



# HORACE O'BRYANT SCHOOL

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*"Drop Your Anchor, You're Home!"*

## Principal

*Denise Santiago*

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Dear Horace O' Bryant Parents, Students, and Families,

Welcome back to the 2020-2021 school year! We hope everyone had a restful, safe, and relaxing summer. We are truly proud of the outstanding efforts of our HOB school family, students and staff alike, during our virtual instruction for the last quarter of the year, our amazing virtual awards presentations, as well as our Summer School and Summer Boost sessions. We would like to welcome Mrs. Nicole Smith, who has been a part of the HOB family for the past seven years, as our new assistant principal!

With the Department of Health and the MCSD decision to begin this school year virtually beginning on August 19<sup>th</sup> for the first four weeks of school, I want you to know that we are putting in place instructional staff trainings and protocols for the opening of this school year that will be different from and more rigorous and meaningful than this past spring. Our team has also been planning for an eventual return to face-to-face instruction with procedures to keep our students and staff safe and healthy while we focus on preparing for a rigorous academic year with a return to standardized testing.

Please note the following upcoming events that are being planned and finalized by our HOB team to allow for a smooth transition to a new team of teachers and to help establish relationships and rapport.

- Your child's homeroom teacher will make personal contact with families on August 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. If your contact information needs to be updated, please call the HOB office at 305-296-5628.
- PreK – 8<sup>th</sup> grade Meet the Teacher will be held virtually with a date and time to be announced.
- Chromebook pick up as well as distribution of beginning-of-year paper work will take place from August 7 – 14 (Grade-level schedules will be posted). As in the spring, if you have your own computer device, you may continue to use this from home.
- A 6<sup>th</sup> grade student virtual Orientation will be held to welcome our new 6<sup>th</sup> grade Baby Bucs!

We will continue to push out information and dates via the HOB website and Facebook page and through parent phone calls. We look forward to an outstanding school year and have high expectations for student achievement, safety, and life-long learning.

Yours truly,

Denise Santiago, Principal and the HOB Team

