

Hillcrest E-TECH Newsletter

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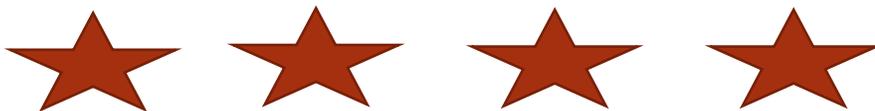
The Panther's Growl

Dear Parents:

The year is moving quickly as we have ended the first nine-weeks marking period. Please have a conversation with your scholar about grades and attendance. It is important that each student passes their class with a grade of 70 or higher and not have more than five absences in each class. Any student with more than five absences, excused or unexcused, in a class, is in jeopardy of losing credit for that class.

If your scholar is in jeopardy of losing credit for a class due to absences, it is imperative that they refrain from missing any more days and make plans to complete the Principal's Plan for Attendance for Credit. More information will be forthcoming about when the Principal's Plan will start. If your scholar failed their class the first nine-weeks, not all is lost. As long as the average of the first and second nine-weeks grades total 70, your scholar will get credit for the class.

Each teacher offers tutoring and all students are encouraged to schedule time to meet with their teachers for support as needed. Students who failed the first nine-weeks will have a plan of action that includes mandatory tutoring. A late bus is available for those students who need transportation after tutoring. The mandatory schedule will start during the week of October 18.



STATE FAIR OF TEXAS

All students should receive one free ticket to the State Fair of Texas. Fair tickets will be given out during 8th period on Thursday, October 14.

Join Us for the Homecoming Festivities

Thursday, October 14

Parade: 5:15 PM

Game: 7:30 PM





A Note from Principal Sotelo. . .

Should an emergency or disaster situation ever occur in our area while school is in session, we want to be aware that our District – and this school- has prepared in order to respond effectively to such situations. We want to assure you that the safety of your child(ren) is our primary concern, and that a detailed emergency operations plan has been designed with student safety in mind. You can assist us in our efforts to protect your child(ren) by being aware of the following procedures and information:

In the event of a serious emergency, students may be kept at school until the District allows release to an adult that has been identified on the school emergency card/information given at registration through PowerSchool.

Please be sure you consider the following when you authorize another person to pick up your child(ren) at school:

- He/she is 18 years of age or older
- He/she is usually home during the day
- He/she could walk to school, if necessary
- He/she is known to your child(ren)
- He/she is both aware and able to assume this responsibility

Students will only be released to adults identified on the school emergency card/PowerSchool registration data. During an extreme emergency, students may be released at designated areas located on the school campus. It is asked that parents be patient and understanding with the student release process. It is important that you also tell your child(ren) that they should always follow the directions of school personnel in times of emergency.

DO NOT telephone the school during an emergency – telephone lines are needed for emergency communication. Turn your radio or television to local channels for announcements. Please DO NOT come to the school unless called to do so. Additionally, the Communication Department, (972)925-3900, can be contacted for further information.

If students are transported by bus during an emergency, every effort will be made to deliver them safely to their destination and communicate their location as soon as information is available.

Thank you for your cooperation with helping the District – and this school – be better prepared in keeping all students safe.

Did you know about the Hillcrest weekly newsletter that goes out on Sundays? If you would like to sign up to receive it, look under news and announcements on the HHS website: <https://www.dallasisd.org/hillcrest>.



Great Job, Tennis!

Congratulations to the Hillcrest Tennis Team for ending the season with a 7-1 record, placing 2nd in district!



Great Job, Cross Country!

Good luck on your district meets this week!!!

Teachers can open the door, but you must enter it yourself.

Chinese Proverb