

Dear HPA families,

Every student is a scholar is one of Herron Prep's core values. Our midyear reading assessment results are showing our scholars' excellent work.

- On average, our scholars are growing faster than expected! Our median scholar has progressed 82% of the way toward their reading year-end goal (100%)—even though we were only about 50% of the way through the school year.
- Over 40% of our scholars have met their reading year-end growth goal in January!
- We are simultaneously bringing more scholars to on-grade level reading levels, increased from 39% at the beginning of the year to 66% at midyear, and closing gaps for scholars 2 or more years below grade level, from 13% down to 5%.

At the same time we recognize the year is not over yet. Our bar for academic excellence continues to be high, and we seek to serve all, not just some, of our scholars well. We are reforming intervention groups, analyzing trends in content gaps, and are enacting plans to support scholars in and out of the classroom.

It is a joy to see so many of our scholars being successful reading at levels that—just mere months ago—were challenging for them. Thank you for your continued support outside of school to ensure scholars have the opportunity to read, be read to, and have access to books that keep them learning.

Upcoming Family-Teacher Conferences

There are no scholars in attendance on Friday, 2/16 due to conferences. Please reach out to your scholar's teacher if you have not signed up yet for an available conference time. Conferences may be held in person or virtually. Parking is available on the street and in the orange and red areas on [this map](#). BRAVE is offering a single-day. Please see details on [their registration page](#) or reach out to info@braveyouthprogram.org with any questions.

Visit to Dean's Office Slip

In an effort to increase our communication about non-scheduled visits with a member of our Student Culture Team, we are starting a system in which scholars will have quarter-page slips in their take-home folders when they have a conversation with Mr. Adams or Ms. Roush. The slips include basic

information you find helpful like: reason, reset notes, any action taken, and if family contact is necessary. Please contact Mr. Adams (jadams@herronprep.org) or Ms. Roush (croush@herronprep.org) if you have any questions.

After-School Pick-Up Process

Thanks for everyone's flexibility in our car line as owners of the Drake apartment building make repairs that restrict our pick-up line to one lane. In collaboration with BRAVE, we will continue to bring scholars out to cars in the pick-up line for after-school pick-up.

- If you are picking up for HPA clubs or tutoring, please stay in your car. An HPA staff member will escort your child to you during the designated release times.
- If you are picking up from BRAVE between 4:15-5:00, please call BRAVE as you arrive (317-653-8290) and stay in your car. A BRAVE staff member will come to your care & ensure your child is properly signed out. After 5:00, please park and come to the front door.

24-25 School Year Hiring Underway!

HPA continues to grow next year, and we're actively recruiting for teaching positions we know we're adding next year. If you know of someone who would make a great addition to our school community, feel free to share opportunities on our [Careers](#) page.

Request for Items/Experiences for HCS Movie Night Silent Auction

Our network team is currently in the process of planning our spring Movie Night fundraiser and are asking for your help. If you have an item or an experience you would like to donate to the upcoming 4th Annual Drive-In Movie Night silent auction, please take a moment to fill out the donation form. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please reach out to thill@herronclassical.org

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.

Parent Support Team (PST) Updates

- Next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 21st at 7:00 PM at HPA.

- Please be on the lookout for a flier in your child's backpack for our upcoming TRIVIA NIGHT on Monday, February 26th at Centerpoint Brewery. The cost is \$20 per person, and all proceeds will benefit a community building book event for our scholars and families next year. To purchase tickets, please [go here](#). Special thanks to HPA parent Ryan McDuffie for being our Trivia Master for the event!
- To kick off our February Teacher Appreciation Month, let's restock the teachers' lounge with essentials and goodies! Wish list items can be purchased by [going here](#). Let's show our HPA hard-working and dedicated staff how much we appreciate all they do for our scholars! More teacher appreciation activities and information will be shared soon.