



JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Anyana Stokes

January 2020 Issue

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Mon., 1/6	No School – Student Holiday
Tue., 1/7	Classes Resume
Fri., 1/10	End of the 1 st Semester
Tue., 1/13	Parent-Teacher Conference Night
Thu., 1/16	Career Day
Fri., 1/17	Student Holiday
Mon., 1/20	No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Wed., 1/22 at 7:30 am	PTA Meeting
1/22-1/24	5 th Grade Field Trip to Camp Crystal
Thu., 1/23	Report Cards come Home
Tue., 1/28	Principal BUG Awards

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Happy New Year!

With half of the school year already behind us, I am encouraged and extremely proud of the hard work and dedication of our students, teachers, and staff. We have welcomed nearly two dozen volunteers this year who show up each week to support the work of our teachers and impact our students. Our PTA is stronger than ever, following the legacy of Mr. Joseph Williams who helped establish the Williams PTA 81 years ago. All members of our school community are working together giving their best for our beloved Williams. And for that I say THANK YOU!

Parents your support does not go unnoticed. Students are coming to school on time and ready to learn. You set the tone each morning for the day ahead. We know that we cannot do this work alone, that it takes all of us working together. We are looking forward to going to even greater heights in 2020.

Yours in partnership,
Mrs. Anyana Stokes

Principal

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TITLE I FALL NEWS

Title I organized a STEM Night for parents and it was great to see all of the parents who came. Parents learned a variety of activities that they could do at home and even got to take one with them. Be on the lookout for our next parent engagement night which will be centered around grade level standards and preparing for the FSA (Florida Standards Assessment).

The Parent Resource Checkout Binder is in the front office if you would like to check out any items to use at home. If you have any questions or needs, please contact Mrs. Lisa Rose, our FCIM & Title I Lead Teacher (roselm@gm.sbac.edu).

PTA UPDATE

PTA Updates

Your PTA has been busy over the past 2 months! Thanks to your generous donations of time, effort, and dollars, we were able to provide Mr. Thomas with funds for instrument repair and to support the school store. In addition, we hosted a holiday breakfast and lunch to show the teachers and staff our appreciation for their hard work. We also provided free hot cocoa and candy canes to our wildcat families at the Winter Concert.

Want to be part of the fun? Join us at the 1st PTA meeting of the new year on **Wed., Jan 15 at 7:30 am**. All are welcome! Also consider volunteering for the new **Morning Reader** program. With just 30 minutes each week, you can help Williams students develop a lifelong love of reading. Sign up here: [Morning Reader Sign Up](#).

If you have any questions or want to know more about joining the PTA, email us at ptawilliamselmentary@gmail.com or join us on Facebook at [PTA Facebook Group](#).

Support Arts and Music at Williams

The PTA is selling Bojangles coupon books for \$5, with all proceeds going to support the art and music programs. Purchase coupon books here: [Williams PTA Member Hub](#).

Short 9-question parent survey about PTA events and food: [PTA Parent Survey](#)



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