers
- 2. Ensure that you have the guardian e-mail address on file in Skyward. The newsletters are e-mailed weekly. If you do not have your e-mail on file, please call Mrs. Lisa Click, our data processor or simply send your e-mail address to your child's teacher with a note "to be added in Skyward".
- Visit our web page at http://nes.okee.k12.fl.us/
   and look for the memos under School Updates section.

A paper copy of the weekly memos along with other important information is also available in the parent information binder at our front office.



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## Right to Know

### **OUT OF FIELD TEACHERS**

The following teachers at NES are teaching out of field:

Patti Leach (Guidance Counselor) - certified in Elementary Education (1-6) and ESOL Kristi Nolte (Gifted Education) - certified in Elementary Education and Biology (6-12).

The following teachers at Out of Field and working toward their endorsement in ESOL (English for the Speakers of Other Languages):

Cassandra Holliday

Stefanie Love

Kristi Nolte

Michelle Sanders

**Christan Varnadore** (first year of assignment at NES)

**Jennifer Wagnoer** (first year of assignment at NES).

Jessica Wisener (first year of assignment at NES).

We currently have several substitute teachers serving as classroom teachers:

Emily Carlton, Sarah Diaz, Candace McGlamory, Jeanne Myers, Elidad Santibanez, and Rebecca Whitehead.

If you have any questions regarding these qualifications, please contact Dr. Tuuli Robinson at (863)462-5100 or <a href="mailto:robinsont@okee.k12.fl.us">robinsont@okee.k12.fl.us</a>.





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The School District of Okeechobee County shall comply with all federal and state laws which include the Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended by the ADA Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAAA), Title IX, Section 504, Florida Education Equity Act, Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA), Genetic Information Non-Discrimination Act of 2008 (GINA), and the Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act.

Any employee, student, applicant for admissions, or applicant for employment who believes he/she has been discriminated against or has been harassed by another employee, student, or third party is encouraged to use the Equity Plan Grievance Procedure for filing complaints. Complaints may be filed with the principal or immediate supervisor, District Equity Coordinator/Director of Human Resources or the Superintendent.

Director of Human Resources

Title II, Title IX and the Florida Education Equity Act Complaints and

ADA/Section 504 Complaints

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