

October 14, 2019

Good afternoon Eagle Families,

### **Fundraiser Item Pickup**

A big thank you to all families who participated in our school-wide fundraiser earlier this fall. It's almost time for the delivery of the items. Item pickup is scheduled for October 24 from 3:45-8:00 pm. Parent-teacher conferences overlap these times from 5:00-8:00 pm, so feel free to enjoy conferences prior to getting your fundraiser items. Unfortunately, we don't have storage options, especially for frozen items, so everything will have to be picked up during this designated time.

### **All-Call for Career Day**

Hocker Grove is hosting our annual career day on November 8. In order to make the most of this day, we need at least 80 presenters to come and talk about their careers. It's also important to have a wide variety of careers to ensure that we have something that interests all 780+ students. We also need a variety of educational backgrounds including college, vocational, and military. If you would be willing to come present about your career or know someone that would, please email Mrs. Molly Long at [MollyLong@smsd.org](mailto:MollyLong@smsd.org). We are particularly in search of careers in medical, sports, involving animals, cosmetology, and graphic design.

### **PTA School of Excellence**

Hocker Grove is taking steps to become a PTA School of Excellence. A big thank you to Ms. Michele Miller and the HG PTA for getting the ball rolling on this process. The first step is to identify needs for our building based on a parent survey. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey located [here](#). We will also have some computers set up at Parent-Teacher Conferences if you'd prefer to take the survey there.

### **Upcoming Meetings for Parents**

The next PTA Meeting is scheduled for 6:30 pm in the Hocker Grove Library. Dr. Fulton, Superintendent for the SMSD, will be joining us to speak to the group and solicit feedback about the Strategic Plan. We would love to have as many parents as possible at this meeting to have a strong showing for Dr. Fulton's time. Please join us in the beautiful HG library.

This week, the district begins a series of meetings to discuss possible repairs to district facilities coming out of the new strategic plan including potential improvements to Hocker Grove. The public meeting for the North Feeder Pattern is set for October 29 at SM North from 5:00-6:30 pm. It would be awesome to see Hocker Grove families out to engage in the planning process.

### **Tutoring Through Johnson County Library**

The Johnson County Library offers homework help services for students. You must be a library card holder in order to participate. Math teacher, Mrs. Long, has created [this video](#) to help show parents how to connect with this resource.

**This Week in The Grove:**

October 14 Second Quarter Begins

October 14 Board of Education Meeting 6:00 pm, Center for Academic Achievement

October 15 Cross Country District Meet for B and C teams 4:15 pm, Indian Woods

October 16 PTA Meeting with Dr. Fulton 6:30 pm, HG Library

October 17 Fall Improv Show, 6:00 pm, Aux Gym

October 18 Cross Country District Meet for A team 4:30 pm, Black Hoof Park- Lenexa

**Upcoming Events:**

October 17 Fall Improv Show, 6:00 pm, Aux Gym

October 24 PTA Fundraiser Item Pickup 3:45-8:00 pm

October 24 Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences 5:00 – 8:00 pm

October 25 Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences 8:00 am – 4:00 pm (No school for students)

October 29 North Area Facilities Plan Roll out 5:00-6:30 pm, SM North



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