



# JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Anyana Stokes

October 2020

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Sept. 30 4:00-8:00 pm	David's BBQ Spirit Night <i>Proceeds go to Williams PBIS</i>
October 6	Interim Progress Reports Go Home
October 9	SWI Individual Picture Day DA: 11:30-12:30 <a href="#">SWI Link</a>
October 9	Flu Mist DA: 11:30-12:30 <a href="#">Flu Mist Consent Form</a>
<b>Spirit Days</b>	
October 14	Wear Pink
October 21	Wear Orange
October 28	Wear Red
October 30	Crazy Hair Day
Nov. 2	End of First Nine Weeks
No. 11	Holiday – Veterans Day

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

October is always an exciting time of year. We have taught and modeled procedures and set high expectations for our students. We are now in full academic swing. We are revving up instruction and preparing to push our students both in Digital Academy and in person, to their greatest potential. We want to thank you for your support. We recognize that we are partners in your child's education, and we must work together.

Safety continues to be a priority for us each day on campus. Thank you for making sure that masks are on and students arrive feeling well. Digital engagement is priority for our Digital Academy. Thank you for making sure your students are logging in on time, and for providing a place for them in your home free from distractions.

Please be sure that if there have been any changes to your phone number or email address that you provide the front office with updated information. It is good practice for all of our parents to regularly check your emails for messages from the school and from classroom teachers. For now, that is our primary mode of communication.

We continue to be committed to our school wide expectations to BE RESPECTFUL, BE RESPONSIBLE, and BE KIND. We thank you for your support and look forward to a great year.

Your Partner,

Mrs. Anyana Stokes

Principal

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***Be Respectful***

***Be Responsible***

***Be Kind***

## Title I

Please take a moment to read and sign this year's Title I Home-School Compact and Parent Rights surveys. Fill one survey out for each student attending Williams this year for both Digital Academy and Brick and Mortar.

THANK YOU! We are looking for 100% completion [Parent Rights for School-wide Title I Programs Survey](#) [Title I Home-School Compact Survey](#)

Included below is a ten-minute video to introduce important Title I information, guidelines, and opportunities for parents and students.

[Williams Elementary Title I Annual Parent Meeting](#)  
[Title I Parent Input](#)

## PTA UPDATE

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

The PTA has included a [handout](#) for Martial Arts Classes and is due October 12. Email [Williams PTA](#) for more information and for submitting the form.

## Williams School Website

For more information and updated news, pictures, and events, please visit our school website. As always, don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or comments.

[williams.sbac.edu](http://williams.sbac.edu)

Families can get more technology and online support by going to the school district's [Family Resource Page](#) for information regarding Digital Academy, Active Directory usernames and passwords, Canvas, G Suite for Education, Zoom, and Skyward. The technology help phone number for the school district is 352-955-7051.

## The One Mill at Williams Elementary School

- The One Mill is a renewal, NOT a tax increase
- The One Mill funds computers/laptops & other technology
- The One Mill guarantees there will be funding for a nurse at every school for the next four years
- At Williams, the One Mill helps fund the salaries of 12 teachers, including:
  - ✓ Counselor
  - ✓ Music and art teachers
  - ✓ Librarian
  - ✓ Magnet Program teachers



The One Mill is up for renewal on the 2020 ballot. For more information, visit <https://fl02219191.schoolwires.net/Page/30131>. Then register and VOTE!

## Skyward

Parents can use Skyward on a computer or mobile device to access student information, such as:

- **Grades**
- **Attendance**
- **Discipline**

Contact [hartsamsb@gm.sbac.edu](mailto:hartsamsb@gm.sbac.edu) to set up your account today. Click this [Skyward link](#) to access the website or to get more information.



## myPortal

Students use [myPortal](#) as a way to access resources, such as:

- **Canvas** (Digital Academy)
- **Textbooks**
- **Discovery Ed**
- **BrainPop**
- **Tumblebooks**
- **PBS Learning**

Contact your child's teacher for more information.



## GRU

Williams Elementary would like to thank Gainesville Regional Utilities and Yvette Carter, Community and Government Relations Officer, for their continued support.

