



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 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.

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.

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.

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.

Donation and Volunteer Opportunities

Wellness classroom needs to stock the pantries! Ms. Rendon is in need of baking ingredients, cupcake pans, 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, or email macplab@regis.edu for more information.

Husky Wear

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



Important Dates:

March 12: Co-Ed Volleyball game vs. Denver Language School at High Point Academy at 4:30pm and 5:30pm

March 15: End of 3rd quarter

March 16: NO SCHOOL—Teacher Professional Development

March 19: Co-Ed Volleyball game vs. Aurora Academy at High Point Academy at 4:30pm

March 23: K-8 Award Ceremonies

March 26-March 30: NO SCHOOL—Spring Break

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



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Message from the Chief Academic Officer/Principal

Dear High Point Academy Families,

Every American has been affected by recent tragedies at schools and in our communities. Unfortunately, some of the most affected are the youngest members of our community. Fortunately, our students are strong and resilient and many of them have used these tragedies to begin to find their voice and express their feelings and opinions. On March 14th students across the country will participate in activities to remember the victims of the Parkland, FL tragedy. At HPA, we have decided to take this as an opportunity to empower our students, ensure that they feel safe, and help them find their voice on issues that are important to them. To be clear, this day will not be a day to make political statements or protest against any specific issue or organization. This will be a day to celebrate the power we all have to build safe communities and create the future we want to live in. This day will be about recognizing our students' diverse viewpoints and perspectives, as well as celebrating the many aspects of our lives and experiences that we have in common.

To that end, on Wednesday, March 14th we will have a HPA Husky PRIDE day. Students can come to school wearing HPA colors (green and gold), or husky wear. Students in each grade level may participate in discussions and activities that allow them an opportunity to engage in this national movement.

Specifically:

Students in primary grades will focus on the theme of – helpers - Who are the helpers? Helpers are Superheroes! Thank a helper! I can be a helper. Students will learn about ways we help one another and how the helpers in our society work to keep us safe.

Students in intermediate grades will focus on the theme of – community – What is a community? How are we all connected? How can I connect and support others to feel connected? Students will discuss the ways communities work to support one another, and ways that we can ensure that all members of our community feel connected.

Students in middle school will focus on the theme of – impact – Who has made an impact? How can I make an impact? What will my impact be? Students will take time to think about ways that they want to make a difference and what kind of impact they want to have on our society.

We know that children are our future. At High Point we work hard to support students to be the change we want to see in our world. So while we will not be 'walking-out' on March 14th we will be actively engaged in developmentally appropriate ways.

As educators we work hard to grow students that care about the world around them. We encourage you to talk with your student about these events and share your hopes and dreams for our future. We know that our greatest strength is coming together and supporting one another to ensure that our schools are safe places for students to learn, grow and develop into the leaders of tomorrow.

If you'd like to participate in these events, please feel free to join us on March 14th at 10AM. Please reach out to any admin if you have any questions.

Thanks for your continued support!

With husky pride,

Ms. Keri Melmed