



Keri Melmed
Executive Director

Kimra Coons
Director of Finance
and Development

Michele Garver
Elementary School
Assistant Principal

Jessica Ranalletta
Middle School
Assistant Principal

Juanise Cornell
Dean of Students

Jackson Westenskow
High School Planning
Liaison

Erica Wood
Director of Student
Services

Teresa Frasier
Director of
Operations and
Human Resources

Jill Fitz
Enrollment
Coordinator

Amanda Delgado
Medical Assistant

Michael Fields
Governing Board
President

**Like HPA of
Facebook**

If you're on Facebook,
**like High Point
Academy** to receive
school updates in your
newsfeed.

Husky Talk Newsletter

High Point Academy

Thursday, March 22, 2018 Volume 12, Issue 15

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.

Quarter 1 Awards Ceremonies

The quarter one awards ceremonies take place Friday, March 23rd in the gymnasium.

Thursday, March 22

8th grade—11:45—12:15

Friday, March 23rd

6th Grade—11:20-11:45

7th Grade—11:50-12:20

Kindergarten & 1st—12:30-1:15

2nd and 3rd Grade—1:30-2:15

4th and 5th Grade—2:30-3:15

Dunkirk Street Closure

On Saturday, April 7th, City of Aurora will be closing Dunkirk St. and all sidewalk access along Dunkirk leading to High Point Academy. There will be no access to the building for the day.

HPA Talent Show is Coming

HPA's 9th annual talent show will be on May 17th from 5:00-6:30pm. Talent show auditions will take place Tuesday, April 24th from 4:00-5:00, Wednesday, April 25th from 2:30-4:00 and Thursday April 26th from 4:00-5:00. [Click here](#) for more information and to sign-up for an audition time via doodle.com.

PTO Board

We are in the hunt for an entire new PTO Board for the next term. Are you interested in being a part of the 2018 – 2020 High Point Academy PTO Board? Elections will take place in April 2018. [Click here](#) for more information and to fill out the form. Please return it the office no later than March 21, 2018 Ballots will go out and announcements made by April 15, 2018 .

Yard Signs

Need volunteer hours? Stop by the office and grab a High Point Academy yard sign to place in your yard and receive two volunteer hours to do so.

Yearbooks on Sale!

The 2017-2018 school yearbook is now on sale. Order forms are coming home in Thursday folders today. [Click here](#) for more information.

Middle School Career Fair

Do you have a fun or interesting career that you would be willing to share with our High Point Middle School Students? Great! Because our school counselor, Rachel Bauer, is looking for volunteers to share their careers with our students. We would love for you to come and participate! Our career fair is Friday May 11th from 12:45 PM - 3:30 PM. Our students will have questions ready to ask you! Please reach out to Ms Bauer (303-217-5152; rbauer@highpointacademy.net) if you are interested in participating. Our students would appreciate hearing and learning from you!

Husky Pack

Looking for dependable childcare for the last 2 months of school? Sign up for Husky PACK today! For additional information please contact the PACK Director, Timiya Jackson at tjackson@highpointacademy.net or 303-921-2033.

Morning Drop-off

Friendly reminder that students can be dropped off as early as 7:30am on the playground in the morning. When the temperature is below 24 degrees, we allow students inside the building at 7:30am.

Important Dates:

March 22: Girls Soccer game vs. Wyatt at Wyatt at 4:30pm

March 22: Boys Soccer game vs. Wyatt at Wyatt at 5:30pm

March 23: K-8 Award Ceremony

April 2: Co-Ed Volleyball game vs. Global Village Academy at Global Village Academy at 4:30pm and 5:30pm

April 3: Girls Soccer Game vs. Highline Academy at HPA at 5:00pm

April 3: Boys Soccer Game vs. Highline Academy at HPA at 6:00pm

April 9: Girls Soccer Game vs. Lotus at HPA at 5:00pm

April 9: Boys Soccer Game vs. Lotus at HPA at 6:00pm

April 9: Co-Ed Volleyball Game vs. Vanguard East at HPA at 5:00pm



Husky Talk Newsletter

Message from the Chief Academic Officer/Principal

Dear High Point Academy Families,

Goodbye winter, hello spring! It's hard to believe that we are already at spring break, where has the year gone? The springtime energy in the building and outside on our playground is palpable. Students and staff are enjoying the beautiful weather.

One of our school-wide goals centers around creating a culturally responsive environment. At HPA we work hard to enrich students' lives both inside and outside the classroom. One way we do this is by displaying student work. Exhibiting student work sends students an important message, that we value what they do and what they create; that this is their school and space; and that we are inspired by and learn from each other. I'm sure you have noticed the student artwork that has been displayed throughout the building. Mr. Gavaldon (Mr. G), our Arts Teacher, spends countless hours hanging and displaying student work. He has helped transform our building into a canvas of student creations, revealing the varied artists and genres the students have studied. Outside each of our classrooms, I'm sure you've also noticed the work homeroom and content teachers have displayed. The work typically captures the main ideas, or culminating project that the students have completed. I encourage you to walk the halls with your child and ask them about the work you see.

This week, as well as the many weeks to come, embodies what makes HPA a special place, as we take time to celebrate students and their success. Tomorrow we acknowledged the hard work and effort our students have put into third quarter at our end of quarter award ceremonies. We celebrate students academic, social, and personal achievement. Students may receive the Husky Scholar award for achievement, Husky PRIDE (P=participation, R=responsibility, I=integrity, D=determination, E=excellence) award, and best effort/specials award for personal achievement. The award ceremonies are a wonderful opportunity for families to share a proud moment with their child. Homeroom teachers and advisors will contact you if your child is receiving an award.

Your students have worked hard this last quarter. Students and staff are all ready for a rest. Over the break we hope your family is able to rejuvenate and spend some quality time together. Every spring break I'm always struck by the ways our students have grown and matured over the course of the school year. Having the opportunity to pause, we can see how they've grown as thinkers, problem-solvers, and observers of the world around them. I hope you have a chance to celebrate the spectacular growth and progress your child has made!

We wish you all a safe and wonderful week off!

With husky pride,

Ms. Keri Melmed



Husky Talk Newsletter

Keri Melmed
Executive Director

Kimra Coons
Director of Finance
and Development

Michele Garver
Elementary School
Assistant Principal

Jessica Ranalletta
Middle School
Assistant Principal

Juanise Cornell
Dean of Students

Jackson Westenskow
High School Planning
Liaison

Erica Wood
Director of Student
Services

Teresa Frasier
Director of
Operations and
Human Resources

Jill Fitz
Enrollment
Coordinator

Amanda Delgado
Medical Assistant

Michael Fields
Governing Board
President

Like HPA of Facebook

If you're on Facebook,
like High Point
Academy to receive
school updates in your
newsfeed.

Donation and Volunteer Opportunities

Wellness classroom needs to stock the pantries! Ms. Rendon is in need of baking ingredients, cupcake liners, vinegar, cooking spray, extra virgin olive oil, spices and seasonings, flax and chia seeds, granola and almond butter.

Mrs. DelRoss is in need of gardening gloves for our school garden.

Reduced Cost Individual, Couple, and Family Therapy

Regis University's Division of Counseling and Family Therapy provides progressive, experiential learning in a state-of-the-art counseling center. At the Thornton campus, our clients will have access to designated Child and Adolescent Play Therapy rooms. This campus has earned the esteemed designation as an Approved Center of Play Therapy Education by the Association for Play Therapy (APT). Please visit <http://www.regiscounseling.com> or call [303-964-5786](tel:303-964-5786), or email macplab@regis.edu for more information.

Lunch Payments

Lunch balance letters are sent home in Thursday folders each week. If your student has a negative balance you can make a payment online at www.myschoolbucks.com or in the lunchroom. Please contact the kitchen manager Maribel Garcia at MARIBEL_GARCIA@dpsk12.org with questions about your student's lunch account

Husky Wear

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

HPA 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 Erica Wood at ewood@highpointacademy.net.

Milk Caps for MOOLA!

Mrs. Cummins is raising money for her cooking class intensive in May by collecting Longmont Dairy milk caps, so if you or someone you know who orders milk from the Longmont Dairy please bring the milk caps to either room 51 or place in the collection box located across from the receptionist's desk.