

SCHOOL-WIDE NEWS

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From Our Principal...

Mary Ford Early Learning & Family Center will not miss the opportunity to teach and celebrate the Inauguration of America's first woman vice-president (who happens to be of African American and Asian descent).

Join us as we use this historic moment in time to show our little scholars that they are capable of greatness and renew your pledge to partner with us to ensure their success.



Kamala Harris at the 2020 DNC, photo by Carolyn Kastner/AP

Remember: "Parents are a child's first and most important teacher!"

- Ruth Taylor, Principal



A huge thank you to the ladies of Gamma Zeta for partnering with us to make the season brighter for some of our families.

Important Dates

1/15: ELearning/Learn @ home day

1/18: Dr. MLK Day: No School

1/27: Family Vision Board Night via Zoom*

1/26: CD application opens (online)

TBA: Not Your Typical Budgeting Class*

***Info coming home
w/your little scholar**

From Ms. Hart, Assistant Principal

Happy New Year!

I am humbled to be the Assistant Principal for Mary Ford Early Learning and Family Center. I have been a member of the Mary Ford Family for thirteen years where I have served the students in the compacity of Master Reading Teacher and as the Assistant Principal. As a passionate educator, I find joy in both supporting students through struggles and celebrating success with them. I look forward to working with students and families to provide a top-notch social-emotional and academic experience for all of our students.

My goals for this year are:

1. Continue to challenge our students and staff to be at their best.
2. Make positive connections with students, families and staff.
3. Continue my efforts to learn all students' names.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

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Ms. Burwell, Ms. Cathron, and Ms. Grant of the Queen Esther #166 Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star

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Ms. Beverly Snelgrove and the Bleeker Family Law Firm Staff and Associates

Reading is Everywhere!: Trish Anderson, Program Specialist

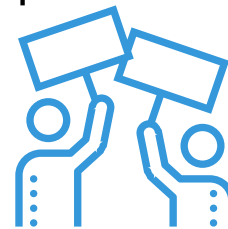


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Martin Luther King, Jr. used the power of words to convey meaning in his most famous speech, "I Have a Dream". 250,000 people held signs at the March on Washington in 1963 to advocate for freedom. Our young scholars are achieving many dreams as they begin the exciting process of learning to read. Currently, our scholars are studying the importance of signs and learning to read their messages and symbols. Environmental print is personally meaningful to young children and stimulates their interest, just like reading books. Daily, notice all the signs in your community and make the most of all "teachable" moments. Experiences like taking trips to the grocery store and reading labels on food items, catalogs in the mail, billboards along the highway, and street signs are all ways to increase your young scholar's literacy without them even knowing!

Print is everywhere – we just have to point it out.

I am excited with our young scholar's growth and achievements so far this year and I look forward to watching their many accomplishments! It is a wonderful opportunity and pleasure to serve all of our young scholars in Head Start and Early Head Start. Happy Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day



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