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COVID-19 SYMPTOMS AND TESTING: As the number of COVID cases rises throughout the country and in the Upstate, we want to do our part to stop the spread of the virus and a potential (and preventable) closure of school. In addition to the protocols we have shared with you in recent weeks, we ask that you please contact the school nurse if your child is exhibiting symptoms and you keep them home because you suspect they might have COVID-19. Additionally, please let us know if you are having your child tested for COVID-19. This will help us with tracking, preventing the spread, and ensure your child doesn't get behind academically. Please notify the school Nurse's Office at nurse@hspart.org. You will also find [COVID-19 resources](#) on our website, along with a [letter from Superintendent Brian Sherman](#) to parents about prevention efforts.

FREE DRESS DAY: Friday, September 3. Your \$1 donation will benefit local responders. Students are free to wear clothing and shoes of their choosing in compliance with [uniform guidelines](#).

PTO KONA ICE TRUCK SALES: Friday, September 3, 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. on campus. Students/staff can purchase a Kona Ice for \$2.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT CLUB: Are you interested in being a leader? The Youth in Government program helps to create the next generation of good citizens. This is a club for students interested in law, leadership, society, change, and government. You must have a good GPA and pay dues to be a part of the club. Please email Ms. Morrison if you have any questions or if you are interested at hmorrison@hspart.org. Meetings will be weekly in her classroom after school until 4:00 p.m. This club is currently only open to middle school students.

COACH OF THE YEAR: Congratulations to HPA's Mak Plemmons who was named Region 1-A Girls Coach of the Year! Mak led our softball team to a second-place region finish and a district title - advancing to the Class A Upper State championship in 2021.

YEARBOOK ORDERS: Yearbooks are now on sale for the 2021-2022 school year. If you personalize yours before Sept. 17, you will receive 4 free icons that represent your hobbies, affiliations or accomplishments. Visit [Jostens](#) and select the High School (9th-12th), Middle School (6th-8th), or Elementary School (K-5th) yearbook. For more information, contact Tessa Porter at tporter@hspart.org.

PTO FUNDRAISER: This year's [Attraction Coupon Book](#) Fundraiser is underway. Your support benefits HPA! Packets were sent home with students and books are available at the front desk for \$20. This fundraiser runs until September 13. (Orders will be filled weekly as they come in.)

CLASS RING MEETINGS: Friday, September 3.

- Junior Class Ring Meeting at 11:15 a.m. in the Performing Arts Center
- Senior Class Ring Meeting at 12:00 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center

CAP & GOWN ORDERS/RING ORDERS: Friday, September 17. Cap and gown orders (Seniors) and ring orders (Juniors) will be in the Expo from 12:39 p.m. to 1:10 p.m. during high school lunch.

ROBOTICS CLUB: Students in grades 4-8 may now apply for the HPA LEGO Robotics club. If interested, please see Mrs. Morales (Room 417) or Mrs. Porter (STEAM Lab) for an application. Applications must be submitted by Friday, Sept. 3, and teams will be posted outside Mrs. Porter's room the week of Sept. 6.

CHEERLEADING: There will be a meeting Wednesday, September 8, at 5:30 p.m. in the gym for students (grades 7-12) who are interested in cheering for the 2021-2022 school year. Parent/Guardian attendance is required. Please enter through the gym doors. For more information, contact Kaytie Donald at kdonald@hspart.org.

LABOR DAY: No school on Monday, September 6. The HPA campus will be closed.

Have a great week! Thank you for being part of the HPA family.

-The HPA Team