

Our mission is to provide a strong foundation of academic excellence in partnership with family and community in which each individual is challenged to achieve his/her highest potential academically, socially, and personally.

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Student Enrollment Count

The beginning of our student enrollment count window starts Wednesday, Sept 24 and will continue through Thursday, Oct 9. The state uses our attendance during this 12-day window to determine our funding. **The most important date of the count window is Wednesday, October 1. It is essential that all students attend school on this day.** If you have any questions about student enrollment count or funding, please don't hesitate to contact Ms. Keri Melmed or Mr. Chad Miller.

Picture Day is Coming!

Picture Day will be Tuesday, September 30. Students must wear uniforms for our fall round of pictures. Picture Day order forms are being sent home in Thursday folders. If you are planning to purchase pictures please send this completed form with money to school on or before September 30. We are also looking for volunteers to help throughout the day. Please see the volunteer and donation opportunities on p. 2 for more information.

Coffee with Keri

Our next coffee with Keri will be Wednesday, October 1 from 8-8:30am. Please join her as she discusses how to help your child with their homework. Coffee and light snacks are provided.

Kindergarten Enrollment Campaign

High Point Academy is now accepting applications for **kindergarten enrollment**. We offer:

Tuition Assistance-we still have money available for families who apply and qualify to receive assistance.

Small Class Size
Instructional Assistants in Each Class

DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO TELL OTHERS!

Prospective Family Meeting & Tour

Our next Prospective Family Information Tour is on Monday, September 22nd from Noon - 1:00pm. Please encourage interested families to attend to learn more about who we are.

School Accountability Committee

Parents are welcome to join HPA's School Accountability Committee (SAC). The SAC is comprised of parents and staff that come together to review HPA's achievement data. Analysis and feedback influences the Accountability Committee and the development of our school's Unified Improvement Plan (UIP) that is submitted each year to the Colorado Department of Education and provides valuable guidance to our school-wide goals and professional development. The Accountability Committee's next meeting is Monday, September 22 at 4:00pm.

Have you heard? PTO is sponsoring a tutoring program here at HPA!

What: Power Hour

Why: To support 4th-8th grade students with multiple D's and F's in completing and understanding current course work and homework.

How: Through a quiet, focused 'study hall' atmosphere, students come with work that they do not understand and need to complete. HPA teachers from various grade levels and with varied subject area expertise work one on one and in small groups to support those students in completing their assignments.

When: Tuesdays after school from 3:50-5:00pm

Where: HPA Library (6-8 grades) and TBD (4-5 grades)

Important Dates:

September 19: NO SCHOOL

September 19: Cross Country Meet at Thomas Jefferson High School at 6:00pm

September 22: Prospective Parent Information Meeting and Tour 12-1 pm

September 22: Accountability Committee Meeting 4pm

September 22: Volleyball Game at HPA at 5:00pm

September 23: Power Hour 3:50-5:00pm

September 23: Volleyball Game at KIPP: Montbello at 4:30pm

September 23: Flag Football Game at KIPP: Montbello at 4:30pm

September 23: Governing Board Meeting 5:30pm

September 25: Flag Football Game at HPA at 5:30pm

September 25: PTO Meeting 5:30pm

September 26: Jean Day \$1

September 27: Cross Country Meet at DSST: College View at 9:00am

September 30: Picture Day

September 30: Power Hour 3:45-5:00pm

September 30: Volleyball Game at HPA at 4:30pm

October 1: Coffee with Keri 8-8:30am

Husky Talk Newsletter

Message from the Principal

Dear HPA Families,

As you know, we are in the midst of our first round of parent-teacher conferences. As you prepare to meet with your children's teachers, please keep a few things in mind. First and foremost, please come to conferences. If you have not yet scheduled a time with your child's teacher, contact him/her to do so. It may be too late to schedule a time for you to meet tonight, but teachers are happy to schedule another time to sit down with parents to discuss their child's progress as our goal is to meet with each family. Fall conferences are extremely important, as they are a starting point for teachers and parents to develop positive relationships. When teachers and parents are on the same page, and each feels comfortable approaching the other, it sets the stage for a much more successful partnership, which will enhance students' academic achievement and well-being throughout the year.

At conferences, teachers may go over your student's beginning-of-year STAR reading and math scores. These tests measure students' ability levels in math and literacy, and parents usually find it very beneficial to know where their child stands. STAR also has a parent report that provides an overview of your child's ability levels as well as other helpful information. Teachers will be handing those out to parents along with your child's TCAP scores from 2013-2014 (if your child attended HPA).

Each conference is 10-15 minutes long. If you find that this isn't enough time to get all of your questions answered, teachers are happy to schedule another time to finish the conversation. We appreciate your help in keeping conferences moving so that other parents can meet with teachers at their scheduled times.

Lastly, please remember to always treat your child's teacher with respect. Our teachers are experts in their field, so please treat them as such.

We are grateful to the PTO and all the families that helped organize meals for the staff for each night of conferences. As you may know, teachers put in a great deal of time preparing for conferences, as well as long days. These meals are greatly appreciated.

Please let me know if you have any questions about the information that is shared with you at conferences, or your child's progress.

I'm looking forward to a successful round of conferences!

With Husky Pride,
Keri Melmed

Carpool

Please be advised that parents should not be getting out of their cars in the carpool lane when picking up students. This slows down the carpool process. Thank you!

The HPA Colorguard Team is Looking for New Members to Join!

Through October 31 the HPA Colorguard team will be recruiting new members. If you are in second through eighth grade and interested in learning more please contact Coach Frazier at katfrazi77@msn.com.

Volunteer and Donation Opportunities

- **Parent volunteers** are needed to help on picture day, Tuesday, September 30 from 8:00-3:00. Please contact Erica Konieczny if you can help at ekonieczny@highpointacademy.net.
- **Donations Needed:** Save The Date for an HPA coat drive during the month of October. Please begin collecting gently worn coats and gloves.