

4/15/24



## Hollifield Station Elementary School

### School Hours

9:10 a.m. Bell Rings

9:25 a.m. Late Bell - Instruction begins

3:55 p.m. Dismissal begins

Dear HSES Families,

Please enjoy this week's edition of the Hollifield Herald.

Warmly,

*Amanda Wadsworth*

Important information included:

- Important dates
- Bullying vs Peer Conflict
- Annual HCPSS Student Art Exhibit
- Field Day Volunteers Needed
- Repeated News
- PTA News - Updates
- Community News

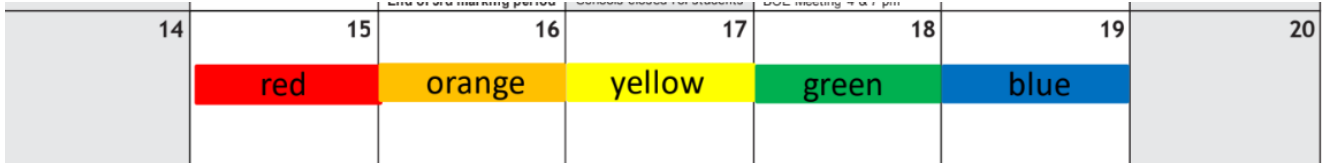
### Important Dates

March 19 - April 30	Casey Cares PJ Drive
April 15	Kindergarten Field Trip to Library
April 17	Report Cards Issued
April 18	Family Game Night 6:30 pm (Information below)
April 21	Deadline to order Yearbook (PTA- information below)
April 25	Take Your Child to Work Day
April 26	5th Grade Field Trip to Gettysburg (extended day)
April 29	Spring Book Fair begins

May 3	Save the Date - Field Day
May 7	Spring Picture Day
May 14	Schools Closed - Primary Election Day
May 16	Evening of Excellence - School-wide Celebration of Student Work
May 17	All Schools Close 3 Hours Early - Dismissal at 12:55 PM
May 18	Fifth Grade Patapsco River Day of Service
May 22 (Save the Date)	<b>5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Kindergarten Visitation</b> This will give you and your child an opportunity to tour the school, visit a kindergarten classroom and meet current kindergarten teachers.
May 28th	PTA Sponsored Assembly - Justin Berk Faith in the Flakes
May 29 - June 3	HSES Spring Book Fair

**Virtual Office [Link](#)**

**Related Arts Color Days Schedule for the Upcoming Week:**



**Bullying vs. Peer Conflict**

As we gear up to finish the school year strong, it's important to address student interactions that can affect both individual students and/or our school community. Peer conflict is something that most students will experience at some point in their school career. However, it is essential to understand the difference between conflict and bullying, should bullying occur. By understanding the differences, we can better navigate challenging situations and foster a positive school environment where everyone can thrive. We look forward to continuing to work together to end the school year on a strong and positive note. Thank you for your continued support and partnership!

<b>Conflict</b>	<b>Bullying</b>
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<p><b>Mutual Disagreement:</b> Conflict typically involves a disagreement or difference of opinion between two or more individuals.</p> <p><b>Equal Power:</b> Those involved in the conflict usually have relatively equal power or standing.</p> <p><b>Occurs Occasionally:</b> Conflicts arise occasionally and may be resolved through communication, negotiation, or compromise.</p> <p><b>No Intention to Harm:</b> While emotions may be involved, there is no deliberate intent to harm or exert control over the other party.</p>	<p><b>Power Imbalance:</b> Bullying involves an imbalance of power, where one individual seeks to assert dominance or control over another.</p> <p><b>Repeated Behavior:</b> Bullying often consists of repeated actions or behaviors aimed at causing harm, either physically or psychologically.</p> <p><b>Intentional Harm:</b> The bully intentionally seeks to harm, intimidate, or humiliate the victim, often deriving satisfaction from the victim's distress.</p> <p><b>One-sided Aggression:</b> Unlike conflict, bullying typically involves one-sided aggression, where the victim feels targeted and unable to defend themselves adequately.</p>
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More information can be found on the [HCPSS Stop Bullying website](#). If you have any questions regarding this policy or its implementation, please contact a school administrator. Here is the online link to report an [Instance of Bullying, Harassment, or Intimidation](#) and a link to the [Bullying, Cyberbullying, Harassment, or Intimidation Reporting Form](#) to fill out and return to your students school administrator. More information on HCPSS Policy9460 can be found at [Bullying, Cyberbullying, Harassment, and Intimidation Involving Students - HCPSS](#).

## HSES Student Artwork on Display at the Annual HCPSS Student Art Exhibit

**The 51st**  
**Annual** April  
**HCPSS** 10 - 29, 2024  
**Student** Opening Night  
**Art** April 11  
5:00 - 6:30  
**EXHIBIT**

THE MALL IN COLUMBIA

 **Howard County**  
Public School System  
*Office of Fine Art/Visual Arts*

Create with  
the ;  
Build with  
the mind.

Criss Jami, Author, Philosopher

## Field Day

HSES Parents and Guardians,

The PE Department is working on finalizing plans for Field Day and part of that is requesting volunteers for the day. Field Day is May 3rd with a rain date of May 10th. We need volunteers from 9:15-11:45 for 3rd - 5th graders, and 12:45 - 3:15 for k-2nd grade. Volunteers will be assigned a station to run within the area they signed up for, and those assignments will be shared before the day of Field Day, so volunteers have time to familiarize themselves with the station. If you have any questions about volunteering please contact your child's PE teacher. We greatly appreciate you considering to volunteer on this day. We couldn't get it done without all the support of the volunteers.

Link for sign up to volunteer:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054CAA92CA1FDO-48788720-field>

Thanks!

HSES PE DEPARTMENT

## Repeated News

## 2024-2025 Bus Transportation Registration Opens April 8, 2024

Parents/guardians whose children are eligible for bus transportation are asked to register to receive bus service each year to help the school system plan for student transportation needs. The transportation registration process will open at 9 a.m. Monday, April 8 through May 31, and will be completed online via HCPSS Connect Synergy. Registration must be done for each eligible child. More [information](#).

## End of the School Year Dates

As of Tuesday, April 2, HCPSS has used three inclement weather days this school year.

- The last day of school for students in full-day Pre-K through grade 12 is now scheduled to be Friday, June 14.
- The last day for half-day Pre-K/RECC students is currently Tuesday, June 11.

The two final weeks for the 2023-2024 school year are as follows:

Monday, June 3 – Regular school day

Tuesday, June 4 – Regular school day

Wednesday, June 5 – Schools dismiss three hours early (Professional Work Day)

Thursday, June 6 – Regular school day

Friday, June 7 – Regular school day

Monday, June 10 – Regular school day

Tuesday, June 11 – Regular school day (Last day for half-day Pre-K/RECC students)

Wednesday, June 12 – Schools dismiss three hours early (Professional Work Day)

Thursday, June 13 – Schools dismiss three hours early

Friday, June 14 – Schools dismiss three hours early (Professional Work Day – Last scheduled day for full-day Pre-K-12 students)

The complete [HCPSS academic calendar](#) is available online. This information is subject to change, pending any additional inclement weather.

## Family Game Night

Who: The whole family!

Where: the HSES cafeteria

When: April 18 from 6:30-8:00

Family time is one of the most important aspects of building a strong and loving family bond. Playing games together increases family connection, teaches academic and social skills, and is a lot of fun! Come see what games we suggest and have fun playing!

Refreshments and games will be provided [BOOK HERE](#)

Toddler play area with high school helpers

Board games in the cafeteria: HSES will provide as many as we can, but it would be helpful if you could bring your favorite game to play with a friend!

Lawn games in the gym and/or outdoors (weather permitting)

Quien: ¡Toda la familia!

Adonde: la cafetería de HSES

Cuándo: 18 de abril de 6:30-8:00

El tiempo en familia es uno de los aspectos más importantes para construir un vínculo familiar fuerte y amoroso. Jugar juegos juntos aumenta la conexión familiar, enseña habilidades académicas y sociales, ¡y es muy divertido! ¡Ven a ver qué juegos te sugerimos y diviértete jugando!

Se proporcionarán refrigerios y juegos [RESERVE AQUI](#)

Área de juegos para niños pequeños con ayudantes de la escuela secundaria

Juegos de mesa en la cafetería: HSES proporcionará tantos como podamos, ¡pero sería útil si pudieras traer tu juego favorito para jugar con un amigo!

Juegos de césped en el gimnasio y/o al aire libre (si el clima lo permite)

## PTA News

**Seeking PTA Leadership** volunteers for next year!!! We are seeking volunteers for the following positions for next year's PTA leadership:

- 1) Vice President 2
- 2) Treasurer
- 3) Secretary
- 4) PTACHC representative

We are also in need of volunteers for our nominating committee for this year.

If you are interested in any of these roles, or have questions about them, please send an email to [hses.pta.prez@gmail.com](mailto:hses.pta.prez@gmail.com)!

For those with children starting or attending Patapsco Middle School, they are also seeking volunteers for the following positions:

PTA President, Secretary, Spirit Wear/Fundraisers, and PTACHC representative

Please reach out if you are interested in volunteering!

### **HSES Yearbook:**

FINAL CHANCE!!! It's time to order your HSES yearbook! The cost is \$20. The deadline to order is April 21.

Link to order: <https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/Order>

The yearbook ID code is 15161824

Please don't delay! Yearbooks must be purchased by the deadline. Online orders only, no cash please.

### **REMINDER FOR PARENTS OF 5TH GRADERS:**

5th Grade Dedications Deadline is April 16.

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/17YpB\\_iC0nysScpXqVkET1GykQ0dUpkxXBgQdjNXu8eg/e/dit?fbclid=IwAR1Yb3duecCTpjdcNSltsS5pMyoj-wyvkW1NP7-y2zBnr\\_2zqe8pOto6u9A\\_aem\\_AW\\_sO8UX7eJSUPu61dwvChcrV977RG0E4GQGpfo33muoXo3TaWf-eQ\\_qZI7TWpCBzMH-8Xjglbch\\_rBNalCJdMYdeg](https://docs.google.com/document/d/17YpB_iC0nysScpXqVkET1GykQ0dUpkxXBgQdjNXu8eg/e/dit?fbclid=IwAR1Yb3duecCTpjdcNSltsS5pMyoj-wyvkW1NP7-y2zBnr_2zqe8pOto6u9A_aem_AW_sO8UX7eJSUPu61dwvChcrV977RG0E4GQGpfo33muoXo3TaWf-eQ_qZI7TWpCBzMH-8Xjglbch_rBNalCJdMYdeg)

Do you have any photos you'd like to share for the yearbook? Click this link to set up your account and start uploading!

<https://community.lifetouch.com/invite?code=HSES-YEARBOOK-24>

To help us better organize the photos, please remember to tag your photos!

Example tags- first day of school, Kindergarten , 1st grade, 2nd grade, etc., readathon; field trip (followed by grades); spirit week, etc. Thank you! We especially need any photos for the 100th day of school celebrations!

### **1st Day of School Supplies**

It's time to buy your 1st Day School Supplies! Get ahead of the summer rush while supporting the our PTA!

Order Now --> <http://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/kits.php?sid=46870>

### **Join the PTA**

Want to help support your students and their teachers this year? Join the PTA! It's not too late! Let's help Hollifield Station have our most successful year yet! Membership requires you to join yearly, so please visit the site below even if you were signed up last year!

To join, please click on this link through memberhub:

<https://hollifieldstationpta.memberhub.com/store>

Don't forget to join the Hollifield Station Elementary PTA Facebook group for updates! Please complete all questions when you request to join the group to avoid delays.

**Refresh your family wardrobe for 2024, and show your school spirit, while supporting the HSES PTA with Husky Spirit wear!**

To purchase: <https://1stplace.sale/44479>

**¡Muestre su espíritu escolar mientras apoya a la PTA de HSES con ropa Husky Spirit! Para comprar: <https://1stplace.sale/44479>**

**Padres de la Escuela Primaria Hollifield Station, es hora de comprar los útiles escolares**

**para el primer día de clases. Sé que parece temprano, pero antes de que te des cuenta,**

**llegará el verano. Es importante que pidas tus útiles antes de que sea demasiado tarde o**

**se agoten. ¡Empieza el año escolar con los exactos útiles que tu maestro solicitó, y dale a**

tu hijo la confianza que necesitan para conquistar el próximo año! ¡Adquiérellos hoy antes de que sea demasiado tarde!

**Ordena Aquí --> <http://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/kits.php?sid=46870>**

## Community News

The HCPSS [Community News and Programs](#) website makes it easy for families to find educational and recreational resources, events and after-school programs beyond the school day by non-profit organizations. Community organizations requesting their announcements be shared in school newsletters should visit [community-programs.hcpss.org](http://community-programs.hcpss.org) for more information. Questions should be directed to the Public Information Office at [publicinfo@hcpss.org](mailto:publicinfo@hcpss.org).