# HMS Parent Newsletter

December 2, 2022

## A Note from the Principals

**HMS Families:** 

This month, HMS is celebrating generosity. In our HomeBase classes, we are focused on ways that we can show generosity and help others on our school and our community. Our Canned Food Drive is just one way Hockinson students are reaching out to provide support for others. Thus far, our canned food drive has brought in 2,416 items. Mr. Loper and our leadership students have worked hard to track and count donations and to create a fun school-wide competition to bring in items most requested at food banks. This year, we have also added a fresh food bonus day. You can read more about the remainder of our canned food drive below. Another way that HMS is helping the community is through our Giving Tree. If you and your family would like to donate a holiday gift for an HMS family, you can pick up a giving tree tag in our HMS office and return your wrapped gift by 12/14. Thank you!

The HMS PWT Volleyball-a-thon is back <u>on January 13, 2023!!</u> Packets will be available for pick up <u>on Wednesday, December 7th</u> and are due back before winter break <u>on December 16th</u>. Students can sign up as a part of a team, and individual students interested in participating can sign up and be matched with an existing team. The first two teams to turn in their completed packets will get to choose their teams' space in the commons first. Please see additional information on Volleyball-a-thon below.

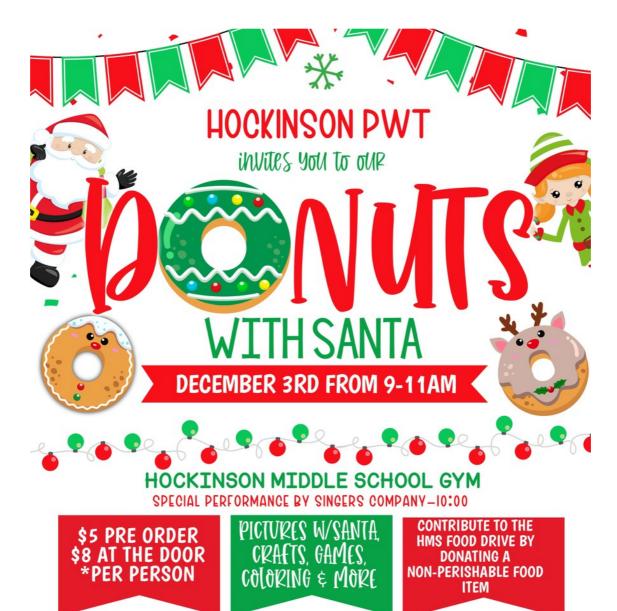
Please join us at the Hockinson Community Center on Friday, December 9th for the community tree lighting. The HMS band will perform at 6 p.m. and the tree lighting ceremony begins at 6:30. We hope to see you there!

We also hope to see you tomorrow at our PWT Donuts with Santa event. You can enjoy a tasty treat, play games, complete craft projects, and more. You can also pick up a tag from our holiday giving tree or donate to the HMS canned food drive. Thank you to the PWT for coordinating this fun community event.

Thank you for your support!

~ Meredith and Caleb

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JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN~ ALL PROCEEDS GO
TO HOCKINSON PWT!
TO PURCHASE TICKETS GO TO:
HTTPS://DONUTS-WITH-SANTA-I9549.CHEDDARUP.COM







# **State Testing Results - Spring 2022**

Your child's results from last Spring's state testing can now be found in Skyward. To access your child's scores, please log into <u>Skyward</u> using your parent account and click on the reports and portfolios tab. If you need help accessing Skyward, please give us a call at 360-448-6440.



# **HMS Holiday Food Drive**

Our Hockinson Middle School Food Drive is off to a great start! We have just 2 weeks left to bring in food. Our remaining special bonus point days are detailed below.

Thank you for your continued support of local families in need!

#### **Bonus Point Food**

Canned Meat (tuna, shrimp, spam, clams, chicken, etc.), Crackers Tuesday, Dec. 7, 3 points

Condiments, Salad Dressings, (usually these are in bottles or jars, no packets)

Friday, Dec. 9, 4 points

Cooking Oils

Tuesday, Dec. 13, 4 points

Peanut Butter and/or Jellies, Potatoes (5lb or 10lb unopened bags of potatoes, no single potatoes, peanut butter substitutes, such as Nutella, will be accepted)

Thursday, Dec. 15, 4 points

Fresh Food Day - more info to be sent home by your child's HomeBase teacher up to 450 bonus points

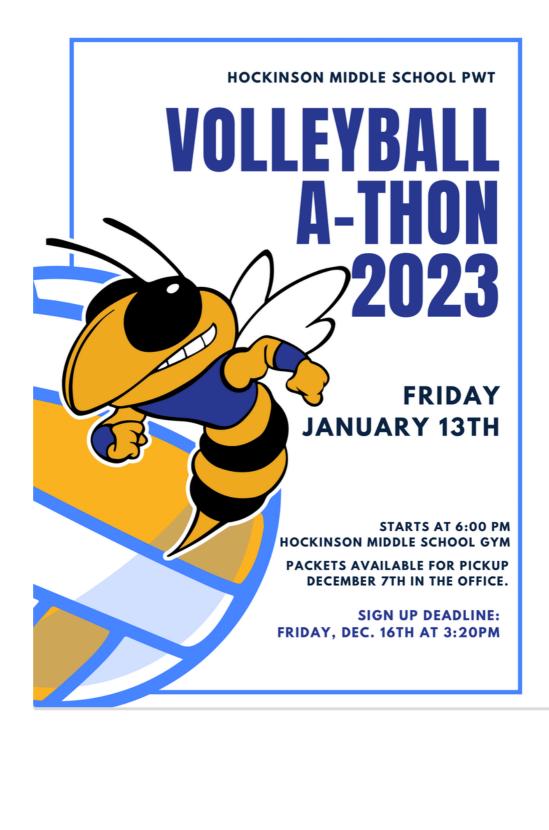
#### **Food Drive Combo Dates**

Day 8 - Thursday, Dec. 15th Peanut Butter and Jelly

**Double Points** will be awarded to each HomeBase class that has at least 10 regular food items in their basket and 40 extra points will be awarded for at least 20 regular items in their basket on any pick-up day (Tuesdays and Fridays).

#### **Bombs (negative points)**

Campbells' Soup products - Monday Dec. 5 and Monday Dec. 12





## **HMS Award Winners**

Please join me in congratulating the following students who were selected to receive an HMS award for the month of November. These students were selected by one of their teachers for consistently demonstrating **H**onorable, **M**otivated, and **S**afe and Secure behavior at school. Way to go, Hornets!

#### **November HMS Award Winners**

Oliver A., Caleb B., Ella B., Annabeth B., Cruz B., Gage B., Paige B., Edwin B., Cordelia B., Paige C., Brooklyn C., Ava D., Ellie D., Mackenzie D., Sonja E., Mia F., Nyah G., Taylen H., Carmen H., Connor H., Ryder H., Kaylee H., Walid J., Juliana K., Emma L., Lucy L., Xavier M., Evelynn M., Evan M., Canon M., Grace M., Zach N., Everett O., Dasha P., Elif S., Brody S., Leila T., Nellie T., Brody W., Logan W., Eevee W., Ella W.



## **Band Events**

The HMS Band Winter Concert will be held on 12/6 at the HMS gym (please note the location change). Musicians should arrive in their concert attire (black and white attire, holiday accessories are okay) at 6:30 and the concert will begin at 7 p.m. We hope to see you there!

The HMS band will also perform at the Hockinson Tree Lighting Ceremony at 6 p.m. on Friday, 12/9.

The band invites all to join them at Battle Ground Cinema on Saturday 12/10 at 9:30 a.mm. for a special screening of Elf. Tickets are \$10. You can scan the QR code below for more information and to purchase tickets.



# Boys' Basketball

Registration is now open for Boys Basketball. HMS Sports are open to students in grades 7-8. In order for athletes to be eligible for sports, students must meet the following criteria before they can be cleared to tryout/participate:

- Registration on Family ID website (click Register Now link below)
- Current sports physical uploaded to Registration (physician signature required) <u>click here for form</u>
- Proof of medical insurance-Insurance may be purchased <u>here</u>
- Scholastic and WIAA eligibility (see athletic handbook- read current handbook and sign on Family ID)
- Sport Fee and ASB Paid (For cut sports- wait to make payment until team selections)
- All past due fines must be paid to participate
- Pay for your participation fee or outstanding fees by <u>clicking</u> <u>here</u>

Registration is open until December 14. Students must have completed paperwork by this date in order to try out. Tryouts will be held the week of Jan. 3-6.

You can find more information and register here.





## Yearbooks

Yearbooks are currently on sale for only \$25!

Buy your yearbook now! Purchase yearbooks in the office or online at https://www.hocksd.org (quick links - payments)

Price will increase to \$30 January 9th, 2023





## **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**

December 3: Donuts with Santa Event

December 5: School Board Visit to HMS

December 5: Girls Basketball @ Jemtegaard

December 5: Wrestling va. La Center, Woodland, and King's Way

December 7: Packet pick-up for Volleyball-a-thon

December 8: Wrestling Round Robin @ Woodland

December 9: Hockinson Tree Lighting

December 10: Wrestling League Championship

December 10: Band Movie Fundraiser @ BG Cinema

December 12: Girls Baskethall Vs. Castle Rock

