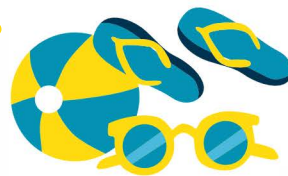


Monthly Family Newsletter



August 2022

Soak up Summer & Reflect on The Year!



As summer begins to wind down, and the beginning of a new school year is just around the corner, it is a good time to reflect on your child's early learning experience this past year, and think about what we can do better together as parents and staff at Educare Flint and Cummings in 2022-23 school year.

Always remember that the staff at Educare Flint and Cummings are available to answer any questions that you may have as the beginning of the new school year approaches. Our staff has been trained to partner with your family to provide the best possible early learning experience for your child.

It is very important that your child receive the full benefits of the high-quality early childhood education offered at Educare Flint.

To receive the full benefits of our early childhood education programs it is important that you:

- 1 Bring your child to school every day and have them here on time. Have a transportation plan in place before school starts so you know your child will be at school everyday and on time!
- 2 Talk with your child about school every day. Show a genuine interest in what they are doing at school.
- 3 Get to know your child's teachers in the classroom. As a parent, you are your child's first and most important teacher. The teaching staff rely on you so that they can partner with you in your child's early education.
- 4 Get to know the support staff and never hesitate to ask a question, ask for help, or share your thoughts and concerns. We are here to listen!

Mark Your Calendars:

Important Dates

- **August 8:** Great Expectations Market Order Due
- **August 15:** Great Expectations Market Curbside Pick-Up
- **August 18:** LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
- **September 6:** FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL



Check out our social media pages for upcoming local activities and events the whole family can enjoy! You'll find information on:

- Flint Eastside Mission's Back to School Bash
- WIC Project Fresh
- Sloan Museum
- Flint Public Library Events
- For- Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

Mask how excited we are
Welcome you back



Meet the Cummings Family!



PAMELA RUTHERFORD

Pamela has been working at Cummings Great Expectations as an Early Head Start Teacher for three years. She loves to eat catfish with coleslaw and her absolute favorite color is orange. She enjoys the season of summer and reading is her favorite pass time but she can not name a favorite book as there are too many to name just one! If she has a superpower it would be to end world hunger, because no one should ever have to go to bed without food. What an awesome super power to have!

"I love working at Cummings Great Expectations because when I walk up to the door and see the smile on my kids faces when they see me and run up to me and grab my hand, I know they are happy to be at school."

From Our Executive Director

JA'NEL JAMERSON

If your child is starting kindergarten or returning back to the classroom this year, we know it can be tough! Here are a few ways that may help stepping back into the classroom:

- Take a peek a Educare Flint's Virtual Tour
- Read books about starting school
- Talk to your child about their feelings towards school
- Practice getting ready for school
- Develop a good bedtime routine
- Make a family picture book to take
- Go school shopping
- Stock up on some healthy snacks

We can't wait to see you all!

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