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Hammond Elementary School provides a safe, nurturing learning environment that fosters individual success through academic excellence, and appreciation of diversity, to ensure lifelong learners.

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"PAWS OF PRIDE"

The staff at Hammond would like to thank our wonderful PTA and community for the outpouring of kindness during Staff Appreciation Week! The staff was delighted with our many treats and services provided by the PTA and community. Donations of your work, time and goodies were much appreciated!

As we resume warmer weather, please be reminded of the systemic Dress Code (http://www.hcpss.org/f/board/policies/9210.pdf) as it is our desire to maintain a safe and comfortable learning environment that eliminates distractions. Thank you for your support.

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Battle of the Books!

Hammond Elementary was well represented at this year's Battle of the Books. Now in its eighth year, this academic competition clearly gets students excited about reading!

Call of the Books received first place overall in **Team**

Civility/Coach: Alfred Jones
Toluwase Arowosegbe, Sherlyn
Beaubrun, Marann Legall, Shadeh
Okoudiou, Macy Spencer

Enchanted Novels received second place overall in **Team**

Spirit/Coach: Stefanie Baird Roslynn Beavan, Josephine Kim, Cassie Lassey, Grace Rua, Victoria Zhang

Our **Book Reapers** team received the highest score of the eight teams that participated from Hammond Elementary

Coach: Deandra Christiansen, Assistant Coach: Miranda Cleary Zachary Bott, Dallin Christiansen, Robin Liao, Akbar Sajjad, Vincent Zeph

Bookers

Coach: Christinia Armstrong David Dulin, Michael Kuffour, Phillip Mitchell, Olukayode Osunji, Andrew Pinelis-Reznikov

Fantasy District

Coach: Robert Ellis

Delaney Alsbrooks, Aiai Calmer, Megan Heck, Sarah Pearl, Matisyn Stokes

Genius Readers

Coach: Roberta Bardini, Assistant

Coach: Holly Sartwell
Christopher Bardini, Marley
Huggins, Samuel Martin, Karissa
Meyer, Olivia Sartwell

Green Readers Corps

Coach: Hakim Jones
Triston Brooks, Nicholas
Charalambous, Carter Jones, Evan
Spann, Aidan Wain

Readers of Olympus

Coach: Marcia Davis, Assistant

Coach: Tara Terry

Samantha Biggs, Jasmine Kintu, Caroline Perret, Ana Rodriguez,

Emma Terry

SPRING INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT MAY 13

The HES Spring Instrumental Concert will take place in the Hammond Middle School Gym. Students should report to school at 6:30pm. Please join us for a night of musical magic!

Tips From Tuffy

Focus On: Ready to Learn Reading at home can help improve reading levels at school, boost confidence, and help children make stronger connections to their school life and worldly topics.

When your child reads to you, have him select high-interest fiction and informational books at his reading level. You and your child can work on decoding and fluency strategies. After reading, have a conversation with your child about the book.

Reading to your child is just as important as having him read to you. Hearing your voice will help develop a fluent and expressive reader.

Your child can choose his favorite story before bedtime or pick a book about a place your family will soon visit. You can share a favorite story with him. He will enjoy relaxing and using his imagination as you read!**Do you have a Howard County Library card? If so, you and your child can read or listen to TumbleBooks or National Geographic articles online.

From: Pamela Freedman, ESOL Teacher <u>Food Drive</u>

For the month of May and June, Hammond Elementary will once again be partnering with LARS, Laurel Advocacy and Referral Services. We will be collecting peanut butter and jelly. If you would like to donate peanut butter and/or jelly you can send in your donations with your child, and we will collect them. Thank you in advance for any donations!

STEM Night Thank You!

We wanted to give a big THANK YOU to all of our STEM Night Presenters who volunteered their time to make STEM Night a success! Thank you to: Mr. Wargo, Mr. Schneider, Mrs. Brown, Mr. Ryan, Ms. Chen, Ms. Bajwa, Mr. Okoudjou, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Miller, Ms. Lee, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Kennedy, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Parlette, and Mr. Walsh.

Art Work Displayed

Congratulations! The following students have had artwork displayed at various venues throughout Howard County this year: Nadia Gaicepour, Maya Tucker, Karissa Meyer, Tyzea Berry, Rylal Koroma, Austin Sneddon, Regina Onjiko, Angel Zhou, Jemeel Mbure, Roslynn Beavan, Robin Liao Jack deManincor, Julia Chen. Aanya Desai, Isabel Wu, Joshua Chen, Marissa Rank, Alondra Molanco-Perea, Quentin Ali, Julius Woewiyu, Grant Bierce, Carmen Cheatham, Marlen Molanco-Perea, Beza Bekele, Manny Powell, Elsie Butterfield, Eulalia Voo, Jay Lekhram, Adam Moravec, James Cox. Dylan Murphy. Evan Huggins, Rosie Jang, Nihal Sandhoo, India Simmons, Myles Bravo, Farah Boubsil, Jena Thomson, Jack Wethington, Haley Simmerly, Evan Hooks, Jonathan Lin, Samantha Mager, Lucy Wang, Cambel Howard, Favour Osunji, Di'Avian Gasque, Camille Pendleton, Wanting Shen, Lucy Smith, Jamara Brown, Caroline Perrett, Zachary Shord, Zhane Mitchell, Andrew Van Der Meid, Vera Martinez, James Chen, Ana Rodriguez, Troy Liao, Gabrielle Shord, IsabelleBrought, Natalie Taylor and Lucy Smith.