

BASA: WEST

Columbia Elementary

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Dear Parents,

WOW its December already, I can't believe 2019 is almost over.

This month we are continuing to learn about Medical City. Some of the activities that are available for the children to learn about are: What is a Chemist?, Healthy Hearts, Body Bingo, Simba has a Confidence, Hungry Caterpillar, Self Portrait in Abstract, Woody and his Teamwork, What is DNA, Band-Aid Tag, Proteins, Fats and Carbs and Neuron Networks.

Please remember that each family must attend 2 of our workshops. Also, if you child is absent from school or the program, I need a copy of the doctors note. As stated in the parent handbook continued absences/early pick-ups (9/semester) and late pick-ups (2/semester or 3/school year whichever comes first) may result in the discontinuation of services. If at any point you need a new handbook, please ask me for one.

If you have any questions please contact me at the phone number listed about or by emailing me at james.kathryn@brevardschools.org

Brevard After School Website

Don't forget to go to the Brevard After School 21st CCLC website to get the latest information including newsletters, pictures of students completing challenges, workshop schedules and information, and updates from the Semi-Annual Advisory Board Meetings.

We are all like a snowflake in our own different way.
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FLORIDA'S 21ST CENTURY
COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS

Upcoming Events

December 5

21st CCLC Advisory Board Meeting @9:00 – 11:00

December 18, 19 and 20

Early Release

December 23 – January 7

Winter Break

January 8

Students and Teachers Return

What you can do to promote early learning

1. Play with your child and provide opportunities for them to play. Play is essential for healthy brain development.
2. Turn off the TV. A young child's brain is largely shaped by his/her development. Children need activities that stimulate the frontal lobe by involving all the senses, not just passive viewing.
3. Read and talk to your child. Phonemic awareness of sound comes from listening to the human voice.
4. Model the joy of learning and discovery. Go to parks, the beach, zoos and take children on walks. These types of activities stimulate early learning.
5. Connect with your child. Connections boost children's brain potential, encourages cooperation, promotes learning and literacy, increases attention, decreases power struggles and builds loving bonds.

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