

# Eagle's Nest

## HCCS Newsletter February 2017

This month's **Core Characteristic** is:

### Loyalty

Loyalty is being faithful and true to our duties, relationships and ideals.

*"Loyalty is the pledge of truth to oneself and others." -Ada Velez Boardly*

### From the Desk...

Dear Families,

With the warmer spring-like weather that's arrived these past few days, students and staff have felt re-energized for school. It's been an activity filled month for students, staff, and parents. Parent teacher conferences take place in February. I encourage you to be present and attend your child's conference. It's a great opportunity to be a part of your child's goal making, academic success and efforts. We greatly appreciate our PTSO parents who are involved in preparing the meals for our teachers during conferences. It fills our hearts as well as our stomachs. Thank you.

As the school lottery for the 2017-2018 school year draws near, it's important that families who are currently attending HCCS return your "letter of intent" in order for us to reserve your student's spot here at school. The lottery will take place on April 8<sup>th</sup>, so timing is critical. We are looking forward to meeting new faces and "growing" our school with new families. We strive to have all our families feel welcome.

Lastly, State tests are just around the corner. They begin in April and we ask that you support your students by helping them receive plenty of sleep, a healthy breakfast, and encouragement throughout the year. It helps them to do their best learning. We also strongly encourage you to have your child here every day and on time. Attendance is directly tied to student learning and success! Regardless, we enjoy seeing them every day. They're the reason we work in schools!

Thank you for all you do for HCCS and your child.

Javier Castaneda  
Principal

All lunches are served with a choice of salad & Fruit Bar and one (1) milk. Lunches are subject to change without notice. Breakfast menu items will rotate.



### Upcoming Dates:

- Wednesday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>  
Letter of Intent to Return for 2017-2018 school year due
- Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> NO SCHOOL Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Monday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>  
President's Day **SCHOOL IN SESSION**
- Thursday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>  
PTSO Meeting 3:30pm
- Saturday, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> Ski Night
- Wednesday, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Spring Picture Day
- Donut Sales Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> & March 3<sup>rd</sup>

### Other Side:

- Open Enrollment
- Picture Day
- Pennies for Patients
- Student Council Update
- Donut Sales
- After School Activities
- PTSO Announcement
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Roaring Readers Program
- PE Reminder
- Box Tops for Education
- School Make-up Days

## February 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Mini Corndogs Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	2 BBQ Roasted Chicken Mashed potatoes & Ww Roll Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	3 Cheese & Pepperoni Pizza Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	4
5	6 Chicken Nuggets Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	7 Hamburger on Ww Bun Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	8 Mac & Cheese Ww Roll Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	9 Cilantro Pork Salad Wrap Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	10 Cheese & Pepperoni Pizza Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	11
12	13 Mini Corndog Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	14 Breakfast Burrito Seasoned Black Beans Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	15 Cheese & Pepperoni Pizza Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	16 P/T CONFERENCES NO SCHOOL	17 P/T CONFERENCES NO SCHOOL	18
19	20 Ww Crispito String Cheese & God fish Crackers Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	21 Chicken Sandwich Ww Bun Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	22 Corndog Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	23 Chicken Nuggets Gold Fish Crackers Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	24 Cheese & Pepperoni Pizza Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	25
26	27 Mandarin Chicken Rice Bowl Salad & Fruit Bar Milk	28 Ww Crispito String Cheese & God fish Crackers Salad & Fruit Bar Milk				
	Breakfast Menu: Assorted Cereal Bean & Cheese Burrito Fruit/Juice Milk	Breakfast Pizza Assorted Cereal WW Bagel W/CC Fruit/Juice Milk	Assorted Cereal Parfait WW Bagel W/CC Fruit/Juice Milk	Assorted Cereal WW Bagel W/CC Breakfast Sandwich on WW English Muffin Fruit/Juice Milk	Assorted Cereal Whole Grain French Toast WW Bagel W/CC Fruit/Juice Milk	

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## 2017-18 Open Enrollment

### [Information to share with the community!](#)

Enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year is open NOW through March 16th. If you have students who are NOT currently enrolled at HCCS, and would like to enroll them for the 2017-18 school year, you MUST apply via the school website, or stop by the office to fill out a registration form. If the number of applicants exceeds the number of open seats, all names will be entered into a **public lottery, which will be held on April 8<sup>th</sup>**. Students who submit enrollment applications after March 16th will be added to the end of the waiting list but will not be included in the lottery. Please visit our school Facebook page to share lottery and enrollment information. <https://www.facebook.com/heritageschool/>

Letters of Intent were sent home on February 1<sup>st</sup>. These letters will identify students who will be returning to HCCS for the 2017-18 school year, and those who will be transferring to another district. If you have not returned this letter, please do so as soon as possible. Students who do not return their letter may forfeit their place of enrollment which will be offered to another applicant during the lottery on April 8<sup>th</sup>.

## Spring Picture Day Feb. 22

Spring personality pictures will be Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>. All students in grades K-5 will have class pictures taken, however, **only students who return their order packets and money will be photographed individually**. Parents should look for an order form to come home about a week before picture day, and keep an eye out for emails with more information.

## Pennies for Patients Coin Drive Feb. 13 – 26

Once again we are helping to raise money for Lymphoma and Leukemia Society, to help support families fighting the terrible battle with cancer. Last year, we raised about \$700. This year I know we can surpass that amount! Our goal this year is \$1000! Please start sending coins with your children on February 13<sup>th</sup>, to help your child's grade level win a party, and know they are helping others. Collection progress will be announced each Monday morning with each class' progress. This year we have an online fundraising page for people with friends or family members who are far away, but would still like to help out and support this worthy cause. <http://events.ils.org/pages/oswim/HeritageCommunityCharterSchool-2017> Thank you for helping us support the Leukemia & Lymphoma society.

## Student Council Update

We had a great turnout for our student council's winter glow-in-the-dark party. Well over 100 students attended the event, which included glow sticks, a movie, a dance party and glow-in-the-dark volleyball! We want to thank all teachers and parents who volunteered their time to make this fun activity possible!

## Donut Sale

3<sup>rd</sup> grade is having a Krispy Kreme fundraiser on Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> and Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Donuts are \$1 each, or you can preorder a box of a dozen for \$12. Preorders and money are due the Wednesday before the sales. Payments for preorders should be given to Mrs. Tams or Ms. Rodriguez. Orders can be picked up as early as 7:00am in the lobby on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## After School activities

Middle School track will begin on March 8<sup>th</sup>. It is open to boys and girls in grades 6-8. Cost is \$26 and must be paid by the first meet. Sign-up sheets are available online under parent tab and teacher websites (Ms. Rodgers) or outside the HCCS gym. Students must have forms turned in before they can practice.

## HCCS Parent, Teacher, Student Organization (PTSO) Announcement

The PTSO would like to thank all the parents who fulfilled teacher wishes for Christmas on giftster.com. The teachers really appreciated your gifts! That list is still online and available if you'd like to surprise your child's teacher with something this spring.

Our December meeting was quick, but effective. We now have a small group of middle school parents who are willing to help with middle school specific plans for our events. Thank you!

Our February meeting will be Thursday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3:30. Please join us to learn more about our plans and ideas for Spring! Among the things we need to plan and discuss are Dr. Seuss's Birthday Party March 9<sup>th</sup> and help for Mrs. Rodgers with the Mighty Milers Club (our school can earn money and other useful things by winning the most miles per month!) If you can't make it to our meeting, PLEASE email or contact us on Facebook if you are interested.

Elections for our Board positions will be held later this spring. If you are interested in a position on the Board, please, come to our meetings, talk with us and see what it's all about. Joining the PTSO is a great way to get to know the teachers, staff, and to have a real impact in our children's education and school life.

## Parent-Teacher Conferences

There is **NO SCHOOL** Thursday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> and Friday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> due to Parent-Teacher Conferences.

**Thursday – Noon – 8pm (dinner break 5-6pm)**

**Friday – 8am – 4pm (lunch break 12-1pm)**

Elementary Teachers will meet with parents in their classrooms at the scheduled times. Middle School teachers will be available in the gym during these hours. Please note that teachers will not be available during the dinner and lunch breaks.

## Roaring Readers

Get a FREE Roaring Springs day pass! Roaring Readers is open to students in grades K-6. Each student in K-4 who completes 600 minutes, or students in grades 5-6 who complete 800 minutes of **recreational reading**, can earn one Roaring Reader ticket. Students can read anything they choose; books, magazines, comics, newspapers, etc. They cannot count any reading that is done to complete homework or school assignments, this program is for recreational reading. All reading logs must be returned to your teacher by April 4<sup>th</sup>, no late logs will be accepted. Talk to your teacher about participating in the Roaring Readers program.

## P.E. Reminder

Please make sure students are wearing or bringing the proper shoes for P.E. For safety and floor preservation, they will not be allowed to participate in activities if they do not have proper shoes.

## Box Tops for Education

Keep collecting those Box Tops! They can be turned in to your child's teacher at any time. Just put the student's name and teacher's name on the envelope or collection sheet. Go to <http://www.boxtops4education.com/about/collection-sheets> to print a collection sheet.

## School Make-up Days

In order to recoup lost hours for the 9 snow days we've had this year, our School Board has approved the following changes to our calendar:

**February 20, Presidents Day – regular school day**

**March 17<sup>th</sup>, Teacher Work Day – regular school day**

Please be sure to update your calendar to reflect that your students will attend school on these days.