

October 1, 2018

Good afternoon Eagle Parents and Guardians,

Hocktoberfest

This week, HG is celebrating Hocktoberfest sponsored by Student Council. Part of our celebration includes some spirited dress. Our themed days are listed below:

Monday- PJ Day (no slippers)
Tuesday- Twin Day
Wednesday- Teacher/Student Switch Day
Thursday- 70s Day
Friday- Hocker Grove Spirit Wear

Additionally, Student Council sponsors and members will be working at Culver's in Mission from 5:00-8:00 pm as a fundraiser for the organization. Come on out to support them in their work, and enjoy some dinner while you're there.

Papa Johns Fundraiser

Hocker Grove also has a pizza fundraiser taking place this week in conjunction with the district. We'd love for you to support the fundraiser by saying you are supporting Hocker Grove and using the code "SMSD37" when you order at your local Papa John's.

First Quarter Reward Party

The Hocker Grove Positive Behavior and Interventions and Supports (PBIS) team has planned a great first quarter rewards party. Students with C's and better (as of Sept. 27's grade report) and no discipline incidents resulting in Recovery Room, In School Suspension or Out of School Suspensions will be headed to the AMC Barry Woods Movie Theater in North Kansas City this Friday, October 5. Students should have already received their permission slips, which will need to be returned to HGMS no later than Wednesday of this week. This will allow us to plan appropriately for school lunches.

Students that didn't meet the qualifications for the trip, will remain at school and work on assignments designed to help get grades up into the C or better range. Sometimes students remaining at school think it's not important to attend when others are on a field trip, but we encourage parents to send their students to school so that they can spend the day focusing on improving their grades.

Technology Outage

Over the weekend, the district experienced an issue with student connectivity from home. Upon investigation, it was discovered that a piece of hardware required for student VPN access had become unresponsive. That hardware was rebooted and connectivity was restored as of Sunday, Sept. 30 at noon. The issue should now be resolved and home connectivity restored. Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Winter Sports Beginning

As fall sports start winding down, our winter sports start ramping up. Wrestling begins today after school. Any student that is interested in participating will meet in the locker rooms after school. Students who participated in a fall sport have the paperwork taken care of, but any student who hasn't participated in a fall sport will need to have a physical before coming out to practice.

This Week in the Grove:

September 29-October 5 Papa John's Pizza Fundraiser (see details above)

October 1-5 Hoktober Fest- Spirit Week

October 1 Wrestling Practice Begins @ Hocker Grove

October 2 District Volleyball Tournament 4:30 pm, SM East

October 2 Fall Band Concert 7:00 pm, SM North Main Theater

October 3 Student Council Culver's Night 5:00-8:00 pm

October 4 Fall Choir Concert 7:00 pm, HG Aux Gym

October 5 First Quarter Reward Party

October 6 Cross Country 9:00 am, Shawnee Mission Park

Upcoming Events:

October 11 End of First Quarter- Early Dismissal @ 1:45 pm

October 12 No School- Teacher Work Day

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3rd Annual

COMMUNITY COSTUME DRIVE



OUR MISSION: TO ENSURE THAT EVERY CHILD HAS A COSTUME

Saturday, October 13, 2018
8 am - noon

Merriam Park Community School
6100 Mastin Merriam, Kansas 66203

Join us in collecting costumes between Sept. 24 - Oct.12.

We will accept new or gently used (free of stains) costumes for this community event. Please place each costume in a separate bag clearly marking the size/age and description of the costume on the outside of the bag.

Questions: Contact Merriam Park at 913-993-3618

BENEFITS ALL CHILDREN IN THE KANSAS CITY METRO AREA



Tasty Tuesdays



JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FOOD, FRIENDS, FAMILY & FUN!

Tuesday, September 25th @4-8pm

7700 Metcalf Avenue, OP

McDonald's will donate a portion of their proceeds to **Hocker Grove MS**
Drive thru is included