Husky Talk Newsletter

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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.

HPA Spring Fling
Join us for a community event and work in the HPA garden with your student on Monday, April 30th.

- 4th and 5th Grade 9:20-10:00am
- 6th Grade 10:05—10:45am
- Kindergarten and 1st Grade 12:35—1:15
- 2nd and 3rd Grade 1:20—2:00pm
- 7th and 8th Grade 2:13—3:17pm

Summer Camp at HPA
Kathy’s Camp will be hosting their summer program here at High Point Academy. Summer camp dates are June 11th—July 27th for ages 5—14 years old. [Click here](#) for more information.

CO Rockies Tickets on Sale NOW!
High Point Academy is hosting a community night at the ballpark on Saturday, May 12th. The Colorado Rockies will be playing the Milwaukee Brewers at 6:10pm at Coors Field. Tickets are $5 each and can be ordered using the form coming home in Thursday folders today. [Click here](#) to view and print the order form. Please return this form with money (CASH ONLY) to the front office by April 26th at 4:00pm to reserve your tickets (20 ticket maximum per family).

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.

Attention! Calendar Change
The last day of school, May 25th is a half day. Students will have a noon release.

Field Day Volunteers
We are approaching the end of the school year and are very excited about hosting the 2018 HPA Field Day. During Field Day, we will be playing multiple games and activities throughout the grounds at HPA. In order for us to give the children the best experience possible, we are asking for families to volunteer. Field Day will be for grades Kindergarten through 5th grade as our middle school will be doing other grade specific activities that day. We need volunteers to help facilitate activity stations and transitions between stations. This year, Field Day is on May 18th from 8:00AM to 2:45PM. If you are interested in helping out, please email me at mvigil@highpointacademy.net. Thank you in advance and to those of you that are considering helping and to those that have helped out in the past. Your continuous help and support is one of the many things that contribute to HPA being such a caring community!

Colorado Wear Day
On Friday, April 20, pay $1 to dress in your favorite Colorado apparel! You can wear Colorado sports teams, vacation spots, or just Colorado colors! Please make sure the item is appropriate for school. If you have any questions, ask your teacher before you wear it. All money raised is helping the Dumb Friends League of Denver for Kindergarten’s service learning.

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.
Dear High Point Academy Families,

We had a very successful state test administration. Thank you for getting your student to school and on time, we have very few make-ups and we were able to wrap up the testing in record time. We also want to thank our instructional assistants, learning support team, and classroom teachers for all they did to encourage students, and provide a positive testing experience.

As you may remember, each year we collect your input and feedback through our annual Family Satisfaction Survey. We send out the survey link to all of our families and we work very hard to have as many families as possible complete the survey. Here at HPA, we truly value your input. In doing so, we know that we’ll receive both praise and criticism; however, we know that families must have an opportunity to share their thoughts on all aspects of our school. From the beginning, we have tried to create a school culture that values the voices of all our stakeholders (students, parents, staff, board members), thus the Family Satisfaction Survey is one tool we use to gather this critical data. Rest assured the survey is completely anonymous. If you haven’t had a chance to take the survey, please do so. Click here for the link to the survey.

This time of year, we start to look at teaching and staffing for next school year. There are always staff members in our community that move on to new challenges. This year we have teachers who are moving out of area, as well as teachers who are taking on new adventures in their careers. While we are sad to see them go, we are grateful for their service to HPA and our students, and we wish them the best of luck in the next chapter of their lifelong journey. With that said, we have been engaging in a robust hiring process over the last several weeks to find qualified applicants for the open positions. Each candidate must be highly qualified as determined by No Child Left Behind (NCLB) and must show a passion for working with children as well as working at High Point Academy specifically. As part of the process, prospective teachers spend time at our school, in our classrooms, meeting our students and our staff, so that the hiring committee could get to know each candidate as a teacher, learner, and potential colleague. Teacher candidates also conduct a demonstration lesson. Your son or daughter may have shared with you that a guest teacher taught a lesson in their classroom. This multiple step and thorough process has resulted in the hiring of passionate, knowledgeable, energetic, and caring educators who will join our staff in 2018-2019. We are excited for our families to meet each one of them when we return to school in August.

As we head into the last five weeks of school, we appreciate your support in continuing to get your child to school and on time. We believe that the last 5 weeks of school is just as important as the first. Teachers work hard to create meaningful learning experiences up until the last day of school. As always, if you have any questions about your child’s progress or experience at HPA, please feel free to reach out through email, phone, or swing by my office.

With husky pride,

Ms. Keri Melmed
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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.

Grant for Service Members and Veterans
The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) has a grant of up to $5,000 to help provide financial assistance to help cover expenses such as housing expenses, vehicle expenses, utilities and primary phone, food and more. Please click here for more information.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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

Amazon Smile
Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, AT NO COST TO YOU! When you shop at Smile.Amazon.com you’ll still get the same price but Amazon will automatically donate 0.5% of the purchase price to your chosen charity organization. Since High Point Academy is a non-profit organization, and is listed on the Amazon site, 0.5% of the value of your purchase will be donated to our school. How exciting! That’s money for our school! Please click here to register High Point Academy for the donation from Amazon.com

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