10/7/24



School Hours 9:05 a.m. Bell Rings 9:20 a.m. Late Bell - Instruction begins 3:50 p.m. Dismissal begins

Dear HSES Families,

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

Warmly,

Amanda Wadsworth, Principal Aaron Tark, Assistant Principal & Laurie Poquette, Administrative Intern

Important information included:

- Important dates
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Important Dates

October 9th	Picture Day - Individual Portraits			
October 15th	Flu Clinic at HSES			
October 18th	Schools and Offices Closed			
October 30th	End of 1st Marking Period			
October 31st	Schools Closed for Students - Professional Work Day			
November 5th	Election Day - Schools & Offices Closed			
November 25th	Schools Close 3 Hours Early - Parent/Teacher Conferences (in person)			

November 26th	Schools Close 3 Hours Early - Parent/Teacher Conferences (virtual)
November 27th	Schools Closed for Students - Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 28th	Schools and Offices Closed
November 29th	Schools and Offices Closed

Virtual Office Link

Related Arts Color Days Schedule for the Upcoming Week

6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	green	blue	red	orange	yellow	

From Howard County Office of Human Rights and Equity

We are approaching the time to celebrate the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in our community. This year, there are several exciting opportunities for students to engage with Dr. King's vision of equality, justice, and community service. Additionally, all the awards come with cash prizes.

The contests include:

Oratory Contest: Open to Middle and High School students, this contest challenges participants to express their understanding of Dr. King's message through the art of speech.

Essay Contest: Also, for Middle and High School students, this competition invites students to articulate their thoughts and reflections on Dr. King's impact and teachings in essay form.

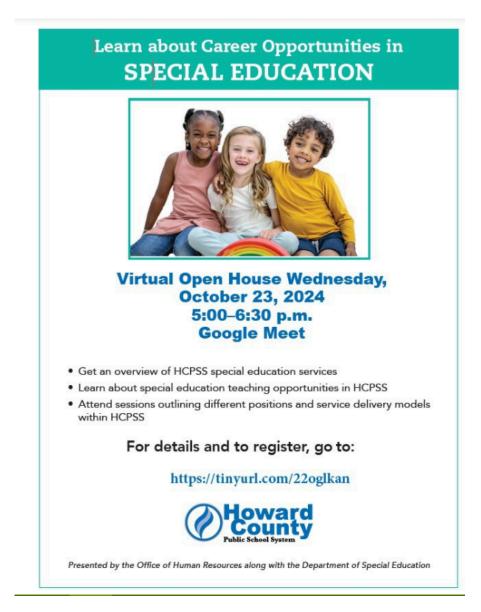
Poster Contest: Open to Elementary, Middle, and High School students, participants can visually express their interpretation of Dr. King's dream through creative poster designs.

Additionally, there is a Living the Dream Award Contest for individuals and organizations that have significantly contributed to making Howard County a better place, embodying the principles that Dr. King championed. We believe that these contests not only honor Dr. King's legacy but also inspire our students to think critically about their roles in serving the community.

For more information, including deadlines and submission guidelines, please visit https://bit.ly/2025MLKContests. Thank you for your support in promoting these meaningful contests. Together, we can inspire our students and community to reflect on Dr. King's dream and vision for a better tomorrow.

LGBTQIA+ History Month Resources

October is LGBTQIA+ History Month. Let's celebrate the achievements and accomplishments of the LGBTQIA+ community! Click here for the LGBTQIA+ History Month Resource



Repeated News

Young Author's Contest

The Howard County Literacy Association invites students in grades 1-5 to submit their original poems and/or short stories to the annual writing contest called **The Young Authors' Contest**. Please see the attached <u>Young Authors' Contest Guidelines</u> for information about the rules and guidelines. All entries must have a <u>completed YAC Cover Sheet</u> sent as a PDF. Submissions may be turned into your teacher or emailed to <u>alicia_peerson@hcpss.org</u> by December 13, 2024. Contact Alicia Peerson with any questions. All Young Authors' Contest information can be found on the <u>HCLA website</u>.

Howard County Literacy Association welcomes parents as members. Visit the <u>HCLA Welcome</u> <u>Page</u> for information about joining.

PTA Yearbook Photos Wanted!

The PTA Yearbook committee is soliciting photos for school events. The best way to ensure your child is featured in the yearbook is to upload and tag your images.

If you have photos from any of these events, please upload (and don't forget to TAG them with the grade(s) and activity name) ASAP so your child can be included in the yearbook!

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- 🚌 First day of school 8/26 (tag: firstday + [student's grade])
- Spirit week 9/23-9/27 (tag: spiritweek+ [student's grade])
- Fall festivities (tag: fall+ [student's grade])
- 📚 Read-a-thon/any photos of your child reading! (tag: readathon+ [student's grade])

Click the link below to set up your account and start uploading:

https://community.lifetouch.com/invite?code=HSES-YEARBOOK-25

To help us better organize the photos, please remember to tag your photos! Stay tuned for ordering info!

Community News

Fall for All at HCC

Howard Community College is thrilled to host our second annual Fall for All event on October 18, 2024!

This family-friendly, free event *falls* on a day when HCPSS schools are closed so it's the perfect time to explore our campus and enjoy fall festivities. We'll have pumpkin-themed activities and a pumpkin patch, face painting, moon bounce, candy, a corn maze, and more! Our sustainability group will feature local exhibitors that will have activities for all ages.

More information about the event is available at HowardCC.Edu/FallForAll