

Parents

Hernando County School District

make a difference!

H A L L O W E E N


In Hernando County Schools, we all agree:

- Bullying is not permitted.
- We will help others who are being bullied.
- We respect each other and include everyone in all activities.
- We care for each other and report incidents of bullying to adults.
- We all have a right to feel safe at school.

Anti-Bullying, Harassment and Dating Violence Policy

The policy of the Hernando County School District is that all students have an educational setting that is safe, secure and free from harassment, bullying, dating violence or abuse of any kind. This policy shall be applied consistently with all applicable school board, state and federal laws. Conduct that constitutes bullying, harassment, dating violence or abuse as defined herein, is prohibited. Students who persistently engage in bullying behavior will be subject to possible expulsion.

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Be In the Know: Have the Talk, Online Safety for Children



Children's curiosity and free time can lead to unintended consequences. Have conversations with your child about online safety. Children are savvy when it comes to technology and may know more than you think. Reinforce the importance of online privacy. Here are some examples:

- Be aware that when they share something, their friends may re-share it.
- Teach them not to click on pop-ups.
- Make sure they are on age-appropriate sites.
- Discuss cyberbullying.
- Talk about how they should never post inappropriate content.
- Explain the warning signs that characterize online predators.
- Explain that they should never share passwords, addresses or personal information with people they don't know online.
- Never agree to get together in person with anyone met online without parent approval and/or supervision.

**Categorized into the 3 C's
Content, Contract and Conduct**



Practical ideas for parents to help their children



Halloween Safety Tips – 2024

Sheriff Al Nienhuis and the men and women of the Hernando County Sheriff's Office want everyone to have a spooktacular Halloween, and to be safe doing so.

If your little ghosts and goblins, witches and wizards, or vampires and zombies are headed out to collect some treats this year, please take a few minutes to go over our Halloween Safety Tips.

TRICK OR TREAT TIPS

- Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks, if available. Look left, right, and left again before crossing. Keep looking while crossing.
- Put electronic devices down. Keep your head up and walk, don't run, across the street.
- Children should make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them.
- Always walk on sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible.
- Watch for cars that are turning and/or backing up.
- Plan costumes that are bright/reflective and that are flame retardant.
- Consider adding reflective tape to costumes and/or trick or treat bags.
- Costumes should be short enough to prevent tripping.
- Consider non-toxic make-up instead of a mask. Masks can be hot and may obstruct vision.
- Kids should stay in groups. Parents should accompany young children.
- Older children, who are going out without an adult, should take a cell phone with them.
- Older children should stop at ONLY familiar houses and only when the lights are on.
- If possible, trick or treat before it gets dark.
- If trick or treating after dark, kids should have a flashlight or a glow stick with them.
- Make sure children know their home address and telephone number and how to use 9-1-1 properly.
- Teach children how to say "NO" in a loud voice if someone tries to get them to go somewhere, tries to offer anything other than a treat, or tries to get them to leave with them.
- Teach children to NOT approach vehicles.





**Professional Day -
No School
Monday, October 14, 2024**



**We will no longer be
printing report cards.**

**Parents, don't forget
to scan the survey QR
code on your child's
compact. We want your
feedback!**

Cookies & Recruiting

Join us for some sweet
treats & a night dedicated
to learning about the
college athletics recruiting
process.

October 9, 2024 at 6:30pm
Weeki Wachee High
School Cafetorium

All middle school student
athletes and their
parents/guardians are
welcome!

Fall College Night 2024

Meet college
representatives to learn
about programs and
scholarships available.

October 10, 2024 / 5-7pm
Nature Coast Technical
High School

8th graders & high school
students welcome!



Scan the QR or use
link to join



[https://forms.office.com/r/
/EWTUTPcSVK](https://forms.office.com/r/EWTUTPcSVK)

Trunk or Treat

Christ Lutheran Church
475 North W, Brooksville, FL
34601

**Thursday, October 31
6pm-8pm**

ALL FREE!

Popcorn, Snow Cones, Hotdogs,
Drinks, Hayride, Candy &
Bounce House

Parents make a difference!



Autumn leaves,
they flutter as
they fall down to
the ground.
They whirl, they
twirl, they dance,
but they don't
make a sound.
Quiet, oh-so-quiet,
they whisper
on their way,
landing in a pile
in which we all
can play.

Unknown

Our Goal:

Empower parents
to become
integral partners
in their child's
education through
comprehensive
training,
information, and
support.



**Grandparents
Raising
Grandchildren
Seminar**
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Date:
November 8, 2024
Time:
9:30AM - 3:15PM

Pasco-Hernando
State College
Spring Hill Campus
Building B
450 Beverly Ct,
Spring Hill, Florida
34606

You must RSVP!
Register by scanning
the QR Code or by
calling United Way
at (352) 688-2026.



*thanks
for your
support*

Reference your school for more information

**Red Ribbon Week
October 23-31, 2024**



INTRODUCING THE 2024 NATIONAL RED RIBBON WEEK
THEME: "LIFE IS A MOVIE, FILM DRUG FREE."



Red Ribbon Week is a national awareness campaign in the United States that aims to prevent drug and alcohol use, tobacco use, violence, and other related issues. It takes place annually in October and is the longest-running and largest drug awareness and prevention program in the country. Support the cause and wear the color **red**.

**Unity Day
Wednesday, October 16**

Unity Day is an annual event that takes place during National Bullying Prevention Month to promote kindness, inclusion, and acceptance in order to prevent bullying. The day's key message is to unite against bullying, and it's celebrated by wearing the color **orange** to show support.

