

Hollifield Herald

Week of 10/6/20

Important Dates:

Oct 6 PTA Meeting HSES Parking Lot 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. **

Oct 7 MAP Reading Assessments for grades 2-5 – 9 AM or 1 PM

Oct 14 MAP Math Assessments for grades 2-5 – 9 AM or 1 PM

Oct 16 3 hour Early Dismissal for Students - Classes conclude at 12:45pm

Nov 6 3 hour Early Dismissal for Students - Classes conclude at 12:45pm (*Election Day*)

Nov 23 3 hour Early Dismissal for Students - Classes conclude at 12:45pm
(*End of the First Marking Period*)

Nov 24 3 hour Early Dismissal for Students - Classes conclude at 12:45pm

** Modified schedule for early closing days: <https://www.hcpss.org/2020-2021/elementary/#schedule-early-dismissal>

****PTA Meeting and Elections 10/6 from 5:30-7:00 in through HSES parking lot. Yearbooks not picked up will be available for pick up as well at the meeting.**

Schedule Adjustments for Scheduled Early Dismissal Days

The HCPSS 2020-2021 calendar includes four scheduled 3-hour early dismissal days:

- Friday, October 16, 2020
- Friday, November 6, 2020
- Monday, November 23, 2020
- Tuesday, November 24, 2020

The virtual schedules have been adjusted for these scheduled early dismissal days to provide students with synchronous learning for each class. Additionally, both full- and half-day PreK classes will meet on these days using a modified schedule.

Early dismissal day revised schedules for all [elementary](#), [middle](#), and [high](#) school grades are provided on the [2020-2021 School Year](#) website.

Asynchronous Assignments for the Weeks of October 7 & 14

Due to MAP testing on October 7 and 14, the following adjustments will be made to asynchronous assignments for the weeks of October 7 and 14:

- No Dreambox assignments will be assigned on the above Wednesdays
- No Lexia Core5 assignments will be assigned on the above Wednesdays
- No mathematics task will be assigned on the above Wednesdays
- No changes will be made for related arts and science asynchronous assignments on the above Wednesdays

Please remember to give yourself grace during this time. Do the assignments during the week when it is convenient for your family. (ex. at night, on the weekends, during the time assigned).

STUDENTS - What do you want to see on the Monday announcement videos?

We want to hear from our students! What might you like to see included in our Monday video announcements? Click [HERE](#) to let us know.

More Details about Contactless Checkout of Media Books for HSES Students

We are excited to share that Mrs. Szczepanski and Mrs. Spence will be sharing with student that soon they will be able to borrow books from our library media center! Watch for more details during the Synchronous and Asynchronous lessons the week of October 5, 2020.

Click [HERE](#) for details!

For MAP Testing Information Click [HERE](#)

Counselor's Corner - Stop in Virtually!

Do you have additional questions? Would you like to talk with our counselors outside of school hours (some dates)? Our counselors would like to host a "Counselors' Corner" where there will be an open Google Meet room for parents to stop in. The dates are listed below, once a month in the daytime, once a month in the evening.

Join us!

The code is "HSESCounselorsCorner."

Tues Oct 6th 9:30-10:30am

Thurs Oct 8th 7:00-8:00pm

Tues Nov 10th 9:30-10:30am

Thurs Nov 12th 7:00-8:00pm

Tues Dec 8th 9:30-10:30am

Thurs Dec 10th 7:00-8:00pm

Tues Jan 5th 9:30-10:30am

Thurs Jan 7th 7:00-8:00pm

Attendance Information Click [HERE](#)

Council of Elders

The mission of the Council of Elders of the Black Community of Howard County is two-fold. To develop, strengthen, guide and advance the educational and cultural well-being of the Black Community of Howard County. To sustain and grow itself as a community of Elders that actively serves to advocate for the Black Community of Howard County in collaboration with parents, educators and other community leaders.

Save the Date!

The Council of Elders Community Academy

The Council of Elders and the Howard County Public School System have partnered to sponsor the following 2020–21 parent workshop series:

Sponsored by: The Council of Elders Community Academy

October 17- Effective Home and School Communication

December 5 - Social Media, Peer Pressure, and Human Trafficking

January 30 - Healthy and Unhealthy Relationships

March 13 - Suicide Prevention and Substance Abuse 9–10:30 a.m.

Sessions will be held virtually. Additional details regarding each session are forthcoming.

Virtual Learning Tips

Virtual Instruction Student Tip Sheet: A [downloadable tip sheet](#) was created for students and parents or guardians to use for quick access to login information, course meeting codes, and instructions for logging in to platforms.

Students - Don't forget to check your "to-do" list area in Canvas for new announcements, Google events and assignments that are due. Once a task/event is complete, be sure to click on the "x" next to the event so that your upcoming assignments/events will appear at the top of the list.

Previously Shared Information

Covid-19 Community Testing Sites

Howard County General Hospital is bringing testing for COVID-19 to neighborhoods around Howard County. Advanced registration is strongly encouraged. To learn more or register, visit www.bit.ly/j2bh-testing. For additional assistance call 410-740-7601.

- Saturday, October 10 | 8 – 11 a.m. at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 4100 St. John's Lane, Ellicott City
- Sunday, October 25 | 8 – 11 a.m. at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 4100 St. John's Lane, Ellicott City
- Saturday, October 31 | 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Celebration Church, 7101 Riverwood Drive, Columbia

Information from our PTA

FIRST HSES PTA GENERAL BODY MEETING

When: TUESDAY, OCT 6 – 5:30 PM

Where: Backside of the Teacher parking lot at HSES

Join us **IN PERSON** for our first meeting of this school year!

We will be voting on our budget for the year and electing our Executive Officers. This is our time to get administrative activities completed for the remainder of 2020, so please attend!

**** We need a quorum of PTA members to be able to approve the budge. Please become a member and come out and VOTE! ****

To keep everyone safe, we will be following strict Social Distance Protocols (masks and 6ft distancing), so please bring your mask and your own chair. **To keep everyone safe, everything will be contactless for the agenda and attendance so make sure you bring your phone.**

You can access the meeting agenda and budget in 1 of 2 ways: through the MemberHub portal, or through a QR code that will be displayed at the meeting.

Our Executive Officers have graciously offered to step in for one more year and luckily they are all still eligible to serve. Regardless, we are still opening up for nominations in case anyone else would like to be a part of the board. One of the positions we are looking for a replacement is the Secretary as our current Secretary is wearing dual hats, including setting up MemberHub and Communications.

If you are interested in becoming the Secretary or holding another position on the 2020-2021 PTA Executive Board, please let us know by Sunday (10/4) by emailing hsestacomunications@gmail.com. To learn more about the positions, please [click here](#) or reach out to hsest.pta.prez@gmail.com

Last, but not least, if you have not picked up your 2019-2020 Yearbook this is your chance!! Yearbooks will be distributed at the end of the meeting. We will not have any more bulk yearbook pickups in 2020.

[JOIN THE HSES PTA HERE!](#)

PTA - Spirit Wear

Calling all Huskies!

The weather is cooling down, and we are excited to share our new fall spiritwear with you! There are lots of cozy options including sweatshirts, flannel pants, masks and more! The store will be open through October 5th. Show your Husky spirit, virtually!

<https://hollifieldstation-spiritwear.itemorder.com/sale>



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