

NOVEMBER 2019

Nov 1st

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week one.

Don't forget to order your Hoover Middle School T-Shirt or hoodie, designed by 7th grader Amelia Elliott! Orders are due on Monday.

Math League Club permission slips are due today! ADD your math skills to the club and watch the fun MULTIPLY as we compete against other schools in the spring! The first meeting is next Tuesday, so join now and see why this club is GREATER THAN all the others!

7th graders, if you want to join the modified wrestling team get your paperwork to Mr. Hillman in room 112. Wrestling starts November 12th!

Cheerleaders, don't forget that there is a sign up meeting for the Kenmore West cheerleading team tomorrow at 10:00 AM at Kenmore West. Anyone interested in trying out should attend.

Congratulations to Mrs. Hyzy and Mr. Hineman's homeroom, who were the first to correctly identify yesterday's song as "Ghostbusters" by Ray Parker Jr.

There will be no school on Tuesday, November 5, due to the Superintendent Conference Day.

Congratulations to Mrs. Krasinski, Mrs. Powalowski, and Mrs. Bacon/Mrs. Rickan! Those rooms earned a pizza party for bringing in the most socks for the Ken-Ton Closet. Thank you for all your generous donations.

Nov 5th - No School

Nov 6th

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week two.

The Dragon Store will be open during lunch today. Please bring your scales with you to lunch and make sure they are completely filled out. You will not be able to leave the cafeteria to get your scales from your locker, so plan ahead!

November is food drive month! Bring in non-perishable food items and use them to vote for your favorite teacher. The teacher with the most donations will have to wear a turkey costume!

The current leaders are...

3rd place- Mr. Hineman

2nd place- Mrs. Hill

1st place- Mr. Strauss

Tonight is McTeacher Night at McDonald's on Young Street. Stop by from 5-7 and say hi to your 5th-grade teachers as they serve you dinner!

The first meeting of the Math League Club is tomorrow - THURSDAY - from 3:30-4:15 in room 252.

Science Fair Club will meet tomorrow from 3-4:15 pm in room 316. Please bring your \$10 science fair registration fee, research and final topic idea. If you have musical rehearsal on Thursday and are also in the Science Fair Club, please come to the meeting from 3-3:30 pm. See Mrs. Dettbarn if you can't make it to the meeting at all. Make sure you have a ride at 4:15 pm to pick you up on the Thorncliff side of the building!

Nov 7th

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week two.

The food drive is going on now! Bring in non-perishable food items to the main hallway and vote for your favorite teacher. The teacher with the most donations will have to wear a turkey costume!

The current leaders are...

3rd place- Mr. Strauss

2nd place- Mr. Hineman

1st place- Mrs. Powalowski

Keep bringing in those donations!

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Attention all 6th and 7th graders:

The scholars' breakfasts will be held next week. The 7th-grade scholars' breakfast will be held on Wednesday, November 13th, from 7:30-8:10 AM. The 6th-grade scholars' breakfast will be held on Thursday, November 14th, from 7:30 -8:10 AM.

Students should report to the auditorium. If you are eligible for breakfast, you should have received a letter in the mail. If you are unsure about your eligibility, please come down to the counseling center.

Nov 8th

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week two.

Attention 7th graders who plan to wrestle. Many of you do not have your paperwork turned into the nurse. Wrestling starts on Tuesday. You can't practice if you are not cleared by the nurse.

We are still collecting donations for the food drive! Donation boxes are located in the main hallway. The teacher with the most donations gets to wear the turkey costume for a whole school day!

The current leaders are...

- 5) Mrs. Roberts
- 4) Mr. Strauss
- 3) Mr. Hineman
- 2) Mrs. Hill
- 1) Mrs. Pawalowski

Keep bringing in those donations!

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Attention 6th graders: Come jump with your class at the new Get Air in Tonawanda on Thursday, November 21st between 6-8 pm. Prices and other details on the flyer handed out. Other grade levels will have a Get Air night later in the school year. Stay tuned for details!

Don't forget: there is no school on Monday due to the Veteran's Day holiday.

Congratulations to Mr. Hill's homeroom, who correctly identified yesterday's song as "We Didn't Start the Fire" by Billy Joel.

Have a great long weekend!

Nov 11th



Nov 12th

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week three.

Thank you to the 5th-grade students that participated in Trick or Treat for UNICEF. You collected \$625.11. This donation will be used to provide safe drinking water, food, school supplies, and blankets for many children in other countries.

Reminder to 7th graders: Wrestling practice starts today after school in the small gym.

Comfort Club members, please note the NEW schedule:

TODAY -Tuesday, November 12, 6th-grade comfort clubbers ONLY will be meeting from 3:30-4:15 in Mrs. Pilato's room! Looking forward to seeing you then!

THURSDAY, 5th and 7th-grade comfort clubbers will meet from 3:30-4:15. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Pilato.

The food drive continues and the contest for the turkey costume is heating up. We appreciate all your donations!

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Students who normally wait in the auditorium before the 8:05 bell should report to the main gym instead.

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Today we are kicking off Empathy Week! This week we will be talking about what empathy is and how you can understand what other people are feeling. Today we will be watching a video on what empathy is. On Wednesday, Nov 13, we are asking for all students & staff to wear RED, which is the color that represents Empathy, as well as demonstrate Empathy throughout the day.

On Thursday, students will have an opportunity to give examples of how they can show empathy towards others throughout the holiday season. We're asking students to bring a canned good into school on Friday to support our holiday food drive.

Teachers - please select the link in your email or on the announcements page to start the video on empathy after announcements.

Miss Thomas would like to remind all students about our favorite winter equation:

SNOWBALLS = SUSPENSION!

While it is tempting, please do not even pick up snow while you are on school property. We want to keep all Dragons safe every day! Again, SNOWBALLS = SUSPENSION!

Thank you, Hoover Dragons!

Nov 13th

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week three.

5th and 7th grade Comfort Club members will be meeting tomorrow from 3:30-4:15 in Mrs. Pilato's room! If you have any questions about the new Comfort Club schedule, please see Mrs. Pilato.

6th grade chorus members: please see Ms. Welfare if you are interested in participating in all county chorus this year. You will need to audition later this week.

7th grade chorus members- anyone interested in auditioning for all county chorus will need to sing at an audition in January for a vocal judge. Please see Ms. Welfare for details if you are interested!

The Dragon Store will NOT be open during lunch today. The store will re-open next week, so save your scales!

Congratulations to all the 7th grade scholars who were honored at this morning's breakfast!

The 6th grade scholar's breakfast will be held tomorrow morning from 7:30-8:10 AM. Eligible students should report to the auditorium. If you are unsure about your eligibility, please come down to the counseling center.

Students who would normally wait in the auditorium before the 8:05 bell should report to the main gym tomorrow instead.

It's Empathy Week! Thank you for wearing red today. Help us make Hoover a kinder place by demonstrating empathy to your fellow Dragons!

Tomorrow, you will have an opportunity to give examples of how you show empathy towards others throughout the holiday season.

Please bring a canned good into school on Friday to support our holiday food drive. Thank you for all your donations!

And speaking of the food drive, the current turkey costume leaders are:

#5 Ms. Hill

#4 Mrs. Pilato

#3 Mr. Strauss

#2 Mrs. Powalowski

And our new leader...Mr. Hineman!

Students, don't forget that snowballs equal suspension! Keep everyone safe and leave the snow on the ground until you are off school property.

Nov 14th

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week three.

5th and 7th grade Comfort Club members will be meeting today from 3:30-4:15 in Mrs. Pilato's room!

Students, here is an important reminder: coats and outerwear may not be worn in school. Please bring a sweatshirt or sweater to keep in your locker in case you get cold. You may NOT wear your coat!

Congratulations to all the 6th grade scholars who were honored at this morning's breakfast! Keep up the good work!

6th grade chorus members: please see Ms. Welfare if you are interested in participating in all county chorus this year. You will need to audition later this week.

7th grade chorus members- anyone interested in auditioning for all county chorus will need to sing at an audition in January for a vocal judge. Please see Ms. Welfare for details if you are interested!

Anyone interested in trying out for the Kenmore West cheerleading team must attend the first day of tryouts on Sunday, November 17th from 6:00-8:00 at Kenmore Middle School in the gym.

It's Empathy Week!

After announcements this morning we are asking that everyone take a minute and write what empathy means to you on a feather that your teacher will give you. We will place all of your feathers on the turkeys that Mrs. Holt made for us in the hallway to display for all to see.

And PLEASE PLEASE.... Don't forget to bring in your canned goods to support our holiday food drive!

Nov 15th

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week three.

Intramural swimming begins next week. Swimming is open to all students in grades 5-7. If you are interested, pick up a permission slip from your PE teacher as soon as possible!

Congratulations to Mr. Wall's class, who correctly identified yesterday's song as "The Middle" by Zedd.

Students, don't forget: coats and outerwear may not be worn in school. Please bring a sweatshirt or sweater to keep in your locker or dress in layers in case you get cold. You may NOT wear your coat!

The nurse needs her ice packs back! If you borrowed one, please return it today.

Anyone interested in trying out for the Kenmore West cheerleading team must attend the first day of tryouts on Sunday, November 17th from 6:00-8:00 in the Kenmore Middle School gym.

Thank you to everyone for participating in Empathy Week! Check out the hallway by the main office to see the turkeys with everyone's feathers on it. Great job!

Please don't forget to donate canned goods to our holiday food drive.

Nov 18th

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week four.

Intramural swimming begins this week. Swimming is open to all students in grades 5-7. If you are interested, see your PE teacher!

Attention 6th graders: Come jump with your class at the new Get Air in Tonawanda this Thursday between 6-8pm. Prices and other details on the flyer handed out. Other grade levels will have a Get Air night later in the school year.

Attention Student Council: The meeting scheduled for Nov. 26 has been moved to this Thursday, Nov. 21, due to the holiday break. Please plan accordingly and change your schedules. Once again, the next Student Council meeting is now Nov. 21! Thank you!

The nurse needs her ice packs back! If you borrowed one, please return it today.

Please don't forget to donate canned goods to our holiday food drive. The race for the turkey costume is close! Tune in later this week to find out who the leaders are, and keep bringing in those donations!

Nov 19th

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week four.

Attention 7th grade band members:

Please observe the following schedule for today's lessons:

Clarinet 7A- 9:03

Clarinet 7B AND 7C - 11:27

Low Brass 7 - 12:15

Alto Sax 7 - 1:39

Flute/Oboe 7 - 2:27

Attention cast of Beauty and the Beast: Anyone that has SPEAKING parts in scenes 1-7 should attend rehearsal today from 3:30- 5:30 in Miss Hill's room (246). Please do not go to the auditorium. We will rehearse in Miss Hill's room.

Science Fair Club will meet TODAY from 3-4:15pm in room 316. Make sure you have worked on your experiment questionnaire. If you have another rehearsal during Science Fair Club, please come to get your materials and important information. See Mrs. Dettbarn if you can't make it to the meeting at all. Make sure you have a ride at 4:15pm to pick you up on the Thorncliff side of the building!

Tomorrow is salsa pick up day in the middle school cafeteria from 3-6pm. If you ordered salsa, please make sure a parent or guardian comes to pick up your order after school!

6th graders, come jump with your class at the new Get Air in Tonawanda this Thursday between 6-8pm! Check the flyer for prices and details.

Reminder: The student council meeting scheduled for Nov. 26 has been moved to this Thursday, Nov. 21, due to the holiday break. Please plan accordingly and change your schedules. Once again, the next Student Council meeting is now Nov. 21! Thank you!

The nurse needs her ice packs back! If you borrowed one, please return it today.

Happy School Related Professionals Day! Thank you to all the bus drivers, teacher aides and monitors, secretaries, cafeteria staff, custodial staff, library clerks, nurses, and other staff that keep our schools running. We appreciate all your hard work!

There is only one week left to donate to our holiday food drive. The race for the turkey costume is close!

Our current top 5 leaders are:

5 Mr Strauss

4 Mrs Pilato

3 Miss Lukowski

2 Mrs. Powalski

1 Mr Hineman

Have a great day!

Nov 20th

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week four.

A reminder to all 7th grade chorus members... meet today 19th period in the auditorium for our first full rehearsal. Please bring your music. Remember to check in FIRST with your last period teacher!

Attention cast of Beauty and the Beast: Today's rehearsal is for the village ensemble only! Please meet in the auditorium at 3:30. Bring comfortable dance shoes!

Also, if you are in the musical please remember that you need to stay with a teacher from 3:00-3:30 on days you have rehearsals. Remember to speak with a teacher IN ADVANCE. You MUST stay current on your school work in order to be eligible to perform, so use this time wisely!

Today is salsa pick up day in the middle school cafeteria from 3-6pm. If you ordered salsa, please make sure a parent or guardian comes to pick up your order after school!

Staff and students, don't forget that there won't be a club bus on Tuesday, November 26 due to Thanksgiving recess. Again, there will be NO club bus next Tuesday.

Student council is meeting tomorrow, Nov. 21. There will be no meeting Nov. 26 due to the holiday break.

Tomorrow night is the 6th grade Get Air night from 6-8pm at the new Tonawanda location. Jump on over for a fun time with your classmates!

Hoover Staff: Get your coffee cake orders in to the 147 Bakery. All orders are due November 26!

There is less than a week left to donate to our holiday food drive. Keep bringing in those donations and help feed our community!

The Dragon Store will be open during lunch today. Please remember to bring your scales with you to the cafeteria!

Nov 21st

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week four.

There will be no after school in the library today.

7th grade boys that have made the modified basketball team will need to see Mr. Wall during their lunch period tomorrow. He will be in the lunchroom to meet you.

Tonight is the 6th grade Get Air night from 6-8pm at the new Tonawanda location. Come out and jump with your classmates!

Attention cast of Beauty and the Beast: Today's rehearsal is for ALL ensemble members and Belle. Please meet in the auditorium at 3:30. Bring your scripts and be ready to sing!

Also, if you are in the musical please remember that you need to stay with a teacher from 3:00-3:30 on days you have rehearsals. Remember to speak with a teacher IN ADVANCE. You MUST stay current on your school work in order to be eligible to perform, so use this time wisely!

Staff and students, don't forget that there won't be a club bus on Tuesday, November 26 due to Thanksgiving recess. Again, there will be NO club bus next Tuesday.

Student council is meeting today. There will be no meeting next week due to the holiday break.

The 147 Bakery is selling coffee cakes! Please get your orders in by Nov. 26.

Monday is the last day to bring in items for the food drive! Everything will be counted by noon and the winner will be announced at the end of the day!

After today, only the boxes of the top ten contestants will remain. Before today's count, the top ten is....

- 10) Mrs. Stoerr is tied with Miss Rickan
- 9) Miss Hill
- 8) Mrs. Rice
- 7) Miss Jaros
- 6) Mrs. Freda

- 5) Mr. Strauss
- 4) Mrs. Pilato
- 3) Miss Lukowski
- 2) Mrs. Powalowski
- 1) Mr. Hineman

And don't forget, Mr. Strauss has volunteered to let you throw pies at him if you vote for Mrs. Freda!

Nov 22nd

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week four.

7th grade boys: if you made the modified basketball team, please see Mr. Wall during lunch today. He will be in the cafeteria to meet with you.

If you are in the musical please remember that you need to stay with a teacher from 3:00-3:30 on days you have rehearsals. Remember to speak with a teacher IN ADVANCE. You MUST stay current on your school work in order to be eligible to perform, so use this time wisely!

Staff and students, don't forget that there won't be a club bus on Tuesday, November 26 due to Thanksgiving recess. Again, there will be NO club bus next Tuesday.

Congratulations to Mrs. Hall's class, who correctly identified yesterday's song as "Piano Man" by Billy Joel!

The 147 Bakery is still accepting coffee cake orders from Hoover Staff members.

Monday is the last day to bring in items for the food drive!

The current top ten, before today's count is....

- 10) Miss Hill
- 9) Ms. Jaros
- 8) Mr. Strauss
- 7) Mrs. Rice
- 6) Mrs. Pilato
- 5) Miss Rickan
- 4) Mrs. Freda
- 3) Mrs. Powalowski
- 2) Miss Lukowski
- 1) Mr. Hineman

All donations will be counted by noon on Monday and the winner will be announced at the end of the day!

The winner of the staff drawing is Julie Holt! Miss Thomas appreciates your positive interactions with students in the hallway.

Thank you, Hoover Dragons!
Have a great weekend!

Nov 25th

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week five.

Just a reminder that there will be no school Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday due to Thanksgiving recess. There will be no club bus tomorrow due to the holiday.

The 147 Bakery is still accepting coffee cake orders from Hoover Staff members. All orders are due tomorrow.

Are you running the Turkey Trot? Come join Mrs. Siegel outside the main office after announcements tomorrow for a group picture of all HMS runners. Turkey Trot T-shirt pickup begins today at the YMCA next to ECC North, so go get your t-shirt and wear it tomorrow for the picture.

The food drive is officially over. Thank you for all of your support. The winner will be announced at the end of the day.

Nov 26th

Day 1

Instrumental music students, please follow the lesson schedule for week five.

Attention Cast of Beauty and the Beast: Rehearsal today is for FULL ensemble, Belle, Gaston, and Lefou. Please report to the auditorium at dismissal. Rehearsal will begin at 3:00, NOT 3:30. Please make sure your ride can pick you up at 5:30 sharp!

The administrators have been trying, whenever possible, to bring students outside during lunch time when we have staff available and it is above 40 degrees. We will have students going outside today. Students, it is important that you take time to eat your lunch every day before going outside. Students wishing to go outside need to be wearing long pants, long sleeved shirts, and ideally, a hoodie or jacket.

Just a reminder that there will be no school this Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday due to Thanksgiving recess. There will be no club bus today due to the holiday.

Attention all Turkey Trotters! If you are running in the Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving, please come down and meet Mrs. Siegel outside the main office right after announcements today. We will be taking a group picture of all HMS runners. Have a great run!

Hoover Staff, all orders for the 147 Bakery are due today. Don't miss out on these delicious coffee cakes!

Congratulations to Mrs. Moreland, who won the staff drawing. Please come down to the office and pick your prize!

Thank you for your generous support of the food drive. We collected 1,309 items to feed our community!

And congratulations to Mr. Hineman, who looks AMAZING in the turkey costume!

Miss Thomas, Ms. Jaros and Mr. Galante would like to wish all Dragon staff, students and their families a Happy Thanksgiving! Safe journey to anyone traveling. Enjoy your break!

Nov 27th - 29th

