

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,

We hope this newsletter finds you well. It is hard to believe that this coming week is a year since the coronavirus pandemic began. A year ago, we could have never imaged the impact it would have on our lives. We know that this public health crisis has taken a toll on everyone in our community – our students, our staff, and our families. Through each stage we have remained true to our highest value, and that is our student and staff safety and wellbeing. We know that this hasn't always been easy and that it has required much more patience and partnership than in years past, and we thank you for all you have done to support your child and HPA.



In March, the work of a school leader is very much split between this year and next year. We are diligently working to ensure that the last quarter of the year is filled with meaningful learning experiences; and we are actively planning for next year. We anticipate next school year feeling more 'normal'. We will return to a 5-day school week, we will return to a full day of learning, and we will return to in-person model. Whether or not we are still wearing masks and adhering to COVID-19 safety precautions, we will be back in our building.

We have been excited by the learning gains we are seeing in our students since our return to campus. Even with just a few weeks of in-person learning, we are noticing student growth toward the state standards. As we plan for next year, we know that our learning experiences will need to fill gaps and that we will need to prepare content that compensates for the disruption caused by the pandemic. Rest assured, retaining your child in their current grade is not the answer or the approach we are taking as a school. Rather, as a preK-8 school we have the benefit of working together to proactively adjust to ensure all grades are prepared for the students walking through their doors next year. If you have any questions about your child's learning and readiness for next year, please reach out to their teacher or any administrator.

This summer, if there is interest from the community, we hope to offer two programs. The first is a tutoring opportunity for students who may need additional time and support to meet grade level reading expectations. The second is a camp program that combines the fun filled days of camp with academic support. Please be sure to complete the survey so that we can better understand and meet your needs.

Summer Learning Survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VRV9XTV

Each spring our 3rd-8th grade students are required to take the state standardized assessment called Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS). You may be aware of the controversy surrounding this assessment. Proponents believe the assessment provides the state important information about student and school progress. Opponents believe the assessment is not an accurate measure of student learning and that the pandemic has caused stress and disjointed learning for students this year and that it should not be administered. While the Biden administration has announced that states must administer their standardized test, the Colorado legislature has asked the federal government for a waiver so that not all students and not all grades must test. Regardless of the outcome, families always have the option to "opt out" their child from these tests. In the coming weeks we will provide more information on this topic.

For now, we hope that you are seeing your child learning and growing. If you have any thoughts or questions, we always enjoy hearing from you.

Keri Melmed, Executive Director/Principal

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Husky PRIDE Focus

Responsibility

The focus of the month for March is Responsibility:

- I keep my desk space clean and organized
- I finish my work without being reminded
- I am in control of my own behavior
- I do my part when working in a group
- I am prepared for class
- I take ownership of my actions both in and out of the classroom





January/February Important Dates



March 12: Boosterthon Virtual Dance Event

March 12: Quarter 3 Ends

March 15-19: NO SCHOOL—Spring Break (No Innovation

Learning Childcare)

March 22: Quarter 4 Starts

March 29: Quarter 3 Report Cards Distributed

March 31: Governing Board Meeting @ 5pm

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Meeting ID: 895 8317 9778

Passcode: 363931

April 26-28: CMAS Testing

April 28: Governing Board Meeting @ 5pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89065919559?pwd=SjJPcnVlbIM5c20zalFJRWdUUEUrUT09

Meeting ID: 890 6591 9559

Passcode: 723847

April 29: NO SCHOOL—Teacher Professional Development

April 30: NO SCHOOL (No Innovation Learning Childcare)

May 3-4: CMAS Make-Up Testing

May 17-21: Spring Scholastic Book Fair



March Breakfast Menu



1	2	3	4	5
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
ENTREE Apple Frudel Cinnamon Chex Cereal	ENTREE Bagel, Egg & Cheese Sandwich Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal	ENTREE Rice Chex Cercal w/ String Cheese Zucchini 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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ENTREE Cinnamon Chex Cereal Ultimate Breakfast Round (UBR)	ENTREE Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal Lemon Bread	ENTREE Eggo Waffle Bites Rice Chex Cereal w/ String Cheese	ENTREE Cherry Frudel Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal	ENTREE Chicken Sausage & Cheese Bagel Cinnamon Chex Cereal
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March Lunch Menu



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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 Mac & Cheese w/ Sweet Peas & Dinner Roll Meal Meatloaf with Mashed Potatoes and Dinner Roll FRUIT Orange	ENTREE All Beef Hot dog w/ Sweet Potato Tots Meal Vegetarian Black Bean Fajita Wrap with Celery Sticks FROTT Blueberries Mandarin Oranges	ENTREE Chicken Alfredo & Broccoli Florets Meal Grilled Cheese & Baby Carrots Meal Meal FRUIT Penches Strawberries
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Husky Happenings



Boosterthon DANCE FIT Fundraiser

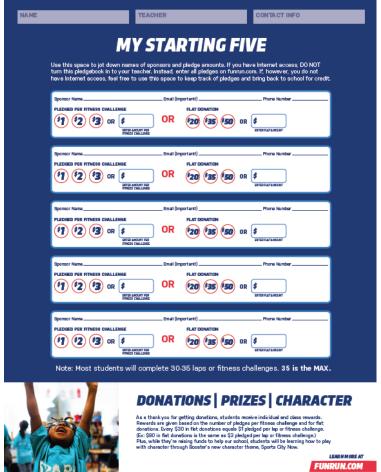
Thank you so much for your support of the High Point Dance Fit! We have had a blast the last two days in our character program learning about TEAMWORK and CARE! We have a special Challenge this weekend. Any student who earns \$2/Minute Danced or \$60 Flat Donation can earn a BONUS PRIZE, but it is only for this weekend. Make sure you log onto FunRun.com and help our school! Don't forget, you can also earn a FREE PRIZE just by logging in!



GIVING GUIDE

Click here for a printable copy of the starting five giving guide.







Husky Happenings Cont.,



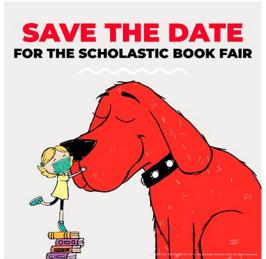
Second Chance Bike Project

Second Chance Bike Shop, a used bike shop in Aurora that has donated thousands of bikes to kids all over the country. In recent times, Second Chance sent bikes to kids in need in California and the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. Many schools throughout the Denver Metro area have bike programs with Second Chance to support kids in learning how to ride bikes, getting exercise, exploring their neighborhoods, and just having fun with the increased freedom that a bike provides. High Point Academy is now a new partner of Second Chance Bike Shop, thanks to our Wellness teacher Mrs. Cain. Today our HPA students were gifted a bike from Second Chance!





Scholastic Book Fair May 17-21





Husky Happenings



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

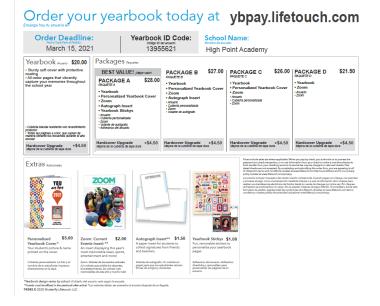
If you need uniform donations please contact info@highpointacademy.net

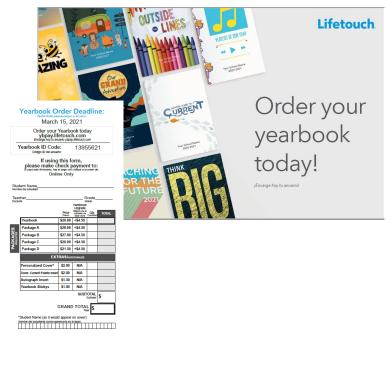
Daily Attendance will be taken every morning at 8:45am. Students will be marked tardy if they arrive after 8:45am. Need to excuse your child(ren) from school? Please call the school @ 303-217-5152 and press "1" for attendance.

2020-2021 School Yearbook ON SALE NOW!

The 2020-2021 school yearbooks are on sale now for the discounted price of **\$20.00**. Order online at **ybpay.lifetouch.com** and enter in school code 13955621.

**Last day to order your school yearbook is March, 15, 2021





Do you have pictures of your student(s) learning at home? What about pictures of them being dropped off at school? Working on their schoolwork at home? We would love to add them to our school yearbook.

If you would like to contribute pictures to our school yearbook please email them to mmurray@highpointacademy.net before March 26th.

We know this school has been unique and for some unforgettable, but we know our school yearbook will be a special memory for our students in the future.



Girls on the Run at HPA



ATTENTION 3RD, 4TH, AND 5TH GRADE GIRLS...

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!

www.girlsontherunrockies.org

Girls on the Run is a place where all girls can be themselves. We stretch ourselves physically, mentally, socially and emotionally. We have an innovative program that combines training for a 3.1 mile run/walk race with a fun, health education lesson plan. This program promotes individual achievement and self-confidence. Girls gain self-esteem and learn healthy lifestyle habits while training for a 5k run/walk race.

What if I don't like to run?

That's ok! We use the term "running" loosely and want girls to just be themselves and have fun. Girls can run, hop, skip, speed walk or dance towards their goals. The lessons promote self-challenge instead of competition; self-worth instead of societal worth and cooperation instead of rivalry.

Practice meets every Monday and Thursday from 2:45-4:15pm starting the week of March 22nd.

Find specific program information as well as COVID-19 precautions at https://girlsontherunrockies.org/2020/07/15/fall-2020-program-information/

To register:

- Go to <u>www.girlsontherunrockies.org</u>.
- Click on "Registration Open".
- Find and select your school name in the dropdown box.
- Complete the registration.
- Check your email for a registration confirmation email. This means registration is complete!



Questions? Contact <u>info@highpointacademy.net</u> or call 303-217-5152 for more information.



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/symptomstesting/coronavirus-selfchecker.html

Find a testing site near you:

https://covidtest.colorado.gov/map

NEW!!! COVID-19 Testing at Home for

COVID-19 Vaccines Available Now in Montbello



Montbello Area

Vaccine clinics are nearby and easily accessible





Community members 65+ and educators eligible NOW

Vaccines are free - no ID or insurance required





Register online

https://tinyurl.com/vaxsignup1





You'll be notified when you can make an appointment

Look for a text, call or email



For more information, contact us at (720) 677-8691 www.covidcheckcolorado.org

Las vacunas contra el COVID-19 ya están disponibles en Montbello



Área de Montbello

Las clínicas de vacunación están cerca y son fácilmente accesibles





Miembros de la comunidad mayores de 65 años y educadores elegibles AHORA

Las vacunas son gratis - no se requiere identificación o seguro de salud





Registrese en línea

https://tinyurl.com/vaxsignup3





Se le notificará cuando pueda pedir una cita

Esté atento a un mensaje de texto, una llamada o un correo electrónico



Para más información, llámenos al (720) 677-8691 www.covidcheckcolorado.org



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.

