

Alachua Multi-County Consortium Migrant Education Program

TITLE I – PART C



Over 90% graduation rate, (24 out of 26 seniors) during the 2023-24 academic year! What an exciting way to start this new academic year. Goes to show you that, regardless of hardships and barriers, anything is possible if you put your mind to it. Congratulations to our brand-new high school graduates. Of our graduates, 15 are college bound and 2 enlisted in the military. What an incredible achievement! Congratulations to tutors, coordinators, teachers, and everyone who were part of this successful journey and who supported and encouraged migrant students to get to the finish line.

The good news will be a motivation to try harder, so that the 2024-25 academic year has even better outcomes.



A Trip to Silver Springs



Learning origami as a relaxing tool



“...The thigh bone is connected to the hip bone. The hip bone is connected to the backbone...”

Serving Migrant Students Highlights from 2023-2024

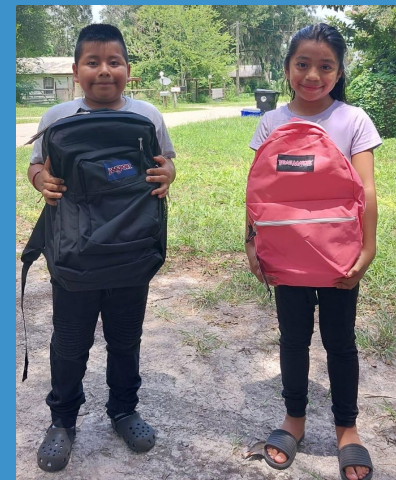
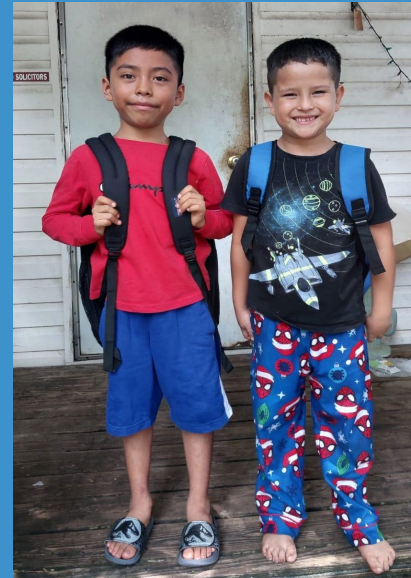
Academic Gains

7 PK students participated in the MEP in-home school readiness program and showed a 13% average increase in school readiness skills

67 students in grades K-5 took part in the reading and math tutorial programs provided by MEP tutors in reading and math. Students showed average increases of 34% in reading fluency and 13% increase in math skills.

40 middle school migrant students received tutorial services during the 23-24 academic year. 76% of participants demonstrated increases in their grades, per the report cards, at the end of the tutorial period.

Of the 48 high school students who participated in tutorial sessions with our tutors, 43 students, (95%) increased their grades. The parents of 187 K-12 students were served with home visits and/or, attended parent-teacher conferences set up by MEP personnel, or in-person parent involvement meetings to discuss children's academic progress.



Migrant students are excited to begin studying with their new backpacks filled with school supplies

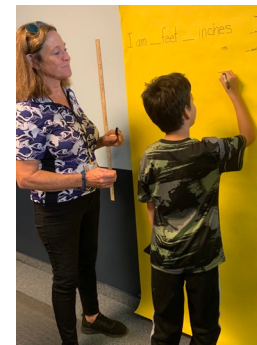
Summer Program

91 migrant students from PK-5th grade took part in the MEP summer reading and math focused programs with average increases of 29% and 12% respectively. The program included visits to the Santa Fe College Zoo and Planetarium.

15 middle school students in Marion and Levy Counties participated in our summer program. Besides important academic work, students learned to prepared some of their meals, learned origami, visited the Homosassa Wildlife Park, as well as Silver Springs State Park.

5 high school students participated in summer courses and earned 5 credits towards their graduation requirements.

The MEP, in collaboration with University of Florida mental health professionals, organized an interactive mental health workshop titled “Efficient Communication Between Teenagers and their Parents.” The workshop included tactics and techniques to help parents of teenage students engage with their children in a positive manner and maintain



Laura Ritonia, Academic Supervisor, working with a student in our Summer Program

Christmas and Thanksgiving Donations

We must thank the organizations that we coordinate with because generosity during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons brings joy and hope to our Migrant Families.



Making Happy Memories during the Festive Season!

2023-2024 College Tours

MEP organized 8 college tours, in which a total of 66 high school migrant students participated. Students visited University of South Florida-Tampa and St. Petersburg (USF), Santa Fe College (SFC), Valdosta State University (VSU), Jacksonville Construction Career Day, and Santa Fe Careers on Construction Day. Florida State University (FSU), and VSU recruiters also visited Hamilton High school, where 49 migrant students received information on attending these schools.

2023-2024 ID&R

During the 23-24 project year, the ID&R team did a superb job, 578 students and 601 OSYs were recruited. This represents an increase of just under 10% for the entire program! Despite all the challenges our families and youth face, they keep the hope for a better future for themselves and their children. We will continue to assist them in making these goals a reality. Phone recruitment has been extremely helpful, as it keeps families and recruiters safe while being able to continue with ID&R duties.



Migrant Students excited to make college visits



Our ID&R Coordinator, Bernice Cavazos meeting with a Migrant Parent

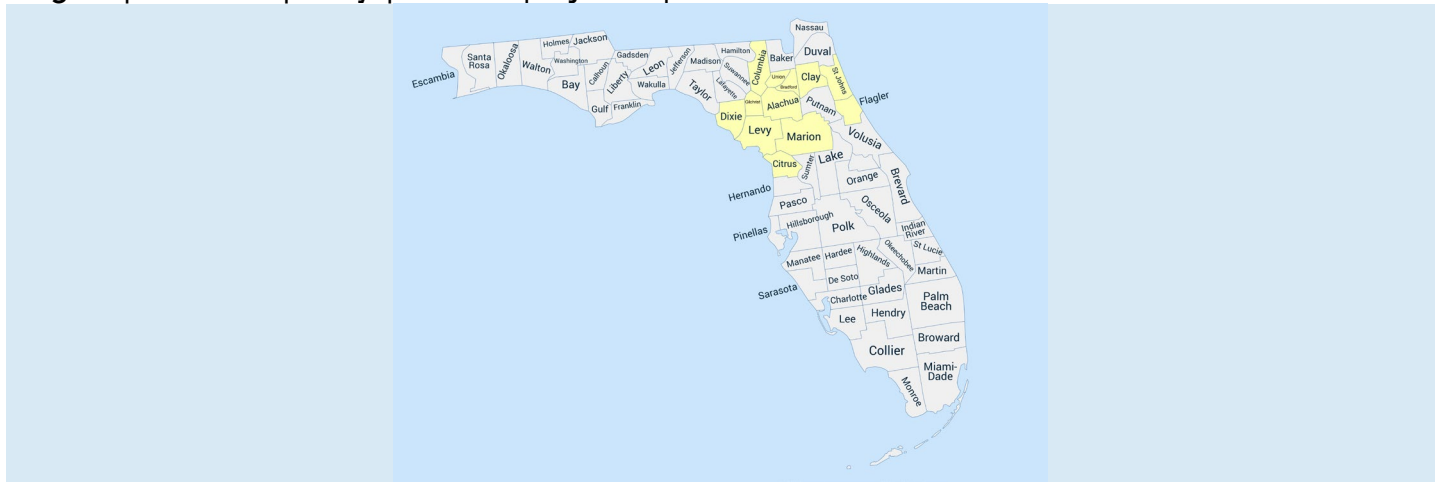
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