

Husky 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.

A Message from Executive Director/Principal, Keri Melmed

Dear HPA Families.

Things are feeling more and more normal with our amazing students back in the building!

Walls are filling with student work, the playground is filled with play and laughter, class-rooms are robust with learning, afterschool activities are in full swing, sports are occurring, just to name a few. We are hopeful that we will be able to bring back more of our students in quarter 4. Please be on the lookout for more information about our inperson and online options for 4th quarter in the coming week.



Since the beginning of the year HPA has been actively supporting staff in receiving their vaccine. We are happy to report that, in the next few weeks, we will have successfully vaccinated over 60% of our staff. With staff vaccinated they will have an extra layer of protection. This greatly supports the school's ability to operate, have necessary supervision, and keep the flow of learning.

That said, this week the school experienced two covid positive cases which resulted in the closure of two classes. If your child was in the class with the positive case, you would have been notified and given specific instructions. This occurrence is an important reminder that while COVID rates are declining and vaccinations are occurring, we cannot ease our diligence and we must continue to follow our precautions.

Specifically:

- If your child is not well, keep them home. If you have questions about whether they should come to school, contact our clinic assistant –Emily Chouinard at echouinard@highpointacademy.net.
- If your child is a close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, keep them home and contact the school for quarantine guidance. (Close contact is someone who has been within 6 feet of someone with COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more in a 24-hour period).
- If your child is experiencing COVID like symptoms, keep them home. We encourage you to get them tested for COVID-19 (See free testing sites).
- If anyone in your household is exposed to COVID-19 or tests positive for COVID-19, keep your child at home and contact our clinic assistant for guidance Emily Chouinard at echoui-nard@highpointacademy.net.

We are grateful to you for your continued support and patience as we navigate this tricky school year. With warm regards,

Keri Melmed, Executive Director/Principal

Email: kmelmed@highpointacademy.net

Husky PRIDE Focus

Participation

The focus of the month for February is Participation:

- I can help my family cook a meal
- I can listen to my classmates when they are speaking
- I can play games with my family
- I can help around the house with daily chores
- I can speak loud enough so everyone can hear
- I can build on my classmates thinking with my own comments



February 24: Governing Board Meeting @ 5pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81397211005?pwd=cUVjVU8xaHhOWUk5K0R0dlZhcjlPQT09

Meeting ID: 813 9721 1005

Passcode: 276061

February 26: Individual Spring Picture Make-Ups 8am-12pm

March 3: Boosterthon Kick-Off

March 12: Boosterthon Event

March 13-21: NO SCHOOL—Spring Break

March 31: Governing Board Meeting @ 5pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89583179778? pwd=NG9Ebi9VOFF1Q1RGeWVNUTh3cEZ0dz09

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Feb/Mar Breakfast Menu 🎉



22	23	24	25	26	
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
ENTREE Cinnamon Chex Cereal Ultimate Breakfast Round (UBR) FRUIT Orange Tangerine Juice Box	ENTREE Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal Egg and Cheese Biscuit FRUIT Orange	ENTREE Eggo Waffle Bites Rice Chex Cereal w/ String Cheese FRUIT Orange Tangerine Juice Box	ENTREE Cherry Frudel Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal FRUIT Red Apple	ENTREE Chicken Sausage & Cheese Bagel Cinnamon Chex Cereal FRUIT Orange Tangerine Juice Box	
1	2	3	4	5	
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
ENTREE Apple Frudel Cinsamon Chex Cereal	ENTREE Bagel, Egg & Cheese Sandwich Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal	ENTREE Rice Chex Cereal w/ String Cheese Zuechini Bread	ENTREE Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal Egg and Cheese Omelet w/ Cinnamon Roll	ENTREE Bagel w/ Strawberry Cream Cheese Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal	
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Feb/Mar Lunch Menu



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Bean & Cheese Burrito w/ Baby Carrots Chicken Hot Wings w/ Curly Fries & Dinner Roll FRUIT	ENTREE Beef Nachos w/ Re-fried Beans Meal Cheese Nachos w/ Re-fried Beans Meal FRUIT Applesauce IW Cup Peaches	ENTREE Country Chicken Bowl Grilled Cheese & Baby Carrots Meal Meal FRUIT Red Apple			ENTREE Cheesy Bread Stick w/ Marinan & Fresh Broccoli Florets Meal Meat Lasagna & Broccoli Flore Meal FRUIT Mandarin Oranges Strawberries	Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Meat
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ENTREE Broccoli Cheese Baked Potato w/ Baby Carrots Meal Chicken Nuggets & Fresh Broccoli Florets Meal FRUIT Red Apple	ENTREE Cheeseburger & Curly Fries Meal PBJ Uncrustable & Baby Carrots Meal Wow Butter & Jelly Sandwich w/ Celery Sticks Meal (Peanut-Free Option) FRUIT Applesauce IW Cup Peaches		ENTREE Mae & Cheese w/ Sweet Peas & Dinner Roll Meal Meatloaf with Mashed Potatoes and Dinner Roll FRUIT Orange	All Tota Veg with FR	TREE Beef Hot dog w/ Sweet Potato s Meal setarian Black Bean Fajita Wrap h Celery Sticks UIT eberries ndarin Oranges	ENTREE Chicken Alfredo & Broccoli Florets Meal Grilled Cheese & Baby Carrots Mcal Mcal FRUIT Peaches Strawberries
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Carpool



Carpool Suggestions:

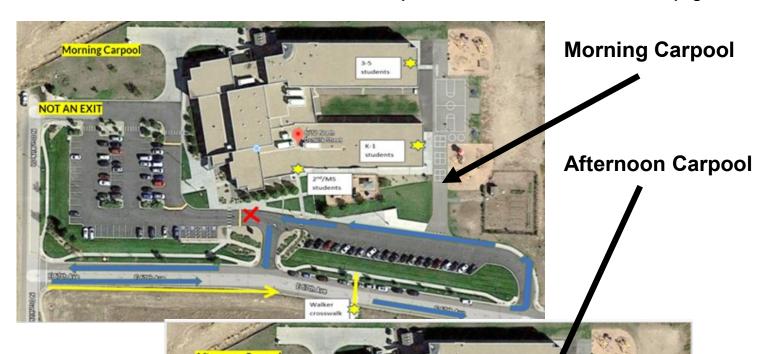
- Encourage walking! Avoid using the carpool lane, drop off on neighboring streets and allow students to use the sidewalk along Dunkirk Street to walk to school.
- Share the ride! Connect with other parents and coordinate a carpool schedule. See page 8 for more details.
- Bike to school! We have bike racks for students who would like to bike it to school.

Carpool Safety:

- Do not park along Dunkirk Street.
- Do not make U-Turns along Dunkirk Street.
- Use caution when entering Dunkirk Street.

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Morning Drop Off –

- Please have your child ready to go with their coats, backpack and mask on by the time you reach the drop off area
- In the morning there is only one drop off lane, please stay in the right lane and follow the direction of the staff members greeting you and your child
- If your child walks to school, they are allowed in the building at 8am, there is no supervision for children who arrive prior to 8am

Afternoon Pick Up -

- Please have your name card on your dashboard (all grade levels will receive a name card by the end of next week)
- In the afternoon there are 2 carpool lanes. If you are a K-8 family, you can use either lane, preschool families must stay in the right lane

We are aware of the increase in traffic and surrounding construction that makes 64th and Dunkirk a challenging intersection. We appreciate your patience and know that we are working on the following to alleviate the congestion:

- A police office has been hired to help with traffic control from 7:45-8:45 am in the morning and 2-3pm in the afternoon on Mondays. We are working with Denver Police Department to see if they can help on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.
- Working with the city of Denver to install a traffic light. We have been waiting for this for the past two
 years and we are now on their list for installation. Unfortunately, we have not been given a projected
 date yet.
- In the meantime, we encourage families to contact:

SIGNAL SERVICE REQUESTS: You can request traffic signal services by calling 311 or entering a request online at www.denvergov.org/pocketgov. Please identify the specific location of the traffic signal request, 64th and Dunkirk. Describe the specific problem "we need a 4-way traffic light". A case will be created in the tracking system and you should receive a case number for this issue. To track the status of your request, keep your case number. You can call 311 after the expected time has passed to check in on the status of your request, providing your case number to the 311 agent. If you would like to receive email

upwhen dates about your case, please provide your email address you submit your request.



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Schoolpool

We are pleased to partner with Schoolpool, a program to help parents get their students to/from school. It's free and there is no obligation to participate. Schoolpool is a service of Way to Go, a federally funded program of the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG).

How Does Schoolpool Work?

- 1. Create an account and register your household address or intersection here: https://mywaytogo.org/s/schoolpool-high-poiefb14 (To maintain the highest level of privacy and security, this link is the only way for High Point Academy participants to register.)
- 2. Add comments to indicate special requests or preferences, such as "can provide morning rides in exchange for afternoon rides," "student is in after-school actives," or "looking for a walk buddy in the mornings."
- 3. Find and contact interested High Point Academy families in your neighborhood or along your drive to/

High Point Academy has partnered with Way to Go to offer this program to our parents as a free service with the goal of reducing traffic congestion and minimizing the stress of getting children to and from school. Rest assured, your information will only be shared with participating High Point Academy families. No one else will ever see your information, unless you elect to share your information with families at other schools.

The Schoolpool secure mapping service can be used for trip planning, or emergency trips and is a great resource to meet nearby families for other reasons such as play-dates and baby sitters.

The more families that register, the more likely you are to find good matches. Contact Way to Go at 303-458-7665 or waytogo@drcog.org for assistance.

Information is provided for your use only. High Point Academy and Way to Go do not run background checks, confirm valid driver's licenses or assess insurance coverage on participants. Potential users are advised to screen participants to their personal satisfaction and check their own insurance coverage for carpooling to ensure that they are covered under these voluntary arrangements. No drivers, vehicles or insurance are provided.



Spring Picture Retakes...will take place on Friday, February 26th from 8am to 12pm. Order your pictures online at life-touch.com. Use Picture Day ID: EVTQ9JKGM

Lost and Found...do any of these items look familiar? Has your child lost a water bottle, glasses, or coat? Call our front office for any missing items.

Does your child need uniforms???

Check out the following HPA uniform vendors below:

https://www.frenchtoast.com/schoolbox/schools/high-point-academy-QS5HFFG

https://denver.educationaloutfitters.com/find-my-school/high-point-academy/

www.HPAapparel.com

https://www.1stplacespiritwear.com/customer/1178377

If you need uniform donations please contact info@highpointacademy.net

<u>Daily Attendance</u> will be taken every morning at 8:45am. Students will not be marked tardy during the first two weeks of in-person learning as we work to streamline carpool drop-off in the morning. Thank you in advance for your patience and support during this process.

Husky Happenings Cont.



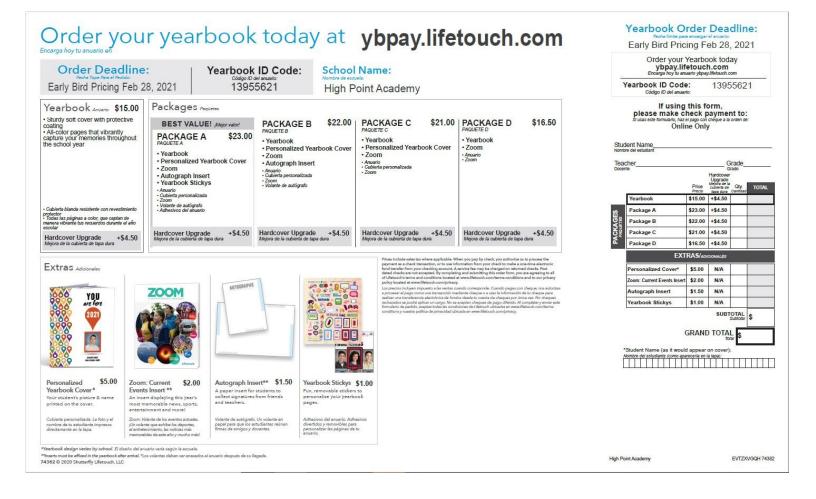
2020-2021 School Yearbook ON SALE NOW!

The 2020-2021 school yearbooks are on sale now for the discounted price of \$15.00**. Order online at wbpay.lifetouch.com and enter in school code 13955621.

**Discounted pricing ends on February 28, 2021.

**March 1, 2021 the price goes up to \$20.00.





Boosterthon FUN RUN Fundraiser

We're only 2 weeks away from our High Point Academy Fun Run! Our goal is to raise \$10,000 for a rubber floor for the playground. Donating is officially open on funrun.com!

Please support our school today - here's how:

REGISTER your student (s) on <u>funrun.com</u> today. It takes 30 seconds! **SHARE** with 5 family/friends using the SHARE tools on funrun.com (Facebook, Text Message or Email) *Students will earn rewards just for sharing from <u>funrun.com</u>.*

GIVE a donation if you are able to give.

Also, here are a few things to know about this important fundraiser:

- All families can support our school by either donating, sharing on <u>furun.com</u>, or both Students can receive rewards when parents share from <u>funrun.com</u>
- All students get to participate in the Event day, regardless of financial participation
- This fundraiser comes with an incredible character development program for students where they'll be learning about the importance of teamwork, care, courage, grit and celebration

We are working hard to make this fundraiser safe, fun, and successful for everyone!

Donating Is NOW Open!

Register on FUNRUN.COM, SHARE, & GIVE!

Fundraiser Kick Off - 3/3

Event Day - 3/12—SAVE THE DATE!

Thank you for working with us to make our school stronger. We are grateful for your support!



Husky Happenings



Getting Fit as a Family...During a Pandemic

Brought to you by Children's Hospital

Eat healthier. Exercise more. We all know in theory how to get in shape, but in practice it's easier said than done. The constant change of the pandemic doesn't necessarily make it any easier—but if could offer an opportunity to reprioritize healthy choices as a family. Of course, it doesn't happen overnight. Our experts offer six tips for setting new and healthy family routines—and sticking to them. <u>Stay on track.</u>

Live Parent Education Event (Webinar-style)

Topic: Getting Fit as a Family...During a Pandemic

Date & Time: Wednesday, February 24, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Children's Hospital Colorado family wellness expert and exercise physiologist Eve Kutchman, M.Ed., will join pediatrician Hilary Stempel, MD, MPH, to discuss practical ways to encourage your family to reprioritize daily activities to include making healthy choices, with considerations for being in a pandemic. Following their presentation, they will be available to answer participant questions live.

Parents must register to attend this free event.



COVID Corner



Do you have...

- Loss of taste or smell?
- Fever of 100.4 or higher?
- · Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing?
- Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea?
- Fatigue?
- Sore throat and congestion?

Coronavirus self-checker:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/coronavirus-self-checker.html

Find a testing site near you:

https://covidtest.colorado.gov/map

NEW!!! COVID-19 Testing at Home for Colorado Schools

Click here for the link to FAQ document



Huskies on the Slopes



ATTENTION 5TH & 6TH GRADE FAMILIES!!! COLORADO SKI COUNTRY USA 5TH & 6TH GRADE PASSPORT PROGRAM

The Passport Program is the best way to get students on the slopes. With 3-4 days of skiing at 21 participating ski areas, the Passport is dedicated to getting Colorado's kids on the slopes.

While weekends and holidays are not available with the Passport this season, we believe the Passport is a great product for students to enjoy on teacher in-service days and over Spring Break.

REGISTRATION EXTENDED THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2021.

CLICK THE LINK FOR MORE INFORMATION!!

https://www.coloradoski.com/passport?

idU=1&utm source=newsletter 1656&utm medium=email&utm campaign=mdr-01-21

FAQs: For FAQ's and answers to most questions about the 5th and 6th Grade Program, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.





Husky Community



Building Community...

Together



We Have Partnered with American Furniture Warehouse!

When you make a purchase at American Furniture Warehouse, mention High Point Academy and a portion of the sale is donated to our school.



The Partnership That Keeps on Giving!



King Soopers Community Rewards program makes fundraising easy by donating to our school based on the shopping you do every day. Once you link your Card to High Point Academy, all you have to do is shop at King Soopers and swipe your Shopper's Card. Here's how it works:

- Create a digital account- A digital account is needed to participate in King Soopers Community Rewards. If you already have a digital account, simply link your Shopper's Card to your account so that all transactions apply toward the organization you choose
- 2. Link your card to "High Point Academy PTO" and click save https://www.kingsoopers.com/i/community/community/community/rewards
- 3. King Soopers will send HPA PTO a check at the end of the school year with any funds earned.

Amazon Smile





Box Tops for Education





Download the Box Tops app to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add cash to our school's earnings online. 10 cents for each Box Top. Sign up today by selecting The Academy at High Point.

Milk Caps for Moola

MILK CAPS for MOOOLA is a program sponsored by Longmont Dairy that helps students earn money for their school and students. Longmont Dairy milk caps are worth 5ϕ each and are redeemable for cash by participating schools only. Drink Longmont Dairy Milk, save the bottle caps, bring them to the front office.

