



Take Stock in
Children®

Take Stock News

November 2021

PARENT CORNER

Dear Parents,
We very much appreciate you as we work together to help our students stay connected to the program through their attendance at our college readiness meetings as well as their weekly mentor meetings. Some students and mentors have had much success with the TSIC app while others have continued with Zoom meetings and some have started face-to-face meetings again.

We do not allow email, text or video chat unless it is through the app. Students can initiate text chats while mentors can initiate text & video chat.

Please remind your student to check their app as well as their email every day for notifications from their mentors & the office.

Also, if you received a letter from us that needs a signature, please be sure to return the form so that the proper response will be noted.

Thank you for helping us to help your child. Please call with any questions.

Happy Thanksgiving! *Pat*

STUDENT CORNER

Dear Students,

You have all been doing a great job of meeting with your mentor and talking about all the things that are important about school and your plans for college or vocational school.

It is so important to set-up goals, complete assignments on-time and keep your grades with nothing lower than a C. This will help keep you on Active status and you will not have to worry about Warning or Probation. These past months have been difficult but we have faith in you and your ability to get done what is required.

A planner is a great for keeping you organized. No more missing assignments could be the difference between passing and not passing!

The end of the 1st semester will be here before you know it and we want you to be successful.

IMPORTANT— REMEMBER TO CHECK YOUR EMAIL & THE TSIC APP AT LEAST ONCE A DAY FOR IMPORTANT MESSAGES FROM YOUR MENTOR & THE TSIC OFFICE.

You can communicate with your mentor through the text chat on the TSIC app.

Please be respectful of our mentor & their time by paying attention during your meeting and letting them know in advance if you are unable to attend your session.

*Happy Thanksgiving
Mrs. Lancaster*

MENTOR CORNER

Dear Mentors,

Please keep me informed of any issues with mentoring. Sessions whatever way you are doing them.

Keep me posted on students who are not attending & I will follow-up.

Just as a reminder—If you are not able to meet with a student for whatever reason, please do not enter it into the session logs. Only sessions completed should be added.

We are so thankful to have you as a part of our Take Stock family.

If you know anyone who might be interested in becoming a mentor, please have them contact me. I am very much in need of some male mentors so please consider how you too might be able help.

You are the best! We are very thankful to have you in our program.

Happy Thanksgiving! Pat

Your Child May be Eligible to Apply for a Take Stock in Children / Florida Prepaid College Scholarship

Take Stock in Children (www.takestockinchildren.org) is a state-wide scholarship and mentoring program that assists in creating a brighter future for deserving youth who want to go to college or vocational school and whose family may not have the financial means to help by offering scholarships, caring volunteer mentors and hope for a better life.

Once students are accepted into the program, they remain in the program until they graduate from high school. Upon graduation, students who complete the program will receive a 2year tuition-free scholarship (2 years of college in Florida) through our partnership with the Florida Prepaid College Foundation.

To apply for this scholarship, students must:

- Be enrolled in 6th, 7th, 8th or 9th grade in a Citrus County Public School
- Have good grades
- Regularly attend school
- Meet the federal income eligibility guidelines (call or email to get a copy of the eligibility guidelines)
- Commit to meeting weekly with a mentor

Reminder: Total income *before* taxes, social security, health benefits, union dues, or other deductions must be reported.

If one of your children or you know of someone who meets these requirements and might be interested in completing an application, please contact the Take Stock Office at 344-0855 for additional information or check with your school's Guidance Dept. to receive an application..

Applications are being taken on an on-going basis & we will be having our Fall contract signing very soon!

CALENDAR of EVENTS

November 15th - Senior Budgeting for College Workshop@6:30 PM at CF—Masks are requested

December 6th—Virtual Career Fair at 7:00 PM via Zoom (2nd college readiness meeting)— All students to attend (Attendance will be taken) - Room selections to be emailed soon.

Saturday, November 20th

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**St. Thomas the Apostle Church
7040 South Suncoast Blvd.
Homosassa, FL 34446**



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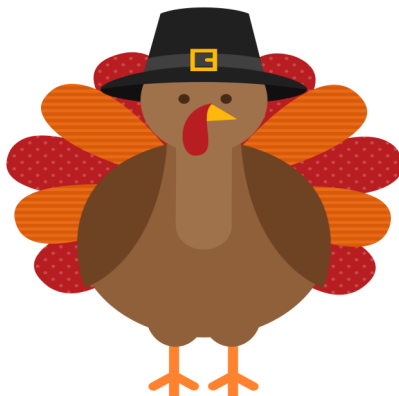
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