

Hello HMS Parents:

We begin testing this week at HMS and we look forward to showing off the incredible learning that has taken place in our building throughout the year. Please be sure students are here on time each testing day and that they have a good breakfast each morning as they come in to test! Don't forget that we dismiss at 11:45 this Thursday for a Teacher In-Service afternoon and that there is no school this Friday.

HMS Testing Schedule

April 15th: Testing Pep Rally Event (Club Schedule)

April 16th: 5th-8th ELA Writing

April 18th: 6th Grade Science (11:45 dismissal)

April 19th: No School

April 22nd: 5th Grade Science (Burgess, Miller, Patenaude), 7th/8th Science

April 23rd: 5th Grade Science (Garrison, Melton, Bobo), 6th-8th Social Studies

April 24th: ELA Subpart 2 and 3

April 25th: ELA Subpart 4, Math Subpart 1 (No calculator), EOC Subpart 1 (No calculator)

April 26th: Math Subpart 2 and 3 (Calculators permitted)

April 29th-May 1st: Makeup Testing (back to regular schedule)

*We will have a Pep Rally tomorrow afternoon that will feature performances by the HMS Cheerleaders, a visit from DJ Johnny, performances by various students from across the building, and some special guest speakers. We encourage students to once again come to school in their best HMS Attire and to get ready to celebrate our amazing school with a great pep rally!

*We wanted to remind everyone that our tutoring program has concluded for the year. Thanks to all of our teachers that participated in this highly successful program and to all of our students that attended.

*Our End of the Year Awards Day takes place on Friday May 17th at the times listed below. Please note that grade levels will extend invitations prior to the ceremony to all families of students that will be receiving awards.

8th Grade: 7:50-8:30

6th Grade: 8:35-9:15

5th Grade: 9:20-10:00

7th Grade: 10:05-10:45

8th Grade Parents

Please don't forget that the big 8th grade graduation ceremony is coming up on Wednesday May 22nd starting at 8:30am in the HMS Gym. Attire for the 8th grade students is black and white semi-formal, with khakis being ok as well. Please invite family and friends to what will be a very special event for us at HMS! Please note that the 8th grade awards ceremony on the 17th and graduation are hosted as two separate ceremonies.

The 8th Grade Graduation Slideshow represents one of the most memorable and popular aspects of the graduation ceremony. We are allowing 4 pictures per 8th grade student to be submitted for use in the

slideshow. Please send all pictures to harpethmiddleschool@gmail.com and please do not exceed the 4 picture limit. This is what we are looking for:

2 recent pictures (7th or 8th grade)

1 picture from earlier middle school

1 favorite picture from elementary school

*Hello future HMS Band Families! Two quick pieces of information. First, there will be tryouts for next year's 6th grade band on Tuesday of this week from 3:30 p.m. until 6 p.m. Come anytime during that audition window to tryout your favorite instruments and join the HMS Band. Second, the second day of tryouts will be moved from this Thursday, April 18 until next Thursday, April 25th due to the half day this Thursday. Have a great week and we hope to see many 5th grade students this Tuesday. Best, Mr. Cooper

*There will be no Cheatham Achievers Thursday and Friday of this week. Have a great week!

*Cheatham Achievers Parents! Please note that the last day for Cheatham Achievers will be May 10th. Also, please be looking for information regarding a survey that we need our parents to take. As always please contact me if you have any questions! Have a great week! Rachel Garrison

*Chorus Parents: Please remember to keep the evening of May 10th clear for our big spring concert. As we get closer, I'll send info about the exact time, what kids are to wear, animal shelter donations, etc. We are getting very excited to perform this concert.

*Harpeth High School will be conducting a "Mock Crash" from 1:30-2:30 on April 17 along East Kingston Springs Rd. East Kingston Springs Road will be shut down south of the HMS parking lot entrance down to the red light from 1:30-2:30. Our parking lot will still be accessible, and dismissal will not be affected. We just wanted to let everyone know what is going on, and to expect a simulated crash scene with first responders and helicopter.

*6th grade parents: Our Discovery Park field trip is live on Revtrak. Here is the direct link-
<https://cheathamcountyschools.revtrak.net/harpeth-middle-school/#/v/hms-6th-grade-field-trip-discovery-park>

We are continuing our annual local discount card sale at HMS through the end of April. These cards provide unique discounts to restaurants and businesses in and around the West Nashville/South Cheatham Area and cost only 20 dollars each. Students should bring 20 dollars (cash or check) for each card they sell to homeroom teachers and they will be sent home with cards to distribute on the same day or next. Checks should be made out to "Harpeth Middle School" or "HMS." Thank you so much for all of your support!

Prizes:

5 Cards Sold or 5 Total Ready Set Fund Donations=Burns Park Trip that includes all day snacks and pizza lunch

***Any combination that adds up to 5 qualifies as well*

***There will also be cash prizes for the top sellers in each grade*

***If we sell 200 cards across the entire school, all of HMS (regardless of participation in sale) will receive a special in-school reward time*

Some Highlights of the Discount Card

El Jardin: 10% off purchase

Skyking: 10% off purchase

Boombozz: 10% off purchase

Iron Skillet: 10% off purchase

Sweet T's: 10% off purchase

Voodoo Gumbo: 10% off purchase (one time)

Papa John's: Bogo Large Pizzas

***Please see the flyer that came home with your students for info on all of the participating vendors.*

***Check out this website for more information and for info on the Ready, Set, Fund program:*

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Spring Semester Dates (Please keep an eye on this calendar as much more will be added)

April 15th: Academic Pep Rally and Celebration Day

May 3rd: Cheatham County Special Olympics @HMS

May 10th: HMS Spring Chorus Concert

May 14th: HMS Band Concert @HMS

May 15th: HMS Olympic Day sponsored by the HHS National Honors Society

May 16th: HHS Senior Walk at HHS +4th Grade visits from PES and KSES

May 17th: HMS Spring Awards Day (times TBD)

May 22nd: HMS 8th Grade Graduation (8:30am)

HMS Contact List **as of 4-14

Cheatham Achievers: Rachel.Garrison@ccstn.org

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7th Grade General Questions: Melanie.Buchanan@ccstn.org

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Questions about Clubs: Ryan.Philipp@ccstn.org

Bully Reporting Link for 2018-2019:

<http://bit.ly/HMSBullyReport>

Please note our new bullying reporting link above. The previous link is still active as well

Please have your students fill out this form with any bullying concerns whatsoever and Mr. Baker and I will handle the situation. Even if it is just one instance of bullying-like behavior, we want to know about it as soon as possible. We also need to be made aware immediately (through further reports) of any repeated behaviors that may occur after a report is filed.

Social Media and Contacts: Don't forget to follow us on Facebook at [facebook.com/HMSIndians](https://www.facebook.com/HMSIndians) and on Twitter @HMSIndians!

The CCSD Safety Tip Line can be reached at tip@ccstn.org.

The HMS Bullying/Safety Info Line can be reached at 615-829-6072 between 7:15 and 4:00 on school days. A link to the 2018-2019 student handbook is attached to this email. Please review this handbook thoroughly with your students and let us know if you have any questions! If you would like to request a paper copy of the handbook, please just respond back to this email and I will get one sent home for you. Thanks everyone and have a great week.

Ryan Philipp