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Parent Reminders

- Medication Forms- please be sure we have a prescription for ANY medication that needs to be administered at school. This includes over the counter medication!
- The Parent Representative Meeting for November has been cancelled.
- Please remember, **December** tuition must be submitted **no later** than the **15th!** This may require you to change your bank draft if you use auto pay.
- Please remember the Check-in/out Station and the Classroom Monitoring Tablet are for PARENTS ONLY.
- Tuition payments and fees can now be paid online using the following link: http://aub.ie/ helctuition
- It is getting dark earlier! Please be aware of your surroundings. Do not engage with pedestrians you do not know. Do not leave your car running while coming in to get your child. Please do not let anyone you do not know into the building. If you see someone who does not belong on HELC property, please let someone at the Front Desk know so we can notify Mr. Bill.





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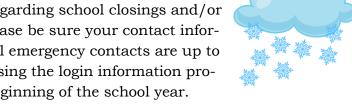


HELC Office Hours 7 A.M.—6 P.M.



Emergency Notification System

As a reminder, HELC will use SchoolCast to contact parents/guardians regarding school closings and/or delayed openings. Please be sure your contact information and additional emergency contacts are up to date in the system, using the login information provided to you at the beginning of the school year.



As stated in the Handbook, "Decisions regarding opening and closing

due to inclement weather will rely heavily on the Jefferson County School System due to the fact that both HELC Staff and Families live throughout the metro area and beyond." We will do our best to evaluate the impact to the entire area. Please keep in mind that we cannot predict what will actually happen, but it is our job to do what we feel is best to keep our families and children safe.

Pumpkin Patch at HELC

Pumpkins are a favorite theme at HELC during the months of October and November, so Jonita Steele, Resource Teacher, decided to create a Pumpkin Patch in the Caring Corner. Each classroom brought their children to visit the Pumpkin Patch, where they read stories, took pictures at the Photo Booth, and picked their very own pumpkin to take home. Below are a few favorite photos from this school-wide event!



Illness Policy Reminder

As we enter cold/flu season, we ask that parents be mindful of the HELC Illness Policy. As a reminder: "A child should remain at home if he or she is infectious and until he or she is **free of fever** for 24 hours after an illness, **without medication**. This would mean that a child leaving school during the day with a fever of **100.4** degrees temperature or higher would not be able to return the next morning without written permission from a physician."

Details regarding when you may need to keep your child home or why a teacher may call you to pick your child up can be found on page 16-17 of the HELC Parent Handbook.

Fall Weather

Fall weather is finally here! As the weather changes and fluctuates in Alabama, we ask that parents swap their extra summer clothes for fall/winter appropriate clothes. We want your child to be comfortable during



daily outdoor play times, so please remember to send a light jacket or sweater. You can also dress your child in layers, so they can remove a layer or two if the day warms up.

Thank you!

2018 Upcoming Events/Closings

November 21-23—Thanksgiving, Center CLOSED December 20— HELC will close at 6 P.M. December 21– January 1st— Center CLOSED

