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Hello NGC Parents/Guardians of the Class of 2026:

Hope all is well with you and yours. This will be a busy week and weekend for us. Please encourage your student(s) to participate in the activities. We would love for you to join us as well. Also, don't forget campus wide **English EOC testing will be Tuesday, April 25, 2023**. Begin talking with your student now to ensure they have their computer, their chargers, and all things necessary to be able to test and to be successful. *Here we go!*

- **Freshman 15:** This week our students will go through a lesson entitled *Let's Talk Future & About You*. Through this lesson our students will learn what it means to be a productive citizen and discuss career options.
- **Orchestra Spring Concert:** Come out and support our NGC Orchestra **Wednesday, April 18, 2023**. The concert will be held in the Band Hall from 6:30pm - 7:30pm.
- **SHINE Color Run:** It's finally here Ladies and Gentlemen! Please come out and support our SHINE Ladies this **Saturday, April 22, 2023!**...[SHINE Color Run](#)
- **District Art Show:** Our HISD Annual [District Art Show](#) will be held at the NGC this **Saturday, April 22, 2023** from 2pm - 5pm. Come out and celebrate all of HISD's talented students!
- **Block Party:** Encourage your student(s) to come get their boogie on!!! This dance will be HISD's and the NGC's first [Block Party - Dancing Under the Stars](#) and will be this **Saturday, April 22, 2023**. We still need volunteers. No QR code for the dance. Tickets for the dance will be sold during all lunches the week of April 17 - 21. No tickets will be sold at the door for the dance.
- **NGC Dancing Elites:** Our Dancing Elites will be a part of the Hi-Stepper Spring Show. *Please go and support!* Here are the [poster](#) and [ticket link](#).
- **Hutto ISD Driving School:** Hutto ISD now has a Driver's Ed course - [Hutto ISD Driver's Ed](#)! Spots are limited. If you have any questions please reach out to Mrs. Elbalah (dana.rawdahElbalah@huttoisd.net) if you have any questions. We also have fliers available in the front office.
- **DEI Public Forum:** Our next [DEI Public Forum](#), which is open to the Hutto community, will be held this **Wednesday, April 19, 2023**. Please come out and join us!

- **Military Connected** - Attention Parents/Guardians. April is the Month of the Military Child. Please review your child's Skyward records. If you are a member of the Armed Forces or have served in the Armed Forces (all branches, TX Guard and Reserves), please ensure that your child's records are updated with the correct Military-Connection codes for military students. This ensures that our district is able to assist students as they are reassigned or forced to relocate per Texas Education Code Chapter 162. Thank you.
- **Upcoming Events:** We do our best to host events for our students. With that said, click the links below for some of the upcoming events.
 - [Family Movie Night 5/19/23 \(DATE CHANGE\)](#)
 - No QR code for this event. Tickets will be sold at the door.
 - [District Art Show 4/22/23 - video \(ADDED\)](#)
- **Black Eagles:** We have an additional mentoring opportunity available for men. This opportunity will take place at at least one elementary school, one middle school, the NGC, and at HHS. See the linked fliers for information - [Join with US](#), [Find Out How](#), [Volunteering](#). Please reach out to me and/or Mr. Leron Jackson (leronjcksn47@gmail.com) for additional information.
- **Art Opportunity:** [Linked here](#) is information about an Art I Class which will be offered during the summer. This course will run concurrently with summer school and will give students the opportunity to obtain a full Art I credit if they need to free up room in their schedules or need the credit to graduate. This is one of our proactive approaches for all students and for athletes who have two periods allocated to athletics. If you have any questions, please contact HISD's Fine Arts Coordinator Mrs. Amber Kingsley (amber.kingsley@huttoisd.net).
- **Final Exam Schedule** - The close of the year is near and that means final exams. Our [22-23 NGC Midterm/Final Exam Schedule](#) has been linked here so you and your family can plan your families summer vacation accordingly. Should you have any questions, reach out to your child's assistant principal.
- **Reminders:**
 - **Free Student Group Opportunity:** The Texas School Safety Center Youth Preparedness Camp. Information found here: <https://txssc.txstate.edu/events/youth-preparedness-camp/>
 - **Spring Community Education Classes:** Spring Community Education classes are now open for registration! View the class list [here](#) and here.
 - **Join the PTSA - Board members can be contacted via** HuttoNinthGradeCenterPTSA@gmail.com and you can join via www.JoinPTA.org.

- **Who to Contact:** Should you have any questions or concerns, contact information for your student’s assistant principal and counselors is listed below:

Students A-L	Students M-Z
Mrs. Tara Burgess, Assistant Principal tara.burgess@huttoisd.net	Mr. Shannon Morrison, Assistant Principal shannon.morrison@huttoisd.net

Students A-F	Students G-O	Students P-Z
Mr. Johnny Kay, Counselor johnny.kay@huttoisd.net	Mrs. Tanya Castro, Counselor tanya.castro@huttoisd.net	Ms. Tonya Major, Counselor tonya.major@huttoisd.net

Humbly honored to serve!

Respectfully,

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