

Monday, October 25, 2021, Issue 9

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REMINDER: HMS MARKING PERIOD 1 ENDS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5th.

There are 8 days remaining in this marking period. Be sure to check the <u>Parent Portal</u> to check your child's progress! It is time to get any missing assignments turned into your teachers.

SAVE THE DATE: HMS Conferences will take place on Tuesday, November 16th

between 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Our first round of conferences will be virtual. Parents will sign up with a teacher, and the teacher will post his or her Zoom link. We do ask parents to only sign up for ONE conference with a member of the CORE TEAM. (Note: Core teachers are the English, math, science, and social studies teachers.) Parents can also sign up to meet with several ENCORE TEACHERS during conferences, including teachers of Art, Music, Health, Physical Education, STEM, World Language, etc. We will share specific registration information in next week's newsletter.

PERSONAL TECHNOLOGY



When students bring their personal technology to school, they must be responsible for their devices. We consistently remind students to keep their cell phones and AirPods in their locked lockers or closed backpacks. If a student loses their device at school, it is extremely difficult to help them locate the missing item. Parents, please discuss your expectations with your children. We recommend you discuss as a family what technology is approved to come to school. Be sure you add security tools, like a tracker. Most importantly, remind your children to leave

their technology safety in their backpacks or lockers. Our priority is learning, and when we socialize... let's do so in person. Texting, posting, liking, and following should be reserved for after school hours!

WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION (TWO WEEKS LEFT!)



It is never too soon to think about basketball season. Families can begin to register their child at FamilyID. Please know that only students who are medically cleared by the nurse and academically cleared by Mr. Mandel will be permitted to try out. We will review grades from the first marking period. Students who fail more than one class will not be eligible to participate. Keep those grades up, student athletes! Basketball tryouts will take place the week of Monday, November 15th. Student athletes will stay after school with coaches, and they must be picked up by a parent or guardian by 4:30 p.m. Questions?

Please contact Mr. Mandel, HMS Athletic Coordinator, at rmandel@hamden.org or our Basketball Coaches.

Boys Basketball Coach Aaron Hawkins ahawkins@hamden.org Girls Basketball Coach Kim Mallard kmallard@hamden.org

HPS SUPERINTENDENT STUDENT OF THE MONTH

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SUPERINTENDENT STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Grade 8 - Team Morello

Murtaza is an incredible student who deserves the honor of HPS Superintendent Student of the Month. He can be described as mature, dedicated and energetic. He always strives for excellence in his academic studies. Murtaza consistently exceeds expectations and his contributions positively impact the learning environment. He is a role model and leads by example. We are fortunate to have

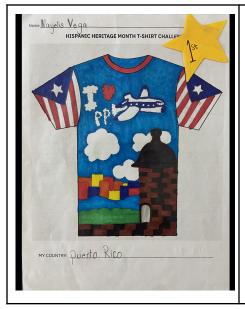
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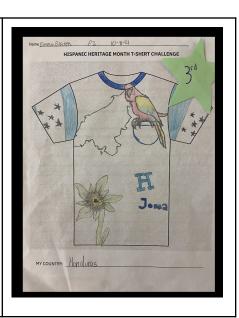


Grade 7 - Team Walton

Soshiro Obata has made the transition to seventh grade with enthusiasm, motivation, and leadership. He is the first to help another student, whether in learning or guiding them to expected behavior. He is also active in the school community, kicking off the year by joining the soccer team. He does this all while being a multilingual learner, coming to us speaking Japanese. No language barrier stops Soshiro from achieving the best at Hamden Middle School.







HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

(September 15-October 15)

A small, yet powerful, group of teachers worked together to plan enrichment activities to recognize Hispanic Heritage Month. Several days throughout the month, we played Latin music to start the day. Students shared information about important Hispanic Heroes during morning announcements. We recognized Latinx leaders in our community, too. We also invited the school to participate in a "Show Your Heritage" day where students and staff wore something special to represent their cultural background. Additionally, some of our student artists worked to create flags of different Spanish-speaking countries, which are being showcased outside Mr. Sanchez's classroom. Finally, the World Language Department invited all HMS students to create a t-shirt design to represent their heritage. Check out the top three designs above!

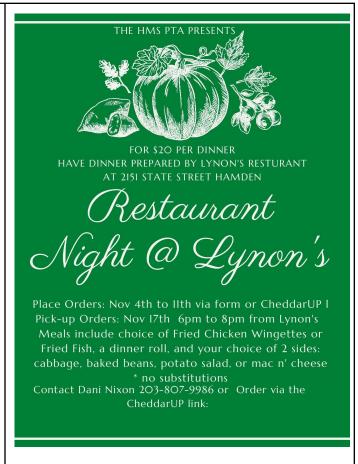
PTA FUNDRAISER

What can be better than coming together as a community for dinner? (And, you don't have to cook!) Our PTA is organizing a lovely dinner for families at Lynon's. You can order, pick up, and enjoy the food from the comforts of your home.

Lynon's is a Hamden restaurant located on State Street. Interested families should sign up between November 4th and 11th. We will share the sign up link in next week's newsletter.

For now, we are just tempting you with these delicious meal choices.

Meal Choices Include:				
Fried Chicken Wingettes	OR	Fried Fish		
Choice of 2 sides	Baked Beans	Cabbage		
Sides	Mac & Cheese	Potato Salad		







Parent Advisory Committee

Interested in Working Together to Support Hamden's Young Children & Their Families?

Join Us Virtually for Our First Meeting, Thursday, November 4, 2021

FIND OUT What we are working on and why we want and need more Hamden Parents to work with us

TELL US where you see Hamden headed in the right direction when it comes to young children and changes you think would help meet the needs of families and their young children. Potential topics: childcare, parenting support, children with special needs, communication and outreach, transition to kindergarten

LOOKING FOR parents, grandparents, and foster parents interested in understanding the system of services, improving supports to families, and supporting town wide efforts that help young children reach their full potential

\$10 Gift Card as thanks for your feedback and time!

What is Hamden's Partnership for Young Children?

- A Collaborative including public and private agencies, community members and representatives from the Town and Hamden Public Schools who advocate for Hamden's young children.
- Focused on improving the education, care, health, and safety of children from birth to age nine.
- Committed to creating a coordinated, integrated system of services for young children and their families with accountability by all.
- Working as partners across Hamden to improve effectiveness and efficiency: examining what is working well, what needs to be improved and potential solutions.

Register for November 4th or Need More Info?

Tricia Godfrey, Partnership Coordinator cell:203-671-2254 tgodfrey@hamdenyoungchildren.org

Guadalupe Kuilan, Hamden Family Resource Center 203-407-3111 <u>qmartinez@hamden.org</u>

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JOIN US!
OUR PRODUCTION OF
OUR TOWN
IS BEING PRESENTED IN
CONJUNCTION WITH
THE MILLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY!



We are seeking digital photos of people and businesses from our town of Hamden for a display in our lobby. After the play is over, the posters will be moved to the library.

TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE SEND YOUR DIGITAL IMAGE TO

mmerrill@hamden.org

