

Tom Hawkins Elementary School *Home of the Huskies*

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"Living and learning with purpose"

Principal's Corner

By Christina Orsi

We were so lucky to have first responders from our community supporting our students. Their presence made the National Walk to School Day last Wednesday special. Students learned about walking/biking to school safely as well as how to trick-or-treat-safely.



Our 7th and 8th Graders got a valuable opportunity to participated in Choices and Consequences DUI Hearing and Assembly. They watched and listened as a defendant was convicted and sentenced for driving under the influence. They then participated in a powerful assembly that allowed them to see how choices can lead to serious, life-long consequences in life. The kids were very engaged and I was so proud of their behavior throughout the assembly.

Upcoming Events

- Oct 15-19 – [CHKS Window](#)
- Oct 16 – ASB Meeting
- Oct 17 – HPFC Meeting
- Oct 18 – School Site Council Meeting
- Oct 18 – Graduation Committee Chair Meeting
- Oct 19 – [Hawkins Spelling Bee](#)
- Oct 19 – Tracy High Homecoming
- Oct 22-26 – [Red Ribbon Week](#)
- Oct 24 – [5th Grade DARE Graduation](#)
- Oct 25 – [DELAC Meeting](#)
- Oct 25 – Teen Truth Live Assembly
- Oct 26 – GATE Applications Due
- Oct 26 – HPFC Movie Night
- Oct 29 – Picture Retakes
- Oct 30 – [TB Clearance with Nurse Tina](#)
- Oct 30 – ASB Meeting
- Oct 31 – [Halloween Parade](#)
- Nov 2 – End of Trimester 1
- Nov 5-9 – [College Week](#)
- Nov 6 – Election Day
- Nov 9 – District Spelling Bee
- Nov 12 – Veterans Day – No School
- Nov 13 – Board Meeting
- Nov 14 – Graduation Sub Committee Meeting
- Nov 16 – Trimester 1 Award Ceremonies
- Nov 19 – 23 – Thanksgiving Break

Every Day Counts

Congratulations to Zoe Sheffield! She had perfect attendance in September and won a Kindle Fire. Chronic absenteeism is a serious problem on our campus. Many students are absent or tardy on a regular basis and this has a huge impact on their learning. We want you to join us in making school attendance a high priority for your family. We are partnering with UOP and Wells Fargo to incentivize perfect attendance. Students with perfect attendance each month will be entered into a drawing to win a special prize. Remember, school is your child's first and most important job. Please support them by getting them here on time and scheduling appointments and vacations outside the school day.

DID YOU KNOW?

Every Day Counts in another way. Schools are funded through their Average Daily Attendance.

Did you know that in our district, each day a child is absent, the school loses

\$47.36

That means if just 1 student from each classroom is absent, our school loses \$1,326 a

day or **\$238,694**

per year! Every day counts!

California Healthy Kids Survey

This fall, 5th and 7th graders across the district will complete the California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS). CHKS is the largest statewide survey of resiliency, protective factors, and risk behaviors in the nation. Across California, the CHKS has led to a better understanding of the relationship between students' health behaviors and academic performance, and is frequently cited by state policymakers and the media as a critical component of school improvement efforts to help guide the development of more effective health, prevention, and youth development programs. It can be easily customized to meet local needs, interests, and standards, and provides a means to confidentially obtain data on student knowledge, attitudes, and perceptions about the topics it covers.

Parents may find additional resources and information about the survey by clicking on the link below.

<http://chks.wested.org/>

Copies of the survey can be downloaded below in English or Spanish for review the questions prior to authorizing your student's participation.

<https://bit.ly/2zt68JZ>

Halloween Parade October 31, 8:45AM

Families are invited to come to campus to see our Halloween Parade. Please sign in as a visitor in the office prior to entering campus. Students will be promenading around the quad hallways. Spectators should stand on the grass area to watch them pass.

Just a friendly reminder of our costume guidelines:

- No weapons of any kind. (For example, swords, light sabers, axes, guns, blasters, etc.)
- Masks may only be worn during the parade and will need to be removed for the remainder of the day.
- Costumes may not be vulgar, offensive, or racist.
- No scary clown costumes may be worn to campus.





Thank you from the Librarians

We had a wonderful and fun filled Fall book fair this year! Students, families, and staff were excited to visit our "Enchanted Forest – Let Your Imagination Grow" theme book fair. It was a great success that will benefit all our students by providing more popular and awarding winning books for them to check out at our library. We'd like to thank all our Hawkins' students, families, and staff members that contributed to making our book fair a success. A special thank you goes to ALL the exceptional parent volunteers that helped make this one of the best and most memorable book fairs ever! We enjoyed working with everyone one of you and we are so very grateful to all of you. We couldn't have done it so well without you.

A special thank you to Hema Meka for her time and very generous donation to our library. You are dear to us!
Ms. McCune & Mrs. Caro

5th Grade DARE Graduation

The DARE Graduation is Wednesday, October 24 at 6:30PM in the MPR. Students must complete their DARE requirements in order to participate in the graduation event. Please contact Mrs. Gray if you have any questions about the DARE requirements at sgray@sjcoe.net.

Gifted and Talented Education Program (GATE) Testing

Applications for GATE testing will be due to the District Office on October 26th. Fall Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) testing is open to all third through eighth graders who have not taken the OLSAT 8 in the past three years. Click in the link below to access the application.

<https://www.jeffersonschooldistrict.com/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=858&dataid=5441&FileName=Student%20Application%20for%20GATE%20Admission.pdf>

Dress Code

The weather has been cooling off so it is a good time to remind families about our school dress code. Please make sure you review the district dress code policy below. One of the main issues that comes up at this time of year are leggings. Leggings can be an inexpensive, durable option for students. Please make sure that the dress code is being followed by making sure whatever garment is worn over the leggings is fingertip length.

In addition, students wearing their own shorts for athletic teams need to be following the dress code as well. Shorts for volleyball and soccer need to be fingertip length.

TB Clearance

Nurse Tina will be doing the TB Assessment Questionnaires on the last Tuesday of this month - October 30th - instead of her usual Wednesdays. Please drop by anytime between 3:00pm and 4:00pm in the Student Services Building at 1219 Whispering Wind Drive.

**Tom Hawkins
Elementary School**

S p e l l i n g

B e e



When:

October 19, 2018

Contestants:

- ❖ **Two students will represent each grade level bracket:
Grades 4th-6th & Grades 7th-8th**
- ❖ **Winners will go on to the District Spelling Bee on
November 8th, 2018. Spectators are welcome at this
event.**

Preparation:

- ❖ **Student will be given a paper pencil test during
the school day on October 19th. This event is for
contestants and proctors only.**

[Click on this link to see the practice lists.](#)

Red Ribbon Week ~ Spirit Days!



Monday 10/22: “Team Up Against Drugs” - Wear sports clothing

Tuesday 10/23: “Plaid is Rad, Drugs are Bad” - Wear plaid clothing

Wednesday 10/24: “Be a Superhero and Say NO to Drugs” - wear superhero clothing

Thursday 10/25: “Your Choices are the Key to Your Dreams—wear pajamas

Friday 10/26: “Use Your Head, Wear Red” - wear extreme red clothing

Show your spirit in committing to a drug free life!!!

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HPFC HAPPENINGS

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The Hawkins Parent Faculty Club (HPFC) is a group of volunteers dedicated to assisting staff and parents with programs to enrich communication and activities that allow students to thrive.

Your contributions, whether it is your time, knowledge, or resources, make a difference. We would like to invite you to join us to make this the best year possible for our children!

Calendar of Events

~~Aug 28th – FUN RUN Kick-Off Pep Rally!~~

~~Sept 7 – FUN RUN~~

Sept 21 – Outdoor Movie Night, 6:30-9:00

Oct 26 – Movie Night, 6:00-8:00

Nov 13-30 – See's Candy Sale

Dec 8 – Holiday Vendor Fair, 8:00-3:00

Dec 12 – TK-4th Winter Program

Dec 13 – 5th-8th Winter Program

Jan 18 – Dads N Donuts, 7:15-8:10

Feb 15 – Parent Child Dance

Mar 4-15 – See's Candy Sale

Mar 15 – Movie Night, 6:00-8:00

Mar 27 – Open House, 6:00-7:00

May 8 – Teacher Appreciation

May 10 – Moms N Muffins, 7:15-8:10

HPFC MEETING

Library 6:30 pm

August 22

September 19

October 17

November 28

December 19

January 16

February 20

March 20

April 17

May 15

Purchase **Spiritwear** at Back to School events. If we don't have your size in stock, we can order it for you! Orders will be taken until September 21.



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Tom Hawkins has partnered with Amazon to give back to our school. Go to smile.amazon.com and select Hawkins Elementary Parent Faculty Club as your charitable organization and help us earn as you shop!

DID YOU KNOW?

We accept cash, check, and credit card at most events?

Keep in Touch!

Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/hawkinshuskies

Email us at tomhawkinspfc@gmail.com

College Week 2018

U.S. Military Academy Westpoint (USMA)	U.S. Naval Academy (USNA)	U.S. Air Force Academy (USFA)
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<u>College Information:</u>	<u>College Information:</u>	<u>College Information:</u>
Location: West Point, New York Colors: Black and Gold Website: www.usma.edu Mascot: Army Mules Nickname: Black Knights Conference: Division: NCAA Division I Fight Song: <i>On, Brave Old Army Team</i> Motto: Duty – Honor - Country	Location: Annapolis, Maryland Colors: Navy Blue and Gold Website: www.usna.edu Mascot: Bill the Goat Nickname: Midshipmen Conference: Division: NCAA Division I Fight Song: <i>Anchors Aweigh</i> Motto: From Knowledge, Seapower Virtual Tour:	Location: Colorado Springs, Colorado Colors: Blue and Silver Website: www.usafa.edu Mascot: Aurora the Gyrfalcon Nickname: Falcons Conference: Division: NCAA Division I Fight Song: <i>The US Air Force</i> Motto: Integrity First, Service Before Self, Excellence In All We Do Virtual Tour:
 	 	 

College Week 2018

College Week is a time for our school to place a focus on College and Career Readiness. Throughout the week, students will be participating in Spirit Dress-Up days and college awareness events. The week will culminate with a college themed rally on Friday, November 9th. Each class has been assigned a college for Friday's spirit day and rally. Please see the attached list to find your assigned college. The list is built to group students. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about academic expectations for admission to college.

I hope you take this opportunity to discuss your college experience with the students, give them a virtual tour of a college, or show them memorabilia. The more we talk about college as an attainable goal for our kids the more they are going to believe they can accomplish it. Please see below for the spirit days of College Week. This should be a fun and educational experience for all!

Monday, November 5	Signing Day – wear the colors or clothes of the college you wish to attend
Tuesday, November 6	Honor Tom Hawkins' College – wear Orange and Black for UOP, Tom Hawkins' college
Wednesday, November 7	Honor Your Teacher's College Day – wear the college colors from your teacher's college
Thursday, November 8	Dress for Success Day – dress in professional attire (shirts, ties, suites, dresses, skirts)
Friday, November 9	Extreme College Spirit – wear EXTREME colors and clothes from your assigned college team. There will be spirit awards given at the rally for wearing the most EXTREME college spirit wear.

***For all of these special dress days, the dress code still applies.**

Tom Hawkins Drop-Off/Pick-Up Routes



PICK UP PROCEDURES:

TK & KINDERGARTEN – ALL TK AND KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS ARE PICKED UP FROM THE GATES NEXT TO THE KINDERGARTEN BUILDING

1ST-3RD GRADERS – BE SURE TO DESIGNATE YOUR CHILD’S PICK UP AREA WHEN YOU PICK UP YOUR SCHEDULE OR ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

ALL OTHER STUDENTS – PLEASE COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR CHILD AND LET THEM KNOW WHERE YOU WILL BE PICKING THEM UP

OPTIONS FOR PICK UP:

KINDERGARTEN GATE – PARENTS PARK/WALK UP TO GET THEIR CHILD. ADULT ON DUTY MUST HAVE VISUAL CONTACT WITH PARENT IN ORDER TO RELEASE THE CHILD

CAR LOOPS – PARENTS STAY IN THE CAR AND CHILDREN WAIT IN LINE FOR THEIR PARENT TO PULL UP. **PLEASE DO NOT PARK YOUR CAR IN THE CAR LINE AND GET OUT OF YOUR VEHICLE.**

GYM DOORS – PARENTS PARK/WALK UP TO RETRIEVE THEIR CHILD

WALKERS – STUDENTS ARE ABLE TO WALK HOME

DRESS CODE

Please review the Dress Code in our Handbook on the Jefferson District Website. Please see the graphic below for examples.

Per the district policy, the consequences for dress code violations are:

First offense: The student's parent/guardian shall be contacted and may be asked to meet with school staff. The student will be required to wear loaner clothes or call home for a change of clothes.

Second offense: The student's parent/guardian shall be contacted and may be asked to meet with school staff. The student will be required to wear loaner clothes or call home for a change of clothes. The student shall be assigned detention as determined appropriate by the principal or the designee.

Third offense: The student's parent/guardian shall be contacted and may be asked to meet with school staff. The student will be required to wear loaner clothes or call home for a change of clothes. The principal or the designee shall assign the student ten hours of community service to be performed within thirty calendar days.

Fourth and subsequent offenses: The student shall be suspended for a period of 1-5 days as determined by the principal or the designee.


JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

<p>ACCEPTABLE TOPS</p> 	<p>NOT ACCEPTABLE TOPS</p> 
<p>ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS</p> 	<p>NOT ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS</p> 
<p>ACCEPTABLE SHOES</p> 	<p>NOT ACCEPTABLE SHOES</p> 
<p>ACCEPTABLE TOPS</p> 	<p>NOT ACCEPTABLE TOPS</p> 



The bralette, the cold shoulder style shirt, and the cut-off style shirt are recent fashion trends that have become very popular. Parents may be wondering if they are dress code compliant. Basically, with a bralette, the shirt worn on top of the bralette must meet the dress code requirements. For cold shoulder shirts, the shoulder straps must follow the 4-finger rule. For cut-off shirts, no mid-drift should be exposed. They can be worn with an undershirt to cover the mid-drift area.



Don't let the flu get the best of you!

Community Flu Shot Clinics

Protect yourself from the flu and get vaccinated at a **FREE** community flu shot clinic. Influenza vaccine is available for anyone 6 months of age and older. First come, first served.

Saturday, October 6, 2018

10:00 a.m to 1:00 p.m.

Sutter Tracy Community Hospital
Registration entrance located in
South front parking lot

Thursday, November 1, 2018

5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Sutter Tracy Community Hospital
Main Entrance

For more information, please call 209-833-2308.



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Tracy, CA 95376
209-835-1500

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STCH gratefully acknowledges the generous support of the Glover/Schack Flu Shot Program for this event.

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¡No deje que la gripe se aproveche de usted!

Clínica Comunitaria de Vacunas

Protéjase contra la gripe y vacúnese en la clínica comunitaria de vacunas **GRATIS** contra la gripe. La vacuna contra la gripe está disponible para todos 6 meses de edad en adelante. Sin cita, y en orden de llegada.

Sábado, 06 de Octubre 2018

10:00 a.m. a 1:00 p.m.

Sutter Tracy Community Hospital
Registro de entrada situada en el sur estacionamiento del frente

Jueves, 01 de Noviembre 2018

5:30 a 7:00 p.m.

Sutter Tracy Community
Hospital Entrada Principal

Si desea obtener más información, llame al 209-833-2308.

STCH reconoce con agradecimiento el apoyo generoso de la Glover/Schack Vacuna antigripal Programa para este evento.



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