



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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HPA Gives Day - Annual Giving Campaign

Donate today through December 5th, at www.highpointacademy.net—click on the HPA Gives Day link at the top—or through the school office.

Please remind your child that tomorrow is the last day to bring in their donation for the classroom competition.

Middle School Night

5th grade families, please join us tonight from 6-7pm for middle school night. Discover all that HPA middle school offers our students: engaging curriculum, supportive advisory, competitive athletics, variety of specials, and targeted enrichment. Meet the middle school teachers and tour our middle school classrooms. We hope to see you there.

Holiday Shop

The High Point Academy Colorguard team will be hosting a holiday shop fundraiser the week of December 15th through the 19th after school. More details are coming home in student Thursday folders today. The Colorguard team is also looking for parent volunteers to help with this fundraiser. Please see page 2 for more details.

Order Your Yearbook Today!

The 2014-2015 school yearbook is now on sale. Purchase forms went home in Thursday folders last week, but you can also order online at ybpay.lifetouch.com (yearbook code: 11891215). Order your yearbook by December 19th and you only pay \$10. After that date the yearbook purchase price goes up to \$20 (these prices do not include add-ons).

Governing Board Meeting

The next Governing Board meeting is Friday, December 19th from 10:30am-12pm. Families and staff are invited to attend. The meeting agenda will be posted on the website next week.

Middle School Dance

The first middle school dance for the year is on Friday, December 12th from 5-8pm in the school gymnasium. All middle school students are invited to attend. The cost is \$5, which must be paid to Ms. Konieczny during your child's lunch time, now through next Wednesday, December 10. Please contact Ms. Konieczny with any questions.

PTO Meeting

The next PTO meeting is Thursday, December 18th at 5:30pm. All families are invited to attend and Husky Pack will be available for child care.

December 19-Early Release Reminder

Students are released on Friday, December 19th at NOON.

2013-2014 Annual Report

The High Point Academy annual report is now available. [Click here](#) to view the report online. This information is also available on the website under "About Us". If you need a hard copy please contact the front office.

HPA Parent Ambassador Group

High Point Academy has formed a Parent Ambassador Group that is here to promote HPA throughout the community. If you have questions or positive comments please reach us at pag@highpointacademy.net

After School Activities and Service Learning Showcase

The after school activities and fall service learning showcase is next Thursday, December 11th from 4:45-5:30pm in the library. Please come and see all the great things HPA students have been learning and participating in.



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Message from the Chief Business Officer

Dear HPA Families,

It's hard to believe that the holiday season is upon us and we are almost half way through the school year. I hope all of you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and found some time to reflect on the things that bring true meaning to each of your lives. I know for myself, it was great to have some time to spend with my children and explore the rolling hills of my home state of Nebraska.

I wanted to give an update on the HPA Gives Day campaign that has been going on since the beginning of November. We have already reached and surpassed our total contributions from 2013 and it's very exciting to see so much support from our families, students, staff, board, and community. As you know, all of the proceeds from the HPA Gives Day campaign will go to support a tutoring center with a focus on math and literacy. We would like to give greater support to all of our students in these areas and these additional funds will directly help our school reach new heights. The HPA Gives Day campaign will end on Friday, December 5th so there is still time to give!

I hope all of you will also support High Point Academy and show your Husky pride by displaying your HPA car decal on your vehicle. We are proud of our students and want to show the greater High Point community where each of them attend school. If you would like an additional decal for a second vehicle, please see Michelle at the front desk.

With the Holiday break quickly approaching, the month of December will fly by and before we know it we will be celebrating 2015. I would like to personally wish all of you a safe and happy holiday season!

Chad Miller
High Point Academy
Chief Business Officer

Important Dates:

December 4: Prospective Family Information Meeting and Tour-Middle School Focus 5:30-6:00pm

December 4: Middle School Night 6-7pm

December 5: HPA Gives Day

December 8: Wellness Committee Meeting 4-5pm

December 9: Power Hour 3:50-5:00pm

December 9: Boys Basketball Game at HPA at 4:30pm

December 11: After School Activities and Service Learning Showcase 4:45-5:30pm

December 12: Middle School Dance 5-8pm

December 12: Parent Love and Logic 6-7:30pm

December 15-19: Colorguard Holiday Shop-after school

December 15: Girls Basketball Game at HPA at 5:00pm

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Volunteer & Donations Opportunities

The health office is in need of uniform pants, in particular, sizes 5, 6, and 7. If you are able to help please bring donations to the office.

A parent volunteer is needed on Tuesday, December 9th from 4:00-5:30 to help with the boys basketball game. Please [email Erica Konieczny](mailto:Erica.Konieczny@highpointacademy.net) if you are interested.

A parent volunteer is needed on Monday, December 15th from 4:30-6:30 to help with the girls and boys basketball games. Please [email Erica Konieczny](mailto:Erica.Konieczny@highpointacademy.net) if you are interested.

The yearbook committee is looking for photographs of our HPA students. If you have some pictures you would like to submit for the yearbook please [email them to Erica Konieczny](mailto:Erica.Konieczny@highpointacademy.net).

The Colorguard team is looking for volunteers to help with the holiday shop the week of December 15th-19th after school. If you are interested in helping please contact [Louise Torrie](mailto:Louise.Torrie@highpointacademy.net).

Join a Committee

Interested in getting involved and contributing your input and ideas? Consider joining...

Wellness Committee – if you have expertise or interest in supporting our health and wellness initiatives; contact Stacey Kuzneski at SKuzneski@HighpointAcademy.net

Accountability Committee – if you have expertise or interest in reviewing and analyzing HPA achievement data to make recommendations for school-wide goals;

contact Keri Melmed at kmelmed@HighPointAcademy.net

Equity Committee – if you value and celebrate the diversity we have at High Point Academy, contact Cindy Ford at cford@highpointacademy.net

Yearbook Committee—if you are artistic, enjoy design, take good pictures, or just want to be involved, contact Erica Konieczny at ekonieczny@highpointacademy.net

Technology Committee—if you are interested in the many facets of technology and how it will be used at High Point Academy, contact Francisco Martinez at fmartinez@highpointacademy.net