

## 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 made it! Today is the last day of quarter four and your child has successfully completed the 20-21 school year. Congratulations! Each year of school has significance in our development, and I believe this year will always have a special place in our hearts. We began this year with the unknowns of what this pandemic would mean and how it would impact our lives. There was fear, anxiety, and concern for the health and safety of our community. We stayed committed to our values and we followed every precaution to ensure that students and staff were safe. This year tested our resilience and our resolve, and I am so proud

of the way we came together and persevered. We truly are the HPA family.

On Tuesday we held a family information session over zoom. At the meeting we highlighted and shared some of the exciting things we all have to look forward to.

The link to the zoom can be found below and the PowerPoint presentation can be viewed <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/tYAD0z1486shM-">https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/tYAD0z1486shM-</a>
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We are thrilled to welcome our new staff members to our team. They bring new ideas, talent, and passion to our community. Please see the presentation for more information about each new teacher.

Your feedback from the family satisfaction survey has provided us valuable information to consider. We have included a few highlights below.

- 93% of families agree or strongly agree that "my child is getting a strong foundation of academic success"
- 91% of families agree or strongly agree that "my family feels a partnership with the school"
- 97% of families agree or strongly agree that "when I contact a staff member, I feel welcome"
- 96% of families agree or strongly agree that "my child is treated fairly and is supported to learn from their mistakes"
- 94% of families reported that "I am satisfied with the way HPA responded to the corona-virus public health crisis"
- 91% of families reported that "I am satisfied with efforts staff made and the progress my child was able to attain during this public health crisis"

In addition, 70% of families reported their current involvement is "just right" and 40% of families would like to learn more about standards-based grading.

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Next year, we are planning for a return to normalcy. We will have school Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 3:30 (prek-4) and 3:40 (5-8). Monday is early release at 1pm to provide faculty and staff time for professional development and cross grade level planning and collaboration. You can find the 21.22 calendar on our website.

We have not received official guidelines regarding COVID precautions, but we anticipate that fully vaccinated staff will not be required to wear masks. As the vaccine becomes available and approved for our children, we will provide that information to you. If there is a resurgence of the virus and it is unsafe for us to return to full in-person learning, we have contingency plans prepared and we are ready to go.

We invite you to share your ideas, perspective, and insights during one of the upcoming family focus groups. Please use the link to RSVP: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RCKP97F">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RCKP97F</a>
Zoom Focus Group Dates and Times:

May 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00-10:00am May 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00-7:00pm

June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00-2:00pm June 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00-7:00pm

The focus groups will be facilitated by Mr. Jung Park, *Entrepreneur, Strategist, Professor, Speaker, Author.* Over the coming weeks he will engage with multiple stakeholders including – parents, students, teachers, administrators, and governing board members. His synthesis and analysis from these meetings will be an important aspect used to create High Point Academy's next five-year strategic plan "HPA 2021-2026 Strategic Plan". We are providing multiple opportunities for you to engage. We hope that one of the times provided will work with your schedule. We have contracted with a language translation service to ensure everyone in our community can participate.

We are excited to end the year with our 'intensive' program, Field Day, 8<sup>th</sup> grade continuation, and grade level celebrations! Teachers have worked hard to ensure that we end this historic year with fun and joy! Thank you for your continued support, partnership, and trust. We could not have made it through this year without you!

With husky pride,

Keri Melmed, Executive Director/Principal

Email: kmelmed@highpointacademy.net



## May Important Dates



May 19-June 1: Spring Book Fair—Online Shopping

May 24-27: Spring Book Fair—In-Person Shopping

May 24: PK-6th Grade Field Day

May 24: Family Focus Group 9:00-10:00am \*see pg 6 for details

May 25-27: Intensives

May 26: 8th Grade Continuation at 6:00pm

**UPDATED!! May 27:** Last Day of School

May 28: Family Focus Group 6:00-7:00pm \*see pg 6 for details

June 1: Spring Book Fair—Last Day to Shop Online

June 2: Family Focus Group 1:00-2:00pm \*see pg 6 for details

June 4: Family Focus Group 6:00-7:00pm \*see pg 6 for details



## May Breakfast/Lunch Menu



24

Cinnamon Chex Cereal

Ultimate Breakfast Round

Juice

12.5

Cinnamon Toast Crunch

Cereal

Lemon Bread

Orange

26

Eggo Waffle Bites

Rice Chex Cereal w/ String

Cheese

Juice

27

Cherry Frudel

Cinnamon Toast Crunch

Cereal

Red Apple

24

Bean & Cheese Burrito

Chicken Hot Wings w/ Curly Fries & Dinner Roll Baby Carrots

Orange

20

Beef Nachos Cheese Nachos

Re-fried Beans Applesauce Peaches 26

Country Chicken Bowl Grilled Cheese

Baby Carrots Red Apple 27

Cheesy Bread Stick w/

Marinara Greek Gyro Wrap

Cucumber Coins Broccoli Florets Strawberries

Mandarin Oranges



## **Husky Happenings**



### **Scholastic Book Fair**

High Point Academy is hosting a spring book fair from May 24th through the 27th. There are many ways to shop this year including online starting May 19th. Check out these Scholastic Interactive Book Flyers for <u>elementary</u> and <u>K-8</u> and get your wish lists ready. You'll love this NEW option to shop for **Book Fair exclusives** directly from the interactive booklist and enjoy these special online shopping features:

- Over 6,000 items, including new releases, best sellers, and value packs.
- All online orders ship directly to your home.
- FREE shipping on book-only orders over \$25.00.
- All purchases support our school and earn 25% in rewards.

Online shopping is NOW available. <u>Click here!</u> Remote learning students can shop online only.

Students will get an opportunity to view and shop during the school day. We will also have in-person shopping available after school from 3:00-6:00pm.

We are encouraging all families to set up an <u>eWallet</u> account for your students to use to purchase their books when their class visits the fair during the school day.

### eWallet Shopping Details

### A SAFE, CASHLESS WAY TO SHOP THE FAIR

Easy to setup, **eWallet funds** are immediately available for use at both the inschool and virtual Book Fair. Plus, family and friends can contribute too!



## **Husky Happenings**



# Please Join One of Our Upcoming Family Focus Groups

As we plan for the upcoming years at High Point Academy, we want to hear from you. What do you value most for your child's education? What aspirations do you have for them? How can HPA support your child to thrive?

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While we are excited for a sense of normalcy in the 2021-2022 school year, we know that we cannot return to the way things were. We want to take a critical look at our current social context to identify ways we can be better for our kids. We want to adapt and evolve in ways that will allow each student to thrive in our care. Your feedback is valued and critical to our planning process.

## 1st Day School Supply Kits Now Available for 21-22 School Year

Back to school shopping for next year right now ... Are you kidding me? Let me remind you of the chaos that comes with last minute back to school shopping in the summer. Why not shop on-line with <a href="Ist-DaySchoolSupplies.com">1st-DaySchoolSupplies.com</a> versus in-line at Wal-Mart, Target or Staples? In just a few clicks, you will get the exact supplies your teacher requested without the risk and aggravation that comes with shopping last minute at big box retailers.



### **Athletics at HPA 21-22 School Year**

Our 21/22 school year is looking to be our biggest year yet for HPA sports! With the new expansion of the soccer field and football field we are looking to expand the participation in after school athletics to Kindergarten through to 8<sup>th</sup> grade, but we need your help! If you have experience coaching or playing the following sports and are interested in volunteering your time to support HPA sports please reach out to Mr. Tuck at <a href="mailto:dtuck@highpointacademy.net">dtuck@highpointacademy.net</a> for more information.

Soccer

- Basketball
- Tennis

Volleyball

- Cross Country
- Cheer Team

- Flag football
- Baseball

### After School Activities for 2021-2022 School Year

If you are interested in sponsoring an After School Activity or know of an organization that you would like to see at HPA, please contact <a href="mailto:info@highpointacademy.net">info@highpointacademy.net</a> (gymnastics, drum line, Boys Scouts, Girl Scouts, etc.)



## Husky Happenings Cont.



**AMADOR** 





**FARMERS MARKETS** 

**2021 IS BIGGER AND BETTER** 

LOCAL • FRESH • PRODUCE • MEATS • NUTS • BREADS • FOOD • EGGS

# **Green Valley Ranch**

Green Valley Ranch Recreation Center 4890 Argonne Way Denver 80249

Fresh Produce From EAST DENVER

Every Wednesday
June 30-September 1
5-8pm

Enjoy wonderful produce, food and drink vendors.

**THANK YOU SPONSORS** 







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## Husky Happenings Cont.





June 7-25, 2021

Monday-Friday | 12:00-4:00 p.m.

at Vintage Theatre

1460 Dayton St., Aurora (1/2-block south of Colfax)

Performing Rogers & Hammerstein's CINDERELLA on June 25 & 26

\$399 Tuition includes snacks, makup & costumes
Full & Partial Scholarships Available



To sign up, go to VintageTheatre.org

For more information, email
VintageTheatreProductions@gmail.com

Visit <u>chesswizards.jumbula.com</u> for more details.

Interested in more information?
Contact Ms. Lawdan at

jlawdan@highpointacademy.net





## Husky Happenings Cont.



### **Skate City Summer Cards are Back!**

Buy a SkateCity Summer Card for \$5

Skate for \$1.00 Admission during any regular public session through the summer!

### Your School receives \$2 back for every card you sell!



www.skatecitycolorado.com



\*Excludes Adult Night or Special Sessions \*Skate Rental not Included

Summer Membership Card SKATING SCHEDULE

Good sessions listed below: May 28th through August 15th, 2021

SUNDAY: 12-2, 2-4, 4-6, 6-8 PM
MONDAY: 12-2, 2-4, 4-6 PM
TUESDAY: 12-2, 2-4, 4-6 PM
WEDNESDAY: 12-2, 2-4, 4-6, 6-8 PM
THURSDAY: 12-2, 2-4, 4-6, 6-8 PM
FRIDAY: 12-2, 2-4, 4-6, 6-8 PM
SATURDAY: 12-2, 2-4, 4-6, 6-8 PM
Skate Rental \$3.00

(Excludes Memorial & Independence Day)

Regular Admission \$7 • Extra Session \$2

- •Cards also valid Saturdays & Sundays thru September
- •SUMMER CARDS purchased with your school \$5/each
- SUMMER CARDS purchased at Skate City \$12/each
- •BUY a card for everyone in the family
- •One card valid per person, per session

THESE \$5.00 SUMMER SKATING NON-TRANSFERABLE MEMBERSHIP CARDS WILL BE SOLD AS A FUND RAISING PROJECT BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH:

#### **High Point Academy**

Summer Membership Cards will be available for purchase at the reception desk from 8am-3pm through May 28th

SUMMER FUN for EVERYONE at......



AURORA

15100 E. Girard Ave. 303-690-1444 www.skatecitycolorado.com



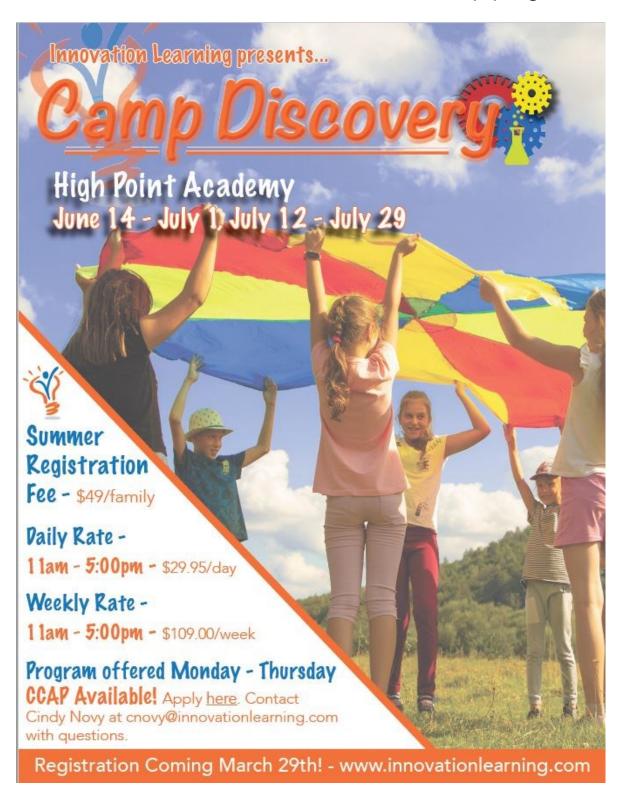
## Husky Happenings Cont.,



## **Innovation Learning Summer Camp 2021**

Registration is NOW OPEN.

Click the link to learn more about summer camp programming.





## COVID Corner



Children's Hospital Colorado has transitioned their COVID-19 vaccine clinic to serve our broader community including kids and families who are age 16 or older. Children's Colorado's web portal for signing up to receive the COVID-19 vaccine is now live. During Phase 2, all Coloradans ages 16 or older are eligible to sign up. Instructions for families about getting a COVID-19 vaccine at Children's Hospital Colorado can be found on our website <a href="here">here</a>.

### When is my child sick enough to stay home??

### 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

### **COVID-19 Testing at Home for Colorado Schools**

Click here for the link to FAQ document



## **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.



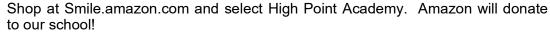
### The Partnership That Keeps on Giving!



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 <a href="https://www.kingsoopers.com/i/community/community/rewards">https://www.kingsoopers.com/i/community/community/community/rewards</a>
- 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  $5\phi$  each and are redeemable for cash by participating schools only. Drink Longmont Dairy Milk, save the bottle caps, bring them to the front office.

