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MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION

Dear HES community,

Thank you for your unwavering support during Teacher Appreciation Week! Our teachers and staff were touched and immensely grateful for all the recognition, thankful messages, and of course, treats throughout the week!

We will continue the celebration tomorrow at our PTA sponsored Multicultural Night! Join us for an enchanting evening, exploring diverse cultures and learning about one another as a community! We are excited for students to show pride in their uniqueness and increase a collective sense of belonging, here at Hammond.

Warmly,

Heather Moraff, Principal

Nykia Mapson, Assistant Principal



EARLY DISMISSAL TOMORROW, MAY 17

Friday, May 17 schools will be closing 3 hours early for a staff Professional Learning Day. Hammond Elementary will be dismissed at 12:15. Please be sure you have made any necessary arrangements for your children.

FIELD DAY - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Thank you to those who have already graciously volunteered their time for this fun, school-wide event. Just a few spots left to fill! Help us reach 100% volunteerism for Field Day!

FIELD DAY
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS
FOR MONDAY, MAY 20**

The success of Field Day is not possible without volunteers like you. If you are able to volunteer half or full day, Mrs Serpico, Mr Quirk and Mr Carr would greatly appreciate it. Please select the station you wish to man.

YOU MUST HAVE COMPLETED THE VOLUNTEER TRAINING AND SUBMITTED CERTIFICATES TO THE FRONT OFFICE

SIGN-UP GENIUS LINK
<https://rb.gy/rier5r>

SCHOOLWIDE ENRICHMENT FAIR - MAY 23

Join us for an exciting evening at our upcoming Schoolwide Enrichment Fair scheduled for Thursday, May 23rd from 6:00pm -7:30 pm. We invite you to come and celebrate the effort, commitment, and imagination of our talented Hammond Tigers. Student projects will be showcased in the team areas and the lunchroom. So, mark your calendars and be prepared to be amazed by the creativity and dedication showcased at this special event! Students, please use this link to sign up for a time to present your project.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F45A5AF2CA13-49560518-enrichment#/>



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Come Join Us

HES Enrichment Fair

Come and celebrate the effort,
commitment, and imagination of our
talented Hammond Tigers (K-5th).

May 23rd | 6 - 7:30 PM

Students that participated in seminars are
encouraged to signup for a 15 minutes
timeslot to share their experiences and things
learned in the seminar. Use the link below to
sign up.

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F45
A5AF2CA13-49560518-enrichment](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F45A5AF2CA13-49560518-enrichment)

Contact us with any questions
rachel_lee@hcpss.org
sharon_meyer@hcpss.org



CAREER DAY MAY 23



SPRING CHORUS CONCERT

The Hammond Elementary School 4th and 5th Grade Chorus is excited to present our Spring Chorus Concert on Wednesday, May 22 at 7pm in the Hammond High School auditorium! This is a wonderful opportunity for our singers to perform on the big high school stage. We will share the concert with the Hammond Middle School Choruses and their director, Mr. Ryan Ritzes. Please come out to support our vocal musicians and be sure to stay to the end for a special combined chorus performance!

A NOTE FROM ORCHESTRA

If your child is using a school Orchestra instrument, it must be returned to Mrs. Jacobs by Friday, May 31.

The last day of Orchestra lessons for this year is Friday, June 7.

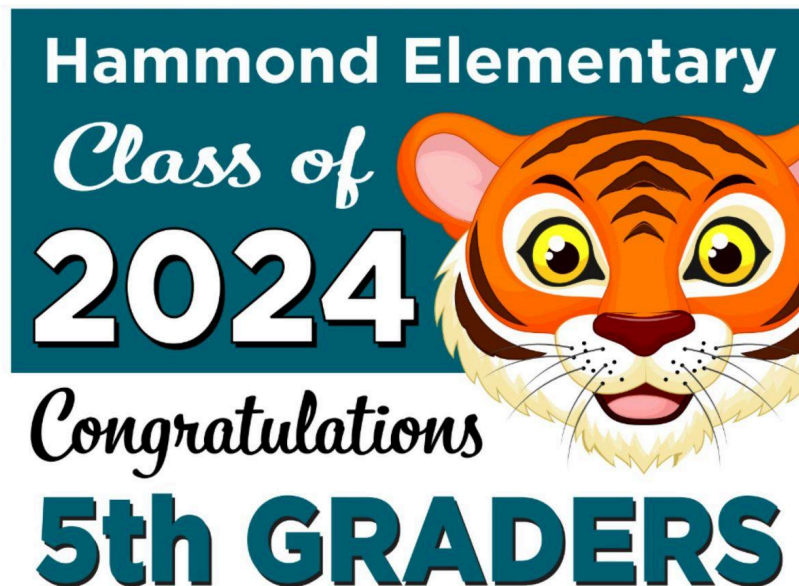
5th GRADE YARD SIGN

The HES PTA and 5th Grade Planning Committee is
excited to offer families
5th Grade Yard Signs

Signs are available for purchase for \$3.75 on MemberHub
now through Memorial Day (Monday, May 27):
<https://hes-pta.memberhub.com/store/items/852615>

No extras will be ordered, so please be sure to get your order in! Signs will
be available for pick up beginning May 31 during SCH.
More details to follow on pickup time and location.

If you have any questions, please email
Kristina at stinalalala@gmail.com



FOLLOW THIS LINK TO ORDER YOUR YARD SIGN:
<https://hes-pta.memberhub.com/store/items/852615>

BUS REGISTRATION - REQUIRED!

Bus registration opened on April 8th! Details on Bus Transportation Registration are available on the HCPSS website. Please register through May 31st.

Parents/guardians whose children are eligible for bus transportation are asked to register to receive bus service each year to help the school system plan for student transportation needs. **The transportation registration process will open at 9 a.m. Monday, April 8 through May 31, and will be completed online via HCPSS Connect Synergy.** Registration must be done for each eligible child.


To be eligible for bus service, your child's home address must be outside of a school's walk zones. You can verify address eligibility in the [HCPSS School Attendance Area Locator](#). After inputting your address, a window will appear that will indicate either bus or walk for each school level. Please note, the attendance area locator also includes a link for the bus stop locator, which is set for the current school year. Bus stop information for the 2024-2025 school year will be available in August.

You do not need to take any action if:

- Your child is not eligible for bus transportation
- Your child receives transportation as part of their Individualized Education Program (IEP) or 504 Plan, or
- Your child is a graduating senior

[Details on bus transportation registration](#), including a guide to register and scenarios families may see when registering, can be found online.

MEDIA CENTER: END OF YEAR DATES



End of the Year
Media Center Dates:

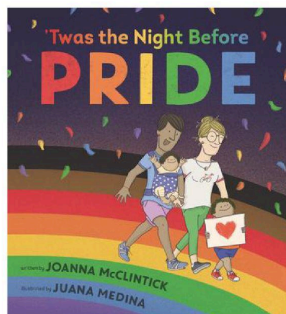
- 5/24: Last day for book check, students with more than 2 books out will not borrow the week of 5/22-5/24
- ALL books must be returned to the Media Center by June 3 at the very latest!

Thank you for a great year, HES!

FAMILY READ THE RAINBOW BOOK CLUB

Our next [FAMILY Read the Rainbow book club](#) will occur on Monday, June 3rd at 6:00PM and feature the book *'Twas the Night Before Pride*. The book's author, Joanna McClintick, will be present at our book club meeting to answer questions and talk about writing the book. The first 50 families with students in Pre school - 5th grade who register for this book club will receive a free copy of the book sent to their home or media center. This book club is open to anyone who would like to join us - students, staff, parents, and community.

FAMILY Read the Rainbow with Joanna McClintick



Join us virtually on
Monday, June 3rd 2024 @ 6:00pm

to meet author Joanna McClintick and who will
read aloud and discuss,
'Twas the Night Before Pride

This is a **FREE** LGBTQIA+ inclusive book club and open
to **ALL** (students, parents, educators, and community
members).

The first 50 families registering with preschool and/or
elementary aged children will receive a **FREE** copy of
the book!

To participate, please register by visiting our
HCPSS Pride website: bit.ly/HCPSSRainbow



GIFTED & TALENTED SUMMER PROGRAMS

The Gifted and Talented (G/T) Summer Institutes for Talent Development offers additional advanced-level instruction and enrichment experiences not regularly available during the academic school year for students **entering grades 1-8**. Rigorous instruction focusing on talent development is offered in mathematics, science, social studies, language arts, technology and fine arts.

No testing nor prior G/T coursework is required for enrollment in these enrichment offerings.

For Summer 2024, we will be offering one two-week session from July 8 - 19 at Burleigh Manor Middle School. While the program is half-day, before and after care is available on site via Howard County Recreation and Parks.

A few highlights ---

- Bus transportation to area collector stops!
- Exciting courses in Humanities, STEM, and the Arts!

Financial assistance is available for students participating in the Free and Reduced Meal Program.

Families of HCPSS students may enter registration requests through HCPSS Connect beginning on April 2 at 6 p.m.


For more information on how to register, please see [this registration guide](#).

- [G/T Course Listing](#)
- [G/T Course Matrix](#)

Contact: GTSummer@hcpss.org or 410-313-6671.

OTHER SUMMER PROGRAMS

Join Summer Basketball Camp. [Click here for all of the information.](#)



girls lacrosse camp

**Come and learn America's fastest growing sport
from high school and college players!**

**June 17-21, 2024
9:00 AM to Noon
Guilford Park HS Stadium
Register at gphsboosters.com**

- Open to girls who will be in 5th through 9th grade for the 2024-25 school year and any high school girls who DID NOT play at GPHS.
- No experience necessary!
- Sticks and goggles provided (if you don't have your own).
- All participants receive an Under Armour t-shirt.

COST: \$140

QUESTIONS: gphsboosters@gmail.com or Coach Miller at allison_miller@hcpss.org



JOIN THE CENTRAL MARYLAND
RAINBOW CHORUS

FREE TO JOIN!

OPEN TO ALL LGBTQ+ FOLKS AND ALLIES 14 AND UP!

NO FORMAL MUSICAL TRAINING REQUIRED!

AFFIRMING SPACE FOR TRANS AND NONBINARY VOICES!

WEDNESDAYS 7-9PM FROM JUN 12 – AUG 7
CONCERT ON SUNDAY AUGUST 11TH @ 7PM
OWEN BROWN INTERFAITH CENTER,
COLUMBIA MD

SPONSORED BY



WANT TO SING WITH US? PLEASE
EMAIL SINGTHERAINBOW@PROTON.ME

IMPORTANT DATES

Fri. May 17 Schools close 3 hours early

Fri. May 17 Multicultural Night

Mon, May 20 Field Day

Wed, May 22 Spring Chorus Concert 7pm at Hammond High School

Wed, May 23 Career Day

Wed, May 23 Enrichment Fair

Mon May 27 Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL

Fri, May 31 5th Grade Simulated Congressional Hearing
Schoolwide Spirit Day - Wear **Red**, White & **Blue**

Wed Jun 5 Schools close 3 hours early

Thur Jun 13 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony

Jun 12 - Jun 14 Schools close 3 hours early

Fri June 14 Last Day of School

