

Husky Highlights

Hawthorn Elementary School

Updates and Information for Families

November 1, 2018

Brooke Renton, Principal

Sasha Kalis, Assistant Principal

November ~This month at Hawthorn~

November 1st: 3rd Grade Musical Demonstration *(please arrive 15 minutes prior to the performance time)*

Mr. Wilson's Class— 5:30 performance

Mrs. Coen's Class— 6:00 performance

Mrs. Thomas' Class— 6:30 performance

Ms. Hoffman's Class— 7:00 performance

November 8th: Early Release Day— Students dismissed at 1:30pm

November 13th— PTA Family Event at Chuck E. Cheese

November 15th: 5th Grade Musical at 6:30pm

Thanksgiving Lunch in Hawthorn Cafeteria— RSVP's are required by
Monday, November 5th

November 17th: Hawthorn Night at Mercury Gym at 6pm

November 21st—November 25th: Thanksgiving Break— No School

November 26th: PTA Meeting—6:30pm in the Media Center

November 30th: Christmas on the River

(5th Grade Choir Performs)



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~Important Procedures to Note~

Safety Drills at Park Hill

Student safety is a priority at Hawthorn and there are specific procedures followed to ensure the safety of students and staff in the event of an emergency. All schools in the Park Hill School District have emergency plans in place. Each school year we will conduct 10 fire drills (one each month), one earthquake drill, two tornado drills, and two intruder drills. Our staff has been trained on these drills, and will discuss emergency procedures for all drills in the classrooms. Please know that each teacher will approach their class discussions with care and consideration of all students.

Scheduled Drills in October:

November 14th– Fire Drill



Home~ School Connection!

Are you looking for some ideas to support your child's learning at home?

How can I help my child with **MATH**?

Count your steps as you take a walk. Count by 1's, 2's, 5's, and 10's.

Give your child story problems to try and solve. Have your child **explain** how to solve the problem.

Let your child help you cook. Cooking involves a lot of counting and measuring.

Help your child learn math vocabulary.

Give your child coins to practice counting money.

Have children point out patterns they find.

Show your child that math is in our everyday lives.

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~Leader In Me at Hawthorn~

November Habit:

Habit #2

Begin With The End In Mind



Habit #2
BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND

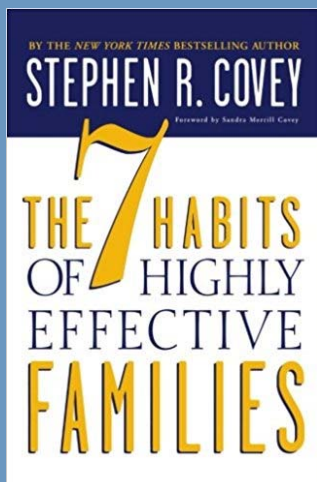
Have a Plan

- I plan ahead and set goals for myself.
- I am prepared at all times.
- I think about how the choices I make now will affect my future
- I think about the positive or negative consequences of my actions before I act.

Book Study Opportunity

Are you interested in learning more about the 7 Habits that your children are talking about at home? If so, plan to join us each month, following the monthly PTA meetings, for a brief discussion focused on using the 7 Habits at home with your family. Books can be purchased through Amazon for \$12. If you are not able to purchase a book, but would like to borrow a copy, let me know. We have a few copies that can be checked-out from the office. ***Our next meeting is set for Nov. 26th and we will be discussing pgs. 71-111, Habit #2 Begin with the End in Mind.***

If you plan to participate, select one or two quotes from the book that you feel are significant. You will have the opportunity to share your selected quote and why it was important to you.



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Leaders Of The Month

The students pictured below were named Leaders of the Month in their classroom because they consistently demonstrate Habit #1 –Be Proactive. Congratulations to each of these students for being responsible and choosing to have positive actions, attitudes and moods!



Kindergarten Leaders: Olivia Mikulich, Olivia Hundt, Julia Ronk, Rylee Hayes

1st Grade Leaders: Lauren Huckleberry, Casey Beck, Maddy Patterson, Judah Caraballo,
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2nd Grade Leaders: Alex Newlove, Fletcher Kolbe, Zoey Walsh and Arlo Henley

3rd Grade Leaders: Mya Kennedy, Alyssa Cox, Savvy Thomas, Brock Chisam

4th Grade Leaders: John Guastello, Nico Goin, Jillian Theys, Mias Wymer, Emma Richei

5th Grade Leaders: Joepy Finas, Emmy Johnston, Nola Fully, Sophie Smith, Caroline Rieger

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~Hawthorn PTA Information~

We Are Curious!!

What would you like to see the PTA add as a focus area for family engagement over the next year or two? Education or Health/Safety.

Cast your vote on our Facebook Page or email hawthornpta@gmail.com

Help Our PTA At The Clothing Center!!

Sign up to serve in November for an hour or two on the Sign Up Genius <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084fa4a72ba0fa7-201819>

Join Us For Our Next Meeting!!

The next PTA Meeting on November 26th at 6:30pm. Childcare is provided and we would love for you to stay for our book study of the 7 Habits of Highly Effective Families immediately following the meeting.

Thank You to all who helped make our first silent auction a success! We raised over **\$5300** to fund cultural and educational events, field trips and other fun, teacher necessities and appreciation, school needs, and more. Way to go Husky family!! We would like to consider the auction as an annual fundraiser and are open to feedback.

CHUCK E. CHEESE'S SCHOOL FUNDRAISING EVENT



ADDRESS:
9196 N SKYVIEW AVE
KANSAS CITY, MO 64154

DATE:
11-13-18
TIME:
3PM-9PM



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Cafeteria Information

Students may bring their lunch from home or purchase a school lunch from the cafeteria. Menus will be sent home on a monthly basis. Parents are welcome to come enjoy lunch with their child and we do ask that you pre-order your lunch by contacting your child's teacher.

Lunch prices for the 2018-19 school year are as follows:

Student Breakfast – \$ 1.25

Student Lunch – \$ 2.40 (includes a drink)

Adult Lunch – \$3.50



Stay Connected

Communication is very important to your child's success at school and we want to keep you informed of what is going on at Hawthorn. Please remember communication is a two-way process and you are encouraged to get in touch with your child's teacher or Mrs. Renton and Mrs. Kalis as needed. We will use electronic communication frequently, so if you do not have access to a computer at home, please be sure to contact your child's teacher to let them know, so they can send you information in your child's backpack. We don't want you to miss important information.

Below are a few ways to stay informed about Hawthorn and the Park Hill School District.

Hawthorn Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/HawthornElementary>

Hawthorn PTA Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/HawthornPTA/>

Hawthorn Elementary Website: <https://hawthorn.parkhill.k12.mo.us/>

Park Hill School District Website: <https://www.parkhill.k12.mo.us/>

First Hand E-mail Newsletter

Be one of the first to know what's going on in Park Hill. Sign up for the First Hand e-mail newsletter at www.parkhill.k12.mo.us to get the most current Park Hill news. Your address will never be shared.

Park Hill TV Channel 18

For an inside look at what is going on in the Park Hill School District, tune in to Park Hill TV channel 18 (for Time Warner Cable subscribers). You can find district news, school spotlights, student interviews, athletic events, and calendar items. You can also watch these videos online at www.parkhill.k12.mo.us. Click on Park Hill TV channel 18 in Quick Links.

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~Save The Date~

School Events

- 8/13 Back to School Night @ 5:30pm
- 9/14 PTA Fall Festival @5pm
- 9/20 Picture Day
- 10/12 No School--Teacher Work Day
- 10/18 Mathletics Competition @ HW
- 10/24 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 10/25 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 10/31 Fall Class Parties
- 12/6 Mathletics Competition
- 12/7 PTA Winter Extravaganza
- 12/21 Winter Class Parties 10:15-11:15
- 2/14 Valentine's Day Parties 2pm-3pm
- 2/21 Mathletics Competition
- 3/14 Spring Pictures
- 3/15 No School--Teacher Work Day
- 3/28 District Mathletics @ Lakeview
- 4/4 Spring Showcase @ 5:30pm
- 4/29 Kinder Round-Up @ 5:30pm
- 5/9 STEM Night (K-5) @ 6pm
- 5/14 5th Grade Track Meet
- 5/17 All-School Field Day (tentative date)
- 5/20 5th Grade Choir at Park Hill South
- 5/24 5th Grade Talent Show (tentative date)

Please find important events going on throughout the year listed on this page.

You'll notice that some of the dates listed are 'tentative'. As soon as we are able to confirm these events, we will update the calendar.

We will be sure to communicate any other changes or additions to the calendar as that information becomes available.



Grade Level Musicals

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| 10/18 @ 7pm— 4th Grade | 2/21 @ 6:30— 1st Grade |
| 11/1 @ various times— 3rd Grade | 3/12 @ 6:30-2nd Grade |
| 11/15 @ 6:30 pm— 5th Grade | 4/25 @ 6:30pm— Kinder |

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~ What's Happening in Park Hill? ~

Stay updated on important district information:

Redistricting Updates

In preparation for the opening of Hopewell Elementary and Walden Middle School for the 2019-2020 school year, and in order to balance our very different high school enrollments, we will be redistricting all of our attendance boundaries, from elementary through high school. Redistricting will help us continue to be one of the best districts around by protecting our low class sizes and making sure we can balance our resources.

The redistricting committee meetings will be open to the public, if you want to observe them. We will also host public input meetings and provide an online feedback tool to get your thoughts on the committee's ideas before the Board sets the new attendance areas. Watch for more information about those opportunities later in the fall. The Board plans to make its decision in December.

More information: https://www.parkhill.k12.mo.us/news/what_s_new/proposed_redistricting_plan

School Start Times

As the Park Hill School District has grown, it has become more and more difficult for our school-bus service to keep and hire enough bus drivers. This has led to problems in the level of service they are able to provide to Park Hill and our families.

To help solve this problem, we will follow in the steps of the other large school districts in our region and across the state by adjusting our start times. This might mean that some of our schools start earlier and some schools start later.

This would allow us to run another route each morning and afternoon. As a result, we would need less bus drivers, allowing our bus service to provide better service to our families while safely transporting our students. This would also significantly reduce the amount of taxpayer dollars required to run the buses.

After the Board votes on **redistricting** in December, the district will use the information about numbers of students from each area going to each school to determine how to add the extra routes. We will also ask for parent feedback on different options for the new start-time schedules. Using the student data and the parent feedback, we will determine the new start times and announce them in the spring.

The new schedules would take effect in the 2019-2020 school year.