

Parent Newsletter

October 2, 2020

Note from the Principals

HHES Families:

This year has brought much change to our school and district. We are so happy to have students back at school and learning in their virtual classrooms, but we miss seeing our students in person. As you know there are limitations to a return to full in person instruction due to our county's COVID infection rate, however, we are committed to bringing students back to school in accordance with DOH guidelines as soon as it is safe to do so. We are continuing to plan for a return to in-person instruction and will keep you posted with updates as soon as we can.

Due to decreases in enrollment, we have had some staffing changes here at HHES. In response, we have new office hours. Effective Sept. 30, our office will be open from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. daily. If you need assistance outside of these hours, you can contact our district office or can call our HHES office and we will try to arrange an appointment time for you. Our WiFi cafe has been moved to Hockinson Middle School. The site will be open and supervised from 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. by appointment. To schedule an appointment at our internet cafe, please call the district office at 360-448-6400.

Just a reminder, we have no school on Friday, October 9 due to the statewide teacher-in-service day.

Thank you for your continuing support!

~ Josh and Meredith

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October Character Trait - Safety

This month, our staff will be teaching students about the character trait of safety. Each teacher will look for students who:

- follows online code-of-conduct
- knows and uses rules of internet safety

The teachers will honor one or two students from each class who go above and beyond demonstrating responsibility this month with a character award.



Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences

Fall parent-teacher conferences will be held during the week of October 26-30. Conferences will be held virtually, via Zoom. Teachers will email you with additional information about scheduling your conference soon. We look forward to speaking with each of you about your child's academic progress and goals.

Students in HVA will have conference times available throughout the school day. Students in remote learning will have conference times available between 12 and 3 p.m. daily and evening conferences will be held on Tuesday, October 27.

The week of conferences will be early release days with all classroom Zoom meetings held before 11:15 a.m. for students in remote learning. We will also have our next Spirit Week during our conference week (see details below).



Payback Books

PWT sales of Payback Books end on Sunday. PWT is hoping to raise enough to give a little back to the teachers. Last year, Hockinson Heights sold 1,400 books and this year sales are around 200. If you would like to purchase one, please email: pwthockinsonhornets@gmail.com and the PWT will make arrangements for you to get your book.

PWT is awarding the class who sells the most Payback Books an ice cream party...each kid will receive a coupon for an ice cream cone from the Hockinson Market!



Library Book Check Out Process

Thank you to all of our students who have checked out books from our library and are continuing to read daily! As a reminder, students can check out books from our library using the process below. You can also watch the video below to see how to check out books.

- visit <https://www.hocksd.org>
- click "LIBRARY" on the banner
- find HHES and then find Destiny Discover
- enter your student's username (five digit library number) and password (six digit birthday two digit month, two digit day, last two digits of birth year - example Feb. 1, 2010 = 020110)
- look at all of our awesome books available, click on the "details" tab of the book you like, click on the "HOLD" button

Our library team will contact you when your book is ready to pick up. Books can be returned anytime to our library book return outside of the main office doors.

Please email or call Sandra Stroup at sandra.stroup@hocksd.org or Amy Linton at amy.linton@hocksd.org or 360.448.6400 with any questions. Thanks!

 **How to Check Out a Book Online...**

drive.google.com

Upcoming Events

October 9: Teacher In-Service Day - No School

October 26 - 30: Parent-Teacher Conferences - student Zooms end by 11:15 a.m.

October 26: Spirit Day: HHES Spirit Wear / School Colors Day

October 27: Spirit Day: Color War

October 28: Spirit Day: Pet Day

October 29: Spirit Day: Sunglasses Day

October 30: Spirit Day: Halloween Costume Day




November 11: Veterans Day - No School

November 25 - 27: Thanksgiving Break - No School



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