



# 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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## **CO Rockies Tickets on Sale NOW!**

High Point Academy is hosting a community night at the ballpark on Sunday, September 9th. The Colorado Rockies will be playing the Los Angeles Dodgers at 1:10pm 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 August 23rd at 4:00pm to reserve your tickets (20 ticket maximum per family).

## **Girls on the Run**

Girls on the Run starts the week of September 10th. Girls on the Run inspires girls to a lifetime of self-respect and a healthy lifestyle through an innovative program that combines training for a 3.1 mile run/walk race with a fun, health education lesson plan. We will meet Mondays and Thursdays after school from 3:45-5:00 pm. Open to all HPA 3rd through 5th grade girls. Registration is now open at [www.girlsontherunrockies.org](http://www.girlsontherunrockies.org)

## **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.

## **Husky Pack**

2018/19 Husky PACK Registration is now open. Spaces are first come, first serve. [Click here](#) for more information.

## **Like HPA of Facebook**

If you're on Facebook, [like High Point Academy](#) to receive school updates in your newsfeed.

## **Still Enrolling:**

Help spread the word, we are still enrolling for this school year.

Space limited to select grades. Contact Jill Fitz at [jfitz@highpointacademy.net](mailto:jfitz@highpointacademy.net)

## **Fall Sports Parent Meeting**

There is a parent meeting Monday August 20th after school at 4:00pm in the gymnasium. Fall sports for 5th-8th consist of girls volleyball, co-ed flag football and cross country. If you have questions email Dane Tuck at [dtuck@highpointacademy.net](mailto:dtuck@highpointacademy.net).

## **HPA Night with the Colorado Rapids**

Colorado Rapids vs LAFC on Saturday, October 6th @ 7pm at DICK'S Sporting Goods Park. To purchase tickets please [click here](#). Please contact Bianca Velez with the Colorado Rapids at [Bianca.Velez@teamkse.com](mailto:Bianca.Velez@teamkse.com) or 303-727-3590 with questions or orders of 10 or more.

## **Health Office Reminders**

All new students, preschool, kindergarten and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students are required to have an updated immunization record on file in order to stay in school. Updates include MMR, DTaP, IPV and the chicken pox vaccine.

If your student has a health condition or needs special care during the school day such as medication, treatments, or monitoring, please inform the school nurse. Individual health care plans help keep your students safe and healthy.

Visit the school website for more information on student health, school forms, and other helpful links.

## **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 the office,

## Important Dates:

**August 20:** Fall Sports Meeting at 4pm

**August 23:** Sports tryouts at 4pm

**August 24:** Sports tryouts at 4pm

**August 29:** Conferences 4pm-8pm

**August 30:** Conferences 4pm-8pm

**August 31:** NO SCHOOL

**September 3:** NO SCHOOL Labor Day

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## Message from the Chief Academic Officer/Principal

Dear High Point Academy Families,

It is with great enthusiasm that, on behalf of the entire HPA staff, I welcome you back to school!

Teachers returned to work the first week in August. Over the last two weeks there has been lots of excitement and energy planning for the new school year. Staff was eagerly organizing their classrooms, revising curriculum, meeting within teams, getting appropriate medical training, as well as diving into texts and most current research on best teaching practices to ensure the highest quality program for your child. The building was abuzz with activity and anticipation for the new year.

Our preparations culminated on Thursday evening with our first Back to School Night Bash. It was wonderful to see so many familiar and new faces enjoying the festivities outside on our playground. Kids enjoyed the face painter, bouncy houses, stationary bikes, music, food trucks, just to name a few of the fun activities and community partners that helped make the evening a wonderful success. Most importantly families were able to meet their child's teacher and connect with HPA friends. Thank you for taking the time out of your busy schedules to engage in our first community event of the year.

For new families that were unable to attend the orientation session, here are a few highlights:

If you have a concern, please reach out to your child's teacher.

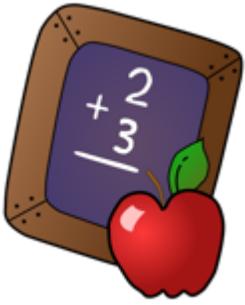
Your child's teacher or advisor is your first point of contact.

Practice HPA community courtesies. Allow 36 hour response time for each email, call or request. Be respectful with your interactions and remember that we are all doing and trying our best.

At arrival and dismissal, follow carpool procedures, drive slowly and stay off your cell phones. We appreciate your patience as we get over 700 students in and out of school each day.

Students are assessed according to their understanding of the state academic standards. Teachers will indicate if your child is beginning (BEG), developing (DEV), accomplished (ACC), or exceeding (EXC) in their understanding toward each learning standards.

We implement a positive school-wide behavioral system called Husky PRIDE. P=Participation, R=Responsibility, I=Integrity, D=Determination, E=Excellence. Students show their Husky PRIDE by participating in class, being responsible for their work, showing integrity even when no one is looking, determination when things get hard, and excellence in their work and actions! Ask your child about their Husky PRIDE.



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## Message from the Chief Academic Officer/Principal

As a school we continue to focus on supporting student social, personal, and academic learning. We do this the **HPA Way**. The HPA Way focuses on four aspects of education: teaching, grading, discipline, and culture. Our teaching style ensures that students are engaged and that they are completing meaningful, relevant, and compelling work. Our grading provides valuable information about each student according to their understanding of the Colorado academic standards. Our restorative discipline approach supports students in learning from their mistakes and repairing harm they may have caused. And most importantly, we use what we know about our students to celebrate our differences and to personalize the learning experience. The HPA Way sets us apart from other schools and incorporates what we know is best for kids. It's hard work, but we have a staff that is highly committed to meeting these values.

If you have any questions about any of these topics, please feel free to email, call, or stop by my office. We have had a wonderful first few days back and look forward to many more weeks of learning and fun together!

With Husky pride,

Keri Melmed  
Executive Director/Principal

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