

# Hammond Elementary PTA



Monthly Newsletter: May 2026

## **Teacher Appreciation Week • May 4–8**

Teacher Appreciation Week is almost here, and we have a magical lineup planned to celebrate our incredible teachers! Take a look at the schedule on the next page to see how you can join in the fun each day. You can share the love by signing up for something on our [Amazon wishlist](#) or [SignUpGenius](#). We have also included a simple thank-you letter template, because a few kind words can be the most magical gift of all!

Whether it is a note, a treat, or a small gesture of gratitude, every bit of appreciation helps make our teachers feel truly seen and celebrated. Now let's make their week truly magical! ✂️ ✨

Warmly,  
**Katie Thorn, Melanie Reeder, Mandy Rodgers**  
*Teacher Appreciation Week Team*

## **STEM Night**

Get ready for a night of hands-on discovery! Hammond Elementary's **STEM Night** is an open-house style event where students and families can explore interactive science, technology, engineering, and math activities together. Visit stations like crater impact experiments, coding bracelets, marshmallow towers, robotics demos, and much more! Don't miss the GT Seminar Gallery, where K–5 students will showcase projects from their gifted and talented seminars. Enjoy a free, family-friendly evening of hands-on STEM fun. All students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian; drop-offs are not permitted.

**Date/Time:** Thursday, May 14, 6:30pm - 8:00pm

**Location:** Hammond Elementary School

If you are interested in volunteering for the event, here is the [link](#) to sign up.

## **Yearbook Sales Are Now Open**

The 2025–2026 Hammond Elementary School yearbook is now available for purchase. You can place your order using this link: <https://shop.yearbookmarket.com/hammondes>. All yearbooks will be shipped directly to the school. Delivery is expected in early June, allowing plenty of time for distribution before the last day of school. If you have questions, please email [president@hespta.org](mailto:president@hespta.org).

**Order deadline:** Friday, May 15

## **Restaurant Nights**

**Wednesday, May 6**

**Restaurant Night: Ledo Pizza**

4:00pm – 8:00pm

11845 MD-216, Fulton

20% of purchase price is donated to HES PTA  
(inform staff when ordering or upon pick-up)



**Wednesday, May 20**

**Rita's Scoop Night**

5:00pm – 8:00pm

8640 Guilford Road, Kings Contrivance Village Center

20% of purchase price is donated to HES PTA  
(inform staff when ordering)



## **PTA Meeting**

Join us for our final PTA meeting of the school year on **Wednesday, May 13**, at **7:15 p.m.** Attend in-person in the HES Media Center or check the [PTA calendar](#) for remote login information. Please note: only PTA members can vote.

Have suggestions for future newsletters? Contact us at [communications@hespta.org](mailto:communications@hespta.org).

May 4  
May 8

# Teacher Appreciation



## Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week

We will be celebrating our annual Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week in the first week of May. This year's theme is: *\*Teachers Make Magic Happen\**.

Below you will find the itinerary for the week and QR codes to donate or volunteer for designated events!

*Teachers Make Magic Happen!*

**MON  
4**

### *The Magic Begins!*

Breakfast provided for the teachers in the lounge. Scan the QR code to help out!



**TUES  
5**

### *Owlery Letters*

Write a note of appreciation to let your teacher know the magic they bring to your days!

**WED  
6**

### *Honeydukes Treats - House Colors*

Treat our teachers to a magical spread of sweets and treats, just like Honeydukes. Wear your house colors today!

**Curiosity** - Purple, **Kindness** - Red, **Unity** - Blue, **Courage** - Orange, **Friendship** - Green



**THUR  
7**

### *Polyjuice Potion - Dress Like a Teacher*

Just like Polyjuice Potion lets you transform your appearance, we're inviting students to work a little magic and come dressed as a teacher for the day!

**FRI  
8**

### *Great Hall Feast*

We'll close out the week with a magical feast! We'll have a delicious lunch fit for the Great Hall and worthy of celebrating our incredible teachers.

The above are ideas for participation but you are welcome to show your appreciation in other ways! If you have questions reach out to your liaison or Teacher Appreciation Chair Katie Thorn at [kathrynthorn@gmail.com](mailto:kathrynthorn@gmail.com)

*I appreciate my  
teacher,*

Thank you for helping me

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My favorite moment with you this year  
was

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Our class is special because

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*thank*  *you*



**HAMMOND ELEMENTARY**

**THURSDAY, MAY 14, 6:30-8:00PM**

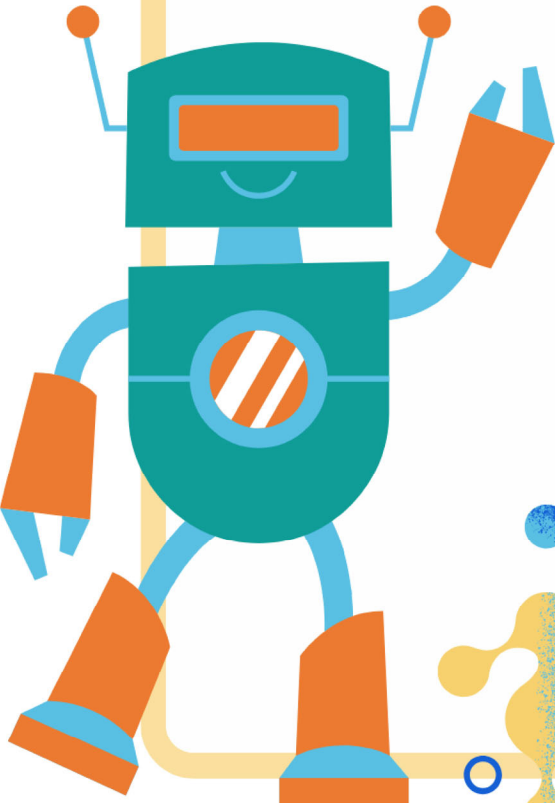
**LET'S HAVE FUN!**



# **STEM NIGHT**



**FREE  
ENTRY**



**A hands-on STEM  
experience where students  
explore science,  
technology, engineering,  
and math through  
interactive activities.**



**All students must attend  
with a parent or guardian.**



# Hammond Elementary School PTA Will Hold A Fundraiser At



All Hammond ES families and friends are invited to Dine-In or place a Carryout Order on the date listed below. A portion of the proceeds raised will be donated to the school!

**Wednesday, May 6, 4:00pm - 8:00pm**

Orders may be placed by PHONE and ONLINE!

Please inform the Ledo staff when ordering or upon pick-up that you are with the fundraiser!

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**Hammond Elementary School**



**Fulton Location Only**

