

# HAMMOND NEWS



HAMMOND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## April 1, 2010

### APRIL 2-11

April 15  
April 17  
April 19,20,21  
April 20  
April 21  
April 22  
May 1  
May 7  
May 5  
May 6  
May 10  
May 12  
May 14  
May 19  
May 26  
June 4  
June 11  
June 23

### SPRING BREAK/SCHOOLS CLOSED

Science Fair 6:30-8pm  
HES 5K/1 mile run/walk 9:30am  
SAT 10 testing  
HMS Parent Orientation 6pm  
PTA Family Night J&P Pizza 4-10pm  
**SCHOOLS OPEN FOR STUDENTS** (Previously marked on calendar as Professional Development Day)  
HES PTA Yard Sale 9-1 rain date May 2nd  
1<sup>st</sup> grade field trip Aviation Museum  
Parent Kindergarten Orientation 7pm  
5<sup>th</sup> grade Tree Planting Trip ½ day am  
4<sup>th</sup> grade field trip Lady Maryland  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade field trip to Baltimore Museum of Industry  
**SCHOOLS OPEN FOR STUDENTS** (Previously marked on calendar as Professional Work Day)  
Enrichment Fair 6-8pm  
Field Day rain date 6/2  
5<sup>th</sup> grade Simulated Congressional Hearing  
5<sup>th</sup> grade field trip Mt. Vernon  
Spring Carnival 5-8pm  
Last day of School

## TESTING SCHEDULE

Parents of students in grade two please note the dates for SAT 10 testing (April 19,20,21). **Please make every effort to have your child attend school on these dates and try not to schedule any appointments for your child. Please also make sure that your child gets a good night's sleep and eats a good breakfast the morning of testing. Thank you for your support!**

## SCIENCE FAIR 2010

The Science Fair is a great night of experiments and discovery. Please join us on April 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8pm!



## IMPORTANT CHANGES TO SCHOOL CALENDAR

Howard County has made changes to the school calendar to make up school days missed due to inclement weather. April 22<sup>nd</sup> and May 14<sup>th</sup> (marked on the calendar as schools closed for students/professional development day) will now be full instructional days for students. This information is also posted on the Howard County website; [www.hcpss.org](http://www.hcpss.org).

## Parent Orientation at Hammond Middle School

There will be a Parent Orientation for parents of 5<sup>th</sup> graders going to HMS next year. The Orientation will be on April 20<sup>th</sup> from 6-7pm in the Middle School Cafeteria.

## HES and HMS Help for Haiti - New Line of Buttons Available!!



**You may view the new line by going to the HES website; [hes.hcpss.org](http://hes.hcpss.org).** These buttons are for students, staff, parents and community friends to purchase at \$1 each. We will be accepting cash and checks for the buttons **made payable to HES. ALL monies will be donated to the American Red Cross.**

## HES 5K/1 MILE RUN OR WALK



Mark your calendars; the 2nd annual HES 5K/1 Mile Run or Walk will be Saturday April 17th at 9:30am. If you have any questions email [sserpico\\_hcpss.org](mailto:sserpico_hcpss.org).

## CENSUS 2010

Parents please ask your children what they learned about the Census this week! They have been learning facts and trivia about the Census throughout the week.

## **++++ MULTICULTURAL NIGHT – BIG SUCCESS!**

Thanks to all that contributed and supported by attending the fabulous Multicultural Night! A truly wonderful time was experienced by all! Hammond is fortunate to be part of such a culturally diverse community!

## PTA NEWS

### CLEAR OUT YOUR BASEMENT – TURN YOUR TREASURES INTO CASH!



The Hammond Elementary Yard Sale is fast approaching. The sale is scheduled for May 1<sup>st</sup> from 9-1 (rain date May 2<sup>nd</sup>). Spaces are \$15 for 2, \$5 for each additional space. Spaces are allocated in the order the applications are received, so get your application in quickly. Forms are available at [www.hespta.org](http://www.hespta.org), and are due by April 22<sup>nd</sup> to the Hammond Elementary front office (please mark envelope "yard sale"). Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope so we can return your confirmation (this will include parking pass(es)). If the self-addressed stamped envelope is not included, your form will not be mailed to you, and you must pick it up from the school before the yard sale. Please contact Cathy Barrett at [barrett5clan@verizon.net](mailto:barrett5clan@verizon.net) or 301-604-1971 if you have questions.

### TALENT SHOW 2010!

Talent Show 2010 is coming! "Tonight's Gonna be a Good Night" so get your acts of greatness ready. Mark those calendars for **Friday April 30<sup>th</sup>**. Start thinking about what you can do--- sing, dance, act out a skit, juggle, magic tricks, gymnastics, play the piano, violin, drum, guitar, kazoo... what's your "talent"? **Mandatory** dress rehearsal is Wednesday 4/28. Act reviews are tentatively scheduled for your choice of Tuesday 4/13 or Wednesday 4/14. For more information or if you would like to volunteer, please contact Cathy Stohlman at [stohlman33@verizon.net](mailto:stohlman33@verizon.net)

### KidzArt Spring Registrations Now Being Accepted

Registration is now open for the final KidzArt session at HES. This program is a creative enrichment class where students explore their own vision using varied artist-quality materials such as pastels, pen & ink, watercolor and chalks. Classes will run for one hour after school on Tuesdays, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25, 6/1. To register on-line or for more information visit [www.kidzartmd.com](http://www.kidzartmd.com) or call (410) 489-0323.

### SMALL TALK



**Small Talk** is calling **ALL FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADERS!**

Get a taste of Spanish before you take it in middle school. **Class is open to all students grades Kindergarten through 5th grade.** Six week program \$85.00. Fourth and Fifth graders take a 10% discount! Class starts WEDNESDAY April 21st through June 2nd. Visit our website at [www.mysmalltalk.com](http://www.mysmalltalk.com) for registration forms and confirmation letters. Looking forward to seeing all of you at our "ALL AROUND THE CLASSROOM" session at HES.

### PTA Family Night Returns to J&P Pizza, Wednesday, April 21st!

Please join us **Wednesday, 4/21/10** for "*Family Night*" at **New York J&P Pizza** located nearby on Ice Crystal Drive. Bring your family and friends between **4pm and 10pm** and enjoy a good meal and a good time. J&P offers a wide variety of pizza, subs, salads, pasta and steaks, along with a selection of seafood, veal and chicken dishes. New York J&P Pizza will donate 10% of sales to the Hammond Elementary PTA, so spread the word! Look for the "*Family Night*" flyers coming home soon.



### STUFFED ANIMAL AND HAPPY MEAL TOY DONATIONS

Are your closets overflowing with stuffed animals and happy meal toys? The PTA Spring Carnival Planning Committee is collecting **gently** used stuffed animals and **new** happy meal toys (still in their wrappers) to use at the Spring Carnival. Donation boxes are in the school lobby just waiting for your donations. If you have any questions please contact Pat Johnson at (301) 725-4954 or [patjohnson1@comcast.net](mailto:patjohnson1@comcast.net). Thank you.

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### CANDLELIGHT CONCERT SOCIETY, INC.

Candlelight Concerts Society, Inc. will present the Ariel String Quartet at 8:00pm on Saturday, April 3, 2010 at Smith Theatre, Howard Community College, 10901 Little Patuxent Parkway in Columbia. Students ages 9 – 17 receive one free ticket when accompanied by a paying adult. For details and tickets, call 410-997-2324.

#### COLUMBIA ASSOCIATION – SAVE THE PLANET DAY

Columbia Association will hold *Save the Planet Day* on Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from noon – 3:00pm at the Town Center Lakefront. Enjoy vendor booths, food and music by teen bands Victory by Revenge at noon, the Getaways at 1:00pm and Color the Coast at 2:00pm. Free shredding will be available from noon – 2:00pm. There will be games and crafts for kids to enjoy. Recycle denim to be converted into insulation for Habitat for Humanity. Cell phones, iPods, Mp3 players and ink cartridges may also be recycled. Money earned for these items will go to Soldier's Angels, a non-profit that supports the military here and abroad. There will be a special guest appearance by meteorologist Sandra Shaw of WBAL-TV. For more information, call 410-715-5523.