

Staff Update

November 13, 2020

"IF WE DO LESS AND WE DO IT BETTER, IT'S GOING TO END UP BEING MORE FOR OUR KIDS."-DR. MARSCHHAUSEN

OUR ONE WORD

LIFT

Have you lifted someone this week, has someone lifted you?

It's not too late.

Grateful

- 1-**The Social Committee-**Thank you to the members of the social committee for organizing some fun and games for us over the past week! WOOT WOOT! The scavenger hunt was a great idea!!!
- 2**Jeff Williams-**I'm not sure if you noticed but Jeff has really stepped up this year to help us with all things---he subs, he helps with discipline, he helps with RTI, he calls doctors, parents, and the list goes on. Thank you so much Jeff!
- 3-**Email shout outs-**It was so heartwarming to read the email shout outs to Becky this week! What a great way to LIFT each other!

Love is an Intervention



Sometimes the struggle is real when you're in kindergarten and you're trying to get out of your car with your coat, mask, lunch box, and backpack! Thank goodness we have lots of helpers outside each day.

PICTURE DAY IS COMING

I am excited to announce that we will have SCHOOL PICTURE DAY ON DECEMBER 16th and 17th! WOOT WOOT! More details to follow!

Girls Tech Day

Girls' Tech Day is virtual this year from November 14th-28th and designed to inspire and empower young girls from grades 3 to 12, and young women 18 to 24 years of age,

to pursue interests and careers in technology. It is a series of learning workshops focused on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEAM), and the arts. Girls will have the opportunity to interact with women leaders in STEAM fields such as robotics, cloud computing and so much more. We have over 200 Hilliard students registered and looking for more! This experience and content is accessible and participants can join the event any time between November 14 - 28, 2020.

Click here for more details and to register for free:

http://www.cvent.com/events/aws-girls-tech-day/event-summary-bd517818d92949a991 98c428f7b8a8bf.aspx

Winter Parties

Winter Parties will be happening this year! Group A's party will be December 16th and Group B's party will be December 18th!

PTO will provide a craft and game. We will also have sugar cookies for snack that day and PTO will provide icing so kids can decorate their cookies! If you want to add some fun to that day, please feel free to do so! MOVIES, GAMES, etc!

FOOD FOR CONFERENCES

Food for conferences is allowed now! WOOT WOOT! The PTO will be ordering grab and go subs for us and will also have chips and drinks available!

R Factor For November and DECEMBER

I hope you have shown the Virtual R Factor Assembly!

There are two lessons in The Commons for AT HOME DAYS!

Planning ahead for December WOOT WOOT!-For December our do a VBO and ERO review! We will ONLY have a virtual assembly and one lesson in the commons that will be a Kahoot.

Update on Mitigation

New mitigation practices:

1-As long as kids are **6ft AND wearing masks** then WOOT **you can take the dividers down** (if you have kids are at a 5ft table you need masks and one divider)
2-As long as kids are **6ft apart AND wearing masks they can sit on the floor**

Teaching and Learning

REMEMBER---School needs to be fun, engaging and playful

Don't forget to do the fun lessons

REMEMBER----we need to PRIORITIZE what we absolutely are going to teach and be realistic about what is doable

Mental Health and Wellness is IMPORTANT!

Don't forget to leave time for the FUN lessons.

Build in time to TALK to kids and enjoy being with them!

Progress Reports

REMEMBER--ONLY MARK THE PLACES ON THE REPORT CARD THAT YOU HAVE ADEQUATE DATA TO SUPPORT WOOT WOOT---IT IS PROBABLY NOT A LOT!

Keep your comments to a minimum. As an elementary principal team, we have decided to share the paragraph below with all teachers and encourage you to use this for comments:

For the 1st trimester of 2020, HCSD operated in a Hybrid learning model. This meant that students attended school for 50% of the time and completed at-home assignments for 50% of the time. This progress report reflects your student's (knowledge/achievement/ability) for the grade level standards that were assessed during this trimester. During parent teacher conferences, held the 3rd week of November, additional data and assessments were shared via Zoom/phone. (HERE IS WHERE YOU MIGHT ADD ONE SENTENCE ABOUT THE CHILD....maybe....I truly enjoy watching Dolly learn and grow, she is so sweet and fun to have in class. OR, Thank you for your continued support as you help Dolly practice her letters at home). If you have additional questions regarding (student's name) ability, please feel free to contact me at (teacher email).

(THE PARENTHESES ARE THE PLACES WHERE YOU COULD ADD YOUR OWN WORDING.)

Click HERE for the Progress Report Timeline

PTO Update--SPEND THAT MONEY

- 1. INDOOR RECESS TEACHER GRANTS-Each CLASSROOM TEACHER is able to spend up to \$50 on supplies for INDOOR RECESS courtesy of the PTO! They opted for this as opposed to purchasing supplies and giving them to you because they wanted you to decide what would be best for your class. You MUST FOLLOW THIS PROCESS FOR USING THE \$50:
 - a. Fill out this form
 - b. Save your receipt and put it in the PTO mailbox with your NAME ON IT.
 - c. PTO will fill out a check WOOT and give it to you within a few days!

Equity and Diversity Team Update

If you are part of the White Fragility Book Club take a look at our **REAL**------ White Fragility Book Club Schedule.

What's on the calendar:

November 13-STAFF MEETING in the gym or <u>via zoom</u>

Agenda:

1-Literacy Task Force Update (3 minutes)

2-DO THE WORK

Michael and Amanda will walk you through a process so you can GET YOUR MIND RIGHT about:

WHAT YOU WILL TIE UP WITH A BOW BY WINTER BREAK

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WHAT YOU WANT TO FOCUS ON WHEN WE GET BACK IN JANUARY

November 16-19-1st-5th conferences

November 19-Conference Late Night grades 1-5. (FOOD PROVIDED)

November 25-27-NO SCHOOL

December 7-PTO 7PM via 700m

December 16 and 17-PICTURE DAYS

December 16 and 18-WINTER PARTIES---YOU CAN HOLD THE PARTY WHENEVER YOU

WOULD LIKE BECAUSE WE CAN'T HAVE VOLUNTEERS IN THE BUILDING

Did you notice that the word "WOOT" was obnoxiously repeated throughout this update. Well---be the 13th person to fill out <u>this form</u> telling me the number of "WOOT"s in theis update to win a prize! One entry per person!