

GOBBLE GOBBLE EDITION | NOVEMBER 2024

# ROYALS IN ACTION

## HAMILTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

### MESSAGE FROM JOSE MARTINEZ DEAN OF STUDENTS AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

**Hamilton Middle School Families,**

As we step into November, I want to take a moment to express my gratitude to each of you. Your support and dedication to our Hamilton Royals make our school a truly special place. This month, we're celebrating the spirit of thankfulness. I'm thankful for our incredible students, dedicated staff, and our strong community of families that make our school feel like a home.

Additionally, I'm excited to announce Hamilton's Annual Gobble Fest, a celebration that focuses on a friendly competition of giving. November will also feature our rescheduled Spooktacular Night, making it the perfect way to connect and enjoy the holiday season as a school community. Be on the lookout for more details about these event. We hope to see you there!

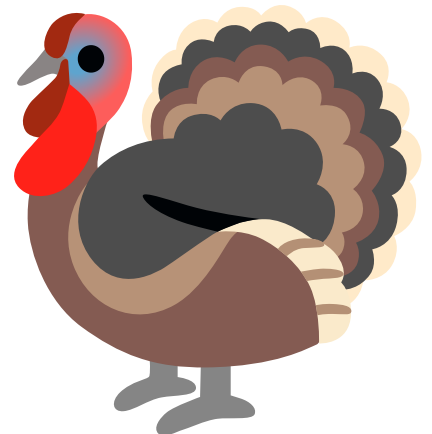
November is an important time for students to reflect on their progress, set new goals, and connect with peers through meaningful activities. If your student hasn't yet joined a club or program, we invite them to get involved. Our After-School programs, sports teams, and extracurricular activities are still open, and there's always room for more to join.

Thank you for your partnership in making Hamilton a welcoming and supportive environment for all. Together, we can create lasting memories and build a brighter future for our students.

**Royal Regards,  
Jose Martinez  
Dean of Student Intervention  
and Family Engagement**

## CHECK OUT THE NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER!

- ☒ PARENT INVOLVEMENT
- ☒ SPOOKTACULAR FAMILY NIGHT
- ☒ STUDENT ATTENDANCE
- ☒ GOBBLEFEST
- ☒ HOUSE SPIRIT WEEK
- ☒ AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM
- ☒ ROYAL ADVISORY GROUPS
- ☒ LEADERSHIP PROGRAM





# DATES TO REMEMBER!



- November 4th: 8th Grade Trip to Wichita State University

- November 5th: Picture Retakes



- November 7th: School-wide Dental Cleaning



- November 8th: Northeast Magnet 8th Grade Presentation



- November 11th: No School



- November 12th-15th: Spirit Week



- November 15th: Staff v. Student Volleyball Game



- November 12th-22nd: GOBBLEFEST

- November 21st: Spooktacular Family Night (Rescheduled)

- November 18th-26th: Fastbridge Fall Screening



- November 27th-29th: Thanksgiving Break (No School)

HAPPY  
*Thanksgiving*



**UPDATE**



# SPOOKTACULAR FAMILY NIGHT

**AT HAMILTON MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST**

**Join Us For: 5:00PM – 7:00PM**

**Interactive Stations**



**PRIME FIT**

**Dark Vapor Presentation**

**Food & Treats**

**Admission: Free For All!**



**PRIME FIT**



**HAMILTON  
MIDDLE SCHOOL**



**WICHITA  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS®**

**Don't miss out on the fun at the Prime Fit Youth Foundation station!**

**Join us as we dive into peer relationships and mindfulness in a fun, interactive way. 🧠 ✨**

**Learn tips to help your student:**

- ✓ **Build strong friendships**
- ✓ **Practice mindfulness**
- ✓ **Boost their well-being**

**Together, we're growing bright futures! ✨  
Stop by and be part of the change!**

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HAMILTON MIDDLE  
SCHOOL PRESENTS:

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# GOBBLEFEST

NOVEMBER 12TH - NOVEMBER 22ND

THIS YEAR WE ARE COMPETING TO SEE  
WHICH HOUSE AND ADVOCACY CAN  
RAISE THE MOST MONEY!

COINS ARE POSITIVE  
DOLLARS ARE NEGATIVE

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THE HOUSE WITH THE MOST POSITIVE POINTS  
WINS EXTRA RECESS AND ICE CREAM PARTY!

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GET MORE INFO DURING ADVOCACY!

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# House Spirit Week

November 11th - 15th



Monday

No School



Tuesday

Crazy  
Crocs &  
Socks Day



Wednesday

Positivi-  
tees!



Thursday

Twin  
Day



Friday

House  
Day



**STUDENT VS. STAFF  
VOLLEYBALL**

**NOVEMBER 15TH**





# **HAMILTON YMCA**

## **the AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM**

### **FREE FOR ALL STUDENTS**

The Greater Wichita YMCA's Middle School After School program provides a safe, supervised environment where students can receive academic support, explore and develop new skills and interests, enjoy a nutritious snack, participate in structured, physical activities, and have fun with peers and positive role models. Students have FREE daily access to two hours of programming that follows best practices for the age group.

### **SIGN UP!**

For the 2024 school year we've joined forces with the Wichita YMCA to super-charge your after-school experience! For more information and to sign up for the program please following the QR code or by clicking [here](#).

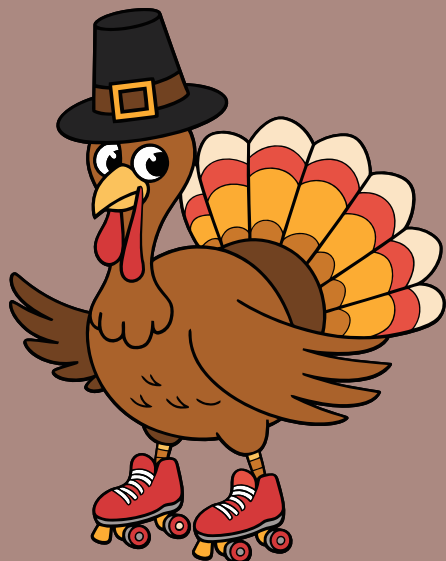


### **NOVEMBER FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE**

**NOVEMBER 6TH: PAINT THE TOWNE**

**NOVEMBER 13TH: DOWNTOWN YMCA**

**NOVEMBER 20TH: ROLLER CITY**



### **NOVEMBER PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

**WEEK 1: NOV 4TH - 7TH  
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY**

**WEEK 2: NOV 11TH - 14TH  
TUESDAY - THURSDAY**

**WEEK 3: NOV 18TH - 21ST  
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY**

**WEEK 4: NOV 25TH - 28TH  
NO PROGRAM - THANKSGIVING**



# HAMILTON LEADERSHIP PROGRAM



## LEADERSHIP NOVEMBER EVENTS

November 1st: Leadership Promotions  
November 4th: Drill Team Practice  
November 6th: Drill Team Practice  
November 7th: Leadership Field Trip  
November 9th: Leadership Veterans Day Parade  
November 12th: Drill Team Practice  
November 13th: City League Meet  
November 18th: Drill Team Practice  
November 19th: Drill Team Practice  
November 20th: City League Meet  
November 25th: Drill Team Practice  
November 26th: Drill Team Practice

## Congratulations to the following students for being part of the Hamilton Royals Battalion: Competition Drill & Color Guard

Leland Clay  
Emma Weidner  
Zachariah Mann  
Le'Ariea Johnson  
Emma Gonzalez  
Brennan Luce  
Anthony Valle-Aguirre  
Jisman Valle-Aguirre  
Winnifred Weidenburner  
Nayonna Harris  
Tandalyne Queen  
Aden Ulloa  
Esmerelda Onofre-Garcia  
Jason Morales  
Noah Jackson  
America Guerra-Herrera  
Jada Switzer-Smith  
Zoe Jones  
Sebastian Jones  
Alicia Hazard  
Bre'Asia Switzer-Ott  
Peyton Ridge  
Genesis Gutierrez-Yanez  
Laniya Davis  
Chloe Clemens  
Kimberly Ringgold-Hernandez  
Selena Hernandez  
Auhzalea Robertson  
Adrian Chavez  
Jackson Swan  
Nayan Hurst

## Cowtown Museum



**OCTOBER  
2024**

# ROYALTY ADVISORY GROUPS



**Parents or guardians who wish to refer a student to a Royalty Advisory Groups, please scan the QR code and fill out the referral form.**



**GIRL ROYAL TALK:** A counselor-led group for 8th grade girls, offering guidance and support as they navigate everyday challenges.



**ART THERAPY:** A group led by KOSP staff, supporting students through healing and creative expression via Art Therapy.



**PANDO GROUPS:** Led by staff, these groups support students in connecting with people, communities, and organizations to build strength, vitality, and the courage to succeed.



**STARTING DECEMBER 1ST:** BAASE supports males of color with strong academics through culturally relevant activities and promotes advanced classes.



**STARTING JANUARY 1ST:** LAASE supports ladies of color with strong academics through culturally relevant activities and promotes advanced classes.



# PARENTS WE NEED YOU!



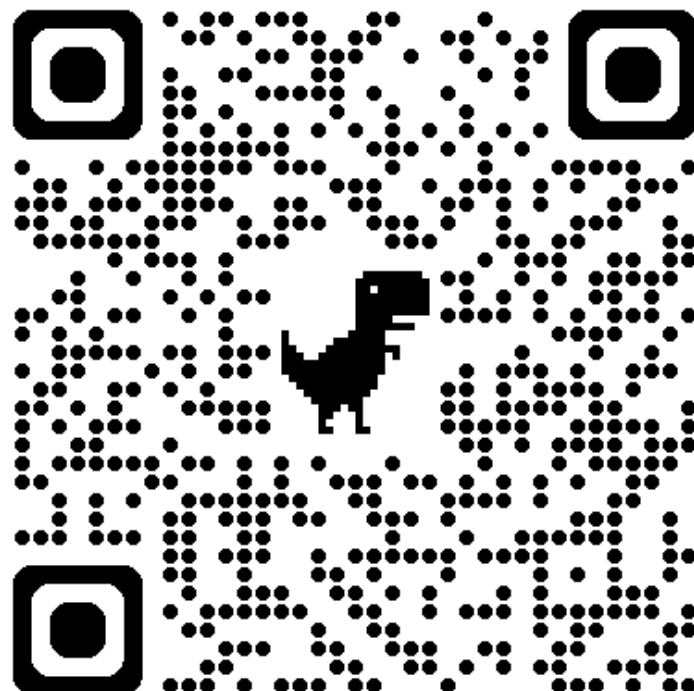
## ***HAMILTON SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL***

Hamilton Middle School Site Council is needing parents, to identify, consider, and discuss educational problems and issues at Hamilton Middle School and to provide advice and counsel. If you would like to participate please register using the QR code or by clicking the link:  
GET INVOLVED



## ***HAMILTON VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION***

Throughout the school year Hamilton Middle School will be needing volunteers. If you would like to volunteer please register using the following information in the QR Code. All volunteers need to complete this process before volunteering at Wichita Public Schools.



# Attendance = Opportunities

## BEST DATES TO SCHEDULE YOUR DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENTS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025

The dates highlighted in **RED** are the best dates to schedule your student's doctor's appointments. The dates highlighted in **GREEN** are holidays

### SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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### OCTOBER

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### APRIL

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### MAY

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MISSING EVEN A FEW DAYS CAN HAVE A BIG IMPACT ON THEIR OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME FUTURE READY.

## DANGER ZONE: 18+ ABSENCES

- For each day missed, a student falls 2 days behind their classmates. These students will have missed approximately one year's worth of school by the time they reach their senior year.

## CHRONIC ZONE: 9-17 ABSENCES

- Missing 10% or two days of excused or unexcused absences each month leads to chronic absenteeism.

## SAFE ZONE: 0-8 ABSENCES

- Students with good attendance generally achieve higher grades and enjoy school more.
- Students benefit and make the most of their educational opportunities if they attend school regularly and on time

## 3,5,7 Rule

Inexcusably absent for a substantial part of a school day on either three (3) consecutive school days, or five (5) school days in any semester or seven (7) school days in any school year, whichever of the aforementioned occurs first.

A student's attendance pattern must meet this rule before he/she can be reported to the Office of DCF or to Office of the District Attorney.

## Definition of Excused Absence

The "Valid Excuse for Absences" is defined as follows:

- Medical or dental treatment, examination or recuperation;
- Death/serious illness in immediate family;
- Approval by school authorities, secured prior to the absence;
- Circumstances or conditions which, in the opinion of the attending school principal or designee constitutes a valid excuse.
- Under the law (ICEOMC), WPS may grant up to 5 days excused absences per school year for a military-connected student who parent or guardian is an active duty, Guard or Reserve member who has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or is immediately returned from deployment to a combat zone or combat support posting; if absence is preapproved; student is in good standing; student has a prior record of good attendance; missed work is completed and turned in within allotted time period; and the absence is not during standardized testing dates.