

Good Morning HCS Families!

What a fantastic turn-out at the Husky Hustle yesterday! It was so much fun watching the kids dancing, playing games, and participating in the Color Runs! Thank you to the Chair of the event, Caitlin Hyson. She did a tremendous job of organizing things! My appreciation is also extended to:

- The committee members: Sarah Boucher, Danielle Audia, Dayan Agularra, Jenny Braddock, Kelly Thompson, Kim Patterson, Margaret Kwasniewski, Jen Davis, Chelsea Blosser, & Heather Mathes.
- ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS that helped during the event as well as with set-up and clean-up!!
- HCS staff members that donated special experiences to the raffle and/or attended the event!
- All of the families that donated to the event and helped with fundraising!
- The Corporate Sponsors – Norwest Community Bank, Torrington Savings Bank, Blosser Tree Service, Bath Fitter, Fournier Irrigation, DKPartners, Burlington Construction Company, The Patterson Oil Company, Advanced Scaffold Services of New England, Hartford Healthcare/Charlotte Hungerford Hospital, Boulder Ridge, Supreme Industries & Wet Basement Waterproofing.

Everyone's contributions were invaluable! Thank you to the "village" of people that came together to support the 6th Annual Husky Hustle!

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CALENDAR

- **Thursday, May 26** – HCS Art Show, 5:00-7:00 pm
- **Friday, May 27** - Spirit Day- wear your spirit wear or blue & white
- **Friday, June 3** – HCS Field Day
- **Thursday, June 9** – Moving Up Ceremony for Fourth Graders
- **Friday, June 10**- 1:00 pm Dismissal
- **Monday, June 13**- 1:00 pm Dismissal, Last Day of School
- **Monday, June 13**- BOE Meeting, Har-Bur Media Center

Smarter Balanced Assessments will be administered in grades 3 & 4:

	16	17	18	19	20
Grade 3- English Language Arts	Grade 3- English Language Arts	Grade 4- English Language Arts	Grade 4- English Language Arts	Grade 4 - Math Performance Task	

HCS PTO NEWS

The HCS PTO is excited to sponsor our 3rd grade field trip to the Old State House and State Capitol buildings! This educational, informative and fun field trip will take our students to the very spot where Connecticut's democracy was born and to the place where our government is currently in action. The students from Ms. Mattiello and Mrs. Norton will visit on Wednesday, May 18th while the kids from Mrs. Parkhouse and Mr. Pirotta will get their chance on Friday, May 20th. The group will depart on the buses from HCS in the morning and return at 1:45pm.

- The students will eat lunch upon returning to HCS so please pack a substantial snack to enjoy on the trip.
 - Make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the trip, wearing comfortable shoes and layers.
 - Bring a mask! The Old State House is still requiring them at this time.
 - We will not be visiting the gift shops, so please leave money at home.
Contact your child's teacher if you have any questions, and thanks to the families of HCS for making this great field trip possible!
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HCS CLIMATE SURVEY

Families - if you have not filled out this survey yet, we hope that at least one member of each family can take a few minutes to respond. Your input is important and is used to set goals for improvement.

This survey is conducted each year to assess perceptions of school climate, including feelings about safety, relationships, learning, the environment, and communication within the school.

The link you should use is: <https://surveys.panoramaed.com/region10ct/login>

Please enter this code which is specific for HCS: **7926156715**

The survey will close on Tuesday, May 17th.

Thank you for participating and providing feedback!

Attention 4th Grade Families:

Thank you for the overwhelming response to our Sign-Up Genius for the end of the year celebrations for our 4th graders! These kiddos are going to have a great time celebrating their accomplishments and their time here at HCS in the coming weeks.

I have opened up a few more slots for volunteering, if you are interested.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4ea8a62ba2fcc43-4thgrade>

AUTISM WALK: The Region 10 schools are joining forces and building a R10 United team for the Autism Walk at the North Haven Fairgrounds on Sunday, May 22nd at 9:00 am. Please contact Mrs. Green (green@region10ct.org) for more information about how you can support the team or participate in the walk! You can also register for the walk or make a donation here: [click here](#)

COVID ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES

We appreciate everyone's adherence to the guidelines below. It is essential that students do not come to school if:

- They have had close contact (at least 15 minutes, within 6 feet) with a person that has tested positive for COVID-19 and are quarantining for the required number of days
- They, or a member of your household, has been tested for COVID-19 because of symptoms and/or potential exposure and you are awaiting results
- You screen them in the morning before school and they have any of the symptoms below:
 - **fever of 100.4 or higher**
 - **chills**
 - **a new cough**
 - **difficulty breathing**
 - **a sudden loss of taste or smell**
 - **shortness of breath**
 - **sore throat**
 - **congestion**
 - **extreme fatigue**

If your family has traveled, we recommend testing upon returning. Please be vigilant and check for any symptoms daily for 14 days after travel. Even mild symptoms can be the first sign of COVID. If the traveler, family member or student, develops any symptoms, keep all family members home from school until the traveler has been tested.

In all cases, we ask that you always err on the side of caution. If your child has any signs of illness, please keep them home and contact our school nurse, hcs.nurse@region10ct.org by phone at (860) 485-9029 ext. 12103

A friendly reminder that our school nurse, Kristen Sullivan is out on maternity leave. There will be a substitute nurse covering each day. You can still leave messages for the nurse, and email if needed. If your child will be tardy or absent for any reason, please notify HCS. Please send health-related emails to HCS.Nurse@Region10ct.org

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