ELEMENTARY: HEAD START ALIGNMENT WITH K-3 EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS

WHAT'S NEW FOR 2010-2011?

- Head Start teachers will be implementing a new math and science curricula that are aligned with the K-3 educational standards.
- ★ Head Start Specialists will be utilizing the new research-based Classroom Scoring System (CLASS) as an ongoing monitoring tool to improve educational outcomes.
- ★ Head Start teachers will be working with the revised, fully electronic, Teaching Strategies tool to monitor students' ongoing progress.
- ★ The Head Start Program is working with the Research Department to conduct a longitudinal study on the effects of Head Start in the District.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO?

- Conduct meetings between Kindergarten teachers and Head Start teachers to discuss curricula alignment.
- Become familiar with CLASS to monitor appropriate practices.
- ★ Attend the Head Start session at the Summer Leadership Academy scheduled for August 3, 2010, at Cypress Bay High School, from 8:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.
- € Ensure Head Start teachers are assigned laptops provided by Head Start, which have FileMaker Pro 10 and the appropriate processor to access the electronic monitoring tool.
- ♠ Follow up on students' Florida Assessment for Instruction in Reading (FAIR) results to determine teachers' performance

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU DON'T?

- Educational outcomes will not improve
- Principals will not be able to conduct an appropriate classroom observation or provide feedback on teachers' performance
- Teachers will not be able to access the database or website because of processor requirements

WHO NEEDS TO KNOW?

Principals, Assistant Principals, Kindergarten Teachers, school support staff

HOW WILL YOU COMMUNICATE FOLLOW-UP?

Email alerts to Area Directors and Principals

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