

HMS Parent Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

HMS Families:

Last week, HMS students celebrated Constitution Day. In our social studies classes, students learned about the history and significance of the US Constitution and how the Constitution guides our government. You can check out a few pictures of our classes on Constitution Day below.

Acts of Kindness Challenge Update

Today was the final day of our Acts of Kindness Challenge. Students were asked to complete 60 acts of kindness and to track their progress on a kindness chart. 35 students completed their challenge logging 2,100 acts of kindness. Way to go Hornets! We will honor these students with a kindness party next week!

HMS Sports

Registration for wrestling and girls' basketball is now open for our 7th and 8th grade students. See the sports section below for more information on how to register your child.

Student Drop-Off and Pick Up

If you are waiting to pick up your student in the afternoon, please keep any small children who might be waiting with you inside your vehicle. We want to be sure that there are no injuries for visitors or students on campus. Thank you!

Today, we honored our September HMS award winners with certificates. Please see the list of winners below.

Thank you for your support!

~ Meredith and Caleb

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**MS. BROTEN'S
CLASS**



**MR. HAMIL'S
CLASS**



**MS.
SCHNEIDER'S
CLASS**



HMS AWARD WINNERS

Today, we handed out our first HMS awards of the school year. Students were selected by their teachers for consistently demonstrating **H**onorable, **M**otivated, and **S**afe and Secure behavior at school. Please join me in congratulating the following HMS award winners for the month of September.

September Award Winners

Addy A., Graysen A., Sydney A., Kimberly A., Anderson C., Kaden D., Savannah D., Kiely F., Ronan F., Isabella G., Peyton H., Aubrianna H., Mia H., Kieran H., Grant H., Kenzie H., Jayden H., Macy H., Maddy I., Ethan I., James K., Parker L., Brielle L., Lucy L., Cole M., Erdalbek M., Rocky M., Tyson M., Summer M., Andrew N., Karina O., Reese P., Robby P., Georgina R., Rhys R., Lars S., Twyla S., Evan S., Georgia S., Reuben S., Ryker S., Sam S., Armaan T., Jack T., Yasmin U., Zander W., and Jaylen Y.



BULLYING PREVENTION AND UNITY DAY

On Wednesday, October 19th, Hockinson Middle School PWT will celebrate Unity Day. On this day, students and teachers all across the United States come together to send one large **orange** message of support, hope, and unity to show that we are united against bullying and united for kindness, acceptance and inclusion.

We will have several special events during the month of October to help students learn about anti-bullying and being an upstander and to celebrate the culture of kindness we are working towards at HMS.

Daily Instruction: Students will have the opportunity to reflect on a question of the day about inclusion, unity, and kindness. HomeBase classes will continue to discuss how to show kindness and empathy and how to be an upstander.

Poster Contest: To raise awareness Hockinson PWT and Hockinson Community Education want to encourage students to design a poster for bullying prevention.

Create a poster that shows what YOU can do to prevent bullying and to promote Kindness, Acceptance, and Inclusion.

Participant Information:

- * 1 winner selected from each school.
- * Winners will receive special recognition and an art supply gift.
- * Posters should be submitted by the end of school day on Friday, October 14th to your school office.
- * Winners announced Wednesday, October 19th- Unity Day-wear **ORANGE**
- * Winning Posters will be displayed in HMS during October.

Here are the guidelines:

- * Design a poster related to anti-bullying
- * Be creative! Use words, draw pictures, make it colorful! Be You!
- * Size limitations- 8.5"x11"paper to poster board size.
- * Winners will be announced on Unity Day- Wednesday, October 19th

Anti-bullying pledge and banner: On October 5 and 12, PWT volunteers will be on site to encourage students to sign an

anti-bullying pledge and add their name to our HMS anti-bullying banner. The banner will be hung in our cafeteria on Unity Day.

Unity Day is October 19: We invite all students and staff to wear **orange** in support of anti-bullying / Unity day (If you or students ordered a special Unity shirt from PWT, they will arrive the week of Oct. 7). We will have special prizes for the HomeBase class with the highest percentage of students wearing orange and for the individual student showing the most spirit through their orange attire. During lunch, we will have anti-bullying videos playing and will display our anti-bullying pledge banner.

Hockinson PWT & Community Ed Present:

UNITY DAY POSTER Competition

October 1 - 14, 2022

ANY PAINTING, DRAWING, COLLAGE, BE CREATIVE!

Deadline: *Friday, 10/14*
Winners Announced: *Unity Day, 10/19*

All posters must be anti-bullying themed.



FALL / WINTER SPORTS

Seventh and Eighth grade students are eligible to participate in school sports. Our next season of sports begins soon. Our Fall / Winter sports are: wrestling (co-ed) and basketball (girls). Boys' basketball falls in our next season and registration will open later this winter. Registration information for wrestling and girls' basketball can be found [here](#).

Please contact our HMS Athletic Director, Caleb Millay, or Athletic Secretary, Karen Johnson, at 360-448-6440 or caleb.millay@hocksd.org with any questions.

Go Hornets!



FALL BAND CONCERT

We hope you can join us for the Fall Band Concert on 10/11/22 at 7pm at Hockinson High School in the Multipurpose Room. Students musicians need to arrive in their black and white concert attire at 6:30pm and meet in the high school band room. It's going to be a toe tapping show! See you soon.
~ Mrs. Ritenburgh

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PWT

Connect with our PWT, learn more about volunteer opportunities and upcoming events, or make a PWT donation at: <https://hockinsonpwt.ptboard.com/home>

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 3: Home Volleyball Game @ King's Way

October 5: Away Volleyball Game @ View Ridge

October 10: Away Volleyball game @ Canyon Creek

October 11: Picture Retakes

October 11: Band Fall Concert

October 14: No School - Statewide Teacher In-Service Day

October 18: Vision Screening - Grade 7

October 19: Unity Day - Wear Orange Spirit Day

October 20: Hearing Screening - Grade 7

October 21: Student Advisory Meeting

October 24 - 28: Parent Teacher Conferences - 3-hour Early Release




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