

Husky Headlines

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Important Dates

January 26th - PTA Bingo for Books Night

January 31st - Major Saver Kick Off - Sales Begin

February 9th - Valentine Parties

February 10th - Pancakes with Pops (7:30AM - 10:30AM)

** Remember - All students should wear their Back-To-School shirts every Wednesday!

If your child is going to be absent! PLEASE CALL!

Please call in every time your child is absent. You can call **986-2253** and leave a message anytime - day or night. With the increasing absences due to illness, it makes it hard for Mrs. Nonnemaker to call everyone first thing in the AM. We want to make sure all students are safe and accounted for in the quickest time possible. It really helps us if you call in prior to the day starting! Thank you so much for your help!

PLEASE.....If you child is ill or has been in the prior 24 hours (fever, vomiting, etc) keep them home. We have seen an influx of illness and students coming to school only to be sent home ill again. This greatly increases the chances of others getting ill and making the problem bigger. While sending them to school is important, them being fully well and ready to return is very important as well. Thank you for your help in this!!!

Transportation Changes

Please make sure that all transportation changes are in the office **by 1:00pm each day**. With 560 students we can not take changes late in the day. All changes are sent to staff by 2:00 and we can not ensure that other changes will get to the teacher on time. **If you have a late**

change, it is best to meet your child at the location they are supposed to go to (home, BASS, etc). Thank you for your help in keeping everyone safe!

HPE Share Basket benefits all students!

The "Share Basket" started at the end of last semester by HPE Cafe Manager, Bev Rosenthal, is proving a success in eliminating food waste . . . and helping feed hungry kids. Each day, students place in the "Share Basket" foodstuffs that they purchased, but that they did not open during their lunchtime. On average, there are close to 40 sealed, pre-packaged, or raw, whole fruit items collected each day and kept chilled until claimed, including: milk (white/chocolate/strawberry); juice; baby carrots; apples; oranges; bananas; colby-jack cheese sticks; raisins; fruit cups; and yogurt. Hot foods, and food brought from home is not reusable; and, allergies are respected. Students may help themselves to extra food from the "Share Basket" at no charge while dining in the Cafe. Also, teachers may retrieve from the "Share Basket" throughout the day, and offer a free snack to students in need at school. If/when the basket becomes overly full, Bev delivers unclaimed food items to Lee's Summit Social Services, so they may be dispensed before they expire. All-in-all, this is a tasty step towards sustainability and responsibility that is meeting with smiling faces and satisfied appetites.

Please Nominate one of our own!

Nominations are now open for the **2018 Excellence In Teaching/Teacher of the Year** awards and are due **Wednesday, January 31, 2018**. I hope you'll consider taking time to nominate a deserving Highland Park Teacher.

Each year our school district, in conjunction with the Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce, recognizes twelve Excellence in Teaching Award recipients and selects a Teacher of the Year.

Nomination forms will be sent home with students.

For more information about Excellence In Teaching, Teacher of the Year, lists of former recipients and information about frequently asked questions, please visit the Excellence In Teaching/Teacher of the Year [website](#).

*****Please note, the 12 Excellence In Teaching winners will be recognized and the Teacher of the Year will be revealed at a April 11 Chamber of Commerce/R-7 School District reception/presentation at the Stanley in downtown Lee's Summit.***

The nomination form is attached. You are welcome to fill it out and email it to

laura.maxwell@lsr7.net, copy it, or access the form on the district web site, www.lsr7.org under the Teacher of the Year link on the front page. Please note the two page limit, as we must enforce that to be fair to all nominees.

Thanks so much for helping me honor the excellence here at HPE! Please let me know if you have any questions.

Mrs. Gilbert's Blog

[Back to School Letter from Mrs. Gilbert](#)

<https://ngilbertcounselor.blogspot.com>

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[HPE Website](#)

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