

Moments at the Middle School

From Dr. Lux and Mr. Rice

September 8, 2022

Dear HMS Families,

Tomorrow, September 9th, we will be holding a “**HAT DAY**” to support Aiden Hanna, 10th grade HHS student. Aiden was diagnosed in August with osteosarcoma. Following this diagnosis, Aiden started a charity called Aiden’s Helping Hands. The main goal of this charity is to help raise awareness and lift others up during their cancer journey.

Our “HAT DAY” will raise money for Aiden’s Helping Hands. Anyone who chooses to wear a hat to school is asked to donate **\$1 to the charity**. In addition, we will be selling “Aiden’s Team” bracelets in the morning and during student lunches for \$5/bracelet. Thank you for supporting Aiden Hanna and the Hanna family, including his sisters Addi (8th grade) and Alivia (6th grade).

Open House at HMS ~ Thursday, September 15th at 6 pm

Please join us for our annual Open House on Thursday, September 15th at 6 pm. We are looking forward to welcoming parents to this important event! You will have the opportunity to experience your child’s middle school day by following his or her bell schedule. The night will conclude around 7:50 pm. Your student will bring home a schedule for you to follow on Wednesday, namely their schedule with specific directions.. Please bring that schedule with you to our Open House.

Our doors will open at 5:40 pm to welcome parents into our auditorium. We have already secured police to help with parking. Parents may park in the bus lanes in front of our school and across the street in the Fridley Field parking lot. Once the parking is filled in these spaces, we will begin shuttling parents from HHS to HMS. The shuttle bus will start running at 5:30 pm and end at 8:30 pm.

Enrichment Offerings at HMS!!!

Please view the website below to see the enrichment offerings at HMS:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1FusPbHDpNRD-IL6JFDvUvKf4jZWfU_cT/view?usp=sharing

NEW – Reality Fair at HMS!!

We are excited to announce a new experience for our 8th grade students! Throughout their time in the Career Awareness rotation, students will research careers, choose a career(s) of interest, and interview for a position. After completing the 7-week Career Awareness rotation course, students will participate in a **Reality Fair**. The students will rotate through a series of booths, such as transportation, housing, and entertainment to strategically decide how to spend and save their earnings. We are partnering with the Clearview Federal Credit Union to make this opportunity possible. The Credit Union will be sending financial advisors to our reality fair to meet with our students following the experience.

Please consider signing up to help with the event by clicking on the link in the attached letter!

Student Council Dance ~ Friday, September 16th

Our HMS Student Council is currently planning a dance for all of our middle school students on Friday, September 16th from 6 to 8 pm. We had to change the date from 9/9 to 9/16 due to a conflict. Please make a note of this date change! More details to follow soon!

HMS PTO Spirit Wear Sale

The HMS PTO Spirit Wear Store is now open for our Fall Sale. The sale will run from September 1st through September 22nd. We have all new logos and gear this year! The sale runs through October 1st and all items will be delivered by mid-October. There will be an option to pick-up or all items can be sent home with your HMS student. Proceeds go to HMS PTO to further support our middle school students through grants and other educational enhancement opportunities. Please see the attached flyer with a link to order all of the available spirit wear! If you have any questions or concerns, contact information is located in the flyer.

Homework Club

Homework Club will begin on Monday, September 12th. If your child would benefit from receiving a teacher's help with his or her assignments, then Homework Club may definitely help! Homework Club will run 4 days per week: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 2:45 to 3:45 pm; students will meet in our library after school. We will have two certified teachers available to assist the students with their assignments. Any in-person attendee will need transportation home at 3:45 pm; the students will be picked up from the front of our building.

Math Lab

Math Lab will begin on Monday, September 12th.

- Does your child need help with a math problem?
- Does your child need help completing his or her math homework?
- Does your child need help studying for an upcoming math quiz or test?

If you answered yes to any of the questions above, then the HMS math lab is the place for your student to get some help from one of our certified math teachers! Math Lab will run 4 days per week: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 2:45 to 3:45 pm; students will meet in D403, the Math Lab.

Upcoming Reminders for Sept:

- **7th & 8th Grade Band Night with the HHS Marching Band** - Friday, September 9th
- **Student Photo Day** - Monday, September 12th
- **Open House** – Thursday, September 15th at 6 pm
- **HMS Dance** (sponsored by Student Council) - Friday, September 16th
- **Spirit Week** - Monday, September 19th through Friday, September 23rd
- **Pep Rally** - Thursday, September 22nd
- **Talbot Tailgate** - Friday, September 23rd
- **Advisory** - Wednesday, September 28th

Club Meetings for Sept:

- **German Club** - Thursday, September 8th - D408, 2:40 - 3:20 pm
- **Cross Country Club (6th grade)** - Thursday, September 8th - first meeting - please pick up an information packet in Mr. Belitz's room (F605) or Ms. Davis's room (F602).
Meeting dates: 9/13, 9/20, 9/22, 9/27, and 9/29
- **Homework Club** - begins Monday, September 12th, M-Th, 2:45-3:45 pm
- **Math Lab** - begins Monday, September 12th, M-Th, 2:45-3:45 pm
- **Yearbook Club** - Tuesday, September 13th in room G703 with Mrs. Bentz
- **Chinese Club** - Tuesday, September 13th, 2:40 - 3:40 pm
- **Chinese Club** - Tuesday, September 27th - 2:40 - 3:40 pm