

# **J. Harvey Rodgers Monthly Board Report**

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## **Educational Happenings & Community Involvement Activities:**

We are looking forward to exploring trauma-based relationships, mindfulness & SEL (social-emotional learning) with the staff this year!

### **Meeting Dates:**

- 5.1.19    Preschool Grade Level Meeting
- 5.2.19    Kindergarten Grade Level Meeting
- 5.14.19   Faculty Meeting Budget Presentation
- 5.23.19   Kindergarten Grade Level Meeting
- 5.24.19   I&RS End of Year Summaries

### **Community Updates/Professional Development:**

- Purposeful Play Ongoing Throughout the Year
- Guided Reading
- Fountas and Pinnel New Assessment Training
- Phonemic Awareness Scope and Sequence
- Math/STEM Planning for June
- DIBELS Data Analysis

**Facilities/Operation:** See Report

**Nurse's Report:** See Report

**Staff Evaluations:** 12 Informal Observations, 8 Formal Observations

### **Dates to Remember:**

June 6, 2019 Preschool Concert

June 7, 2019 Kindergarten Concert

June 13, 2019 Field Day

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**Purposeful Play** is setting up an intentional, developmentally appropriate environment that allows students to express their learning and social-emotional development through differentiation and needs based activities. It is taking stock and knowing the breadth of what is happening academically and socially and creating an environment where "teaching" happens in experiences that are relevant and appropriate. It is not teaching play but interacting with students in hands-on activities and supporting students as they learn to resolve if/then situations as they arise or are presented to them. Teachers are the creators of the space and experience but not the directors of the activities. Teachers support students through problem-solving in an environment that is safely built on strong routines and rules. Teachers support students and model learning through negotiation, problem-solving, building empathy and developing a growth mindset. Purposeful play is intentional play that allows the teacher to meet the students where they are and bring them forward in a way that is child centered and developmentally appropriate.

**Teaching through Intentional Play** is knowing and planning for experiences to meet the needs of your students in a developmentally appropriate way. Thinking both socially and academically how to move your students forward in an environment that they are comfortable enough in to take risks. Providing activities during their "work-time" (choice time) that allows students to experience different content and social situations that build perseverance, self-awareness, content knowledge, and foundational skills that are needed to be successful not only in school but as they maneuver through life. This means taking time to collect data, prioritize needs, act and assess. Intentional play means a teacher is an active part of the experience, involved, and hands-on as the students are manipulating the classroom environment. Teachers must set out with a plan and foster natural actions that allow them to teach and assess. Teaching through intentional play is taking action based on knowing how I (the teacher) am trying to move a child forward knowing the child's current abilities and needs backed by data and driven forward by data. Data can be notes, observations, student work samples, conferences, conversations, benchmarks, etc.

### **What is Social and Emotional Learning?**

Glassboro is one of the first districts in the county to commit to the development of the whole child by incorporating social and emotional learning. All stakeholders will work hard each day to support each child as a whole and to promote academic, social, and emotional growth because we believe children have the potential to be successful both in and out of the classroom. Please join us as we embark on this new journey for our school district.

Social and emotional learning (SEL) involves the process through which children and adults acquire and apply the knowledge, attitudes and skills necessary to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships, and make responsible decisions. At Glassboro Public Schools, our Social Emotional Learning model empowers teachers and students with a framework to cultivate Self-Awareness, Self-Regulation, Social Awareness, Relationship Skills and Responsible Decision Making. This will be achieved through intentional practice in a safe, structured environment so that the balance between Self-Efficacy and Social Harmony can be obtained. While immersed in SEL and Mindfulness practices, teachers, staff and administrators will focus on the needs of the

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whole child: emotional, physical, and mental. When these three are in balance, a student is able to be fully engaged and “Bulldog Ready.”

## **Definitions:**

Students will focus on Self-Awareness by learning how to recognize their own feelings and thoughts, as well as the impact that those feelings and thoughts have on their behavior. Students will also focus on identifying their personal traits, strengths and limitations and become aware of the importance that self-confidence plays in their daily life.

Self-Regulation will help students to move from impulsivity to positively navigated behavioral choices. Students will learn strategies to manage their emotions, thoughts, and feelings and recognize the skills needed to establish and achieve personal and educational goals.

Students will become more Socially Aware by practicing the skills of active listening; participating in skill building and social activities; and learning how to be empathetic, respectful members of their community. Students will demonstrate awareness of the differences among individuals, groups, and others’ cultural background and develop a more proactive, communal view of the world.

Relationship Skills will allow students to work on the skill of establishing and maintaining healthy relationships, with their peers, school staff, and community members. Students will learn how to utilize positive communication and social skills to interact effectively with others as well as identify ways to resist inappropriate social pressure (peer pressure).

Responsible Decision-Making will aid students in developing, implementing, and modeling effective problem solving and critical thinking skills. Students will also be able to identify the consequences associated with their actions in order to make the best decision possible.

Students will be encouraged and supported on their journey to finding their balance between Self-Efficacy and Social Harmony. Self-Efficacy involves students having a belief in their ability to succeed and accomplish goals. Social Harmony is the ability to understand relationships between self and others and having the confidence to function in situations that require empathy, communication, listening and compassion. When students find a healthy balance, they will feel centered, valued, and like a respected, contributing member of society.

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

It is so hard to believe that it is May already! I hope you enjoyed a little change from your normal routine during last week's spring break and were able to spend some quality time with your children. The end of the year is almost around the corner. It does not seem possible that another year has passed us, and our children are growing up at a rapid pace. I do hope your child has not only enjoyed the year, but has grown in many academic, social, and emotional areas.

Reflecting on this year, it has been an exciting one for all of us. Together we learned much and shared experiences that will long remain with us in the years to come. The strength of our community and passion to make our school a wonderful place of learning not only for our children, but for us as well, has made J. Harvey Rodgers School a special place.

Special thanks to all of our parents who contributed in many ways: volunteering in the classrooms, chaperoning field trips, organizing events, attending PTO events to support the children, our work in countless ways, and providing the resources to do what we know is best for children!

On Thursday, May 2, 2019, all of our students will participate in one of our mandated "Bus Safety Drills." This will take place during the day. The bus drivers will talk with the children about bus safety and rules for riding a bus.

Our school would not be what it is without the wonderful and amazing staff. We are so blessed to have such a dedicated team. This month we will celebrate our teachers during teacher appreciation week from Monday, May 6, 2019- Friday, May 10, 2019.

**Please see the important event updates below.**

- **Monday, May 6, 2019 to Friday, May 10, 2019:** Teacher Appreciation Week
- **Wednesday, May 8, 2019:** Spring Picture Day
- **Monday, May 27, 2019:** Memorial Day Schools Closed
- **Monday, June 3, 2019:** JHR Students Visit Bullock School
- **Thursday, June 13, 2019:** Field Day
- **Friday, June 14, 2019-Tuesday, June 18, 2019:** Early Dismissal Days

**PTO:** Thank you so much for supporting the PTO's recent fundraisers. As you know, we are trying to raise money to build a preschool playground. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

**Spring Concerts:** Our spring concerts are scheduled for Thursday, June 6, 2019 for all preschool classes and Friday, June 7, 2019 for all kindergarten classes. Our students have been practicing diligently to

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prepare for this wonderful annual tradition. Please see the schedule below for the dates and times your child will be performing.

**Peace, Love, and Music Spring Concert**

**Thursday, June 6, 2019**

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| AM Pre-K 9:00 AM                                    |
| PM Pre-K , Mrs. Foglietta, and Mrs. Mickle 12:30 PM |

**Friday, June 7, 2019**

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| Mrs. Rutter/ Mrs. Gallagher/ Miss Sloan/Miss Toczykowski, Mrs. Foglietta, Mrs. Pimpinella 9:00 AM |
| Mrs. Witkoski, Mrs. Ale, Ms. Antuna, Mrs. Kaszupski 12:30 PM                                      |

Have a wonderful end of school year!

Yours Truly,



Danielle Sochor

Principal Copy

Glassboro Public Schools\*\*\*Nurse's Monthly Report

SCHOOL: J H Rodgers Submitted by: Nancy Friebig, RN CSN Date: 4/30/19

TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS ATTENDED TO: (1a,2c) 348 School Days in Month 16

Illness (1a,3a) 70 First Aid(1a,3a) 165 Health Information Counseling (1b,2a) 11 Other 61

Gym Excuses 2 Medication Doses (Daily and PRN) (2e, 3b) 50 Exclusions (Infectious) 1

Sent Home 19 Sent to Hospital (3d) 0 head cks 2 Accident Reports 0

SCREENINGS (2e)

Hgts/Wgts 25 Referrals (4c) \_\_\_\_\_ Blood Pressures \_\_\_\_\_ Referrals (4c) \_\_\_\_\_

Vision 10 Referrals (4c) 2 Hearing 10 Referrals (4c) \_\_\_\_\_ Scoliosis n/a Referrals (4c) \_\_\_\_\_

EVALUATIONS AND PLANS

I&RS eval(1b) \_\_\_\_\_ I&RS mtg(1b, 1e,3f) \_\_\_\_\_ I&RS plan(1e,3f) \_\_\_\_\_ 504 plan(1e) \_\_\_\_\_

CST eval (1b, 1c) \_\_\_\_\_ CST meeting (3f) \_\_\_\_\_ Home Instruction Applications \_\_\_\_\_ Returns \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Health Care Plan (1c, 1e, 2a,3b,2c,3a,3d,3e,3f) \_\_\_\_\_

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NEW STUDENT HEALTH RECORD APPRAISALS (1b) \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENTS EXCLUDED \_\_\_\_\_ TRANSFERRED 4

IMMUNIZATIONS REQUESTED (4b) \_\_\_\_\_ TB TESTS REQUESTED \_\_\_\_\_ AND EVALUATED \_\_\_\_\_

AGENCY REF. (DYFS, Substance Abuse, Mobile Response) (1d) 1 ATTENDANCE CALLS (1c,1e, 3a) 51

COMMUNICATIONS(2a,3e,4f)

Parent/Guardian (<sup>64</sup>Phone/<sup>111</sup>Note) (1b,3a) 175 Professional (Drs., Agencies) (1d,3f) 3

Conferences/Collaboration (1b,c,e,2a,b,3a,f)(Teacher, Parent, Counselor, Administrator, Nurses) 15

STAFF

Visits to Health Office (4d) 12 Referrals \_\_\_\_\_ Workman's Comp. Reports Initiated 0

REPORTS SUBMITTED(1a,1c,1f,2a,4b,4c,)

Nurse's Monthly Report (1c,1f,4d)

STAFF TRAINING/TEACHING(1a,1c,2b,2d,3c,3d,3f,)

MERT drill

MEETINGS/WORKSHOPS/ACTIVITIES(1a,1b,1d,1f,4d,4e)

Faculty Mtg Consult w/ CST re: new students

Mental Health Seminar (8 hrs)

Consult w/ principal re: MERT, registration

MISCELLANEOUS

Imm. retrieval for new registrants from NJHS

Document transfer to Bullock for transferring kids

web page check + medication doc updates

Field trip prep + collaboration