

Tom Hawkins Elementary School

Home of the Huskies

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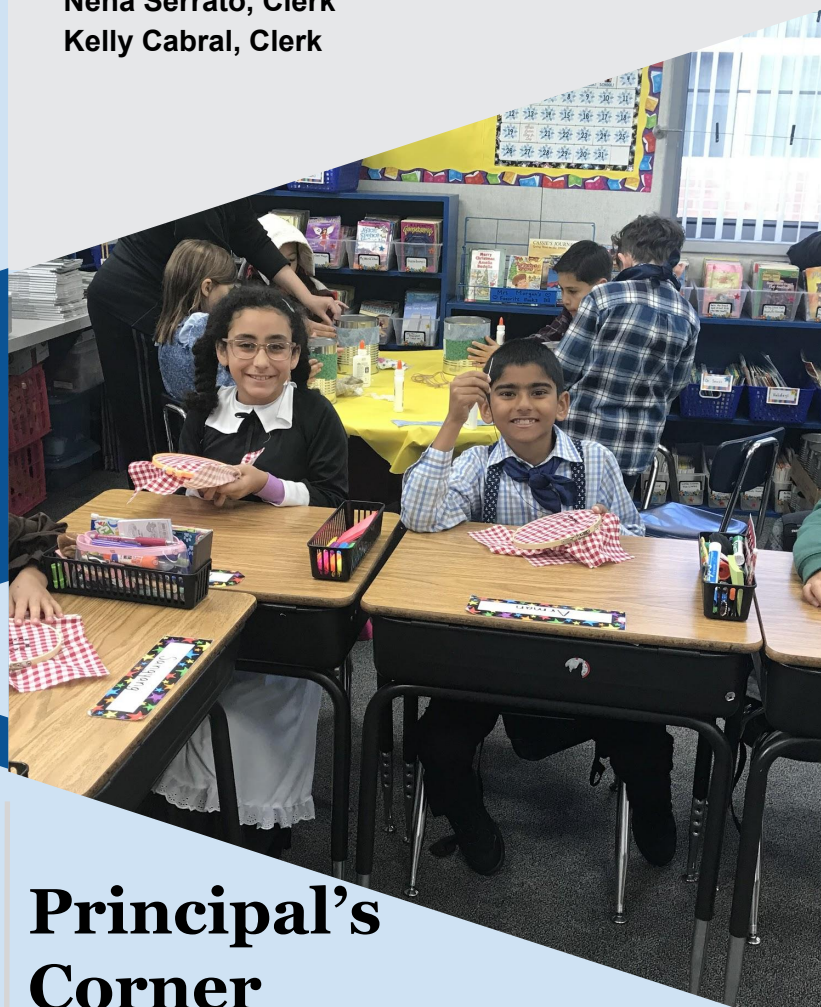
February 3, 2020



Upcoming Events

- Feb 3 - Graduation Committee Chair Meeting 6:30 PM in Library
- Feb 4 - Basketball Games- [see schedule below](#)
- Feb 5 - Hearing Screenings
- Feb 5 - Basketball Games- [see schedule below](#)
- Feb 6 - Basketball Games- [see schedule below](#)
- Feb 7 - 3rd Grade Pioneer Graduation 8:30-9:30AM
- Feb 10 - No School - Lincoln's Birthday
- Feb 11 - Boys' Basketball Tournaments Begin- Schedule TBA
- Feb 11 - Board Meeting 6:30PM at District Office
- Feb 14 - Valentine's Day - A Perfect Pair Dress Up Day
- Feb 17 - No School - Presidents' Day
- Feb 19 - School Site Council Meeting 3:30PM
- Feb 19 - HPFC Meeting 6:30PM in Library
- Feb 21 - End of Trimester 2
- Feb 26 - 4th Grade Meander Field Trip
- Feb 26 - Kindergarten Round Up 3:30-5:00PM
- Feb 27 - 5th Grade WOW Museum Field Trip
- Feb 28 - HPFC Parent/Child Dance
- Mar 2 - See's Candy Sales Begin
- Mar 6 - No School- Teacher Work Day
- Mar 8 - Daylight Savings Time Starts
- Mar 9 - Graduation Committee Chair Meeting 6:30 in Library
- Mar 10 - Board Meeting 6:30PM at District Office
- Mar 13 - 6th Grade Field Trip to the Exploritorium
- Mar 13 - HPFC - Movie Night
- Mar 17 - Trimester 2 Awards
- 8:30AM 4th-5th Grade Assembly
- 9:45AM 6th-8th Grade Assembly

Christina Orsi, Principal
Fiona Bessette, Vice Principal
Rahila Amani, Principal's Secretary
Nena Serrato, Clerk
Kelly Cabral, Clerk



Principal's Corner

Shown above are some third grade students from Mrs. Morgan's classroom cross-stitching their handkerchiefs to bring to Pioneer school. All of the classes have now attended their Pioneer School field trips and will be preparing for their graduation on Friday, February 7. We hope you can join us for this special event that highlights what the students have learned over the past few weeks.

The month of February may be very short, but very significant. First and foremost, February is Black History Month. February was originally selected as Black History Month because it encompasses the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln. This February 1 marks the 60th anniversary of the Greensboro sit-ins. These were a series of nonviolent sit-ins in Greensboro, North Carolina to protest segregation. Staff refused to serve African-American students. Acts of nonviolent protest such as these helped end segregation and reaffirmed that separate but equal is not equal. This month we will be focused on the contributions of African-Americans throughout history.

In the month of February, we will also be doing the Great Kindness Challenge. This is where staff and students are encouraged to do one act of kindness every day. To help families participate, I am including a kindness activity page for families on page 3 of the newsletter. Part of our job is to develop students academically. There is also a responsibility to help them develop as compassionate and thoughtful people who put others first and treat each other with kindness. Please join us in this mission!



“The most fundamental element for school success is that children consistently come to school on time for the full day.”

~Attendance Matters 2020

**Last Week's
Attendance:**

96.4%

**This Week's
Goal:**

98%

**Last Week's
Tardies:**

113

**This Week's
Goal:**

0

On Time Students Are Successful Students

Student attendance is one of the most common predictors of academic achievement. Students who consistently miss school hours develop habits that will lead into their adult life, affecting their education, career, and social connections.

CONSISTENTLY MISSING



MINUTES/DAY

=



(ALMOST 2 DAYS OF SCHOOL)



The Great Kindness Challenge.

FAMILY EDITION

Create a kinder world.

Take a week, a month, or a year.
Have fun and complete as many acts of kindness as you can.

Your Kindness Matters!

Presented by



Acts of Kindness

- Smile at 25 people
- Take a treat to your local firefighters
- Do a household chore without being asked
- Donate something to an animal shelter
- Take a board game to play at a senior center
- Read a book to a younger child
- Make a thank you card for your librarians
- Entertain someone with a happy dance
- Create a family gratitude jar
- Cheer for every player on both teams
- Deliver a special gift to a child in the hospital
- Make a new friend or welcome a new neighbor
- Send a card or gift to a military family
- Walk or pet an animal - but ask first!
- Go a full day without complaining
- Hold the door open for someone
- Learn to say "Thank You" in a new language
- Embrace your family with a big hug
- Teach something to a younger sibling or friend
- Write or draw a loving note for someone
- Make and display a "Kindness Matters" sign
- Raise funds and donate to your favorite cause
- Watch the sunrise or sunset together
- Breathe, stretch, and think a happy thought
- Cut out 10 hearts and leave them on 10 cars
- Donate needed school supplies
- Thank a bus driver
- Leave a flower on someone's doorstep
- Be kind to yourself and eat a healthy snack
- Call your grandparents or esteemed elder
- Walk or bike instead of driving
- Say "Thank You" to a police officer
- Bake cookies and share with your neighbors
- Say "Good Morning" to 5 people
- Pick up and recycle trash in your neighborhood
- Take a family walk outside
- Draw a heart in the sand or dirt
- Write a thank you note to your mail carrier
- Make a wish for a child in another country
- Volunteer in your community
- Say "Hi" to someone who looks sad
- Write a happy message with sidewalk chalk
- Paint a kindness rock and randomly place it
- Share food with someone who is hungry
- Sincerely compliment 5 people
- Post a positive message on social media
- Let someone go ahead of you in line
- Help plant a garden
- Reflect on kindness you witnessed during the day
- Create your own kind deed



#GKCfamily
www.greatkindnesschallenge.org



TOM HAWKINS HPFC HAPPENINGS



February 3, 2020

Tickets are now on sale for our **Boots & Bling Parent Child Dance** coming up February 28th. If you have yet to attend one of these events, it is a must. **Fun for the entire family!** Also, if you are a business owner in town, please consider donating a raffle prize to this event.



Fun for the entire family... Buy your tickets soon!

Tom Hawkins Parent Child
Boots & Bling Dance
RSVP by Friday, February 14th

Child's Name: _____

Teacher: _____

Phone Number: _____

Number of Tickets (Indicate # needed):
_____ \$10 each adult _____ \$5 each child

Calendar of Events

February Activities

Feb 5 - Sub-Committee Meetings - Room 21
Feb 28 – Parent Child Dance - Boots & Bling

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

February 19
March 18
April 22
May 20

HPFC Sub-Committee Meetings

We've begun having planning meetings for upcoming events.

02/05/20 - 3pm - we will be meeting to discuss and decide on an Artist & Residence Program for this year.
6pm - we will be meeting to continue planning and organizing for the Parent Child Dance. Please if you are interested, come by to see how you can help!!

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

Meeting Agendas

[August 21](#)
[September 18](#)
[October 23](#)
[November 18](#)
[January 22](#)

Monthly Minutes

[August 21](#)
[September 18](#)
[October 23](#)
[November 18](#)

(NEWLY ADDED)

Check out last month's Agenda & Minutes

Find us on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/hawkinshuskies
Email us at: tomhawkinspfc@gmail.com

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

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

We still have certain sizes available of this year's spirit wear. If you are interested in any items, please contact the office for more information.

Do you shop using Amazon?

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

**Tickets On Sale
Now!**



Boots & Bling

HAWKINS PARENT CHILD DANCE

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FUN!

FRIDAY, FEB. 28, 2020

6:00 – 8:00 PM

HAWKINS MPR

ADULT \$10

CHILD \$5

LINE DANCE LESSONS

PHOTO BOOTH

DESSERT TABLE

RAFFLE BASKETS

AND MORE!!!

DINNER AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
FROM **SPEER BBQ**

Sponsored by HPFC • TK-8TH Grade Event

PARENTS MAY NOT LEAVE CHILD UNATTENDED

Return form with payment to teacher or "HPFC" box in office. Tickets will be sent home w/child. Cash or check payable to HPFC

This event sells out each year - get your tickets now!

Fill out and return to Your Child's Teacher with Payment

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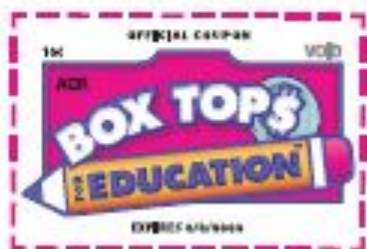
_____ \$5 each child

BOX TOPS just made it **SO EASY** to make money for our school! So far, we have collected **\$441.60**

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

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.

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

Start Preparing...Don't forget to start getting your pictures ready!

1 baby picture for yearbook

electronic file sent to yearbook advisor, Scott Andrews sandrews@jsdtracy.com

3-4 school age pictures for slideshow

.jpg files should be emailed to gmail account – hawkinsgradpics@gmail.com

****Please include your child's name in the file name****

(Example: johnsmith1.jpg, johnsmith2.jpg, johnsmith3.jpg)

20-25 baby-current pictures for the photo collage

collage pictures need to be printed out and put onto cardstock, which will be provided



KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP

Jefferson School District

**Transitional Kindergarten/ Kindergarten
Orientation and Priority Registration
2020—2021 School Year**

DATE:
Wednesday, February 26, 2020

TIME:
Orientation begins promptly
at 3:30p.m- 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION:
Your home school-
* Anthony Traina
* Monticello
* Tom Hawkins

BRING:
Your incoming TK/K
student(s)

Parents -
will attend an orientation to learn
about the TK/K program,
the school & priority registration
Students-
will visit the classrooms
Teachers-
will evaluate TK/K readiness

*Incoming TK students must be born on
9/2/15- 12/2/15

*Incoming Kindergarteners
must be 5 years old on or before
9/1/2020 (born on or before 9/1/15)
to enroll in Kindergarten

For more information please contact your
home elementary school or visit
www.JeffersonSchoolDistrict.com
or call the Jefferson School District Office
at 209-836-3388



Calling all coaches... we are looking for coaches for the upcoming girl's basketball season for 5th and 6th grade. If you are interested in coaching a team please contact Mr. Swartz at tswartz@jsdtracy.com or Mrs. Bessette at fbessette@jsdtracy.com



Boys Basketball Schedule 2019-2020



January

1/28 @ 3:30

Hawkins 6 vs Jefferson 5/6 @ Jefferson

Hawkins 5 vs Traina 5 @ Hawkins

Hawkins 5/6 vs Traina 6 @ Traina

1/29 @ 3:30

Hawkins 5 vs Traina 5 @ Hawkins

1/30 @ 3:30

Hawkins 6 vs Traina 5 @ Hawkins

Hawkins 5/6 vs Jefferson 6 @ Jefferson

1/28 @ 4:30

Hawkins 8 vs Jefferson 7 @ Jefferson

Hawkins 7 vs Traina 8 @ Hawkins

1/29 @ 4:30

Hawkins 8 vs Traina 8 @ Hawkins

Hawkins 7 vs Traina 7/8 @ Traina

1/30 @ 4:30

Hawkins 5 vs Jefferson 5 @ Hawkins

Hawkins 7 vs Jefferson 8 @ Jefferson

February

2/4 @ 3:30

Hawkins 6 vs Traina 6 @ Hawkins

Hawkins 5 vs Jefferson 5/6 @ Jefferson

2/5 @ 3:30

Hawkins 6 vs Traina 5 @ Hawkins

2/6 @ 3:30

Hawkins 6 vs Hawkins 5 @ Hawkins

2/4 @ 4:30

Hawkins 8 vs Traina 7/8 @ Hawkins

Hawkins 7 vs Jefferson 7 @ Jefferson

2/5 @ 4:30

Hawkins 8 vs Traina 8 @ Traina

Hawkins 5/6 vs Jefferson 5/6 @ Hawkins

2/6 @ 4:30

Hawkins 7 vs Traina 7/8 @ Traina

****Boys 5th & 6th End of the Season Tournament at Hawkins the week of 2/10-2/14***

****Boys 7th & 8th End of the Season Tournament at Traina the week of 2/10-2/14***

Tom Hawkins Yearbook



Get yours today!

**Deadline to order is
March 30th, 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

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.

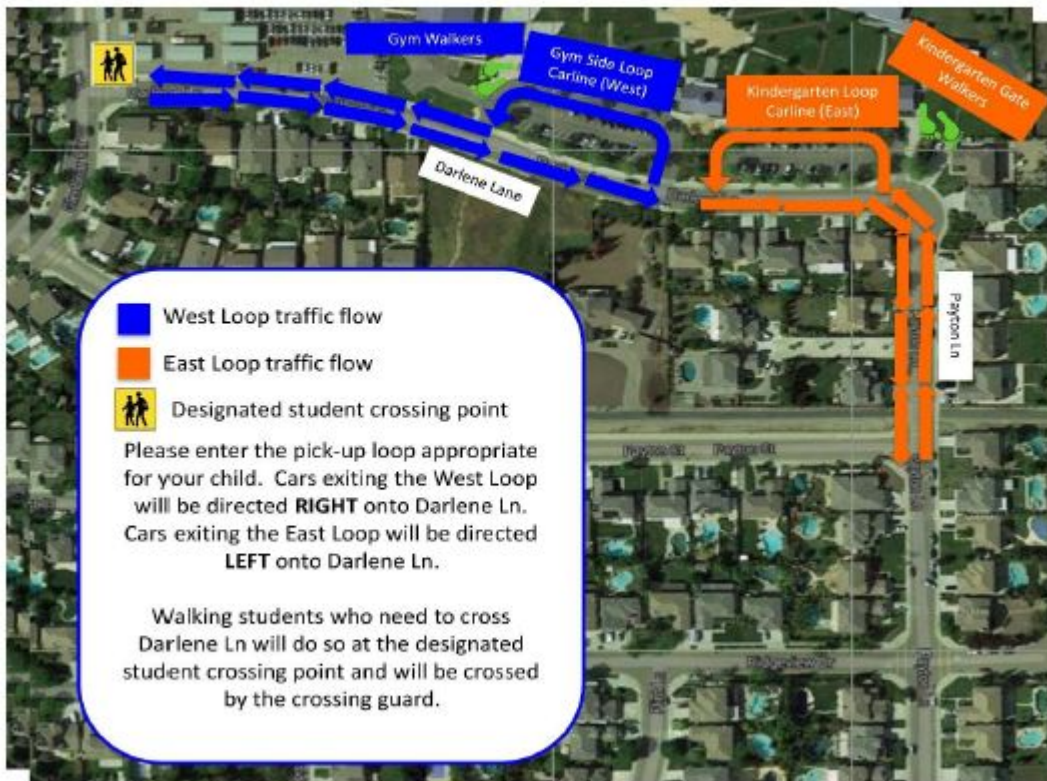

JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

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

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. **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