

# HMS PARENT NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 10, 2023

## A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPALS

HMS Families:

The second semester is now in full swing and students are settling into their new classes. Over the past two weeks, we have been excited to celebrate the academic achievements of many of our HMS students. This week, we handed our Semester 1 Academic Achievement Awards. Each HMS teacher selected 1-2 students who have shown exceptional academic achievement, growth, or effort. We handed out awards to student recipients at our awards ceremony on Tuesday. You can see the full list of winners below. We also recently honored our January HMS Award winners and iReady Growth Award winners.

Our students recently completed the Winter iReady and the results show incredible growth for many of our HMS students. This year, HMS students began using the iReady diagnostic assessment as one of our measures of student growth. After the fall assessment, each student is given a growth goal based on their level of performance. The growth goal represents one year's academic growth for a typical student at that performance level. HMS honored the 311 students who have reached their annual growth goal with certificates in their ELA and Math classes. For students who have not yet reached their annual growth goal, we will have another assessment, and award opportunity, this Spring.

### **Sixth Grade: 108 students received an iReady Growth Award**

Math: 20 students

Reading: 58 students

Both Math and Reading: 30 students

### **Seventh Grade: 92 students received an iReady Growth Award**

Math: 28 students

Reading: 34 students

Both Math and Reading: 30 students

### **Eighth Grade: 111 students received an iReady Growth Award**

Math: 30 students

Reading: 46 students

Both Math and Reading: 35 students

This week, we celebrated School Counselors' Week. Thank you to our amazing school counselor, Nicole Schneider, and our counseling intern, Nick Maudlin, for all of their hard work on behalf of our students! Our counseling team supports students in need, works with our Peer Mentors and Student Advisory Group, creates student schedules, creates individualized student plans, and so much more!

Thank you for your support!

~ Meredith and Caleb

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## RISING 9TH GRADE NIGHT

Parents of 8th Graders:

You are invited to attend Rising 9th Grade Night on February 28 at Hockinson High School to learn more about what you can expect as your child begins their high school experience. See the flyer below for additional information.

an opportunity to see course pathways offered in English, Math, Science, and Social Studies (banned)		
CORE SESSIONS		
6:20 - 6:30 PM	6:35 - 6:45 PM	6:50 - 7:00 PM
Math - Room 312	Science - Room 310	English/Social Studies - Room 321
Science - Room 310	English/Social Studies - Room 321	Math - Room 312
English/Social Studies - Room 321	Math - Room 312	Science - Room 310
Tonight, we are focused on: 1. Reinforcing student confidence in their ability to have a smooth, successful 9th grade year 2. Connecting future Hawks to HHS student mentors and staff to increase a sense of belonging and support at HHS.		



### Rising 9th Grade Night HHS 2023

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Rising 9th Grade Night Hockinson High School 16189 NE 159th St Brush Prairie, WA 98606 February 28, 2023 - 5:30  
Start Time in Main Gym SCHEDULE OF EVENTS 5:30 PM - 6:15 PM Welcome and General Information Main Gym 6:20 - 7:00 PM Clubs, Activities, and Electives Showcase Commons 6:30 - ...



## SEMESTER 1 ACADEMIC AWARDS WINNERS

Please join me in congratulating the recipients of our Semester 1 Academic Awards. Each student was selected by one of their teachers for demonstrating exceptional academic achievement, growth, or effort.

### Semester 1 Academic Award Winners

Ronan A., Oliver A., Emmalee B., Ella B., Hunter B., Cruz B., Makayla B., Carson B., John C., Anderson C., Christina C., Yaziel C., Ava D., Ellie D., Presley E., Laurel E., Lucas F., Kiely F., Isabella G., Ally H., Aubrianna H., Grant H., Jack H., Bridgit H., Mathew H., Nellie H., Macy H., Ethan I., Evelyn M., Cole M., Rocky M., Danica M., Chloeey M., Jimmy N., Aubrey N., Weston O., Ares O., Isabella O., Charlotte P., Colin R., Rhys R., Lars S., Ryker S., Raleigh T., Yasmin U., Malialani V., Brenden W., Courtland W.

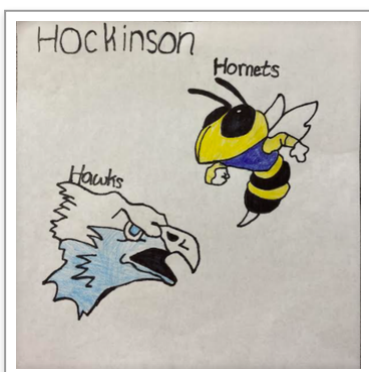


## HMS AWARD WINNERS

The following students were selected to receive an HMS award for the month of January for demonstrating **H**onorable, **M**otivated, and **S**afe and secure behavior. Great work, Hornets!

### January HMS Award Winners

Imani A., Graysen A., Dee Dee B., Landon B., Ethan C., Austin C., Ashton C., Issy C., Linnea C., Penelope D., Laurel E., Henry F., Jaiden G., Ashley H., Kylie H., Aubrianna H., Grant H., Jack H., Ryder H., Carter J., Cora J., Sally J., Powell L., Gavin M., Rocky M., Danica M., Eddie M., Carter M., Liana N., Victoria N., Evelyn N., Weston O., Elijah O., Isabella O., Johnny O., Elizabeth P., Mia R., Colin R., Jack R., Belle S., Mason S., Ajsa S., Nahla S., Sophia S., Abigail S., Gabby S., Alexa S., Aleah S., Armaan T., Karl T., Jane T., Leila T., Lorelei W., Brenden W.



## YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks are currently on sale for \$30. The final day to purchase a yearbook is **February 15, 2023**.

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

# HEALTH ROOM UPDATE

Please see the link below for an important message from the health room about immunizations.

Thank you,  
Nurse Cass



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## GREATER VANCOUVER CHAMBER LAUNCHES NATIONAL CIVICS BEE

The Greater Vancouver Chamber (GVC) proudly announces the launch of the 2023 National Civics Bee, an initiative aimed at encouraging more young Americans to engage in civics and contribute to their communities. Organized in partnership with The Civic Trust of the [U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation](#), and supported by [Career Connect Southwest – ESD 112](#), the competition will inspire middle school age youth in the southwest Washington region to become better informed about local, federal and state governments, a knowledge-set that can give employees a leg up in the job market.

All local 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are invited to participate in the first round of the contest, consisting of a short 500-word essay competition. The essay will give the students the chance to identify an opportunity or problem in their community and share their thoughts and ideas on how to solve it. The [submission](#) period will be from Saturday, January 14, to Friday, February 24, 2023.

After a panel of judges, formed by business and community leaders, review the essay submissions, the top 20 students will be selected to move on to the final round of the local competition: a live quiz event to test their civics knowledge. The finalists and top winners will receive various prizes, including \$500 cash for the first-place student, \$250 for the second place, and \$125 for the third place.

“We believe at the Greater Vancouver Chamber that building community takes all of us! When children learn about their rights and responsibilities as citizens, they become more aware of the impact that businesses and government policies have on their communities. This understanding can lead to more informed and active consumers, which can help to create a more stable and prosperous economy. Our business community relies on active professionals to make for a strong economy, and a strong workforce, and our region’s continued prosperity depends on both,” said Janet Kenefsky, Vice President of Operations for the Chamber.

The live quiz event will take place April 22, 2023, hosted by [Washington State University Vancouver](#). The top three winners from southwest Washington will advance to the state competition to be held on June 1st, 2023. Prizes for the state

include \$1000 for first place, \$500 for second place, and \$250 for third place.

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## PWT

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

February 13: Boys' Basketball @ La Center  
February 15: Boys' Basketball vs. Monticello  
February 15: Final Day to Purchase a 22-23 Yearbook  
February 20: No School - Presidents' Day  
February 22: Boys' Basketball vs. Mt. Solo

February 25: Math Counts Competition  
February 27: Boys' Basketball vs. View Ridge  
February 28: Wetlands Field Trip - Grade 6  
February 28: 8th Grade Parent Information Night at HHS  
March 1: Boys' Basketball @ King's Way  
March 1: First Day of Women's History Month  
March 3: Forecasting for 23-24 School Year Classes  
March 6: Boys' Basketball vs. Jemtegaard  
March 9: HMS Spring Band Concert 7 p.m.  
March 13: Boy's Basketball @ Castle Rock  
March 15: Boys' Basketball vs. Canyon Creek  
March 17: Fifth Grade Forecasting Due  
March 20: Boys' Basketball - TBD  
March 23: Sixth Grade Trip to Wetlands  
March 27 - 31: 3-Hour Early Release - Parent Conferences  
March 31: HMS Color Run  
April 3 - 7: Spring Break



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