

Dear HPA families,

It was delightful seeing so many families in person and virtually yesterday for family-teacher conferences! Building a culture of respect and trust through relationships with people is one of our core values and is essential to our success as a school serving scholars across the city. With nearly half of our scholars new to Herron Prep at the beginning of the year, it is thrilling to see how quickly relationships have been built to support their educational and social development. Thanks for your continued commitment to your child's growth and our school's mission to prepare our scholars for future lives of leadership and service.

And a special thanks to all of the families who contributed to yesterday's bountiful taco bar pitch-in! Our team continues to feel the appreciation from our family community as a result of your generosity and thoughtfulness.

Please see important information for the week ahead.

Mid-Winter Break through Monday, 2/19

There is no school Monday, 2/19, due to mid-winter break. Check out details on [BRAVE's registration page](#) or reach out to info@braveyouthprogram.org if you are interested in participating in their single-day camp.

School resumes for all HPA scholars on Tuesday, 2/22, at 8:00 AM.

Earthquake Drill Scheduled for Thursday, 2/22

This month's safety drill will be an earthquake drill. During the drill, teachers will pause instruction and scholars will practice a safe shelter in place procedure.

Campus Safety

We are seeing increased construction activity as the weather warms up and several forklifts and cranes are on site. If construction equipment is blocking the schools south drive actively moving materials, you will have to wait until they have completed their supply drop before passing. Please do not walk under or drive past any of the moving equipment when dropping or picking up scholars. We strive to keep everyone safe on campus during the construction phase.

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.