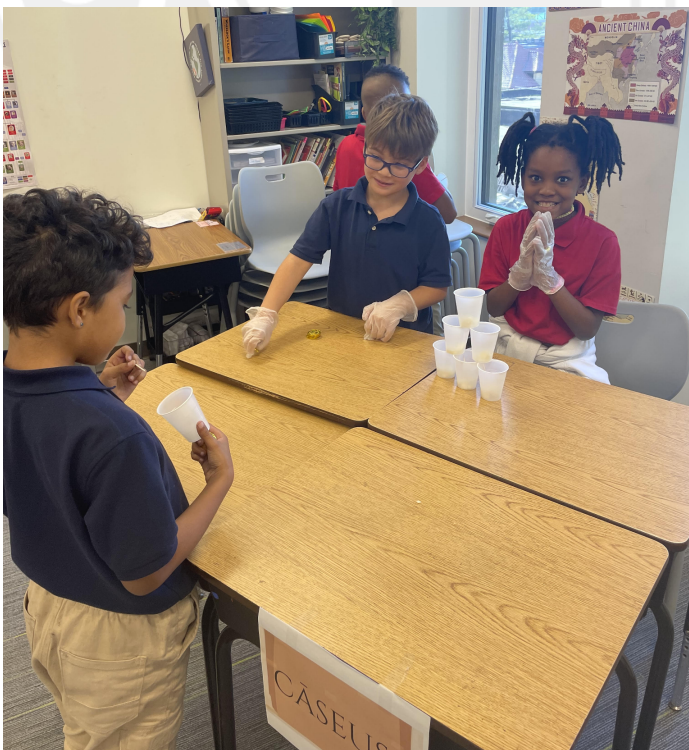


November 11, 2023

Dear HPA families,

When they rotate to their Classical Studies class, scholars in each grade level study a historical civilization that shaped our global community. Last quarter, 2nd graders learned about contributions from Ancient China, India, and Japan; 5th graders learned about Mesoamerica and the Kush Empire. This quarter kindergarteners are learning about plants and animals around the world while our 4th graders are studying Ancient Rome.

As a feature of her scholars' studies of the Roman economic system, Ms. Bayer constructed a mock Roman market on Friday where scholars could buy and sell items from the time period. Scholars walked away with a better understanding of what the commerce system was like in Ancient Rome and how it compares to our current methods of buying goods. Thanks to all the families who contributed to making HPA's first Roman market possible!



Shelter-in-Place Drill Scheduled for 11/16

November's safety drill will be a shelter-in-place drill. During the drill, teachers will continue instruction or regular activities in the classroom after closing windows and doors. In the event of a non-drill shelter-in-place situation, families will be notified via SwiftK12.

Curious About Classical Family Session on 11/16, 5:30 - 6:30

Are you interested to know more about classical education: what it is, what it's not, and the ways HPA is leaning into its classical, liberal arts mission? If so, we're hosting an interactive parent-only session on Thursday from 5:30 - 6:30 aimed at learning more about differences of classical education and high-level features of it at HPA. BRAVE is offering on-site childcare for a small fee. This is a new event for us, so we invite you to come and learn with us! Please [RSVP here](#) to let us know you're coming (and so we know how many materials to prepare).

Thanksgiving Lunch & Pie Served on 11/17

Thanksgiving pie is a Herron Classical Schools (HCS) tradition! This Friday, 11/17, our lunch staff will be serving Thanksgiving-themed food items at lunch. Standard lunch prices apply to Friday's lunch and home lunches are welcomed. In addition, HCS and HPA staff will be offering scholars a special pie dessert during lunch periods. Two pies will be offered, apple or pumpkin. These special treats are compliments of the school and a small celebration of thanks with our scholars.

HPA Spirit Fridays in December

HPA's tradition of a fall semester Spirit Week returns this December with a twist: Spirit Fridays! Each Friday next month, our scholars are welcome to wear themed attire for that day. Themes and dates are:

Friday, 12/1: Neon Day – Brighten the day by wearing your favorite vibrant colors

Friday, 12/8: Decades Day – Harken back to specific decade by wear apparel from that time

Friday, 12/15: School Spirit Day – Wear your favorite Herron Classical Schools or HPA swag

Themed attire must be school appropriate, as determined by the school. Jeans or dress pants are appropriate bottoms for Spirit Fridays. Sweatpants or pajamas are not permitted. If scholars choose not to participate in the theme, standard uniforms are expected.

Reminder: Arrival Ends at 8:00

Daily arrival is scheduled until 8:00 AM. Cars entering the line on Sports Legend Way by 8:00 AM are considered on time and will have an HPA staff member open doors. Cars entering the line after 8:00 AM will be asked to pull to the side and walk their scholars to sign in at the front desk.

Final Call: Lost & Found

Is your scholar missing a sweater, coat, or uniform shirt, or water bottle? HPA's lost and found is full of loose scholar items accumulating over the last several weeks. If you know you're missing something, please stop by the front desk or contact Ms. Jones (ajones@herronprep.org) to check for lost items. Items not claimed by Friday, 11/17, will be donated.

Flu Season

In order to keep our scholars and staff as healthy as possible this upcoming flu season, we ask that if your scholar has a fever or is vomiting, they remain home until they have not vomited and/or are fever free, without medication, for at least 24 hours. If you have questions please contact Nurse Monica at mmitcham@herronprep.org.

Holiday Assistance Programs

Check out [this list of holiday assistance programs](#) around our community. Whether you're interested in contributing to or partaking in assistance programs this year, these programs are ways to give or receive this holiday season. Please reach out to Mrs. Leonard (bleonard@herronprep.org) if you have questions about these opportunities or know of others that may benefit our community.

Weekly COVID Update

To keep you informed of the number of COVID cases reported at school, each HCS school is providing a weekly report to our family community. Please see [here](#) the number of positive COVID cases reported this week at HPA.

