



HURRICANE WAVE



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Principal's Corner

We have entered a difficult time again regarding the COVID-19 virus in our area. The local health department can be of great assistance with vaccinations, daily testing availability, and guidance in effort to maintain a safe environment. I am always happy to talk through scenarios with you in hope of maintaining a safe environment for our staff/students here at school.

I am asking you to be vigilant in policing yourself and your students when it comes to symptoms that could possibly be related to COVID-19. Safety is our #1 mission in and around our building!

On the Calendar

- ❖ 2/4 Progress Reports
- ❖ 2/17 ECS Board Meeting @ 5:30
- ❖ 2/21-2/22 No School- Prof. Development Days
- ❖ **4/18-4/22-TCAP TESTING DATES**

ATTENDANCE

Educators and families often overlook the potential to raise achievement by improving student attendance. Most recognize that students don't learn as much when they miss too much school, but few realize how many students are at risk academically in the early grades due to absenteeism or how quickly absences can add up to lost instructional time. A growing body of research shows how many youngsters are chronically absent, meaning they miss 10% or more of the school year due to excused or unexcused absences. The research also shows how these missed days as early as preschool, translate into weaker reading skills.

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CONTACT INFO

Contact information needs to be kept current. Correct phone numbers and addresses are important to have if there is ever an emergency, we need to be able to contact you. In case of any weather updates, school closures, emergencies, we need correct contact information. Please call 423-547-8020 or send a note into the school if you need to update.

Congratulations Mr. Julian and Mrs. O'Quinn

Two of our own outstanding educators were recently recognized as Teachers of the Year. Holli O'Quinn, physical education teacher, (5th-8th/Related Arts) here at HME. Shaun Julian, 4th grade teacher, is the recipient of the PreK-4th grade for HME and the entire ECS district. We thank both of these teachers for their dedication and contributions to our students and the community.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Please label all personal items that come into the building. Jackets, gloves, hats, lunch boxes are all things that get lost and we cannot find the owner if it is not labeled. If your child loses something, check with your.