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HEAD START AT-A-GLANCE 2013-2014

August 2013

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August 12 – 14 Head Start Pre-service/Orientation - Welcome back!		
August 15 – 16	Teacher Planning Days	
August 19	First day of school	
Ongoing	Observations/Individualization/Anecdotal Notes in Galileo	
	Galileo Period 1: August 19, 2013 – November 27, 2013	

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September 2013

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Ongoing	Observations/Individualization/Anecdotal Notes in Galileo			
Tentative	Open House (Parent Orientation) - follow school Open House dates			
	set by School Operations			
September 3-30	VPK Assessment Period #1 (AP1)			
September 5	Teacher Planning Day			
September 16	Testing window for DECA, ACUSCREEN, and Articulation screenings begins. Conduct vision screening if not included in child's medical record located in "Section C – Health" of the child's Head Start file			
September 30	Galileo Baseline should be established on all 11 domains • https://www.assessmenttechnology.com/GalileoASP/ASPX/PreKLogin.aspx			

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October 2013

Ongoing	Observations/Individualization/Anecdotal Notes in Galileo				
Ongoing	Administer initial screenings for all new children within the first				
	45 days of their entry date				
October 1	Submit completed Classroom Checklist to your Curriculum Support				
	Specialist (CSS) via e-mail or fax				
October 2	All 45-day screenings should be completed (DECA, ACUSCREEN,				
	and Articulation), entered into respective online systems, and filed				
	in child's Head Start file (DECA - "Section C – Health"; ACUSCREEN				
	and Articulation – "Section D – Education")				
	• DECA: <u>www.e-deca2.org</u>				
	ACUSCREEN:				

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	https://www.assessmenttechnology.com/GalileoASP/ASP X/PreKLogin.aspx		
October 4	Submit 45-day screening logs		
October 4-14	Analyze screening results (DECA, ACUSCREEN, and Articulation)		
October 14	1st Home Visit Request should be sent to families		
October 14	Print Individual Developmental Profiles to be taken to 1st home visit to review with parents. Place in child's Head Start file - "Section D – Education"		
October 14-28	Share screening results with parents* (DECA, ACUSCREEN, and Articulation) *Recommended that results be shared during Home Visits DECA • Print and have parents sign the parent letter generated by e-DECA for ALL children. Provide parents with a copy and file the original with signatures in "Section C – Health" of the • child's Head Start file • For children that demonstrate areas of concern on the DECA, complete the following: • Provide parent(s) with a copy of the DECA screening to complete at home • Collect and enter parent DECA ratings into e-DECA • Develop a DECA Intervention Plan (DIP) based on teacher and parent ratings • Share DIP with parent(s) and file with original parent/teacher signatures • Implement the DIP and record response for four weeks ACUSCREEN • Print each child's Individual Development Profile (inclusive of ACUSCREEN results) with parent and teacher signature line from the Galileo system • Share results with parents and file with original parent/teacher signatures in "Section D – Education" of the child's Head Start file Articulation • Share results with parents and file with original parent/teacher signatures in "Section D – Education" of the child's Head Start file		
October 22	Begin re-screening of ACUSCREEN and Articulation for children who failed initial screenings (NOT DECA), share updated screening results with parents, and file originals in child's Head Start file – "Section D – Education"		
October 22 – November 7	 Analyze updated screening results Consider referral to the school's speech and language pathologist using the <i>Request for Assistance</i> form (FM-7496) if child has more than 3 errors on the Articulation screening and/or is difficult to understand Consider referral to the School Support Team (SST) using the <i>Request for Assistance</i> form (FM-7496) if child continues to 		

present as "at risk" for developmental delay			
October 25	Teacher Planning Day		
October 28	Complete 1st Home Visits		

November 2013

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Ongoing	Observations/Individualization/Anecdotal Notes in Galileo			
Ongoing	Administer initial screenings for all new children within the first			
	45 days of their entry date			
November 1	Submit completed Classroom Checklist to your Curriculum Support			
	Specialist (CSS) via e-mail or fax			
November 1 – 27	Conduct 1st Parent/Teacher Conferences			
November 4	Complete Health and Safety Checklist and file in classroom for CSS			
	review			
November 8	Teacher Planning Day – No Opt			
November 27	Complete 1st Parent/Teacher Conferences			

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December 2013

Ongoing	Observations/Individualization/Anecdotal Notes in Galileo			
Ongoing	Administer initial screenings for all new children within the first			
	45 days of their enrollment			
December 1	Submit completed Classroom Checklist to your Curriculum Support			
	Specialist (CSS) via e-mail or fax			
	Galileo Period 2: December 2, 2013 – February 28, 2014			

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January 2014

Ongoing	Observations/Individualization/Anecdotal Notes in Galileo
Ongoing	Administer initial screenings for all new children within the first
	45 days of their entry date
Ongoing	Administer the DECA-Clinical (DECA-C) for all children who have
	been referred to the School Support Team (SST) for developmental
	or behavior concerns
January 6	Submit completed <i>Classroom Checklist</i> to your Curriculum Support
	Specialist (CSS) via e-mail or fax
January 7-	VPK Assessment Period #2 (AP2)
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January 17	Teacher Planning Day
January 21 – 31	Administer the MID DECA for children who demonstrated areas of
	concern on the PRE (initial) DECA

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February 2014

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Ongoing	Observations/Individualization/Anecdotal Notes in Galileo		
Ongoing	Administer initial screenings for all new children within the first 45 days of their entry date		
Ongoing	Administer the DECA-Clinical (DECA-C) for all children who have been referred to the School Support Team (SST) for developmental or behavior concerns		
February 3	Submit completed <i>Classroom Checklist</i> to your Curriculum Support Specialist (CSS) via e-mail or fax		
February 3	Complete <i>Health and Safety Checklist</i> and file in classroom for CSS review		
February 3	 Share screening MID DECA results with parents Print and have parents sign the parent letter generated by e-DECA. Provide parents with a copy and file the original in "Section C – Health" of the child's Head Start file For children that continue to demonstrate areas of concern on the DECA, complete the following: Provide parent(s) with a copy of the DECA screening to complete at home Collect and enter parent DECA ratings into e-DECA Develop a DECA Intervention Plan (DIP) based on updated teacher and parent ratings Share DIP with parent(s) and file with original parent/teacher signatures Implement the DIP and record response for four weeks Consider referral to the School Support Team (SST) using the Request for Assistance form (FM-7496) if child has shown minimal response to intervention 		
February 7	Teacher Planning Day – No Opt		
	Galileo Period 3: March 3, 2014 – June 2, 2014		

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March 2014

Ongoing	Observations/Individualization/Anecdotal Notes in Galileo
Ongoing	Administer initial screenings for all new children within the first 45 days of their entry date
Ongoing	Administer the DECA-Clinical (DECA-C) for all children who have been referred to the School Support Team (SST) for developmental or behavior concerns
March 3	Submit completed <i>Classroom Checklist</i> to your Curriculum Support Specialist (CSS) via e-mail or fax
March 3	Send request for 2 nd Parent/Teacher Conferences
March 3 – 21	Conduct 2 nd Parent/Teacher Conferences

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March 10 - 14	Analyze updated DECA screening results and DIP. Consider referral to the School Support Team (SST) using the Request for Assistance form (FM-7496) if child has shown minimal response to intervention
March 21	Teacher Planning Day
March 21	Complete all 2nd Parent/Teacher Conferences
March 24 – 28	Spring Break

April 2014

Ongoing	Observations/Individualization/Anecdotal Notes in Galileo
Ongoing	Administer initial screenings for all new children within the first
	45 days of their entry date
Ongoing	Administer the DECA-Clinical (DECA-C) for all children who have
	been referred to the School Support Team (SST) for developmental
	or behavior concerns
April 1	Submit completed <i>Classroom Checklist</i> to your Curriculum Support
	Specialist (CSS) via e-mail or fax
April 18	Teacher Planning Day
April 22—May 16	VPK Assessment Period #3 (AP3)

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May 2014

Ongoing	Observations/Individualization/Anecdotal Notes in Galileo
Ongoing	Administer initial screenings for all new children within the first 45 days of their entry date
May 1	Submit completed <i>Classroom Checklist</i> to your Curriculum Support Specialist (CSS) via e-mail or fax
May 1 - 10	Administer the POST DECA for children who demonstrated areas of concern on the MID DECA
May 5	Send 2 nd Home Visit request
May 6 – 30	Share screening results with parents* *Recommended that results be shared during Home Visits • Print and have parents sign the parent letter generated by e- DECA. Provide parents with a copy and file the original in "Section C – Health" of the child's Head Start file
May 16	VPK Assessment Period #3 (AP3) ends
May 30	Complete 2 nd Home Visits

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June 2014

Ongoing	Observations/Individualization/Anecdotal Notes in Galileo
June 2	Submit completed <i>Classroom Checklist</i> to your Curriculum Support Specialist (CSS) via e-mail or fax
June 3	Complete <i>Health and Safety Checklist</i> and file in classroom for CSS review
June 5	Last Day of School
June 6	Teacher Planning Day

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