# Hollifield Herald

Weekly News - 16th Edition - 1/13/20



# Calendar Events

#### **January**

- 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)
- 1/23 Grade 2 5 Spelling Bee
- 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)

#### **February**

- 2/3 Grade 1-5 MAP testing window opens
- 2/3-2/7 School Counselor Week
- 2/4 Schools and Offices Closed for Election
- 2/6 Class Group Picture Day
- 2/13 3 hour early closing Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 2/14 3 hour early closing Parent/ Teacher Conferences
- 2/17 Schools and Offices Closed President's Day

- 2/21 Spirit Day Favorite Color Day
- 2/28 Grade 1-5 MAP testing window closes
- 2/28 Change Matters donations for GrassRoots kicks off during lunches

**Celebrations: February - Black History Month** 

#### Walking Wednesday

<u>No Walking Wednesdays</u> on the following dates due to staff meetings: March 11, April 29, May 20.

HSES Website: <a href="http://hses.hcpss.org/">http://hses.hcpss.org/</a>

**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 - <a href="https://www.hcpss.org/academics/english-language-arts/curriculum/">https://www.hcpss.org/academics/english-language-arts/curriculum/</a>

### **HSES Information & Reminders**

#### PBIS & Disciplinary Plan - Reminders

Dear Families,

As we begin the 2nd half of our school year, staff will be reminding students of expected behaviors. We wanted to share with you information that we shared at the beginning of the year so that you can support us in reminding our students of expected behaviors and our PBIS/ School-wide discipline practices:

- 1) Students will receive tickets instead of Dojo points this year when they demonstrate the 3 Rs Being Respectful, Being Responsible and Being Ready. Once per quarter, students can use those tickets to buy an item from the "Quarterly Cart." Students can also use their tickets to purchase special incentives within their classrooms.
- 2) In addition to the student tickets, there will be colored tickets that a teacher can give to an entire class for showing positive behaviors. Teams will determine the special incentives for receiving these tickets.
- 3) All classrooms will have a hierarchy for addressing any behavior concerns. All students start on super behavior. Then the hierarchy (See visual below) is as follows: a) warning, b) additional warning,
- c) Time out/Reflection (reflection forms go home), d) Minor Incident Referral Form/ Parent Contact,

and e) Administrative involvement, which could include a Office Disciplinary Referral. Our goal is to have a highly engaged administration, staff and students to ensure a positive learning environment.

4) Positive Office Referrals will be used to identify students who are going above and beyond and are "caught" following the 3 Rs. They will have the choice of a positive phone call home or a positive post card. One time a month, any students receiving the positive office referral will be called to the front office for a picture, which will be posted on the front bulletin board. This will replace the golden ticket, and allow more opportunities for our students to be recognized.

\*\*Over 200 students have received a positive office referral so far this year!!!!\*\*

# 1st Warning Additional Warning Reflection Form Parent Contact/ MIR Administrative Involvement

#### School Counselor Week - Feb. 3 - 7

National School Counseling Week 2020 (#NSCW2020) is Feb. 3–7, 2020. The week, sponsored by the American School Counselor Association (ASCA), highlights the unique contribution of school counselors within U.S. school systems and the tremendous impact they can have in helping students achieve school success and plan for a career. Take a moment to thank your local school counselor(s). Follow #NSCW2020 on social media. To learn more about National School Counseling Week, visit <a href="https://www.schoolcounselor.org/nscw">www.schoolcounselor.org/nscw</a>.

Mrs. Honza and Mrs. Jones do so much to support our students and staff. Consider sending them a note of thanks or recognition. We are proud to have them as members of our staff!!!

# **Veterans Elementary School - Welcome Orientation Reminder**

Veterans Elementary will be having their New Student Orientation for all redistricted students on Thursday January 23rd at 7:00 in the Veterans Elementary School Cafeteria. The school is at 4355 Montgomery Rd located behind the YMCA.

#### **Kindness Pantry and Amazon Wish List**

HSES and HSES PTA have two additional ways of supporting our school and our students!

HSES has joined Kindness Pantry. Every school has students who have additional needs and times when there is a family crisis. When this occurs, we want to be able to support our families. Here are two ways you can support HSES students and families:

#### **HSES - Kindness Pantry**

Click on the link below to donate. The items you wish to donate will be delivered DIRECTLY to that school.

Hollifield Station ES: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2UEXFYS6VHGHQ...

#### **HSES PTA -- Amazon Smile!!**

When purchasing from Amazon go to <a href="https://smile.amazon.com/">https://smile.amazon.com/</a> instead and give back to the school. It is super easy, after loading the page under the search bar you should see "supporting" and what charity you are currently supporting. Change to "Hollifield Elementary School PTA" to give back to the school with every purchase

#### **Rising 6th Graders - Middle School Orientation**

#### PATAPSCO MIDDLE SCHOOL

We look forward to seeing all of our families of our rising 6th grade students at 6:30pm on Wednesday, January 15th for our Rising 6th Grade Parent and New Parent Orientation: On this night, we welcome our rising 6th grade parents to the building, to learn about the transition to middle school (Snow Date- January 22nd). Parents and guardians will have the opportunity to walk around the building to get a feel of middle school at 6:30 PM. We will have our orientation at 6:45 PM in the cafeteria. We look forward to seeing you!

#### Free Eye Exams and Glasses

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. Please refer to the <u>flyer</u> and the <u>sign-up form</u>. This information was shared with nurses and health assistants. Please contact Kerrie Wagaman or Shannon Blount with questions.

#### Road to Kindergarten Workshops

The Howard County Public School System's Office of Early Childhood Programs, in partnership with the Howard County Transition to Kindergarten Workgroup, is pleased to present The Road to Kindergarten, an informational workshop to support families of children headed to kindergarten. The purpose of the session is to help make the process of entering kindergarten less stressful and more exciting! Howard County parents with children who will be five years old by September 1, 2020 are invited to come to one of the sessions.

Each workshop will offer information for the upcoming kindergarten year, such as kindergarten registration, school readiness and kindergarten curriculum. Workshops will be held at several locations throughout the county and childcare is available for children ages 2 and older.

Doors open at 6:10 p.m. for child care sign-in; information sessions are from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Please check out the Road2KEvent Flyer 2020 (1).pdf

#### **Translated Report Card Information**

Translated report cards are accessible via the following link: <a href="https://www.hcpss.org/academics/learning-behaviors/">https://www.hcpss.org/academics/learning-behaviors/</a>

# **Previously Shared Information**

#### 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



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

Wednesday, January 29, 7pm

Beginner's Concert for Beginning Band and Orchestra 4th grade chorus and Station Singers

Tuesday, May 5, 7pm

Spring Orchestra Concert for Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Orchestras Station Singers

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 - Rescheduled PTA Meeting

The PTA meeting that was cancelled on January 7th will be rescheduled to January 28th at 6:30 p.m.

HSES Technology teacher, Heidi Shorter, will be presenting on understanding and managing technology as an elementary parent. In addition, you will hear more about our Husky Heroes initiative to involve male role models in various roles here at HSES.

#### PTA Sponsored - 2019- 2020 Assemblies

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 <a href="https://www.chrisbarton.info">https://www.chrisbarton.info</a>

