

North Elementary School
3000 NW 10th Terrace
Okeechobee FL 34972

09/29/2023

TIGER TIMES

DEAR NES FAMILIES,

Thank you for an amazing beginning of the school year! Students in all grades participated in their first round of state assessments during the month of August and in early September, and we held Academic Parent Teacher Team (APTT) meetings to review the new assessment data with parents. With this being the second year of implementation of our core instructional materials, our teachers have been able to dive into deep instruction to support students' learning. We are fortunate to have a variety of supplemental resources this year that we use to support instruction in ELA, Math, and Science. We have already looked closely at all of the assessment results to initiate additional support plans for students in need - utilizing evidence based interventions and additional small group time with their classroom teacher. Student assessment results are also available to parents via Skyward Family Portal.

As we continue to work on boosting student engagement in class, we also want to emphasize the importance of daily attendance. Every day counts and every missed day results in missed learning. Please help us with ensuring that students are at school, on time, each day! To better comply with the required minute of silence each morning, this is now scheduled to take place at 08:09 each day to ensure that it does not overlap with instructional time.

We encourage students to read a minimum of 20 minutes each day to build fluency, 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 (www.reflexmath.com).

Thank you for allowing us to have the opportunity to work with your child this year!

Let's Stay in Touch!

Parental involvement and communication is important to us. For your convenience, students have agendas this year. Teachers' main tool for communication continues to be Class DOJO. If you have not signed up yet, please do so as a lot of important information is shared via Class DOJO. School office will also use Talking Points and Skyward Messenger to disseminate information. Additionally, our school-wide NES News for Families is shared on DOJO School Story, and posted on our school web page at <http://nes.okee.k12.fl.us/> as well as on NES Facebook page at facebook.com/NESTigers,

It is important that parents have an e-mail address on file in Skyward to receive important information from school. If you would like to add your e-mail address or change the phone number to receive SMS messages, please contact our data processor, Mrs. Cathy Storey at Cathy.Storey@okee.k12.fl.us, or over the phone at (863)462-5100 from 7 AM to 3 PM to inform her of necessary changes.

Daily information as well as student and staff highlights are posted on our Facebook page. Please follow us on Facebook for these important updates as well as the weekly pictures of our happenings!

Sincerely,
Dr. Tuuli Robinson
Principal of North
Elementary School
robinson@okee.k12.fl.us



Out of Field Teachers 2022-2023

Teacher and Assignment		Out of Field Area
Anderson, Belinda	KG	ESOL and Reading Endorsement
Comer, JoaniMae	K-3 ESE	ESOL Endorsement
Gagliano, Jennifer	5h ELA/SS	Reading Endorsement
Mitchum, Andrea	3 rd Grade	Elementary Ed and ESOL Endorsement
Myers, Jeanne	3-5 ESE	ESOL Endorsement
Neal, Tracy	KG	ESOL and Reading Endorsement
Quintero, Katelyn	3 rd Grade	ESOL and Reading Endorsement
Ramirez, Marialejandra	KG	ESOL and Reading Endorsement
Soto, Sarah	1 st Grade	ESOL Endorsement
VanDeman, Scott	4 th ELA/SS	Elementary Ed, ESOL And Reading Endorsement
Wagoner, Jennifer	2 nd Grade	ESOL Endorsement

We currently have several long term substitute teachers as follows: Cayetana Ortega, Krystal Armstrong, Stephanie Moesching, Rhea Ragnauth, and Enise Pabon.

Andrea Mitchum (returning to teaching), Katelyn Quintero, and Scott VanDeman are in their first year of teaching.

If you have any questions regarding these qualifications, please contact Dr. Tuuli Robinson at (863)462-5100 or robinsont@okee.k12.fl.us.

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Director of Human Resources
Title II, Title IX and the Florida Education Equity Act
Complaints and ADA/Section 504 Complaints
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