

# Tom Hawkins Elementary School

*Home of the Huskies*

*Issue 15*

*November 11, 2019*



## Upcoming Events

- Nov 11 - No School - Veterans Day
- Nov 12 - See's Candy Sales Begin
- Nov 14 - Tracy High School Registration Packet Due. Packets were sent home with students.
- Nov 18 - Graduation Committee Chair Meeting 6:30 PM in Library
- Nov 18-22 - [College Week](#)
- Nov 18 - Signing Day - Wear your favorite college attire
- Nov 18 - Graduation Chair Meeting 6:30 PM in Library
- Nov 19 - Honor Tom Hawkins' college - Wear orange and black
- Nov 20 - Honor your teacher's college
- Nov 20 - School Site Council 3:30PM in Library
- Nov 20 - HPFC Meeting 6:30PM in Library
- Nov 21 - Dress for Success - Wear professional Attire
- Nov 22 - EXTREME College Spirit - See below for colleges
- Nov 25-29 - Thanksgiving Break
- Nov 28 - Thanksgiving Day
- Dec 5 - Trimester 1 Awards Ceremony  
4th-5th Grades @8:30 AM; 6th-8th Grades @9:45 AM
- Dec 5-6 - Husky Bucks Store
- Dec 7 - Holiday Vendor Fair
- Dec 9 - Committee Work Meeting 6:30 PM in Library
- Dec 18- Winter Program 5th-8th 5:30-6:30PM
- Dec 19 Winter Program TK-4th 5:30-6:30PM
- Dec 20- Pajama Day
- Dec 23- Jan 3 - Winter Break
- Jan 6 - School Resumes after Winter Break
- Jan 13 - Graduation Committee Chair Meeting 6:30 PM in Library










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## Principal's Corner

One of the highlights of my week is getting to lead Game Club. The concept is very simple. We open up the library. Put out various board games like Connect Four, Sorry, Battleship, and Jenga. Instead of typical recess games, students are able to come in and play with their friends in a safe environment. Originally, this idea came as a form of bullying prevention. Students had a supervised safe zone, but on Friday I realized it has evolved into so much more. Students who are working on communication and social skills can get small group assistance. Shy and new students have found a refuge where they always can find somebody to play with. GATE students are able to challenge each other in intense chess matches. It is truly a place on campus where everybody belongs and feels included. There is also a secondary benefit. For many of our students, free time means screen time. When we survey them, they are reporting that they have 4-5 hours of screen time each day. Studies have now shown the [harmful effects](#) this can have on the developing brain. We are seeing those effects in live action everyday in the classroom. What Game Club shows us is that these activities are still super engaging and beneficial to children. They are also economical. For each video game purchased, you can buy 3-4 board games. It also gives parents a chance to play with their child. As you make your purchases for the holidays consider these low-tech options. The kids will love them and the time it gives them with you.

# College Week 2019

<b>Massachusetts Institute of Technology (M.I.T)</b>	<b>California Institute of Technology (Cal Tech)</b>	<b>Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech)</b>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><u><b>College Information:</b></u></p> <p><b>Location:</b> Cambridge, Massachusetts  <b>Colors:</b> Cardinal(Red) and Silver  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.mit.edu">www.mit.edu</a>  <b>Mascot:</b> Tim the Beaver  <b>Conference:</b> NEWMAC  <b>Division:</b> NCAA Division III  <b>Motto:</b> Mind and Hand  <b>Virtual Tour:</b>  <a href="http://web.mit.edu/vrtour/">http://web.mit.edu/vrtour/</a></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">    </div>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><b>College Information:</b></u></p> <p><b>Location:</b> Pasadena, California  <b>Colors:</b> Orange and White  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.caltech.edu">www.caltech.edu</a>  <b>Mascot:</b> Orange Beaver  <b>Conference:</b> SCIAC  <b>Division:</b> NCAA Division III  <b>Motto:</b> The truth shall make you free  <b>Virtual Tour:</b>  <a href="http://www.admissions.caltech.edu/visit/caltech-campus-tour-videos">www.admissions.caltech.edu/visit/caltech-campus-tour-videos</a></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">    </div>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><b>College Information:</b></u></p> <p><b>Location:</b> Atlanta, Georgia  <b>Colors:</b> Tech Gold(Yellow) and White  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.gatech.edu">www.gatech.edu</a>  <b>Mascot:</b> Buzz the Yellow Jacket  <b>Conference:</b> ACC  <b>Division:</b> NCAA Division I  <b>Motto:</b> Progress and Service  <b>Virtual Tour:</b>  <a href="https://www.gatech.edu/life/virtual-campus-tour">https://www.gatech.edu/life/virtual-campus-tour</a></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">    </div>

College Week is a time for our school to place a focus on College and Career Readiness. The colleges we are focusing on this year are universities with an emphasis on STEM and engineering majors. Throughout the week, students will be participating in Spirit Dress-Up days college awareness events. The week will culminate with a college themed rally on Friday, November 22. Each class has been assigned a college for Friday's spirit day and rally. This year, the focus is on well-known California colleges. Please see the attached list to find your assigned college. The list is built to group students for the rally. 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 18	<b>Signing Day</b> – wear the colors or clothes of the college you wish to attend
Tuesday, November 19	<b>Honor Tom Hawkins' College</b> – wear Orange and Black for UOP, Tom Hawkins' college
Wednesday, November 20	<b>Honor Your Teacher's College Day</b> – wear the college colors from your teacher's college
Thursday, November 21	<b>Dress for Success Day</b> – dress in professional attire (shirts, ties, suites, dresses, skirts)
Friday, November 22	<b>Extreme College Spirit</b> – 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.**



# 8th Grade News

## 8th Grade Graduation Important Dates

It's hard to believe, but the graduation events for the Class of 2020 will be here soon. We look forward to work with this group of parents to make these events incredible! These meetings are all at 6:30PM in the Library

November 14 - **Tracy High School Registration packet Due to THS Counseling Office**

November 18 - Committee Chairperson Meeting

December 9 - Committee Work Meeting - All parents welcome

January 13 - Committee Chairperson Meeting

January 27 - Committee Work Meeting - All parents welcome

February 3 - Committee Chairperson Meeting

February 24 - Committee Work Meeting - All parents welcome

March 9 - Committee Chairperson Meeting

March 23 - Committee Work Meeting - All parents welcome

April 6 - Committee Chairperson Meeting

April 27 - Committee Work Meeting - All parents welcome

May 4 - Committee Chairperson Meeting

May 11 - Committee Work Meeting - All parents welcome


May 14 - Honors Night

May 21 - Ice Cream Social

May 22 - Great America Field Trip

May 27 - Graduation Ceremony and Dance

May 28 - Graduation Clean-up



**Join the Graduation  
Committee Remind to get  
text reminders**

**Text @3767ag to 81010**

## Graduation Payments

The cost for graduation is \$94 per student. Payment was due October 31. Please turn in your payment ASAP.

*Future Bulldogs*

**INCOMING  
9TH GRADE**

*Parent Night\**

*Jefferson School District*

\*FOR TRACY HIGH ZONED STUDENTS ONLY

NOVEMBER 19, 2019

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

TRACY HIGH SCHOOL THEATER

# TOM HAWKINS HPFC HAPPENINGS



October 28, 2019

The close of this month has made being a part of the HPFC so special... We had a very successful October meeting with many new faces joining us. Plus, Will's Creepy Family Fun Night was a great Community Event, where all kids had a great time. Such a delight!!!



## Calendar of Events

### November Activities

Nov 12-Dec 4 – Winter See's Candy Sale  
Nov 19 - Dinner Night Out - Chipotle, 4-8pm

Dec 7 – Holiday Vendor Fair, 8:00-3:00  
Dec 18 – 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Winter Program  
Dec 19 – TK-4<sup>th</sup> Winter Program  
Jan 17 – VIM Day, 7:00-8:00 (*NEW EVENT*)  
Feb 28 – Parent Child Dance  
Mar 2-19 – Spring See's Candy Sale  
Mar 13 – Movie Night, 6:00-8:00  
Mar TBD – Open House, 6:00-7:00  
Apr 2 - Hawkapalooza, 5:30-7:30 (*It's Back!*)  
May 4-8 – Staff Appreciation Week  
May 1 – VIF Day, 7:00-8:00 (*NEW EVENT*)

### **HPFC MEETING - Wednesday Evenings**

Hawkins Library 6:30 pm

November 20  
December 18  
January 22  
February 19  
March 18  
April 22  
May 20

### **HPFC Sub-Committee Meetings**

We've begun having planning meetings for upcoming events.  
**10/30/19 @ 6PM in Room 21**  
We will begin to plan **Holiday Vendor Fair**. We will start discussing promotion of this event, the Kids' Secret Workshop, etc. Come by to see how you can help!

**Spirit Wear** is now customizable using the website Apparel Now. Use this link:

<http://apparelnow.com/tom-hawkins-elementary-apparel>

Find us on Facebook at:

[www.facebook.com/hawkinshuskie](http://www.facebook.com/hawkinshuskie)

Email us at: [tomhawkinspfc@gmail.com](mailto:tomhawkinspfc@gmail.com)

Want to know what HPFC is all about?  
click on the links below to find our:

Meeting Agendas

[August 21](#)

[September 18](#)

[October 23](#)

Monthly Minutes

[August 21](#)

[September 18](#)

(NEWLY ADDED)

Check out last month's Agenda & Minutes

### **Do you shop using Amazon?**

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



## Lunch Room Reminders

Recently, it has been observed that some students and families are not following the rules about lunch. Here are some important reminders. You will also see our school lunch menu below.

- Class parties/socials are to be coordinated with the classroom teacher for special holidays and events.. Parents may not bring food or treats for any child other than theirs during lunch. This is considered a party/social and is not allowed.
- Students are not able to bring soda, candy, or gum on campus.
- During construction, we are asking parents to limit the times they are bringing hot lunch to their students as there is a lack of storage space for distribution.
- Students should not share their lunch items with others.

Please help us keep lunch running smoothly by reviewing these guidelines.

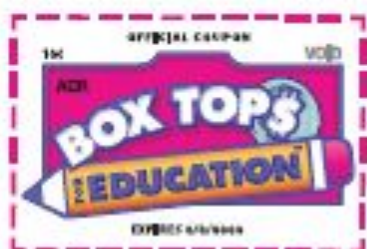
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday				
	<b>COST OF LUNCH IS \$3.00 REDUCED MEALS .40</b>  You can purchase a carton of milk for .75		<i>Make it a great day or not, the choice is yours!</i> 	 <b>Personal Cheese Pizza</b> Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich Milk Choices from the Salad Bar	1			
4	5	6	7	 <b>Personal Cheese Pizza</b> Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich Milk Choices from the Salad Bar	8			
Bean and Cheese Burrito Chicken Smackers w/Goldfish Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich Milk Choices from the Salad Bar	Hamburger Cheese Bread Sticks w/Goldfish Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich Milk Choices from the Salad Bar	Chicken Taquito Flat Bread Pizza  Milk Choices from the Salad Bar	Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Taco Nada Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich Milk Choices from the Salad Bar	 <b>Hot Dog on a Bun</b> Taco Nada Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich Milk Choices from the Salad Bar	15			
	11	12	13	14	 <b>Personal Cheese Pizza</b> Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich Milk Choices from the Salad Bar	15		
18	19	20	 <b>Creamy Turkey &amp; Mash Potatoes</b> Taco Nada Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich Milk Choices from the Salad Bar	21	 <b>Personal Cheese Pizza</b> Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich Milk Choices from the Salad Bar	22		
25	26	27	28			29		
								

# BOX TOPS just made it SO EASY to make money for our school!

Dear Families,

The Box Tops for Education program is changing the way we can earn cash for our school!

Over the summer, participating brands have begun to change their packaging from the traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Tops label.



SEE THIS...  
**CLIP IT**



SEE THIS...  
**SCAN**  
YOUR RECEIPT

Going forward, instead of clipping from packages and checking expiration dates, all Box Tops will be earned digitally by scanning your receipt. The Box Tops for Education team has worked hard to build a NEW-and-improved, user-friendly Box Tops mobile app, available now.

The new app features state-of-the-art technology that allows you to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online.

**BE SURE TO DOWNLOAD THE NEW APP  
OR UPDATE YOUR EXISTING APP:**



If you still have traditional Box Tops clips at home, make sure to send them to school. We will still earn cash for all clipped Box Tops until they expire. Better yet, you can “double dip” during the packaging transition by clipping traditional Box Tops AND scanning your store receipt containing participating products.

Thanks for helping our school get what it needs!

LEARN MORE ABOUT THESE CHANGES AT  
**BTFE.COM**



# Tom Hawkins Yearbook



**Get yours today!**

**Deadline to order is  
March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**All books include:**

**\*Full color pages that vibrantly capture school memories.**

**\*Durable, sturdy soft cover to preserve your keepsake. Hard cover option available.**

**\*Original cover design that reflects the uniqueness of our school.**

**MUST ORDER ONLINE!!!**

**Website: [www.ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://www.ybpay.lifetouch.com)**

**Yearbook ID Code: 3725720**



# 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.

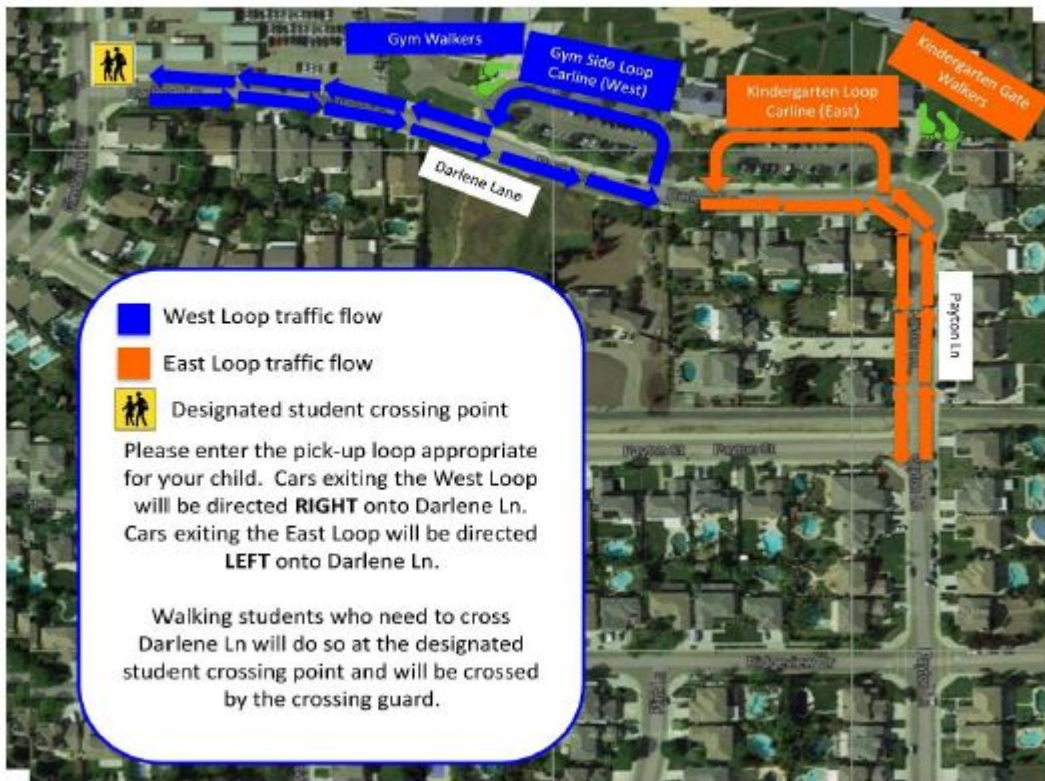
  
JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

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

# 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

**1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> graders** – Be sure to designate your child's pick up area when you pick up your schedule or on the first day of school. **COMMUNICATE CHANGES WITH YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER.**

**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 carline and get out of your vehicle.**

**Gym doors** – parents park/walk up to retrieve their child

**Walkers** – students are able to walk home