The week of May 6th through 10th was a week of celebration for the Hancock County Early Head Start, Head Start, and Pre-K teachers. The celebration was planned and orchestrated by the Director, Dr. Angela Primus, and the management team: Mrs. Betty Legette, Assistant Director/Family Service Manager, Mrs. Tara Worthen, Education Manager, Mrs. Vernell Smith, Education Manager, Mrs. Linda Wright, Transportation/Facilities Manager, and Mrs. Lois Clark, Health/Nutrition Manager. It was exciting attempting to keep the daily activities under wraps from the spying eyes of the teachers, but they enjoyed the daily surprises and take away gifts.

The extravaganza began Monday with “The Red-Carpet Affair” facilitated by Mrs. Lois Clark, Health and Nutrition Manager. Each staff strolled down the red carpet with pizzazz as they received their award for the Best Teacher of 2018-2019. The walls were covered with each teacher’s name on a star as an illusion of the Wall of Fame. Tuesday was “You are My Superhero” facilitated by Mrs. Tara Worthen, Head Start/Pre-K Education Director. The room was decorated with butterflies and each teacher received a butterfly to demonstrate their wings of success while being serenaded with “Wind Beneath My Wings.” Wednesday was facilitated by Mrs. Betty Legette, Assistant Director/Family Service Manager with “Sophisticated Ladies.” The walls were
covered with inspirational quotes, and Mrs. Legette requested that each staff find their quote that validated who they are as well as have a self-reflecting conversation about their self-worth. Thursday was let’s celebrate “You are a Bag of Treats” facilitated by Mrs. Linda Wright, Transportation/ Facilities Manager. Each staff was presented with a bag of assorted snacks and hand delivered invitations for an evening of dining by the lake. Friday, the staff adventured to Bone Island Grill for good food and thirst-quenching beverages facilitated by Linda Wright, Transportation/ Facilities Manager and Vernell Smith, Early Head Start Center Manager. The week was dedicated to the staff to recognize how wonderful and magnificent they are to the community of young scholars we serve. Thanks for being you!