

May 22, 2014



## *HAMMOND TIGER TALES*

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

### **Important Dates\***

May 23	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade field trip - BMI
MAY 26	SCHOOLS AND OFFICES CLOSED/MEMORIAL DAY
May 28	Road to Kindergarten 6:30pm - 7:30pm Media Center
May 29	Enrichment Fair 6:30pm
June 4	Field Day – rain date June 6 Volunteer Luncheon 11am – 2pm
June 5	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade In-House Incredible Insects 5 <sup>th</sup> grade Simulated Congressional Hearing 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade In-House Mad Science
June 6	Student media books to be turned in to Media Center
June 10	1 <sup>st</sup> grade Author's Celebration
June 11	Howard County Library to present the Summer Reading Program
June 17	5 <sup>th</sup> grade picnic 10:15 – 3:15 (students wear class t-shirts) 4 <sup>th</sup> grade picnic 1:15 – 3:15 1 <sup>st</sup> grade picnic
June 18	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade picnic 9:30 – 12:00
June 18, 19, 20	Schools close 3 hours early (12:30pm)
June 19	5 <sup>th</sup> grade closing ceremony Kindergarten picnic 10:00 – 12:00
June 20	Last student day 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade picnic 9am – 12pm

### **“PAWS” OF PRIDE MOMENT**

*Carissa Hyun, a kindergarten student in Mrs. Dehaan's class, was recognized with the Superintendent's Award. She earned this award for: being a hard worker and responsible, patient and helpful with peers, positive attitude toward learning and tasks, respectful to teachers and peers, and for being a great listener.*

*Carissa earned a letter, certificate, three golden tuffies for each “R” earned (Respectful, Responsible, and Ready to Learn), and a stuffed Tuffy!*

*Congratulations on a job well done Carissa!*




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## **ROAD TO KINDERGARTEN**

Kindergarten Parents, please join us for The Road to Kindergarten on Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-7:30 in the Media Center. The Kindergarten Team will provide information that will be helpful for you as your child enters kindergarten. Childcare will be provided during the meeting.

## **FIELD DAY INFORMATION & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**



Reminder: Field Day is Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure that your children are dressed in comfortable, appropriate clothing. Please remember to put sunscreen on your child that day. Also your child may bring in their own water bottle (make sure to have it labeled so it does not get lost).

## **JOIN US FOR THE HES ENRICHMENT FAIR!**

Come One... Come All... to the Hammond Enrichment Fair on May 29<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00pm. This will be your opportunity to see the wonderful work students have completed throughout the year. Every student will have something to share from classroom projects to G/T Curriculum Extension Units and Seminars. Please join us to celebrate the Hammond students' accomplishments.

## **COLLECTING FOR LARS**

We will be collecting peanut butter and jelly for LARS, Laurel Advocacy and Referral Services, for the months of May and June. Peanut butter and jelly are the most needed items for the summer months. Please consider donating peanut butter and/or jelly for LARS, which helps the needy in our community. Please send your donation in to school with your child.

## **SIMULATED CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS**

The Simulated Congressional Hearing (SCH) is the culminating activity for fifth grade social studies in the Howard County Public School System.

Throughout the year, students study four units of instruction: Colonial America, The American Revolution, Building a New Nation and We the People. The SCH is an authentic performance-based assessment where students demonstrate their understanding of the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Students display their expertise on topics ranging from colonial life and government to the contemporary rights and responsibilities of citizens in our country. Our SCH will take place on Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, with our Opening Ceremonies beginning at 9:15am. Sessions will run all day, and we will send home each group's performance



time. Please join us and watch your child in action!  
**Soccer Association of  
Columbia**

is now registering players for the Fall 2014/Spring 2015 **Recreation** season. The league is open to players from ages 6 to 18. Teams meet for eight weeks each season for practices and weekend games. Players receive an Under Armour jersey, shorts and socks.

Register before June 30 to receive an early registration discount. Go to [www.sackick.com](http://www.sackick.com) to register. SAC's Select Team tryouts will begin May 27<sup>th</sup>. Please see website for the tryouts schedule. For more information, contact [asksac@sac-hc.org](mailto:asksac@sac-hc.org)

## **Thunder Soccer Club of Howard County**

is now accepting players for several programs. Fall Tryout Registration is now OPEN for boys and girls U8 - U17 to join our competitive travel program. **Fall Recreation registration** is now open for boys and girls U5 - U8. We maintain ideal roster sizes; provide parent and coaching education to ensure a well-rounded experience for both players and parents. For information and registration, please visit

[www.thundersoccerclub.org](http://www.thundersoccerclub.org) or call Michele Geidel @ 443-741-2486.

## **National Aquarium's Annual Grade A Student Night**

Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 6-9pm. Students must have 3 A's (or equivalent) in any marking period. Free for student w/report card; one adult also free. Other family members are \$5. Register at [www.aqua.org/gradeastudent](http://www.aqua.org/gradeastudent), call 410.659.4200.

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