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*Parent Bulletin*

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**Tracey L. Hunter, Principal**

### **Second Quarter**

This quarter is a very short quarter. I am genuinely concerned about the number of absences, tardies, and early dismissals some students have. We only have about **25** days left in this quarter. We must make each minute of each day count. Therefore, please limit absences, tardies and early dismissals. Thank you so much for the effort and attention you invested into helping your child be successful each day. Please know that if your child does not complete or attempt to complete assignments, they will receive a zero for that assignment. All assignments must be completed daily. **Note: Truancy court is in session.**

### **Parent and Visitor Dress Code**

**Every business has an established dress code policy for entrance. At Erwin Craighead Elementary School, the established dress code is both professional and appropriate for the school setting. Please dress appropriately for the school setting. Failure to adhere to the established parent/visitor's dress code will result in denial of entrance.** The dress code is as follows:

1. **Hair bonnets are not allowed.**
2. **Pajamas or night gowns/shirts are not allowed.**
3. **Undergarments must be worn.**
4. **Short shorts, short dresses, or short skirts are not allowed.**
5. **Shirts that are low-cut and revealing are not allowed.**

**Note: We want to be respectful of ALL children, staff, and visitors.**

### **Attendance**

All students must be at school by 8:00AM each day. Take in is 7:30AM. When your child is absent, please be sure to send an excuse when your child returns to school. **Note: No students should arrive on campus before 7:30AM.**

### **Sick Children**

With the arrival of cold and flu season, if your child is not feeling well, has a cough, or a fever, please keep your child at home. All children must be free of fever for **24 hours** before they return to school. If your child has an accident at school, you must bring them a change of clothing. We do not have any extra clothing.

### **Behavior**

Our teachers are trying to manage negative behaviors in their classroom. Many students are trying hard to remain focused. If you are contacted concerning your child's negative behavior, we are requesting that you support our efforts 100%. If we cannot get parental support, other measures will be taken to ensure a safe and orderly environment. **Our focus is LEARNING and ensuring success for ALL!** Please talk to your child about proper behavior daily.

### **Stuff the Bus**

Each year, our school system sponsors a **Stuff the Bus Toy Drive** for families in our school community. Children may begin bringing unwrapped, new toys to school. **Please do not send any used toys.** All toys must be sent in by Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

### **House T-Shirts**

House T-Shirts are to **only** be worn on Wednesdays for 'Whose House Wednesdays.' If you did not order a shirt for your child and you are interested in placing an order, please call the office at 221-1155. **Note: Other school t-shirts can only be worn on Fridays.**

### **Field Trips and Chaperones- WE ARE THE STANDARD!**

Educational Field trips are defined as educational experiences conducted during school hours which are planned by teachers to correlate with the regular classroom instructional program and approved by the principals. Field trips should be an integral part of classroom instruction. The experiences gained during field trips should give relevance and meaning to knowledge.

**Craighead Elementary School always tries to include parents in their child's educational experiences. On a field trip last year, some parents decided NOT to refrain from the use of profanity throughout the entire trip. I was truly embarrassed after I received the report. I was disappointed because our children, staff members, and other chaperones had to be subjected to this behavior.**

**ALL** chaperones are expected to conduct themselves in a responsible manner. The use of profanity will not be tolerated to our students, other chaperones, or staff members. Chaperones should not use profanity to their children either. Below, you will find the Mobile County Public School System's Policy regarding supervision and chaperones.

- **Supervision: Chaperones are adults (21 years or over) who accompany teachers and students with the understanding that the teacher holds the leadership position and is responsible for all decisions. Principals must also sign the completed Educational Field Trip Chaperone Authorization which can be found in the Schoology Teaching, Learning, and Assessment Group Resources in the TLA Forms folder.**

**Principals may determine that a chaperone be excluded from an educational field trip for the following reasons:**

- Parents exhibiting inappropriate behavior
- Parents who are unable to stay for the duration of the field trip.
- Parents who wish to include other small children and babies.

**NOTE: No siblings may attend educational field trips.**

### **HOLIDAY PICTURES**

Holiday pictures will be taken on December 1<sup>st</sup>. The cost of the picture is \$5.00 for each 4x6. Santa will not be in the pictures this year. Students will dress in their best holiday outfit for pictures. Pictures will be taken that morning and students will change back into their uniforms after pictures. If you are interested in a holiday picture, please complete the information form, and return it along with the picture money **no later than November 16, 2023**, to your child's teacher. Thank you for your support.

**Note: Students will not have their pictures taken without a completed form. The pictures will be for Craighead students only.**

### **Snacks**

Snacks and juice will be sold daily for **\$.50** and a **\$1.00**. Students may also bring their own snack and water(only).

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>- Veteran's Day (no school)**

**Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> – Honor's Assembly**

**Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving Dinner Money Due (no money will be accepted after today)**

**Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving Dinner**

**Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> – Holiday Picture Money Due**

**Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>- Holiday Pictures**

**Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup> through Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> - Thanksgiving Holidays**

**Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> through Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>– Stuff the Bus Toy Drive**

**Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> through Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> – Santa Shop**

**Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> – Winter Holidays**

**Thursday, January 4<sup>th</sup>- 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter begins**