

## Tom Hawkins Elementary School Home of the Huskies

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#### **Upcoming Events**

Sep 10 - Minimum Day 1:30pm dismissal Sep 11 - Red, White, and Blue Day Sep 11 - ASB Meeting, <u>Jr. Bulldog Project</u> Sep 11 – School Board Meeting Sep 14 - School Pictures Taken Sep 19 – Graduation Chair Person Committee Sep 19 - HPFC Meeting Sep 21 – HPFC Movie Night Sep 25-28 Parent Teacher Conferences **2:00PM Dismissal for all students** Sep 28 - Neon Day **Oct 2 – ASB Meeting Oct 15-19 - Scholastic Book Fair Oct 16 – ASB Meeting** Oct 17 - HPFC Meeting **Oct 19 – Tracy High Homecoming** Oct 31 – Halloween Parade

"Living and learning with purpose"

## Principal's Corner

By Christina Orsi

What a sweet surprise! Mrs. Scornaienchi's class had the highest Fun Run pledges and earned the opportunity to decorate my office. They used post-its messages, streamers and balloons and even made me a special sign. Some of my favorite messages included "Your office is really cool!", "I like your plates.", "You like cats.", "I'm almost 6.", and "You're a flower." They were adorable and from the heart. Thank you to all of our families for your support of our fundraising efforts. The Boosterthon Fun Run has been a huge success! We had so much fun during the runs. Thank you to all volunteers who helped out!

This upcoming week we have a great opportunity for our 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students. The Tracy High Bulldog Project will be working with interested students to make our own Jr. Bulldog Project right here at Hawkins. The focus of the group is inclusion, anti-bullying, and cyber safety. If your student is interested in participating, they should join us Thursday, September 11 at 3:30PM in the MPR. We feel that this is an excellent way to help address the challenges of bullying that can occur during these pivotal years. The students from Tracy High will be joining us once a month to help lead us in this important work.

## Calling all coaches!

We are looking for volunteers to coach our 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade athletics teams. We currently have the following positions available: 5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball (Coed), 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' and Boys' Basketball.

If we are unable to find volleyball coaches for 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades, we will not be able to have those teams. Please consider coaching these amazing kids so they have a chance to play.

Contact Mrs. Bessette if you are interested in coaching at <u>fbessette@sicoe.net</u> or via phone at 209-839-2380. There is an extensive training and background check required so we would appreciate your prompt action if you are interested. Thank you and Goooooooo Huskies!

## Jr. Bulldog Project

Next week we will be kicking of our Jr. Bulldog Project. The Bulldog Project is a group of Tracy High Students who work with middle schools across Tracy to stop bullying and promote cyber safety. The Bulldog Project typically comes and does an assembly each year for our students. This year, they will be coming to campus after school once a month to help facilitate Hawkins' own Jr. Bulldog Project group.

5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Graders interested in making a positive impact on our school culture should join us Tuesday, September 11 at 3:30PM in the MPR. This is an exciting opportunity and he hope we will have many interested Huskies who want to make a difference in the lives of others.

## Parent Teacher Conferences

The week of September 24 is Parent Teacher Conferences. TK-4<sup>th</sup> grade teachers are setting up their own conferences. Please reach out to your child's teacher directly to schedule a conference. For 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders, you will be receiving an invitation to sign up for an appointment via Sign Up Genius. If you need to change your appointment time once it has been selected.

Parent Teacher Conferences are held in the middle of the first grading term so that parents can be made aware of the progress of their child and there is still time for students to make improvements prior to the end of the term.

## **Every Day Counts**

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 for the remainder of the month of September will be entered into a drawing to win a Kindle Fire tablet. Please see the flyer below for details. 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.



# **SURVICE COUNTS** ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

YOU could WIN a Kindle Fire tablet!



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SCHOOL IS YOUR FIRST AND MOST IMPORTANT JOB. You need to be at school on time every day to learn what you need to achieve your goals. The more days you miss, the harder it is to keep up.

The James Irvine Foundation



University of the Pacific and our community partners challenge you to build a habit of good attendance, starting with the month of September. Students with perfect attendance for the whole month will be entered into a drawing for a Kindle Fire tablet!



## TOM HAWKINS HPFC HAPPENINGS



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 28<sup>th</sup> –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-4<sup>th</sup> Winter Program Dec 13 – 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> 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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## DID YOU KNOW?

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

## FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

FRIDAY SEPT. 21 6:30 PM on the lawn in the ouad

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## FREE ADMISSION

-Kona Ice & Snack Bar -Students must be accompanied by an adult -Bring lawn chairs & blanket

Students will vote on movie next week!



A huge thank you to all of our business sponsors who donated to our Fund Run! Their donations helped us provide t-shirts to every student at our school.











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## **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

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.







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.