



Dispelling The Myths About Forrest Hills Elementary (FHE)...

Myth: It Is A "Bad" School...

Fact: Instructors are setting the standards for schools all over the U.S. Teachers at FHE were recently videotaped by the National Center On Education and Economy in order to TRAIN teachers all over the U.S. who are implementing the America's Choice curriculum.

Myth: My Child Won't Be Challenged...

Fact: Every child learns at their level and is challenged. Weekly student assessments are crucial to the school's America's Choice curriculum that provides opportunities for each child to learn on their level (and for the teacher to assess the improvements and needs of each student). Each grade's classroom is a collaborative, not competitive learning environment where all children, no matter what their level, will receive instruction which encourages personal growth and learning with a progression tracked with each assessment.

Myth: The Test Scores Are Really Low...

Fact: The test scores have been getting higher each year for the last four years. In 2003-2004, 68% of the students met or exceeded the standard in Math and 73% met or exceeded the standard in English/Language Arts (since 2000: up 19% in Math and up 27% in ELA)

Myth: FHE is not the best school for my child.

Fact: Most parents today have concerns about the quality of their child's public school education; so you are not alone. Positive changes are already happening at FHE so the time to get involved is now! Join us so you can meet others who share your concerns and are actively working to make our school better for everyone. We want to reach out to all families in the school's district whether their child starts school in 2004 or 2009!

Discover The Facts For Yourself... Join The Forrest Hills Elementary Community Coalition

What Is The Forrest Hills Elementary Community Coalition (FHECC)?

We are a group of residents in our school district who welcome all parents and others to embrace our community's school, to support current students, staff and teachers, to increase enrollment and to combat the negative perception and inaccurate information about FHE. We want to reach out to all families in the school district, especially families with preschool-aged children, in order to offer support and plan for our future - together.

Why Should You Get Involved?

- Have you been thinking about where your child will go to school when the time comes?
- Do you like the area where you live because of its diversity and would like to see that diversity reflected in your child's school?
- Are you looking for ways to help children in your community?
- Do you know how much a good community school can increase your property values?

If you can spare some time:

- Join the coalition;
- Attend meetings and network with other parents and residents in the school district;
- Tutor a current student (see information below);

If you don't have a lot of time to give:

- Make a financial donation;
- Recycle newspapers at the school (full bin = \$15 for school) and use a Kroger Commitment Card that gives money to our school;
- Donate items for teachers: bi-fold folders with pockets, pencils, post-it notes, small spiral notebooks, band aids and Kleenex; or
- Spread the word to your playgroup, religious, social or civic group and encourage involvement.

***For more information
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