

# Hollifield Herald

Weekly News - 15th Edition - 1/6/20



Hollifield Station  
Elementary School

## Calendar Events

### January

- 1/7 - 6:30 p.m. PTA Meeting - Media Center (Information below)
- 1/7 - Kindergarten - Extreme Weather assembly (PTA sponsored - Information below)
- 1/9 - Hearing and Vision Screening
- 1/10 - 6:30 p.m. PTA movie night (Information below)
- 1/13 - 3rd Grade Spelling Bee
- 1/15 - 6:30 p.m. – 6th Grade Parent Night at Patapsco Middle School (information below)
- 1/16 - 2nd Grade Spelling Bee
- 1/16 & 1/17 - 4th Grade - Beyond Building assembly (PTA sponsored - Information below)
- 1/17 - Spirit Day - Hat Day
- 1/20 - Schools and Offices Closed
- 1/21 - Hearing and Vision Re-screening
- 1/22 - 1st Grade - Cosmic Adventure assembly (PTA sponsored - Information below)
- 1/22 - Grade 2 - 5 - Spelling Bee
- 1/23 - Spelling Bee Snow Date
- 1/24 - End of 2nd Marking Period
- 1/27 - Schools closed for students - Professional Work Day
- 1/29 - 7:00 p.m. Winter Concert II (Evening performance for Beginning Band, Beginning Orchestra, 4th grade chorus and Station Singers)

**Celebrations: Inclusive Schools Week #expectAbility**

## Walking Wednesday

**No Walking Wednesdays on the following dates due to staff meetings:**

**March 11, April 29, May 20.**

**HSES Website:** <http://hses.hcpss.org/>

**PTA Website:** What is a PTA? "The main role of the local PTA is to build strong working relationships among parents, teachers and schools, in support of students. This can include recruiting and coordinating volunteers, providing special recognition in awards ceremonies or through other activities, organizing parent education events, planning teacher appreciation activities and much more."

<https://hsespta.org/>

**Curriculum for coming weeks ([Click Here](#)):**

As the school year gets underway, we will provide the standards that each grade level is focusing on for that week. For deeper understanding of the standards, please visit HCPSS.org for links to the curriculum - <https://www.hcpss.org/academics/english-language-arts/curriculum/>

## HSES Information & Reminders

### January - Reading Month!

#### Maryland Reading Month

January is Maryland Reading Month! Please find attached a calendar of events that you can engage in to celebrate the joy of reading. A hard copy will also be sent home.



Read Across January Calendar-1.doc

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240.6 KB

### Rising 6th Graders - Middle School Orientation

**Information for:**

**Parents and Guardians of rising 6th grade students!!!**

*We look forward to seeing the families of our rising 6th grade students at **6:30pm on***

**Wednesday, January 15th for our Rising 6th Grade Parent Orientation:** On this night we welcome our rising 6th grade parents to the building, to learn about the transition to middle school and the 6th grade schedule (Snow Date- January 22nd).

# Redistricting Information

## Redistricting Resources

- Most Recent Information: [www.hcpss.org/school-planning/boundary-review/](http://www.hcpss.org/school-planning/boundary-review/)
- Frequently Asked Questions: [www.hcpss.org/school-planning/boundary-review/faq/](http://www.hcpss.org/school-planning/boundary-review/faq/)
- Supporting Students at a New School: <https://www.hcpss.org/school-planning/boundary-review/moving-schools/>
- Language Supports: <https://www.hcpss.org/languages/english/>
  - Call Center Number
    - All other languages contact Monica Ranta 410-313-7102
    - Spanish: 410-313-1591 | Families may also email [elisa\\_montalvo@hcpss.org](mailto:elisa_montalvo@hcpss.org)
    - Korean: 410-313-1592
    - Chinese: 410-313-5920
    - Chin: 410-313-5968

If you are unsure of the school your child is scheduled to attend, please visit [School Locator](#) and follow the instructions to find your child's school or visit HCPSS Connect. If you have questions, please call our front office.

## Free Eye Exams

Free eye exams and glasses will be offered at Howard High School on Saturday Feb 29 and Sunday March 1. Slots are limited. Services will be provided on a first come, first served basis, appointment preferred. In case of schools being closed due to inclement weather, the clinic make-up dates will be the weekend of March 7-8. More information can be found in the [flyer](#) and if interested, please see the [sign-up form](#).

## Summer Programs 2020

Each summer, HCPSS offers learning experiences and educational opportunities through a variety of programs and classes. Contact Information for Summer Institute - [Click Here](#).



2020 Summer Programs Preview.pdf



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**Previously Shared Information**

## Early Dismissal

Dear HSES Families,

We know that there are appointments and family needs that require you to pick your students up early from school. In order to support the busy end of the day for our front office, please plan to pick up your student(s) by 2:40 p.m. for any early dismissals. We appreciate your support of this new procedure.

## **Schools Closed on February 4, 2019**

This is a reminder that all [schools and offices will be closed \(Links to an external site.\)](#) Tuesday, February 4, 2020, due to the special primary election to fill the 7th congressional district seat vacated following the passing of Rep. Elijah Cummings.

## **Concert Schedule for SY 19-20**

### **Wednesday, December 18, 7pm**

Winter Concert for Advanced Band,  
Intermediate and Advanced Orchestras

### **Wednesday, January 29, 7pm**

Beginner's Concert for  
Beginning Band and Orchestra

### **Tuesday, May 5, 7pm**

Spring Orchestra Concert for  
Beginning, Intermediate, and  
Advanced Orchestras

### **Friday, May 15 12:00-6:00pm (approx.)**

Howard County Elementary Jazz Festival  
JAZZ BAND

### **Thursday, May 21 6:30-8:00pm**

Enrichment Fair  
JAZZ BAND (performs at 7:30)

### **Thursday, May 28, 7pm**

Spring Concert for Beginning,  
Advanced and Jazz Bands

**PTA Information**

# PTA upcoming events

## Message from the PTA for events this week

PTA Meeting Tuesday 01/07

PTA Movie Night Friday 01/10

### **PTA General Meeting and Information Session**

Please join us on Tuesday January 7th at 6:30 PM in the HSES Media Center for a general budget and committee update, as well as an information session with Mrs. Wadsworth on the discipline policies followed by HSES. This is a general meeting and informational session, open to all, regardless of PTA membership status. We would love to hear your thoughts and questions.

### **PTA Movie Night**

Please join us Friday, January 10th at 6:30 PM for our annual PTA movie night. Wear your pjs, bring a blanket and your favorite stuffed pet and enjoy The Secret Life of Pets 2 with a snack and your friends.

Reminder: this is not a drop-off event, an adult must stay with each student.

Happy New Year from the HSES PTA!

## **Amazon Smile Donations**

We are coming up on the holidays, and now is a perfect time to set up HSES PTA as your charity of choice on Amazon Smile! To do this, simply:

1. Go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)
2. Sign in with your Amazon account username and password
3. Enter "Hollifield Elementary School PTA" in the Charity search field
4. Confirm
5. That's it!! Now, a portion of all of your purchases made on Amazon will be donated to HSES PTA and in turn, back to the school.

Please feel free to share this information with aunts, uncles, grandparents, and friends!

## **PTA Sponsored - 2019- 2020 Assemblies**

January 7

Grade: Kindergarten

Location: Cafeteria

Time: 9-10am (setup will begin at 8:15, tear down will be complete by 10:20)

**Extreme Weather** presented by the Franklin Institute of Philadelphia Traveling Science Program

Description: Lightning, twisters and hail—oh my! This dynamic show reveals the science of weather—to the extreme. Where does our weather come from, and what factors make it a sunny day or a blustery one? We will discuss the water cycle, explore thunder and lightning, and even make a cloud. We promise a stormy ending to this show as we demonstrate how tornados are formed!

Pre Show Documents for Students and Parents

[https://www.fi.edu/sites/default/files/documents/resources/Weather\\_preshow.pdf](https://www.fi.edu/sites/default/files/documents/resources/Weather_preshow.pdf)

Post Show Activities

[https://www.fi.edu/sites/default/files/documents/resources/Weather\\_Postshow.pdf](https://www.fi.edu/sites/default/files/documents/resources/Weather_Postshow.pdf)

January 16 & 17

Grade: 4

Location: Mrs. Glass's Classroom

Time: 9-12pm

**Beyond Building** presented by the Maryland Science Center Traveling Science Program

Description: Students will Participate in three engineering activities designed to engage in the engineering design processes, engage in engineering skills beyond building, including manipulating light with lenses and amplifying sound with different materials, and explore various real-world careers that use engineering to get the job done

January 22

Grade: 1

Location: Cafeteria

Time: 9-11:30am (setup will begin at 8:15, tear down will be complete by 12pm)

**Cosmic Adventures** Traveling Planetarium presented by Greg Anderson:

Description: We bring the planetarium (a twenty foot dome classroom) to your site and give presentations with our state-of-the-art digital projector that fire students' imaginations while teaching them about the motions of the skies, the wonders of space, and the effects of light pollution.

<http://cosmic-adventures.com>

April 2

Grades: K-5

Author Visit: Chris Barton

Time: All day 3 shows.

Location: GYM

Description: Chris Barton is the author of picture books including bestseller Shark Vs. Train, Sibert Honor-winning The Day-Glo Brothers, and Whoosh!: Lonnie Johnson's Super-Soaking Stream of Inventions, included on 19 state reading lists. His newest books include Dazzle Ships, the Mighty Truck early-reader series, and What Do You Do with a Voice Like That? The Story of Extraordinary Congresswoman Barbara Jordan. Chris and his wife, YA/middle-grade novelist Jennifer Ziegler, live in Austin, Texas, where Chris has advocated for greater diversity in children's literature by cofounding the Modern First Library program with BookPeople. For more information about him, please visit <https://www.chrisbarton.info>

## Yearbook Pictures - Dropbox Links

Yearbook Dropbox links

If you have great pictures of your children that you would love to see in the 2019-2020 yearbook please add them to the dropbox links below for the different school events!

Please upload all/school-wide HALLOWEEN pics here:

<https://www.dropbox.com/request/QpSOogjZ1uruYUYAqTpA>

Folders for grade-specific various events (field trips, classroom photos, etc) here. These folders will be available all year!:

Kindergarten:

<https://www.dropbox.com/request/Z6c8YaWT5bqTt20KPPpU>

1st Grade:

<https://www.dropbox.com/request/nCzxqNvbzxu60EhhWjEp>

2nd Grade:

<https://www.dropbox.com/request/dZo6cdnblk5qaF8IM3Xe>

3rd Grade:

<https://www.dropbox.com/request/obxuKmgeksjhCIASb94c>

4th Grade:

<https://www.dropbox.com/request/2RMK9ltkxkzwdfB2keky>

\*\*5th Grade:

<https://www.dropbox.com/request/8oABk35bTEgN8x7PAWRv>

\*\*I will solicit 5th grade annual events (Gingerbread, Mt. Vernon) separately

## Community News (Click Here)

**Reminder - Distribution of community flyers in schools:** Community organizations wishing to distribute flyers must have an approval letter from the Public Information Office prior to distribution. Electronic announcements must also be pre-approved, and will be posted on the Community News and Programs webpage. Please include the following statement in your school newsletter rather than individual community announcements: Please visit the Community News and Programs webpage (<http://www.hcpss.org/community-news-and-programs/>) for all announcements of upcoming events and programs sponsored by non-profit organizations. Schools should refer any organization requesting distribution to Public Information at 410-313-6682 or [publicinfo@hcpss.org](mailto:publicinfo@hcpss.org).



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