

February 25, 2024

Happy Sunday HHS Parents/Guardians,

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Hope all is well with you and yours. It will not be long before we are on Spring Break. My how time flies! We have many announcements so be sure to read all items. Have a wonderful week ahead and *here we go!*

- Emails in Our Spam Folder: For some peculiar reason, some emails that are being sent to our HHS Family are going to our Spam folders. Our HISD Technology Department has been contacted to see if they can rectify this situation. We do apologize for this inconvenience. We strive to answer emails within 24-hours and this has posed a problem for you and us as well. The HHS Family will be checking our spam folders periodically and will return your emails ASAP.
- ➤ Campus Federal Report Card: Here is our <u>HHS Campus Federal Report Card</u>. If you would like a hard copy, hard copies of the reports are available on campus in the front office and at the district administration building.
- > Dual Credit and TBI Application Due Dates: There are some important Dual Credit and TBI deadlines!
 - 1st year Dual Credit application packets were due February 23, 2024.
 - 2nd year Dual Credit application packets are due March 1, 2024.
 - 1st year TBI application packets are due March 7, 2024.

All packets must be completed and turned in to the Counselor's Office by 4:30pm on their respective due dates. <u>Late packets will not be accepted.</u> If you have questions, contact Mr. Johnny Kay (<u>johnny.kay@huttoisd.net</u>) in the HHS Counselor's Office.

- ➤ 2nd Annual Hutto ISD Women's Conference: As we celebrate Women's History Month in March, we are excited to plan for Hutto ISD's 2nd Annual Women's Conference on Wednesday, March 6 from 5:30pm to 8:30pm at the Hutto 9th Grade Center. The theme for this year's conference is "Inspiring Women; Changing Lives." Complete this survey to express topic interest as well as sign up to present Women's Conference RSVP and Interest Form.
- ➤ Questions for Dr. Whitfield and Ms. Wells Responses: Our spring Parent and Family Engagement (PFE) Event was held last Tuesday, February 20, 2024 and a Google Form was sent out so parents/guardians could ask me and Ms. Well any questions they have. We had two people submit a total of five questions and the questions were very student specific. Therefore, responses will be sent to those parents.

- > Proactive Action to Curb Negative Student Behavior: Unfortunately we have seen a rise in student altercations since we have returned from the Holiday Break and more so within the last few weeks. Counselors presented a conflict resolution course to all students in the fall as a proactive approach to curb negative student behavior. HHS Administration and HISD PD will now join forces to create a presentation to share with all of our students concerning altercations. We are working to create and present this presentation prior to Spring Break. If we are unable to do so, the presentation will be shared once we return from Spring Break. The presentation will explicitly teach items such as the definitions of self-defense and mutual combat, how to respond to various situations, and both the HHS and legal consequences which can result from participating in an altercation. Once the presentation is complete and has been shared with all students, the presentation will be shared with you parents/guardians as well. Please partner with us and direct your student to reach out to an educator if they are having an issue with another student. Thanks in advance!
- ➤ Partners in PE: Our students are selecting their courses for the 2024-2025 school year and we have an additional course we are starting at HHS next year. The course is Partners in PE and this is a class where general education students and students who are receiving special education services come together to learn all about physical education. Encourage your student, if they plan to be an educator and/or enjoy helping others, to sign up for this innovative course. See the linked documents for more information:
 - Join Partners in PE Flyer
 - Video about Partners in PE
 - o Parents in PE Application

If you have any questions, email Ms. Macie Jones (<u>macie.jones@huttoisd.net</u>) or Mr. Johnny Kay (<u>johnny.kay@huttoisd.net</u>) for additional information.

Community Events:

- Welch Summer Scholars Program (WSSP): The WSSP program represents an exciting opportunity for high school students to conduct cutting-edge scientific research at one of five Texas universities from June 2, 2024 to July 5, 2024. Additional information about the program can be found here. Students who are interested in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) fields are encouraged to apply. The application deadline is March 15, 2024.
- 5K Run Leads to Scholarships: The Hutto Women's Alliance is a local non-profit organization that provides scholarships to graduating Hutto High School seniors. Our largest scholarship fundraiser is the Hippo Stampede. If you would like to be a part, click here for additional information. Thanks in advance for supporting our students!

- ➤ Senior Announcements to Parents and Students: Senior year is a busy time and there is a great deal happening and to keep up with. Here is a working document that will continuously be updated by HHS personnel concerning all things senior year Senior Announcements to Parents and Students.
- > PTSA Upcoming Events: Please click this link to see what our PTSA is up to this month NEW INFORMATION => Feb-Mar 2023 PTSA.
 - Support our Track Team: Mark your calendars for Tuesday, February 13, 2024 and show some love for the Track Team by participating in their fundraiser. Ordering is a breeze simply use your app to indulge in some delicious Chick-fil-A flier.

> College and Career Corner:

- Location: Room 2-171 (old 200D) and encourage your child to visit
- o College and Career Website: College, Career, and Military Website
- College Income Based Tuition: <u>Here</u> is a list of colleges that offer tuition support based on a family's adjusted gross income (AGI).
- Financial Aid Information: Seniors and Parents of Seniors please check out this link for information on financial aid. - <u>Financial Aid Information</u> to Seniors and Parents of Seniors
- Report Your Scholarships link
- Latest News from College and Career: (NEW INFORMATION)
 Please see this document for the <u>Latest News from College and Career</u> 2/23/24

> <u>Upcoming Events/Reminders:</u>

- Master Tutorial Schedule: HHS 23-24 Master Tutorial Schedule
- o PTSA: Join using this link https://www.joinpta.org/.
- Yearbook, Picture Day, and Senior Picture Information: Real time information via this document, Upcoming Yearbook Deadlines, Yearbook, Picture Day, & Senior Photo Information, Class of 2024 Senior Pictures, Senior Ads and Yearbook Advertisements. Contact Ms. Jennifer Johnson (jennifer.johnson@huttoisd.net)

> Who to Contact: Should you have any questions or concerns, contact your student's counselor and/or assistant principal. If you need to meet with either of these individuals, please make an appointment.

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Humbly honored to serve,

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