

# Hoover Eyes

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## president's message

Welcome October!! I would like to take a second and introduce myself! My name is Erica Wiseman and am this year's HSA President! Together with the VP, Colleen Goodsell, Treasurer, Kristin Wells, Secretary Brittany Coippi, Communications Rep Jessica Nagy and Parent Rep Ashley Schurter we would like to thank everyone for their continued support of the HSA. For those are not familiar with us that HSA (also known as the Home School Association) we are the parent run volunteer group for Hoover Elementary! The purpose of the HSA is to facilitate communication among administrators, teachers, students and families! To help bring us into a closer relation to the home, school, parents and teachers. As well as to work together as a group to enrich the education experiences of all our children! We as a board we are dedicated to help the Hoover community and we are excited to share the 2023/2024 school year with you!

### How you can help!

In addition to participating in events and fundraisers, there are plenty of ways you can help out our Hoover Community! We can't pull off events without volunteers!

Reach out with this [FORM](#) to let us know if you're interested for an event! We would also love to hear your thoughts and ideas about events and anything else you'd like to share! REACH OUT HERE.

# COMING UP IN

# OCTOBER



October 2- Custodian and building and grounds staff appreciation day

October 6- Early dismissal drill- dismissal will begin 15 minutes early

National Coach appreciation day

October 9- Columbus Day / Indigenous Peoples' Day No School!

October 10- Fire Safety Week Begins!

October 11- Brighton Fire Company truck visits

October 18- Unity Day; Wear Orange for bullying awareness

October 27- Hooty's Spooktacular Celebration!

October 31- Halloween dress up & parade

School Spirit days  
Wear Hoover Green  
Oct 27



Bills days  
Wear Bills colors/gear  
Oct 6  
Oct 13  
Oct 20  
Oct 26



# coming up in november

**Nov 3 Picture retake day (Volunteers needed!)**

**Nov 6-10 School psychologist week**

**Nov 7- Superintendent Conference Day NO SCHOOL  
FOR STUDENTS!**

**Nov 8- HSA Meeting 630pm Community Room**

**Nov 10- Veteran's Day, No School**

**Nov 17- Substitute teacher appreciation day**

**Nov 21- School related professional's day**

**Nov 22-24 Thanksgiving recess, No School!**

Buffalo Bill's days, wear red white  
and blue, or team gear

NOV 13, 17, 21



# updates from around the building

## Physical Education and Wellness



Physical Education has kicked off our Independent Health's Fitness for Kids. Each year in October we partner with the Buffalo Bills for the Play 60 Challenge. Students received a notebook that they can keep track of their activity minutes as well as a present from the Bills. Each week they will receive a Buffalo Bills football card too with fun facts on how the players stays healthy and active.

Thanks to everyone who donated old sneakers at Open House for our Got Sneakers fundraiser. We were able to fill two bags which raised \$38. The money raised is used for recess carts equipment, school wide wellness and physical education. This is an ongoing fundraiser, so feel free to send in old sneakers that are in any condition. There is a barrel located in the gym that students can put them in.

Be sure to follow us on Facebook for all the latest PE news at [facebook.com/HooverElPhysEd](https://facebook.com/HooverElPhysEd)

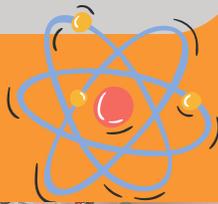
*PE is looking for your help!*

*PE is looking for examples of Hoover kids being active!  
Submit your photos of students being active to the HooverElPhysEd facebook page!*

# updates from around the building kindergarten



Mrs. Page shared some fun her class had on an Apple themed day in September! Her classroom is part of the KenTon Farm to table program! Her students brought in apples from home and had some fun tasting the 3 different colored apples. We voted on our favorite and made a class graph. We also made homemade applesauce and got to taste it as well. They surprisingly loved it!



The Kindergarteners at Hoover Elementary enjoyed a Science Fun Festival this morning. It was an in-house festival put on by the Buffalo Museum of Science.

The festival correlated to our weather unit that we have just begun implementing from our BOCES for Science. The four stations were

1. Liquid Nitrogen (water cycle, clouds)
2. Van De Graff (static and thunderstorms)
3. Animal adaptations (related to climate)
4. Wind (sailing cars)

# updates from around the building

## first grade

First graders in Mrs. DellaPenta's class were excited to see Hooty at their first assembly of the year!



First graders also participated in apple tasting! Mrs. DellaPenta's class charted their favorite things to dip their apples in! Peanut Butter and Caramel were their favorites!!



## Help our Hoots!!



Help our Hoover Hoots with the HMS team 7-2 celebrate

## socktober

This year the Hoover Hoots with Hoover Middle School team 7-2 are collecting socks for Socktober. Please help us by sending in new children's socks of any and all styles. Socks can be sent in with students all month but will also be collected in front of Hooty at Hooty's Spooktacular Celebration! All socks donated will be given to the KenTon

Closet!



The Hoover Hoots are fourth grade students that work all to help our Hoover community!

# updates from around the building



## health

The Elementary Health teacher will be visiting Hoover this October. This first lesson is full of fun and engaging activities on what it means to be healthy and explore healthy habits. Our health lessons always begin with exercise, and for this lesson, we will get up and move in coordination with the Bills Shout song! Our younger learners will then learn about healthy habits through books, sorting activities, and identifying healthy vs unhealthy habits. Our older learners will complete self inventories of their physical, social, and mental health habits and evaluate the results. Students will be asked to pick a habit to work and improve upon. Some review games will be played to better understand healthy habits and all lessons will conclude with a mindful breathing exercise!

### Accident's happen!

We've been asked to request for younger students that a change of clothes is sent in to school. Whether it's food, fun, or accidental bodily functions we have students who do need to change during the day from time to time. The nurse's office does have LIMITED supplies of spares on hand but for our younger students it is best if they have their own change of clothes.

# updates from music

*Mrs. Cumbo*



Fourth grade students playing The "Welcome Back" bucket drumming piece



Talented 4th graders writing and performing new lyrics to a song we learned in chorus

We are all off to a great start making music! We are singing, moving, reading notes and rhythms, and playing instruments each week. Here are a few highlights from the first few weeks of school!



Third graders playing a game called "Johnny Grimm" where they must identify the mystery crop rhythm by ear then play it



Students from Ms. Barrett and Mrs. Kneeland's classes playing a cup passing game to the Addams Family song



Second Graders adding sound effects to the Apple Tree poem



Music with Mrs. Hasselback has been busy and fun so far this year. Mrs. Hasselback teaches kindergarten and first graders as well as 3rd grade recorder.



Kindergartners and 1st graders have learned how to pick partners and sing in a nice soft voice. We have learned many new songs in which we get to play egg shakers, jingle taps, sand blocks and drums! We have had many parades and have gotten to use puppets. We are now singing Halloween songs and learning how to play the bells.



3rd graders are deep in the process of learning how to play the recorder. We have learned our first three notes: B, A and G. We are learning to put our left hand on top and our right hand on the bottom, how to breathe through our mouth and not our nose, tongue the notes, read the rhythms and notes on the staff. We are playing 5 songs so far. Establishing good practicing habits of 10 minutes a day is ensuring capable musicians!



# fire safety week firetruck visit

Thank you  
to the  
Brighton  
Fire  
Company!





# P.B.I.S.

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## **October Learning Focus**

### **Teamwork makes the Dreamwork!**

In October we will be continuing to work on being a community by working together, as a TEAM, and being kind and including everyone. We are learning about how our differences, not only make us special, but add to your ability to be a part of a team. We all have different skills and talents and when we work to put those together, we can achieve so much more. In our classrooms, we learned how we are linked together to be one big Hoover "Family" and community!

## **November Learning Focus**

### **Gobble up Gratitude**

In November we will be working on being grateful, or thankful, for things we have in our lives. Like last year, We are having a Gratitude Challenge throughout the school asking each class to participate in thanking someone in our community in any way they choose. This could be thanking our mail carriers for what they do for our community everyday, a veteran for their service to our country, or individuals around our school community that make our lives special throughout the school day!

## **Congratulations Hoover Heroes!!!**



Each month we will be recognizing students who are displaying our trait of the month. Each classroom teacher will choose 2 students who are an example of our learning focus. These students will not only be recognized at our monthly assemblies, but they will also be able to participate in some fun and exciting games on stage!

Let's give a round of applause for the students pictured below who were chosen as **community** helpers in our school community!!!





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## OCTOBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
1	2	3	4 PBIS Assembly	5	6	7
8	9 NO SCHOOL	10	11 Wear orange for unity!	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Wear orange for unity!	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Wear orange for unity!	26	27 Trunk or Treat Activity Night	28
29	30	31 Halloween	2	3	4	5



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## NOVEMBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1	2 PBIS Assembly	3	4
5 Write a letter or draw a picture for someone to thank them for something that meant a lot to you!	6	7 No School	8 Tell a family member why you are thankful for them.	9 Veteran's Day Assembly	10 Veterans Day Observed No School	11 Veterans Day
12 Make a list of 5 things you are thankful for!	13 Tell a friend why you are thankful for them.	14	15 Make a card or note to thank your bus driver or cafeteria worker.	16	17 Wear your Hoover Green or Bills colors to show you are thankful for our school!	18
19 Decorate and post your "thankful list" somewhere at home will you see it every day!	20 Help someone at home prepare for Thanksgiving!	21	22 Thanksgiving Recess	23 Thanksgiving Day	24 Thanksgiving Recess	25
26 When you are upset or mad, use your thankful list to help you when doing deep breathing. As you breath in, hold the breath and think 3 things you are thankful for then breath slowly out!	27	28	29	30	1	2



Hoover Elementary  
Families, we need  
your help!

**WHO SHOULD  
GET THE  
SPOTLIGHT?**

HELP US HIGHLIGHT OUTSTANDING  
HOOVER ELEMENTARY STAFF  
MEMBERS!

*Send your recommendations to our  
email*

*HooverElementaryHSA@Gmail.com  
or direct message on facebook!*

We'd like to spotlight various staff members throughout the year. Please share with us your thoughts and nominations! We'd love to hear how various members of the Hoover Elementary staff have helped your students!