



# **HJS PRINCIPAL'S TGIF**

**(Thunderbird Gathering of Information for Friday)**

September 27, 2019

Hopewell Families:

Color Run day is finally here!! We are so excited to have our big event this afternoon!! Far beyond a great fundraiser for our PTSO, it is the great community building it allows us to do. I know that our staff loves spending time with our students after school. Let's get dirty!!

### **Conference Night**

Our first of three conference nights will be this coming Thursday, October 3 from 4:00-7:30pm. Please contact Kelly Stevens at 777-2258 to schedule a time. Our other fall conferences are October 17 and November 7 during that same time.

### **Fall Athletics**

Several of our fall sports are wrapping up this next week. Good luck to our Tennis, Golf and Volleyball teams as the GMC tournament begins for each of them. Each of those teams have gotten so much better throughout the course of the season. Great work!!

### **Vision Screening**

Every 7<sup>th</sup> grade student will take part in the vision screening on Wednesday, October 2. This is conducted by our school nurses.

### **Pep Assembly**

We have had a great Spirit week at HJS this week capped off by our Fall Pep Rally! Special thanks to our Cheerleaders, Student Government, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade band for a tremendous event. We even got a surprise visit from the Lakota East Thunderbird!! Go Hawks!!

### **Off Site Events**

Please remind your students that while attending off site events at other Lakota Schools, the Code of Conduct is still in effect and even more important is how we represent HJS at those events! Have fun and *Bring the Thunder!*

Have a great weekend!!

*Jeff Rouff*

**PERSONALIZED READER!**

Our students now have the ability to use the Snap and Read Extension which will read text aloud and translate it for them. There are some limits to it (as with every tech tool), but it is nice for students to have this their toolbox. [Watch this video to see how it works!](#)


[Here are the instructions for the students.](#)



**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington DC Trip**

**Payment 2 Deadline Date:**  
December 1, 2019 \$202.50

**Payment 3 Deadline Date:**  
March 2, 2020 \$202.50

  
**SCHOLASTIC**  
**BOOK FAIR**  
OCTOBER 28 – NOVEMBER 1

**Drama Club ~ Fall Event**  
**November 8**  
**7:00pm**

**VISION SCREENING**



**ALL 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students**  
Wednesday, October 2

If your child wears contacts or glasses, please make sure that they bring / wear them to school on that day

**Hopewell Junior**  
**Conference Night #1**  
**October 3**  
**4:00-7:30pm**

Contact Mrs. Stevens at 777-2258 if you would like to schedule a conference with your child's teacher(s) or team.

**Picture Day is Coming**

Order before Picture Day at [mylifetouch.com](http://mylifetouch.com)

**PICTURE RETAKE DAY**  
**OCTOBER 17**

**MATH HELP**  
**Monday – Friday**  
**6:45-7:15am**  
**2:15-3:00pm**  
**Room 209 - Ms. Gibson**

# HJS CLUBS

## \*Art Club:

Thursday  
Room 171 2:15-3:30pm

## Chess Club:

Monday  
Room 220 2:15-3:00pm

## \*Drama Club:

Monday & Friday  
Room 103 2:15-3:30pm

## \*Engineering Club:

Tuesday  
Room 156 2:15-3:30pm

## French Club:

1<sup>st</sup> Club Meeting – October 3, 2019  
Room 204 2:15pm-3:00pm

## Illustration Club:

Wednesday  
Room 171 2:15-3:30pm

## \*Jazz Club:

Tuesday & Thursday  
Room 104 2:10-2:55pm

## Sign Language Club:

Friday (9/13/19 – 12/20/19)  
Room 156 2:15-2:55pm

## \*Student Council:

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month  
Room 120 2:15-3:00pm

## Tech Squad:

Sign-up in room 115  
1 day a week during advisory

## \*Yearbook Club:

September 16 – 1<sup>st</sup> Club Meeting  
Room 205 2:15-3:15PM

\*Included in the onetime  
\$50 charge of Club Card.



# HJS ATHLETICS

## Monday, September 30th

Girls Tennis at Mason - GMC Tournament 9 am

## Tuesday, October 1st

Boys Golf - 8:30 am  
Girls Golf - 9:00 am  
Volleyball at Mason Green  
Cross Country at Eaton Inv.

## Wednesday, October 2nd

8th Football at Garfield - 4:30 pm  
Volleyball at Middletown

## Thursday, October 3rd

GMC VB Tourn. begins -- TBA

## Saturday, October 5th

GMC VB Tourn. Cont. -- TBA

## Cheer Tryouts – Basketball Season

Dates: October 15 & 23

Time: 3:00-4:30pm



Contact Mrs. Etherington if you have any questions.

[traci.etherington@lakotaonline.com](mailto:traci.etherington@lakotaonline.com)

## BASKETBALL TRYOUTS BEGIN

Girls: October 25  
Time - TBA

Boys: November 1  
Time – TBA



Updates will be shared over the morning announcements and in future issues of the TGIF

## PTSO MEETINGS

All parents are welcome at our HJS PTSO monthly meetings. Hear important school information from Mr. Rouff, Ms. Weber, and our teacher representative Ms. Parks. Learn more about future PTSO plans and events.

**Next regular PTSO Meeting:** Monday, November 11 at 6:30pm in the Innovation Hub.



Search "Hopewell Jr. PTSO Parents" and click on the "join" button to stay connected.

## Donations Needed

We are seeking donations to help with our October Conference Dinner nights for staff who don't have time to go home or get dinner on conference nights and with our first student Success Breakfast of the year.

Please sign up here to donate:

**Conference Dinners:** [Conference Dinner Donations](#)

**Success Breakfast:** [Success Breakfast Donations](#)

We are also starting a borrow-and-return umbrella station for the staff. If you can **donate a new or gently used umbrella**, please send it in to HJS for the PTSO. Thanks for your support!

## PTSO Open Role Spotlight Vice President

The PTSO is seeking a volunteer to be our **Vice President!** This role may sound intimidating, but it really isn't! The VP role is very flexible and can take on specific responsibilities or just generally help out on a spot basis as needed.

If you are interested in learning more about this or other open positions, please contact Jennifer Kegg at:

[hjsptso@gmail.com](mailto:hjsptso@gmail.com) or text 513-356-1748.



## Special Thanks

**Thank you** to our wonderful Fundraising Co-Chairs, Susanne Page and Amy Macenski, for putting on an amazing Color Run event that not only raises money for the school but also is a really great time! These PTSO leaders brought this event to Hopewell Junior last year and have continued to build on it this year, making it even bigger and better than before! We appreciate you!

**Thank you** to our Color Run volunteers for helping to make this a successful and fun event for our students, staff and community: Amber McCombs, Beth Collins, Kelly McDonough, Liz Gaerke, Jennifer Kegg, Kim Wanamaker, Carrie Lamping, Charlotte Horseman, Tera Michelson, Stacey Smyers, Jessica Epstein, Katie Burks, Julie Blackburn, Jackie Othman, Lacie McCombs, Pam Keune, Mary Youmell, Doug Carpenter, Trisha Halderman, and Jim Lewis. We also really appreciate all of our HJS staff who volunteered at the event and joined in the fun!

**Thank you** to these businesses for their product donations that support our Color Run event: Raising Cane's, Chipotle, AMC Theater of West Chester, and Cobb Theater.

## Parent Information Night Thursday, October 17, 6:30 – 7:30 pm

The PTSO is hosting a Parent Information Night at HJS for interested parents to hear more information from Mr. Rouff about these important topics:

- 1) What is Personalized Learning at HJS
- 2) Current and Future Safety Measures at HJS

This is also conference night at HJS, so feel free to go in and out to get to your conferences.

# HOPEWELL HAPPENINGS

## September 27-October 5

Friday, September 27	2:15-4:00pm	Color Run Fundraising Event
Monday, September 30	9:00am 2:15-3:00pm 2:15-3:30pm 2:15-3:15pm	Tennis GMCs @ Mason Chess Club: Room 220 Drama Club: Room 103 Yearbook Club: Room 205
Tuesday, October 1	9:00am 9:15-9:40am 2:10-2:55pm 2:15-3:30pm 4:00pm 4:30pm	Golf GMC Tournament New Student Breakfast: Café Jazz Band: Room 104 Engineering Club: Room 156 Cross Country: Eaton Invitational Volleyball v Mason @ Mason
Wednesday, October 2	2:15-3:00pm 2:15-3:30pm 2:55pm 4:30pm 4:30pm	Vision Screening –7 <sup>th</sup> Grade: Rm 125 Student Council: Room 120 Illustration club: Room 171 FAC Meeting Football v Garfield @ Garfield Volleyball v Middletown @ MMS
Thursday, October 3	2:10-2:55pm 2:15-3:30pm 2:15-3:00pm 4:00-7:30pm TBA	Jazz Band: Room 104 Art Club: Room 171 French Club - 1st Meeting: Room 204 Conference Night #1 Volleyball GMC Tournaments
Friday, October 4	2:15-3:30pm	Drama Club: Room 103
Saturday, October 5	TBA	Volleyball GMC Tournaments

**OCTOBER 21**

**NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

## **DISTRICT NOTES – September 27, 2019**



### **Coffee Chat with the Superintendent**

Join us on Wednesday, Oct. 2 for this month's Coffee Chat. Superintendent Matthew Miller will be on hand from 8-9 a.m. at Einstein Bros. Bagels (9216 Allen Road) for drop-in conversation with parents and residents.

Coffee Chats are held on the first Wednesday every month (with some exceptions), rotating between West Chester and Liberty Township locations. The times vary to accommodate different schedules. [Click here to view the Coffee Chats scheduled for this school year.](#)

### **The Parent Project' Series Kicks Off October 8**

Our kids today face unprecedented pressures and problems. It is no wonder that many respond with negative, defiant or out-of-control behaviors. In partnership with the Butler County Parent Project Collaborative, Lakota is pleased to offer a special 10-week program to parents of students in grades 7-12. The "Parent Project" gives practical, concrete, no-nonsense tools, skills and resources to parents who are raising teens in today's world. Funding is provided by grants from United Ways, Strong Families Safe Communities and local foundations.

There is no cost to attend, but a commitment to attend all sessions is expected. Either both parents or an individual parent or guardian can attend. Parents meet one night a week for 10 consecutive weeks. Meetings will be held for three hours for the first six weeks, followed by two hours for the final four weeks. Two sessions are available:

#### **Oct. 8 - Dec. 10**

Every Tuesday at 6 p.m. (free dinner at 5:30 p.m.)  
Hamilton - Fairwood Elementary, 281 N. Fair Ave.

#### **Oct. 17 - Dec. 19**

Every Thursday at 6 p.m. (free dinner at 5:30 p.m.)  
Middletown - Highview 6th Grade Center, 106 S. Highview Rd.  
No session on Nov. 28 (Thanksgiving)

Spots are limited and registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please register in advance by calling (513) 867-7072. For more information, please visit [www.parentproject.com](http://www.parentproject.com).

### **Video Series: Students Share 'Words of Wisdom' on Making New Friends**

Personalized learning requires a commitment by students and staff to really get to know each other. That's why we've put an emphasis on building friendships since the first day of school.

In the same spirit, we dedicated the second installment in our new "Words of Wisdom" video series to that very topic. A few Lakota students share their best advice for making new friends in [this month's "Words of Wisdom" video](#).

## **Meet the Candidates Night for Lakota's Board of Education**

The Lakota District Parent Council is hosting a Meet the Lakota School Board Candidates Night on Tuesday, October 22 at 7 p.m. at the Miami University Regional Campus (7847 VOA Park Drive).

Parents, community members and stakeholders are invited to submit questions in advance to: <https://bit.ly/2TRNaFx>.





# JOIN OUR FUNDRAISER AT RAISING CANE'S!

Mention the fundraiser at the register  
and Cane's will donate **15%** of sales to:

**Hopewell Jr School**

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DATE & TIME:

October 9th, 2019 from 10:00am - 11:00pm

LOCATION:

7721 Tylersville Rd. West Chester, OH 45069  
513-285-6877



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