



Monarch Memo - Caregiver Edition



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09/28/24

Caregivers,

Thank you for your continued support and partnership with us as we work together to provide the best quality education to your scholars. We are off to a great start and we would be able to say

that without the support you are providing. I look forward to continued caregiver support when we have events. School is so much more than 7:30 am - 2:45 pm. There are lessons and activities that extend beyond the classroom walls, and I want us to partake in those experiences together. Our Chronic Absentee Rate is the lowest it has been since the school opened 4 years ago. I notice the effort that some of you make in order to get your scholar to school and it is not unnoticed. Please if there is any support you ever need, don't hesitate to contact me.



Here at HLMES we encourage the forming of a bond and relationship between caregivers, teachers/staff, the community, and our scholars. Knowing this, conferences can be previously scheduled to take place after school from 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm any day of the week.

- Change in Pick up and Van pattern. Due to the increase of Vans, we will no longer have vans and car pickups in the same area. Vans will now be located outside the bus loop on the other side of the school.

This year, we want to continue to provide families with the opportunity to celebrate their scholars for their birthdays. We will continue to be sensitive to student allergies. Please before sending any whole class celebration items to school, reach out to your scholars teacher. Additionally, we will only permit SMART SNACKS to enter the building and be provided to classes. Items or snacks that do not make the criteria, will not be permitted. For more information [Smart Snack Parent Information](#).

Thank you for your patience and understanding, as we all get adjusted to our procedures and processes at HLMES. With that said, a few reminders, so that we can all be on the same page and ensure that both the arrival and departure processes occur in a timely manner.

- In the morning it is the expectation that caregivers DROP students off. The drop off line moves along faster when it is "Kiss and Ride" style. caregivers are not permitted to park, or get out and walk their students to the door. Those wishing to do that, please park in a parking spot, but we want to keep the driving lanes moving as quickly as possible. If you did not attend open house and receive your scholars pick up number, you can this week. Please stay in your car and someone will come by to assist you.
- Likewise in the evening, caregivers are to remain in their vehicles with the corresponding number of their scholar showing so that HLMES staff can accompany the scholar to the appropriate vehicle. Please do not come up to the gym door as it blocks the view of runners, it causes a dangerous situation, and mass confusion. We will not be providing service to individuals who exit their car and walk to the gym door.
- If you are on a time constraint, and cannot afford to spare 20 minutes (We start at 2:40 pm and are clear by 3:00 pm daily), then it may be more convenient for you to have your scholar switched to a walker and pick them up on the adjacent side of the building.
- AS A REMINDER EARLY DISMISSAL ends at 2:15 pm by the office clock, if you arrive after this time, you will have to wait until 2:45 to retrieve your scholar.

Cant wait to see you, Monday Morning at 7:30 am!

Additional information including the parent and student handbook for HLMES Caregivers, RPS SCORE, bus routes, and other pertinent information can be found on our schools website:

<https://hmes.rvaschools.net/>

[Henry Marsh, III Elementary School Caregiver & Student Handbook 2024-2025.docx](#)

Please find the **Robinson's Fall Schedule** attached for classes specifically for **YOUTH (K-6th), Middle-High (6th-12th) + ADULTS in the East End**. We have some amazing partners and a spectacular variety of **Fine Arts, Dance, Theatre, Nutrition and Fitness** classes available from **September 3-November 22**. [Register now!](#)

Monday 09/30/24

Tuesday 10/01/24

- Fit for Kids Learning Garden 11:30 am - 2:30 pm

Wednesday 10/02/24 -

- Principal Smith @ Principals Meeting - @ MARSH
- 4th Grade Field Trip - Blue Sky

Thursday 10/03/24 - Rosh Hashanah NO SCHOOL RPS CLOSED

Friday 10/03/24 -

- Principal Smith- In person: Principal Goal Setting 8:00 am - 11:00 am City Hall
- 2nd Grade RVA Swim Lessons @ YMCA

Upcoming Events:

Oct 14th Student Holiday Staff PD

Oct 8th HLMES PTO Meeting

Oct 23rd End of the 1st Grading Period



Pics of your room

Give families the feel of your classroom and put new students at ease.

Pics of students

Engage parents and caregivers and help them look forward to your newsletter.



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