



Husky Talk Newsletter

High Point Academy

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Our mission is to provide a strong foundation of academic excellence in partnership with family and community in which each individual is challenged to achieve his/her highest potential academically, socially, and personally.

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2017/18 Husky PACK Registration Now Open



Spaces are first come, first serve. Please see HPA website for more information!

Directions below for PACK application:

- <http://www.highpointacademy.net>
- Current Families Tab
- Husky PACK Application

IMPORTANT!

The end of the year is rapidly approaching. If your student has medication at school, it will need to be picked up by **May 26th, 2017**. Medications may not be kept at school through the summer and any medication that is not picked up will be disposed of per school policy [this includes inhalers and Epi-pens].

If you have any questions please contact **Beverly Biela**, School Nurse Consultant or **Amanda Delgado**, Health Office Assistant at High Point Academy.

Elementary School Field Day

On Friday, May 19 all kindergarten through fifth grade students will be participating in Field Day. Please make sure that your child is dressed appropriately in athletic clothes and tennis shoes. Additionally, please send your child to school with a full water bottle and the necessary clothing and accessories for the weather. Field Day times are as follows:

Kindergarten and 1st Grade—9:00-10:30am

4th and 5th Grade—10:45-12:15am

2nd and 3rd Grade—1:00-2:30pm

Spring Sports Season

Congratulations to the middle school boys and girls soccer teams on a great season. Thank you for your efforts, sportsmanship, and positive attitudes. It was a great season!!

Please remember to turn in soccer jerseys to Mrs. Wood before the end of the year.

4th Quarter Awards Ceremonies

The fourth quarter awards ceremonies will take place on Friday, May 26.

1st grade: 8:15am

2nd and 5th grade: 9:00am

3rd and 4th grade: 10:00am

6th and 7th grade: 11:00am

2016-2017 Registration Dates

The High Point Academy 2017-2018 school year registration dates are: July 18th from 12-8pm and July 19th from 9am to 6pm. Please plan to attend one of these events to hold your child's spot for the school year.

Last PTO Box Top Challenge

The last challenge for this school year runs through May 19. Keep collecting those Box Tops. Good Luck!

Local Art Contest Winner

Green Valley Kids Pediatric Dentistry recently had a local art contest, involving all the middle schools and high schools in the area. One of the selected winners was High Point's very own Jorge Mendez. Jorge Mendez, a 7th grader, won a \$100 gift card to Amazon for his mixed media entry, "Untitled" (pencil with spray paint on canvas).

Mr. G's Summer Art Workshops

Mr. Gavalón, Art Teacher, will be offering a variety of summer art workshops in June and July at High Point Academy. For more information [click here](#).

Previous School Year Yearbooks

We have several school yearbooks from previous school years available for purchase. Each yearbook is \$5 a piece and can be purchased through Erica Wood in the office.

Important Dates:

May 19: Elementary School Field Day

May 22-25: Inten-sives

May 22-24: Kindergarten Continuation 8:30-9:30am

May 24: Preschool Graduation 2:30pm

May 24: 8th Grade Continuation 6:00pm

May 26: 4th Quarter Awards Ceremonies—see page 1 for details

May 26: Last Day of School—NOON Re-lease for all students

Husky Wear

Did you see HPA's Husky Wear items? Visit <http://den-ver.educationaloutfitters.com/find-my-school/high-point-academy/> to order your polo shirts, hoodies, jackets, and much more.

High Point Academy Has Partnered with American Furniture Warehouse

Are you thinking of home furnishings? If so, support our school at the same time.

Questions regarding the program can be directed to Barbara Hill at bhill@highpointacademy.net.

Vista Peak Basketball Camp

[Click here](#) for more information.

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Message from the Principal

Dear High Point Academy Families,

It's hard to believe that we are wrapping up another great year at High Point Academy. Each school year has special and unique attributes that set it apart from previous years. This year will always stand out as the year students took ownership of their learning in powerful and meaningful ways.

We know that when students take ownership of their learning and invest in their learning experiences they get so much more out of each day. At HPA our teachers work hard to engage students so that they are actively involved and excited about their learning. This year more than ever student ownership was at the heart of our programming. From our semester long anti-bullying initiative – Kindness Counts – where students engaged in activities each month to promote kindness and anti-bullying awareness; to student-led conferences – where students presented their learning and growth to their families.

Students also drove service learning projects to new heights by educating our community and each other about multiple topics. From our fifth graders who engaged in a powerful service learning project that revealed the massive effects of water bottles on our environment by collecting and displaying over 1,000 water bottles throughout the building; to our third graders who raised awareness and over \$2000 for childhood Leukemia and Lymphoma in just two short weeks.

Students from every grade level proudly displayed their art work throughout the building transforming our building into a canvas of student creations, revealing the varied artists and genres the students studied. One creation was a 30-foot mural that was inspired by David Shillinglaw, a British pop artist whose work is in Cleveland. Students were so taken by his work that they reached out to him for his opinion of their work. He was not only impressed with their artistry, he was also deeply moved and inspired by them. He may visit the school in the fall.

These are just a few of the many experiences that exemplify the ways in which our teachers inspired our students to do more and go farther with their learning, as well as the ways our teachers shared their passion and interests with our students to stimulate their learning and motivate them to take ownership of their learning. We are so proud of our students and all that they were able to accomplish this school year. It is their curiosity, drive, and commitment to learning that makes HPA the best school in Colorado!

Of course none of this would be possible without the tremendously passionate and dedicated faculty and staff at HPA who work tirelessly to ensure a rich learning experience for every child. It also would not be possible without the support and commitment of our families and community members.

I remain deeply grateful for the opportunity to serve the HPA community and I look forward to all that next year will bring! I wish you all a wonderful and safe summer break.

With husky pride,

Ms. Keri Melmed

Chief Academic Officer/Principal

2017-2018 School Calendar

[Click here](#) to view, download, and/or print the 2017-2018 school calendar. Paper copies are also available in the front office.