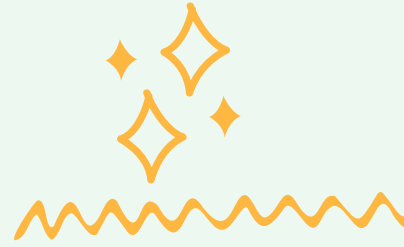




HES PTA NEWS

April 11, 2024



Happy Spring Carnival, HES! Hope everyone is excited for this awesome event. Advance tickets are still available for purchase IN PERSON AT THE WILL CALL TABLE that will be set up Thursday and Friday, 4-6 pm, at the front doors of HES. Please also consider volunteering an hour of your time to help out - we currently do not have enough volunteers to supervise the inflatables for the entire duration of the carnival. Help us keep all stations open for maximum fun! Elections are coming up in May. Be sure to check out the Board of Ed candidates forum on youtube and VOTE!

What's happening this month?

2024 HES SPRING CARNIVAL

Please Join Us on Saturday, April 13th, 3-6 pm, Rain or Shine at Hammond Elementary School (enter at the middle school) for a Day of Family Fun! Featuring bounce houses, a giant slide, inflatable obstacle course, carnival games, cake walk, temporary tattoos, food and drink, raffle, prizes, and live music!

AVOID THE LINES AND GET YOUR TICKETS HERE NOW!!!

UNLIMITED GAMES /RIDES WRISTBAND \$15 IN ADVANCE, \$20 AT THE DOOR
PTA MEAL DEAL \$8 IN ADVANCE, \$12 AT THE DOOR
TICKETS FOR RAFFLES AND PTA CONCESSIONS 9/\$10 IN ADVANCE, \$1 EACH AT THE DOOR

VOLUNTEERS GET 5 FREE TICKETS FOR RAFFLES/CONCESSIONS - SIGN UP HERE!

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS: LET'S ROAM! * TINY TOOTH DENTISTS * KLOBY'S SMOKEHOUSE * EMILIA'S GYMNASTICS * MOBILE KITCHEN SYSTEMS * SCHOOL OF ROCK COLUMBIA

FREE ENTRY

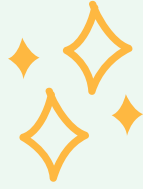


Get your cotton candy orders in!

Enjoy gourmet cotton candy from Poofy at the carnival on Saturday. Order yours today and pick up at the carnival! 16 flavors available! Order deadline by Friday!

Volunteers Still Needed!

Please sign up for an hour of your time to help out at the carnival! Volunteers receive 5 free tickets to use on the raffle items and PTA concessions!



HES Multicultural Night Returns!

HAMMOND ELEMENTARY
PTA MULTICULTURAL NIGHT

POSTER CONTEST



ENTRIES DUE: April 26th, 2024
EXHIBIT START: May 1st, 2024

Parents please sign up for food tables and performances by April 19th!

All entries must include:

Theme: Celebrating Unity Through Diversity
School: Hammond ES or HES
Date: May 17, 2024
Time: 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Place: Cafeteria & Middle School Gym



SCAN HERE



Use your own paper (not larger than 11"x17")-OR- blank poster paper will be available for pick from April 5-12th! On the back of the poster, please include your name, grade, and teacher. Place posters in the collection box at the front of the school from April 5-26th! Prizes will be awarded in all grade levels! Send questions to multiculturalnightcommittee@gmail.com

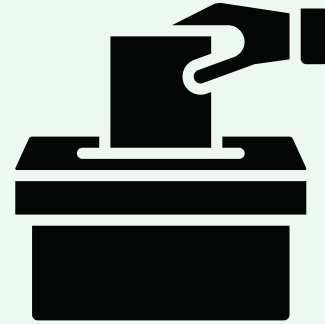
Share your culture and celebrate our diversity at HES's annual Multicultural Night! Join us on Friday, May 17th, from 6:30-8:30 pm for cultural tables, food samples, art, music and more! Scan the QR code below for information on how you can participate - you can make a poster, share your cuisine, demonstrate a skill, share music or art, and march in the parade of cultures!



Board of Education Elections Next Month

The 2024 PTA Council of Howard County BOE Forum was held in person at Howard High School March 16, 2024 with a fast paced series of questions for primary candidates covering a broad range of topics. All PTA members and HCPSS Family members are strongly encouraged to watch the archived forum video on YouTube. Early voting for board members begins on May 2nd. In-person voting begins on May 14th . All candidates had the opportunity to answer any and all questions asked in more detail on the PTACHC website.

**YOUR VOTE
MATTERS**



PTACHC Nominating Committee Seeking Interested Candidates for Officer Positions and Committees

The PTACHC Nominating Committee is looking for people who may be interested in serving as officers or on committees next school year (2024-2025). If you would be interested in serving with PTACHC as an officer, or if you would like to suggest someone who you think would be a great candidate, please email the nominating committee at nominations@ptachc.org by Friday, May 3rd. Join PTACHC in working together to help make every child's potential a reality. A slate of six officers will be announced no later than May 19th (15 days prior to the June PTACHC meeting). Elections will subsequently take place in person at the June PTACHC meeting on Monday, June 3rd 7:30 pm. For more information visit the PTACHC website.



INVOLVED

Field Day is on the Way!



Field Day is May 20th this year and QUICKLY approaching! If your child would like an HES FIELD DAY 2024 T-shirt, please order online and return the form to your child's teacher (even if paying online with a Credit Card) by April 12, 2024.

This is a Physical Education fundraiser and all money raised will go towards PE equipment. The shirts are polyester wicking fabric, and will be full color print on the front of the shirt with white on the back of the shirt.- T-shirts will be \$14.00 and will be in your child's grade color. Children and adult sizes are available.

- Class Colors:

- Kinder is Gray
- 1st is Green
- 2nd is Yellow
- 3rd is Purple (new)
- 4th is Red
- 5th is Blue (new).

This year, we're revamping our field day T-shirt tradition. Each primary grade (K-2) will have its own color, maintaining it for three years. For instance, 1st graders will continue with the green color this year and the next. Upon reaching third grade, students will transition to a new color, which they'll proudly wear for the remainder of their elementary school journey.

*** Shirts will be sent home with your child the week before Field Day (5/20/24)***

HAMMOND ELEMENTARY			
FIELD DAY 2024			
<p>FRONT</p>		<p>BACK</p>	
PLEASE DOUBLE CHECK ALL INFORMATION & SPELLING			
<p>PRINT DIMENSIONS</p> <p>WIDTH: 10"</p> <p>HEIGHT: 11"</p>	<p>FRONT</p>	<p>FULL BACK</p>	<p>PRINT DIMENSIONS</p> <p>WIDTH: 10.5"</p> <p>HEIGHT: 8"</p>
<p>INK COLORS</p> <p>1. UNDERPRINT</p> <p>2. ORANGE 151C</p> <p>3. AQUA BLUE 311C</p> <p>4. BLACK</p> <p>5. WHITE</p> <p>6. _____</p> <p>7. _____</p> <p>8. _____</p> <p>9. _____</p> <p>10. _____</p> <p>11. _____</p> <p>12. _____</p>	<p>KELLY GREEN DRI FIT T</p>		<p>INK COLORS</p> <p>1. UNDERPRINT</p> <p>2. WHITE</p> <p>3. _____</p> <p>4. _____</p> <p>5. _____</p> <p>6. _____</p> <p>7. _____</p> <p>8. _____</p> <p>9. _____</p> <p>10. _____</p> <p>11. _____</p> <p>12. _____</p>
<p>Notes: Print size will be the same on youth and adult sizes, which may make the design appear smaller on the larger adult sizes.</p>			

Teacher Appreciation Week Starts May 6th

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 6-10th! Please mark your calendars. We will be solidifying the details over the coming week and sending out detailed information soon!



Important Dates

April 13 Spring Carnival
April 16 Restaurant Night Chick
Fil A (The Cow is visiting us at
pick up!)
April 16 Crazy Hat Day! WizFit
Reward
April 24 Spring Concert
May 4 5th Grade Dance
May 6-10 Teacher
Appreciation Week
May 7 PTA General Meeting
and Elections
May 14 School Closed Election
Day
May 17 Multicultural Night
May 27 School Closed
Memorial Day
June 14 Last Day of School

Catch us on the Socials

Be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram so you never miss a thing.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057586564529>

<https://www.instagram.com/hammondespta/>

The Best Nation is Donation....

Allergy Relief Please

Allergy season is firmly upon us and the whole school needs tissues, wipes and hand sanitizer! Please help by either sending them in with your students or dropping them off at the front office. You can also order from Amazon [here](#) and have donations sent directly to school.

Special Ed Supplies



Our Special Ed Department is running very low on basic supplies. Please consider donating the following items to them by either sending them in with your student, dropping them off at the front office or ordering directly from [Amazon](#) for delivery to school: pencils; glue sticks; dry erase markers; hand sanitizer; and, tissues.

Headphones for Students with Sensory Issues

Our counselors are looking to increase the availability of noise canceling headphones for our students with sensory issues. Please check out the wishlist item [here](#).

Glue Sticks for K and 1st

Kindergarten and 1st grade are both in need of a refreshed supply of glue sticks! Please send them in with your student, drop off at the front office or order from Amazon for delivery to school. Thank you!



Volunteer Here



• **Spring Carnival Volunteers**

Our annual spring carnival is just around the corner, and we need YOUR help to pull it off! Sign up for an hour and receive 5 free tickets to be used in the raffles or for PTA concessions.

• **Lost and Found Help**

Do you have some time to reunite all the orphaned coats and water bottles in the Lost and Found with their rightful owners? Contact Faith at fph176@gmail.com if you can help tame the beast.

• **Monthly Mojo**

Sign up here to bring coffee, treats or other surprises to our hardworking staff so they can keep their mojo going. April and June are still available. Link to sign up: <https://bit.ly/hes-monthly-mojo> Questions? Great ideas for staff appreciation? Reach out to Katie Thorn at kathrynthorn@gmail.com

• **Kindergarten**

Kindergarten is always looking for volunteers to help out with Tuffy Trade-in and lunch.

- Tuffy Trade in: <https://bit.ly/3GzETQ0>
- Lunch helpers: <https://bit.ly/3uMetrA>

• **Fourth Grade**

The 4th Grade would love to have volunteers work with students inside and outside of the classroom. Click here to sign up for the day(s) and time(s) you are available. There will be a new Signup sent out every 4 weeks!

• **Class Library Books**

Mrs. Moraff needs help labeling the new books we've received for our class libraries. We need a few volunteers to put labels in the books that say they belong to the school. This can be done at your convenience. Please sign up here.

• **Spring Concert Help**

Band and Orchestra need help supervising our performers at the spring concert on April 24! Sign up here!

Budget Report

March 2024 Report

Budget Category	Budget	Actual	Variance
Total Fundraising Receipts	\$ 53,550.00	\$ 15,642.42	\$ (37,907.58)
Total Membership Receipts	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,770.00	\$ (1,230.00)
Total Receipts	\$ 56,550.00	\$17,412.42	\$ (39,137.58)
Total Fundraising Expenses	\$ 20,550.00	\$ 8,754.49	\$ 11,795.51
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 2,694.06	\$ 2,105.94
Total Project Expenses	\$ 31,100.00	\$ 11,599.94	\$ 19,500.06
Total Expenses	\$ 56,450.00	\$ 23,048.49	\$ 33,401.51

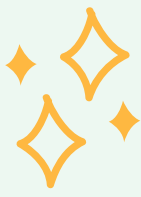


**Show....
Me....
the Money.....**



Do you wonder where your PTA donations go? Here are the highlights of our recent spending. Since January 1st, we have provided a \$2,400 grant to replace the fence around the school garden near the recess playground. We have reimbursed approximately \$1,100 to teachers and staff for classroom supplies and about \$1,200 to host the staff luncheon during parent-teacher conferences. We put down approximately \$2,500 in deposits towards amusements (games and inflatables) and entertainment (magician) for the Spring Carnival coming up next month. We spent \$2,000 in costs associated with the Wizards basketball game (tshirts for our staff team, hotel for the Wizards, concessions for resale at the game, and advertising).

Known upcoming expenses include the outstanding balances, prizes and food and for the spring carnival (estimated \$3,000); an author visit for Literacy Night on April 14th (approximately \$700); and two upcoming field trips for 3rd grade (\$1,200 total).



Sponsors Needed



Are you a local professional or small business owner looking for a way to give back to our community? Become a sponsor for one of our upcoming PTA events! Our generous partners are recognized in many ways, including on our website, social media posts, schoolwide newsletter, inclusion in event programs and signage at events. Upcoming events include our beloved spring carnival and multicultural night! Reach out today to Melissa at president@hepsta.org for more information.



Community Interest



Cub Scouts Pack 606

Are you and your son looking for an adventure? Join Cub Scouts with Pack 606! Cub scouting is a place to make lasting friendships, play games, camp, hike, learn life skills, give back to the community and so much more! Pack 606 is based at HES and open to all boys from Kindergarten through 5th grade. Pack meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm in the cafeteria. Check out our [facebook page](#) to see all the cool stuff we're up to. Email Tom Hanley for more information.

Atholton Boosters Summer Day Camps and Raider Roast

Atholton Boosters are hosting summer camps at Atholton High School this year. Most camps serve grades 5 through 9, however the Poms camp begins at 1st grade. Check out the offerings [here](#). In addition, the Boosters invite you to join them for their annual Raiders Roast, a fundraising dinner at the Meeting House on April 27th. See the invitation [here](#).

Spring 2024 After-School Classes at Hammond Elementary

Register early, programs fill quickly!



Crafts & Fine Arts

KidzArt After School **flickr**

Enjoy a fun, unique, confidence-building art experience. This drawing-based curriculum delivers engaging, educationally-rich, creative classes that amaze and delight. Make a new masterpiece each week while exploring a variety of artist-grade mediums every session (ex: oil pastels, chalk pastels, watercolor, air dry clay, metal tooling, and textured papers)! The curriculum never repeats so join every session, year after year for ALL NEW projects! Bring a nut-free snack to be eaten while supervised between school dismissal and class. Info: Adam Wienckowski, 410-313-4714 or awienckowski@howardcountymd.gov.

Grades K-5 Classes: 5 Materials included
RP0113.706 Hammond ES Apr 29 3:20-4:35pm M \$125



Language

Spanish After School with International School of Languages (ISL)

ISL provides a well-rounded program to learn and improve your Spanish. Apart from the language, learn about the culture and traditions of countries where Spanish is spoken. Learn greetings and presentations, the alphabet, numbers, colors, shapes, animals, and more! Activities include conversation, music, flashcards, games, videos, art, and storybooks. Fee includes online resources for continued practice at home. Info: Carson Nickell, 410-313-4721 or cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov.

Grades K-5 Classes: 6 Materials included
RP3311.704 Hammond ES Apr 18 3:20-4:20pm Th \$155

Financial Aid: 25-75% financial assistance available for Howard County residents that qualify. Information: 410-313-7275.

Howard County
Recreation & Parks



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Learn Now Music After School **flickr**

Budding musicians participate in musical instruction, theory, musical games, special extension curriculum-based activities, musical listening excerpts, and more! Rental instruments and music are provided and can be taken home in between classes to enjoy. A rental agreement must be signed, and instruments must be returned in the same condition at the last class. Parents are responsible for the return cost/replacement of any unreturned/damaged instruments. Info: Carson Nickell, 410-313-4721 or cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov.

Grades K-5 Poppin' Piano Classes: 6
RP3361.727 Hammond ES Apr 15 3:20-4:20pm M \$165
Grades K-5 Groovy Guitar Classes: 6
RP3361.728 Hammond ES Apr 15 3:20-4:20pm M \$165

Science, Technology & LEGO®

Med School for Kids After School with Medical Me

Come role play, work with models, develop skills, draw, think critically and creatively, and learn about being a doctor. Discover how to use doctor's tools. Learn how the brain, heart, lungs, and other organs work. Info: Patrick Hughes, phughes@howardcountymd.gov or 410-313-4622.

Grades K-5 Classes: 6 \$35 material fee
RP3336.732 Hammond ES Apr 18 3:20-4:20pm Th \$179

Science Club After School

with Club SciKidz: To Infinity and Beyond

Become an astronaut and astronomer while learning about planets, the sun and moon, galaxies, and space through hands-on activities and projects. From constellations to rockets to astronaut training, you are sure to have a blast. The sky's the limit! Info: Carson Nickell, 410-313-4721 or cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov.

Grades K-5 Classes: 6
RP3375.703 Hammond ES Apr 3 3:20-4:20pm W \$125



No class when schools are closed or have early dismissal.

What To Do When Schools Are Closed or Have Early Dismissal

tinyurl.com/hcrpschoolsout

Mar 25-29 • Apr 1 • Apr 10 • May 14 • May 17
or Jun 27 • Jun 5 • Jun 7 • Jun 10-14

CONCUSSION & SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST INFO

Read concussion and sudden cardiac arrest information online at www.hcrpsports.org/concussion and www.hcrpsports.org/sca. Your review of this information is required by law before you are allowed to register for youth sports programs.

Registration: 410-313-7275, www.howardcountymd.gov/rap
or 7120 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia, MD 21046

Refund Policy: www.howardcountymd.gov/recreation-parks/programs

Join the PTA Executive Board



We have two positions up for election in May: Treasurer and VP Communications. The Treasurer plays a key role in the PTA dealing with all financial aspects of running the organization including dealing with state and federal tax obligations. This elected position has a 2-year term, and requires roughly 1-2 hours of work weekly at home.

The Communications VP maintains the PTA website, assists with the biweekly newsletter, and sets up the Zoom portions of monthly meetings. This elected position has a 2 year term and requires roughly 1 hour of work weekly at home

If you or anyone you know is interested in either position, please contact president@hepta.org for more information. .

Tuffy Needs a Glow Up!

You may have noticed lately that our Tuffy costume has seen better days and needs to be retired. New mascot costumes start at approximately \$2,000 for “off the rack” costumes, and \$5,000 for custom made costumes. We are about to start a focused campaign to raise money specifically for a new Tuffy costume for next year. Mosquito Authority (our tshirt sponsor at the basketball game) has kindly agreed to make a donation of \$10 per treatment in the name of every HES family that signs up for mosquito yard treatments with them this season. Be on the lookout for the flyer in the Thursday folder.

MOSQUITO AUTHORITY

Tuffy Needs a Glow Up!

Join Mosquito Authority and HES PTA in raising the funds for a new Tuffy costume!
HES Goal = New Tuffy \$5000.00

April through October for every paid treatment Mosquito Authority will DONATE \$10 to HES in your family's name towards a new mascot costume!

We have negotiated a special rate for all our Hammond families! Use Code "Tuffy2024"

- Only \$69.00 per treatment for Hammond families or their referrals. *
- Stay mosquito FREE this summer and help raise funds for our beloved school mascot.
- \$100 donation = 10 treatments (full season)
- \$60 donation = 6 treatments (summer six pack - June - sept)
- \$30 donation = 3 treatments (schedule anytime)

Mosquito Authority has partnered with us in the past to sponsor Basketball Jerseys, our Spring Carnival and more. We are confident that with this partnership and YOUR participation we can reach and exceed our goals.

Contact Mosquito Authority today.
Joe & Marshall
410 220 2167
<https://www.mosquito-authority.com/locations/baltimore-md/#>

FREE QUOTE

If you currently have service @ a lower rate Mosquito Authority will match your pricing and still donate.

Team AWESOME



Meet the Board

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Email us your questions and concerns - we are here to help!

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