

# 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,

As we approach Thanksgiving break, we are reminded to take time and think about the things in our life that we are thankful for. As I reflect on this school year, I see the ways our community has come together during this public health crisis. I am thankful for the ways you have supported your child at home and for the ways you have entrusted us during this challenging time. I am thankful for your continued faith in us. I am thankful for



our families, our PTO, and our governing board that do so much for our school. I am thankful for a community that goes above and beyond to ensure that High Point Academy continues to succeed and thrive.

I am also thankful for the dedicated and passionate teachers and staff we have at HPA. I see the ways that teachers and staff have worked around the clock to create classroom communities that care about one another and that learn together. I see how teachers and staff have reinvented what school looks like. They are teaching our students who, due to COVID-19 have missed academic and social-emotional learning time, how to engage, how to exhibit prosocial behaviors, and how to achieve academic success. I am inspired by their relentless determination to do what is best for each of their students. I marvel at what we have been able to accomplish. In the spirit of "thanks and giving", I hope you will join me in celebrating our teachers and staff over the next few weeks between Thanksgiving Break and Winter Break by:

- Sending a thank you email to your child's teacher or staff member
- Writing a note of gratitude to your child's teacher or staff member
- Encouraging your child to write a letter of thanks to their teacher
- Sending a gift or small token of appreciation to school for your child's teacher or staff member

I know that these tokens of appreciation will mean the world to our staff, and I think we can all agree they deserve it!

Thank you for the opportunity to serve this special community. I know how important your child's education is and I am grateful that you have chosen High Point Academy.

On behalf of the entire HPA faculty and staff, we wish you and your family a restful and rejuvenating Thanksgiving holiday.

Keri Melmed

**Executive Director** 





# Winter Important Dates



**November 1-30:** BELIEVE Kids School Fundraiser \*EXTENDED—see page 5 for more details

November 19: COVID 19 Vaccine Clinic 4-6pm \*see page 9 for details

November 22-26: NO SCHOOL—Thanksgiving Break

**December 3:** Sport and Club Team Picture Day

**December 15:** Governing Board Meeting 5:00pm—ZOOM

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88649957519 Meeting ID: 886 4995 7519

**December 17: Multi-Cultural Day** 

**December 17:** NOON Release for ALL Students

December 20-December 31: NO SCHOOL—Winter Break

January 3: NO SCHOOL—Teacher Professional Development



# November/December Breakfast Menu



19
Friday

ENTREE
Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal
FRUIT
Apple
Crange Tangerine Juice Box

29 Monday	30 Tuesday	1 Wednesday	2 Thursday	3 Friday
ENTREE Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal FRUIT Orange Tangerine Juice Box	ENTREE Ultimate Breakfast Round (UBR) FRUIT Apple	ENTREE Cinnamon Chex Cereal FRUIT Orange Tangerine Juice Box	ENTREE Bagel, Egg & Cheese Sandwich FRUIT Orange	ENTREE IW Pumpkin Bread FRUIT Apple Orange Tangerine Juice Box
6 Monday	7 Tuesday	8 Wednesday	9 Thursday	10 Friday
ENTREE Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal FRUIT Orange Tangerine Juice Box	ENTREE Eggo Waffle Bites FRUIT Apple	ENTREE Cinnamon Chex Cereal FRUIT Orange Tangerine Juice Box	ENTREE Chicken Sausage and Cheese Biscuit Sandwich FRUIT Orange	ENTREE Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal FRUIT Apple Orange Tangerine Juice Box
13 Monday	14 Tuesday	15 Wednesday	16 Thursday	17 Friday
ENTREE Lemon Bread FRUIT Orange Tangerine Juice Box	ENTREE Cinnamon Chex Cereal FRUIT Apple	ENTREE Egg & Cheese Biscuit Sandwich FRUIT Orange Tangerine Juice Box	ENTREE Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal FRUIT Orange	ENTREE Bagel w/ Plain Cream Cheese FRUIT Apple Orange Tangerine Juice Box

<sup>\*</sup>Due to staff and food shortages the posted menu items may change depending on availability.



# November/December Lunch Menu



19 Friday

				Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Vegetarian Chef Salad WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut- free) VEGETABLE Baby Carrots Black Beans FRUIT Pear
29 Monday	30 Tuesday	1 Wednesday	2 Thursday	3 Friday
ENTREE  Pancakes and Chicken Sausage  Pancakes and Scrambled Eggs  Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich  WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut- free)  VEGETABLE  Celery w/ Ranch  Roasted Baby Baker Potatoes  FRUIT  Orange	ENTREE Beef Taco (1) pk-3rd Beef Tacos (2) 4th-12th Charro Beans & Rice w/ Flour Tortilla Yogurt Basket w/ Blueberry Muffin - Raspberry VEGETABLE Spicy Corn Salad Sweet Pepper Strips FRUIT Blueberries	ENTREE Country Chicken Bowl Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut- free) VEGETABLE Broccoli Cucumber Tomato Salad FRUIT Pear	ENTREE Spaghetti Marinara Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Yoguri Basket w/ Blueberry Muffin - Raspberry VEGETABLE Baby Carrots Garden Greens w/ Ranch FRUIT Peaches	ENTREE Cheese Quesadilla w/ Homemade Salsa Chicken Quesadilla w/ Homemade Salsa Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut- free) VEGETABLE Calabacitas Con Elote Refried Beans FRUIT Apple
6 Monday	7 Tuesday	8 Wednesday	9 Thursday	10 Friday
ENTREE All Beef Hotdog Charro Beans & Rice w/ Flour Tortilla Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut- free) VEGETABLE Celery w/ Ranch Sweet Potato Tots FRUIT Orange	ENTREE Grilled Cheese Sandwich Sloppy Joe Yogurt Basket w/ Blueberry Muffin - Raspberry VEGETABLE Coleslaw Curly Fries FRUIT Blueberries	ENTREE Mac & Cheese Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut- free) VEGETABLE Cherry Tomatoes w/ Ranch Peas FRUIT Red Apple	ENTREE Cheesy Bread Stick w/ Marinara Yoguri Basket w/ Blueberry Muffin - Raspberry VEGETABLE Broccoli w/ Ranch Sweet Pepper Strips FRUIT Peaches	ENTREE BBQ Chicken Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Vegetarian Chef Salad WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut- free) VEGETABLE Baby Carrots Black Beans FRUIT Pear
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ENTREE Beef Nachos Cheese Nachos Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut- free) VEGETABLE Calabacitas Con Elote Refried Beans FRUIT Apple	ENTREE Broccoil & Cheese Baked Potato w/ Homemade Dinner Roll Chicken Nuggets & Homemade Dinner Roll Yogurt Basket w/ Blueberry Muffin - Raspberry VEGETABLE Celery w/ Ranch Cup- 1/2 C Sweet Potato Tots FRUIT Strawberries	ENTREE Cheeseburger (no fries) Grilled Cheese Sandwich Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich WOW Butter & Jelly Sandwich (peanut- free) VEGETABLE Baby Carrots Curly Fries FRUIT Pear	ENTREE Stromboli Pepperoni Stromboli Vegetable Yoguri Basket w/ Blueberry Muffin - Raspberry VEGETABLE Baby Carrots Garden Greens w/ Ranch FRUIT Peaches	Sack Lunches to Go

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# Husky Happenings



## **Announcing the 2021-2022 Student Council Officers**

Please help us congratulate the following students on their newly appointed positions on the 2021-2022 Student Council Board.

Kyle Robinson—President

Maelani Chhim-Eng—Vice President

Lexie Hernandez and Yatida Noonnak—Co-Treasurers

### Winter Treats Student Council Fundraiser

Our amazing scholars in the Student Council have put together an event called "Winter Treats". This event will be selling Candy Canes for a better cause at High Point Academy. The money from the event will be to help fund future Student Council events and buy new playground equipment for all students.

<u>Order Dates:</u> Treat ordering will take place November 29th through December 10th. The Candy Canes will be delivered to students during school on December 17th.

**Price:** The price per Candy Cane is 50¢, there is no limit to how many you can buy. To place your order please fill out **this form** and bring it with the money to Student Council located on the playground after school everyday from November 29th through December 10th.

For more information and support please contact Chris Li: <a href="mailto:Chrisli@highpointacademy.net">Chrisli@highpointacademy.net</a>

### Yearbooks Now on Sale!

The 2021-2022 school yearbook is now on sale. <u>Click here</u> to order your book online. Yearbook ID Code is 13955622. Yearbooks are \$10 through January 30, 2022 when the price will go up.

## Did you miss picture day? Does your child need to retake pictures?

Life Touch is hosting a Retake Session at the Life Touch Studio in Westminster (6510 W. 91st Avenue, Ste 130, Westminster, CO 80031) on Saturday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm. Please call 303-565-5203 to make an appointment.

## **Health Office Donation Request**

The clinic needs donations! Specifically.......

- Khaki pants: sized 4-18 (especially in need of sizes 4, 5, 6 & 7)
- Polo shirts in green, white, or yellow in all sizes (especially in need of sizes 10-18)
  - New in package underwear for girls and boys size 4-8
  - New in package socks for girls and boys size youth 4-10

# **BELIEVE Kids School Fundraiser—EXTENDED**

We've partnered with Believe Kids Fundraising to raise \$25,000 to buy bleachers for the NFL field.

Thank you so much to everyone that has registered and supported our Fall Fundraiser.

Our fundraiser has been extended through the end of November so that families can continue to reach out to friends and family for support over the Thanksgiving break.

We are still working to reach our goal and we need your support. If you have not had a chance to Register & Share the fundraiser, please do that today.

Register @ www.FundPrizes.com and share the fundraiser via email & social media directly from your student(s) dashboard. By sharing the fundraiser to get 5+ online supporters we will reach our goal!

Thank you for your help!



## \*Inclement Weather Dismissal

\*Inclement weather- below 25°, high winds, rain, or snow between 2:30-4:00.

For the safety of all, School Policy requires that families stay in their vehicles during arrival/dismissal.

However, for those who wish to park and stand in line to pick up their student(s) during inclement weather, please note:

- 3:15 Carpool Dismissal to the East of the Wellness Doors (see green arrow)
- 3:30 Walkers Dismissed thru Front Doors of the School. Parents can call ahead to inform if student should go to carpool instead.
- 3:45 Parked Pick Up to the West of the Wellness Doors (see red arrow)
- 4:00 Late Pick Ups at the front of the school, late fees will apply

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:

- We have morning coverage Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 64th and Dunkirk (7:15-8:15am). We are still looking for Wednesday morning carpool coverage.
- We have Monday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoon coverage at 64th and Dunkirk (3:20-4:00pm). We are still looking for Tuesday and Thursday afternoon carpool coverage.

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

## Carpool—Updated

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.

\*\*Carpool Indoor Arrival procedure on the next page...

# **Carpool UPDATE—Indoor Arrival Procedure**

On days when the temperature (including wind chill) is below 25 degrees, or the weather is too dangerous or wet to be out in, we will have indoor arrival. Parents will receive an alert (email and text message) regarding Indoor Arrival.

#### Parents please only use the carpool lane for indoor arrival days, do not park.

As you enter the carpool lane please pull forward as far as you can before letting your child out. Please utilize the "kiss and go" carpool drop off procedure. Parents need to remain in their vehicles and allow staff to help students exit the vehicle safely.

Students will be allowed to enter the school building through the Wellness doors on the south side of the building starting at 7:30am. The playground gate will remain locked on indoor arrival days. Students will head to the gym where they will wait until 7:45am when their teacher will escort them to the classroom for breakfast.

## Lost and Found

As the winter season is upon us students are bringing more hats, gloves, jackets with them to school. Please try your best to label all items that are brought to school with your child's first and last name. If items end up in the lost and found we will hold them through the end of the month when they are donated.



# In The Community



# 4th, 5th, 6th Grade Ski Passports

Colorado Ski Country USA believes that every student should have the opportunity to experience Colorado's signature winter sports, skiing and snowboarding. That is why for over 20 years the CSCUSA Ski Passport Program has helped thousands of students hit the slopes every year. Make sure your student does not miss out on the fun and sign up today! The quickest and easiest way to learn about the program and sign up for the Passport Program is online at <a href="coloradoski.com/passport">coloradoski.com/passport</a>.





# COVID Corner



Vaccinations available for any person age 5 and older. Boosters will also be available.

# Free COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic

Get the vaccine and get back to the Colorado we love. Available to everyone regardless of insurance status or immigration status.

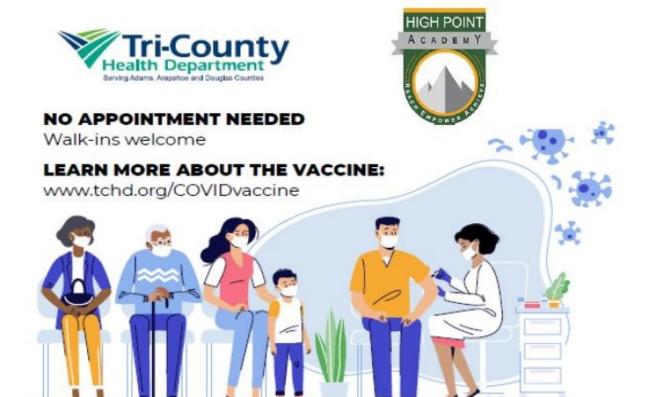
# **High Point Academy**

Wellness Room

# Friday November 19th

Pfizer, Moderna and J&J offered

4pm-6pm





# **COVID Corner Cont.**











## COVID-19 SAFETY FOR THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving is a time when many families travel long distances to celebrate together. Travel increases the chance of getting and spreading the virus that causes COVID-19. Staying home is the best way to protect yourself and others. If you must travel, be informed of the risks involved.

#### Lower risk activities

- · Having a small dinner with only people who live in your household
- Preparing traditional family recipes for family and neighbors, especially those at higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19, and delivering them in a way that doesn't involve contact with others
- · Having a virtual dinner and sharing recipes with friends and family
- . Shopping online rather than in person on the day after Thanksgiving or the next Monday
- · Watching sports events, parades, and movies from home

### Moderate risk activities

- Having a small outdoor dinner with family and friends who live in your community
- . Lower your risk by following CDC's recommendations on hosting gatherings or cook-outs:
- Outdoors is safer than indoors (or consider gathering in a garage with doors open or on a porch),
- Wear a face covering when around anyone who does not live in your home
- Stay at least 6' from others and wash hands frequently
- Visiting pumpkin patches or orchards where people use hand sanitizer before touching pumpkins
  or picking apples, wearing masks is encouraged or enforced, and people are able to maintain
  social distancing
- Attending a small outdoor sports events with safety precautions in place

### Higher risk activities

Avoid these higher risk activities to help prevent the spread of the virus that causes COVID-19:

- · Going shopping in crowded stores just before, on, or after Thanksgiving
- · Participating or being a spectator at a crowded race
- · Attending crowded parades
- · Using alcohol or drugs, which can cloud judgment and increase risky behaviors
- · Attending large indoor gatherings with people from outside of your household

If you may have COVID-19 or you may have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you should not participate in in-person festivities. When planning to host a holiday celebration, you should assess current COVID-19 levels in your community to determine whether to postpone, cancel, or reduce the number of attendees.



# **COVID Corner Cont.**











# SEGURIDAD COVID-19 PARA EL DÍA DE GRACIAS

El Día de Gracias es un momento en el que muchas familias viajan para celebrar juntas. Viajar aumenta la posibilidad de contraer y propagar el virus que causa COVID-19. Quedarse en casa es la mejor manera de protegerse y proteger a los demás. Si debe viajar, infórmese de los riesgos que implica.

### Actividades de menor riesgo

- · Tener una cena pequeña solo con que viven en su hogar
- Preparar recetas para familiares y vecinos, especialmente aquellos con mayor riesgo de enfermedad grave por COVID-19, y entregarlas de una manera que no implique contacto con otras personas
- · Tener una cena virtual y compartir recetas con amigos y familiares
- · Comprar en línea en lugar de en persona el día después del Día de Gracias o el lunes siguiente.
- · Ver eventos deportivos, desfiles y películas desde casa

## Actividades de riesgo moderado

- · Tener una pequeña cena al aire libre con familiares y amigos que viven en su comunidad
  - Use una cubierta facial cuando esté cerca de alguien que no viva en su hogar
  - Manténgase al menos a 6 pies de distancia de los demás y lávese las manos con frecuencia
- Visite parcelas de calabazas o huertos donde las personas usan desinfectante para manos antes de tocar calabazas o recoger manzanas, máscaras es obligatorio y las personas pueden mantener el distanciamiento social
- · Asistir a pequeños eventos deportivos al aire libre con precauciones de seguridad

### Actividades de mayor riesgo

Evite estas actividades de mayor riesgo para ayudar a prevenir la propagación del virus COVID-19:

- Ir de compras a tiendas abarrotadas justo antes, durante o después del Día de Gracias
- Participar o ser espectador en una carrera concurrida llena de personas
- Asistir a desfiles llenos de gente
- · Consumir alcohol o drogas, que pueden nublar el juicio y aumentar los comportamientos de riesgo.
- · Asistir a grandes reuniones interiores con personas de fuera de su hogar

Si puede tener COVID-19 o puede haber estado expuesto a alguien con COVID-19, no debe participar en festividades en persona. Cuando planee organizar una celebración navideña, debe evaluar los niveles actuales de COVID-19 en su comunidad para determinar si posponer, cancelar o reducir la cantidad de asistentes.



# **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 <a href="https://www.kingsoopers.com/i/community/community-rewards">https://www.kingsoopers.com/i/community/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**

Shop at Smile.amazon.com and select High Point Academy. Amazon will donate to our school!



### **Colorado Smiles Orthodontics**



## **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.

