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SCHOOL Biz



Paying it Forward

As a 1990 graduate of Bayshore High School, Claudine Terry is all about paying it forward. Inspired by her experiences as a former student in Mrs. Trish Litton's Family and Consumer Science (FACS) classes, Claudine developed her talent for cooking and an interest in childcare. Upon graduation from BHS, Claudine incorporated her favorite subjects into her college education, started her family, and began her career as a teacher. Fast-forward fourteen years and she is back at Bayshore High School teaching FACS, inspiring her own students and fostering a love for learning.

Claudine's classroom is filled with childcare projects completed by students. Books for all ages line the shelves. Refrigerators hum, dishes sparkle, and stovetops sizzle with delicious entrees. Students learn parenting skills, child development, nutrition, and food preparation. Each class teaches life skills while promoting personal growth and leadership qualities that students carry with them regardless of their chosen career path. Paying it forward at the head of the Family and Consumer Science class is a dream-come-true for Claudine Terry.



KIDZ Biz & Buzz



Hands-on Learning

Todd Wennberg participates in an abundance of activities. This 17-year-old junior is a member of Mu Alpha Theta, Bayshore High School's math club, which recently hosted Family Math Night for students and their families. He is the co-founder and vice-president of the BHS Ultimate Frisbee Club. Todd is a two-time winner of "Embrace Our Differences," a local outdoor juried art exhibit celebrating diversity; his awards there have led to his artwork being published. He is also the lead singer in the garage band "As Sky Turns to Dust"—all of this while working part-time.

Taking Claudine Terry's classes in parenting skills and child development has been both fun and educational for Todd. As one of four boys, he has developed a special relationship with his youngest brother, just two years old. Learning how children learn, how communication is developed, and what milestones need to be met throughout childhood has been enlightening, especially when he has his own little "mini-me" to practice on. It's easy to see that this college-bound potential rock star, artist, or math teacher is on his way to a bright future.

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KIDS IN THE KITCHEN



Babysitters and older brothers and sisters—when's the last time you spent time in the kitchen with a younger child? Get permission first, of course, but this room has the potential to be a valuable learning ground. Why not venture in and give a child that opportunity?

There are countless ways to have fun in the kitchen, and you don't necessarily have to turn the stove on. Open up a cookbook or find recipes online. Make appetizers to have with dinner, even if it's something as simple as pieces of tomato and mozzarella cheese on crackers. Give the child specific responsibilities in the preparation. For math practice, let her measure the ingredients. Maybe he needs to practice reading or following directions, so step back and let him read the recipe. Keep kids busy! Let them add the ingredients, stir, and wash the dishes.

Things might get messy, but the hands-on experience is worth it. Kids will develop a respect for the kitchen and its lessons, and you'll learn something about how younger children can learn.



Explore IT

Kids in the Kitchen: No-Bake Recipes

Now that you're in the kitchen with a child, what should you make? Try these easy recipes for Chocolate Peanut Butter No-Bake Cookies and Make-at-Home Play Dough

No-Bake Cookies

- 1 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup cocoa
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/2 cup margarine
- 3 cups quick oats
- 1/4 cup peanut butter

Boil sugar, cocoa, milk, and margarine in a large sauce pan for 1 minute. Mix in oats and peanut butter. Drop by teaspoon onto wax paper and chill until hardened.

Make-at-Home Play Dough

- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup water
- 1/2 c. salt
- 1 tsp. oil
- 2 tsp. cream of tartar
- Food coloring (optional)

Mix all ingredients in small saucepan. Stir over low heat until mixture forms into a ball. Play! When done, store in airtight container.



Career Pathways in Manatee County

Regional Careers: Related occupations and current wages in the Suncoast Workforce Region.

Occupational Level	Entry	Exper.
Chefs and Head Cooks	\$21.32	\$24.24
Cafeteria Cooks	\$12.07	\$13.34
Food Preparation Supervisors/Managers	\$16.54	\$19.44
Child, Family, and School Social Workers Vocational	\$15.60	\$17.49
School Counselors	\$21.37	\$27.41
Preschool Teachers / Educational Services	\$20.24	\$25.63

Source: <http://fred.labormarketinfo.com>
FL Labor Market Statistics, Occupational Employment Statistics & Wages Program

Career Pathway: Students desiring a career in any of these areas can find related educational programs at these schools*:

- Bayshore High School
- Manatee Technical Institute
- Manatee Community College
- University of South Florida

*Other Manatee schools may offer similar programs. Listed schools are related to today's issue.

WEB Wise

Check out the following websites:

- www.Cooks.com
- http://familyfun.go.com/recipes/kids/
- www.fifccla.org
- www.fcclainc.org



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