



# 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

It has been a fantastic few weeks of school. Students are so excited to be back in school and in person! That said, the return to a full day, in-person schedule has been a learning experience for us all. I'm pleased to report that, in just three weeks, families have learned the drop off and pick up routines, students have gotten to know their teachers and classmates, as well as their daily routines, and staff are working hard to adjust and finetune the curriculum to meet our students right where they are.

As we begin to settle into the year, we know that you want to support your child's learning and growth. Here's how you can do that:



- Ensure a consistent bedtime. Children 4-14 years old should be getting 8-10 hours of sleep each night.
- Remove cell phones, video games, and other technology so that those items do not keep your child from getting the sleep they need for optimal development.
- 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 on each assignment, test or project. At the start of each year students are typically BEG or DEV. As the year progresses, we begin to see students showing that they are accomplishing/meeting the expectations of each standard. If you have questions about your child's learning progression, please reach out to their teacher.
- To create a positive school-wide culture we celebrate and encourage students to show 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 J
- We have been able to maintain our in person learning model since the first day of school. This is due to our collective commitment to following our COVID procedures and precautions. Thank you for ensuring your child has a mask each day, that you only send your child to school when they are feeling well, and that you communicate any COVID questions to our clinic assistant Mrs. Emily Chouinard at [echouinard@highpointacademy.net](mailto:echouinard@highpointacademy.net).

As a reminder, when a staff or student tests positive for COVID a notification letter from the school will be sent to families in the same class as the person with COVID-19.

The student and/or staff member that tests positive for COVID-19 are required to isolate and follow isolation protocols. Isolation and quarantine guidelines will be communicated by HPA school clinic assistant. Students are required to quarantine if a household member tests positive for COVID or if they are exposed to COVID outside of school.

Classroom settings are not considered high risk environments and classmates are not required to quarantine when another student tests positive for COVID. If a classroom has five or more positive COVID cases within a 14-day period, the class is required to quarantine. If your child's classroom meets this threshold, HPA will notify you immediately and your child's class will pivot to online/remote learning for the duration of the quarantine. Computers and all necessary materials will be provided if remote learning is required. (Families can use personal computers if you prefer, links are web based). Siblings can continue to come to school, unless otherwise notified by the school clinic assistant.

I continue to be hopeful and excited for this school year. Managing the pandemic and creating safe, caring, highly productive classroom environments is hard work, but we have a staff that is highly committed to meeting these values. HPA is blessed with a staff that is energized and passionate, and I am grateful each day to work alongside such an amazing team.

With husky pride,

Keri Melmed—Executive Director/Principal



# Fall Important Dates



**September 13-17:** Scholastic Book Fair

**September 13:** FREE COVID-19 Vaccines Available 1:00-4:00pm

*\*see page 8 for more details*

**September 13:** Monday Early Dismissal @ 1:00pm

**September 14:** Girls on the Run After School Program Begins

**September 15:** Cross Country Meet 4:45pm at Global Village Academy—Aurora Campus

**September 20:** Monday Early Dismissal @1:00pm

**September 21:** After School Activities Begin

**September 24:** NO SCHOOL—Teacher Professional Development

**September 26:** HPA Family Rockies Game 1:10pm First Pitch

**September 27:** School Picture Day—Students MUST be in uniform

**September 27:** Monday Early Dismissal @ 1:00pm

**September 27:** Cross Country Meet 4:45pm at Global Village Academy—Aurora Campus

**October 6:** Cross Country Meet 4:45pm—Location is TBA

**October 13:** Parent Teacher Conferences

**October 14:** Parent Teacher Conferences



# September Breakfast Menu



<b>13</b> <b>Monday</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Tuesday</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Wednesday</b>	<b>16</b> <b>Thursday</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Friday</b>
<b>ENTREE</b> Cherry Frudel Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal  <b>FRUIT</b> Apple Wedges  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk	<b>ENTREE</b> Chicken Sausage and Cheese Biscuit Sandwich Zucchini Bread  <b>FRUIT</b> Apple Juice  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk	<b>ENTREE</b> Baked French Toast Rice Chex Cereal w/ String Cheese  <b>FRUIT</b> Orange  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk	<b>ENTREE</b> Breakfast Quesadilla Lemon Bread  <b>FRUIT</b> Apple Juice  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk	<b>ENTREE</b> Bagel, Egg & Cheese Sandwich Cinnamon Chex Cereal  <b>FRUIT</b> Apple Wedges  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk
<b>20</b> <b>Monday</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Tuesday</b>	<b>22</b> <b>Wednesday</b>	<b>23</b> <b>Thursday</b>	<b>24</b> <b>Friday</b>
<b>ENTREE</b> Benefit Bar - Apple Cinnamon Rice Chex Cereal w/ String Cheese  <b>FRUIT</b> Apple Wedges  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk	<b>ENTREE</b> Pancakes and Chicken Sausage Pancakes and Scrambled Eggs  <b>FRUIT</b> Apple Juice  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk	<b>ENTREE</b> Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal Ultimate Breakfast Round (UBR)  <b>FRUIT</b> Orange  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk	<b>ENTREE</b> Bagel w/ Plain Cream Cheese Cinnamon Chex Cereal  <b>FRUIT</b> Apple Juice  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
<b>27</b> <b>Monday</b>	<b>28</b> <b>Tuesday</b>	<b>29</b> <b>Wednesday</b>	<b>30</b> <b>Thursday</b>	
<b>ENTREE</b> Cinnamon Chex Cereal Ultimate Breakfast Round (UBR)  <b>FRUIT</b> Apple Wedges  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk	<b>ENTREE</b> Bagel w/ Plain Cream Cheese Egg and Cheese Omelet w/ Cinnamon Roll  <b>FRUIT</b> Apple Juice  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk	<b>ENTREE</b> Lemon Bread Rice Chex Cereal w/ String Cheese  <b>FRUIT</b> Orange  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk	<b>ENTREE</b> Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal Egg & Cheese Biscuit Sandwich  <b>FRUIT</b> Apple Juice  <b>MILK</b> True Moo 1 % White Milk True Moo Fat Free White Milk	



# September Lunch Menu



<b>13</b> <b>Monday</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Tuesday</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Wednesday</b>	<b>16</b> <b>Thursday</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Friday</b>
<b>ENTREE</b> Beef Nachos Cheese Nachos WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free)  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Calabacitas Con Elote Refried Beans  <b>FRUIT</b> Red Grapes	<b>ENTREE</b> Chicken Nuggets & Homemade Dinner Roll WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free)  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Celery w/ Ranch Cup- 1/2 C Sweet Potato Tots  <b>FRUIT</b> Plum	<b>ENTREE</b> Cheeseburger (no fries) Grilled Cheese Sandwich WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free)  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Baby Carrots Curly Fries  <b>FRUIT</b> Fruit Honeydew	<b>ENTREE</b> Italian Sub Meal Italian Veggie Sub Meal WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free)  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Baby Carrots Broccoli  <b>FRUIT</b> Red Apple	<b>ENTREE</b> Spaghetti Marinara Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free)  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Garden Greens w/ Ranch Zucchini Sticks w/ Ranch  <b>FRUIT</b> Green Grapes
<b>20</b> <b>Monday</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Tuesday</b>	<b>22</b> <b>Wednesday</b>	<b>23</b> <b>Thursday</b>	<b>24</b> <b>Friday</b>
<b>ENTREE</b> Cheese Quesadilla w/ Homemade Salsa Chicken Quesadilla w/ Homemade Salsa WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free)  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Calabacitas Con Elote Refried Beans  <b>FRUIT</b> Strawberries	<b>ENTREE</b> Greek Gyro Wrap Roasted Red Pepper Hummus Bowl WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free)  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Cucumber Tomato Salad Curly Fries  <b>FRUIT</b> Nectarines	<b>ENTREE</b> Chicken Sandwich WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free) Yogurt Basket w/ Blueberry Muffin - Raspberry  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Garden Greens w/ Ranch Sweet Pepper Strips  <b>FRUIT</b> Red Grapes	<b>ENTREE</b> Beef Taco (1) pk-3rd Beef Tacos (2) 4th-12th Veggie Tacos w/ Roasted Tomato Salsa WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free)  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Celery w/ Ranch Spicy Corn Salad  <b>FRUIT</b> Pear	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
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<b>ENTREE</b> All Beef Hotdog Grilled Cheese Sandwich WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free)  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Sweet Potato Tots Zucchini Sticks w/ Ranch  <b>FRUIT</b> Fruit Honeydew	<b>ENTREE</b> Chicken Sandwich WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free)  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Celery w/ Ranch Curly Fries  <b>FRUIT</b> Red Grapes	<b>ENTREE</b> Bean & Cheese Burrito Beef & Cheese Burrito WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free)  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Cherry Tomatoes w/ Ranch Refried Beans  <b>FRUIT</b> Red Apple	<b>ENTREE</b> Cheesy Bread Stick w/ Marinara Lemon Chicken w/ Chile Lemon Rice WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut-free)  <b>VEGETABLE</b> Broccoli w/ Ranch Sweet Pepper Strips  <b>FRUIT</b> Cantaloupe	



# Husky Happenings



## Carpool

We are working hard with the Aurora and Denver Police to hire an off-duty police officer to assist with traffic control on the intersection of 64<sup>th</sup> and Dunkirk.

Since this summer, we have secured the following coverage:

- Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday morning carpool with Officer Starz (7:15-8:15am) **We are still looking for Tuesday morning carpool coverage.**
- Monday-Fridays afternoon carpool with Officer Lee (3:20-4:00pm)

For years we have petitioned to the city for a traffic light, school signage, anything to help us with traffic control. We were finally informed by the city of Aurora and Denver that we are one of the 4 intersections getting a traffic light (but it could take between 1-2 more years!)

We do have staff members in orange vests assisting with crosswalks but not traffic. Per police regulations, only law enforcement can stop/control traffic.

We ask that families continue to follow carpool etiquette, find family, friends, classmates who would like to carpool, allow older students to walk or bike to school.

Please respect the handicap parking spaces. Only clearly marked handicapped vehicles may use these spaces.

## Girls on the Run

Girls on the Run starts the week of September 13<sup>th</sup> and there is still room for more girls to join. 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 Tuesdays and Wednesdays after school from 3:45-5:00 pm. Open to all HPA 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls. Registration is open at [www.girlsontherunrockies.org](http://www.girlsontherunrockies.org)

## Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) Update

The Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) program is a federal program created to provide additional funds for families to buy food when schools were closed or on a remote or hybrid learning model due to COVID-19. Click here for more information [cdh.colorado.gov/p-ebt](http://cdh.colorado.gov/p-ebt)

High Point Academy has submitted our report to the state of Colorado (for families who complete the "[MySchoolApps](#)") lunch application. Zip Code 80019 District: Denver Public Schools.

There is no need to contact our school/office. If the state determines that you qualify they will reach out to you directly.

UPDATE: the state of CO has received submissions and are in the process of working with the data. Benefits from data collected during this submission period are planned to be issued late this month (September).

## Individual School Picture Day

Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup> is school picture day. Students must be in their school uniform for picture day. Want to order your child's picture? Visit <https://my.lifetouch.com/mylifetouch/> and enter Picture ID: **EV-TQCB2FN** to order your pictures today.





# Husky Happenings Cont.



## Scholastic Book Fair

High Point Academy is hosting a spring book fair from September 10 through the 17th. There are many ways to shop this year including online starting TODAY. 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. [Click here!](#) Remote learning students can shop online only.

Students will get an opportunity to view and shop during the school day. All in person shopping will need to be done by students during the school day. Preschool families will be receiving specific instructions on in-person shopping from their classroom teacher.

We are encouraging all families to set up an [eWallet](#) 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 in-school and virtual Book Fair. Plus, family and friends can contribute too!

Come to Our  
**BOOK  
FAIR!**



# Husky Happenings Cont.



## **Fall After School Activities**

Fall after school activities are here. Classes begin the week of September 20 (except Chess Wizards). Click the link below to view the registration flyer with more information on offerings and program details.

Kindergarten through 5th Grade—Chess Wizards (starts September 16th)

1st through 3rd Grade—Soccer

4th-5th Grade—Volleyball

5th-8th Grade—Band

[Click here](#) for more details on registration and session descriptions.

## **Late Pick Up Fee for K-8 Students**

Parents, per our Parent Handbook (pg. 15) “Students picked up late will incur a fee.”

Starting Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup> families will be charged a late pick up fee based on the following:

- 4:00-4:15      \$20
- 4:15-4:30      \$40
- 4:30-4:45      \$60
- 4:45-5:00      \$80
- Anything after 5pm we have to call Child Abandonment

The fee will be applied to your account on Infinite Campus Parent Portal.

As a reminder, Innovation Learning provides child care from T-F 3:30pm-6:00pm and on Mondays 1pm-6pm. <https://highpointacademy.jumbula.com/#/site-info>



# COVID Corner



## Protect Yourself, Your Family, and Your Community

### Get your FREE COVID-19 vaccination at

### High Point Academy!

- **WHEN?** **Monday 9/13 from 1pm-4pm**
- **WHERE?** The covered picnic area by the football field
- **WHO?** ANYONE age 12 and up!

\*The COVID-19 vaccine is safe and effective, and FDA approved for everyone 12 years of age and older.

\*The vaccine reduces your risk of infection and prevents against serious illness such as hospitalization and death if you were to contract the coronavirus (COVID-19 and the many variants).

\*Wearing masks and social distancing helps reduce your chance of being exposed to the virus or spreading it to others, but the vaccine provides MORE PROTECTION! Vaccines get your immune system ready to fight the virus if you are exposed! (Tri-County Health Department)

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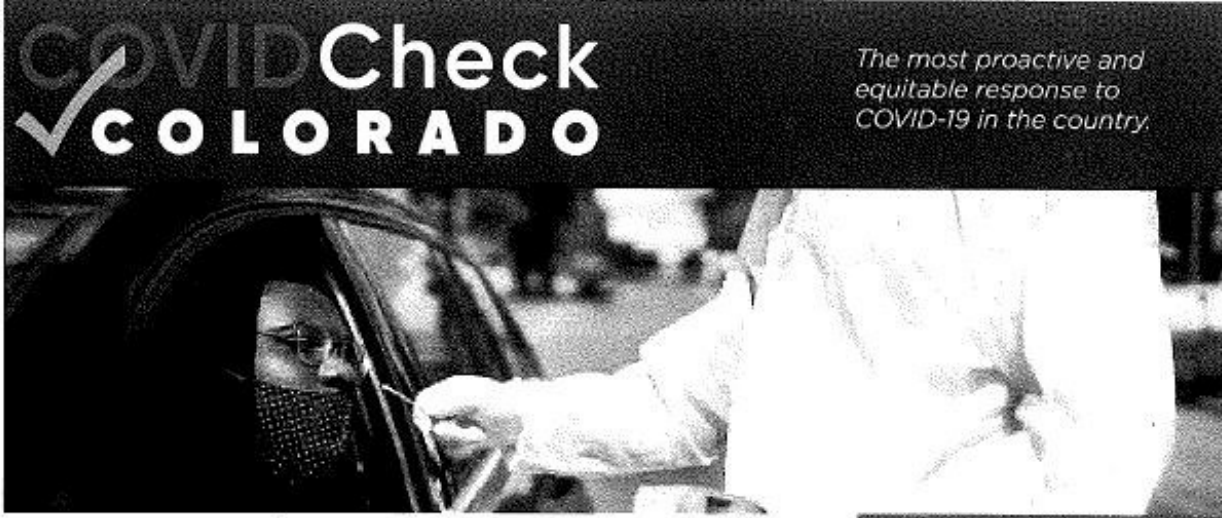


# COVID Corner Cont.



## Back to School in Year Two of the COVID Pandemic

(link to Children's Hospital Colorado Article)



**COVIDCheck**  
**COLORADO**

*The most proactive and equitable response to COVID-19 in the country.*

**FREE COVID-19 TESTS**

### How to Get Tested

In partnership with the State of Colorado, COVIDCheck Colorado, a social benefit enterprise of Gary Community Investments, is providing COVID-19 tests free of charge to all Coloradans. Visit [covidcheckcolorado.org](https://covidcheckcolorado.org) and click "Get My Test" to register.

### What to Expect

Testing through COVIDCheck Colorado is easy, fast, and convenient. To ensure a smooth and quick visit, book an appointment in advance on our website. COVIDCheck Colorado uses a highly sensitive and reliable nasal mid-turbinate swab PCR test that is administered by licensed medical professionals. Please arrive wearing a mask.

### COVIDCheck Colorado Amenities



Mobile-friendly registration, appointment scheduling, and reminders.



Drive-thru test sites across Metro Denver & guidance on setting up employer-based sites.



Non-invasive PCR tests administered by medical staff in less than five minutes.



Test results delivered via email & text within 72 hours of test being administered.



Telehealth appointments provided for those who test positive for COVID-19.

#### Who Should Get Tested

- Anyone showing symptoms or who has been exposed should test now.
- Anyone working in a public facing job should test regularly.
- Anyone who wants to get tested for any other reason should test as needed.

#### When & Where to Get Tested

- Operating hours available Monday through Saturday.
- Test sites located throughout the state of Colorado.
- Locations and hours updated at [covidcheckcolorado.org/where-to-test](https://covidcheckcolorado.org/where-to-test).





# 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:

1. 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-rewards>
3. King Soopers will send HPA PTO a check at the end of the school year with any funds earned.

## Amazon Smile

Shop at [Smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and select High Point Academy. Amazon will donate to our school!



## 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.



**BOX TOPS LABELS**



## 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¢ each and are redeemable for cash by participating schools only. Drink Longmont Dairy Milk, save the bottle caps, bring them to the front office.

