



TO EDUCATE, MOTIVATE AND INSPIRE

News in the Middle September Newsletter 2016

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A Message from Principal Yanok

It is September and it is hard to believe that we have been in school for over a week. The schedules are now in line and are finalized. Thanks to Mrs. Agresta and Mr. Mills for all of their long days and hard work.

This month is going to be very busy and full of activities for all of our grades. Football, volleyball, golf and soccer season are in full swing and there are many matches and games for all to attend. Show your spirit and root for the Stallions and Big Red!

As the leaves begin to turn the days are still going to be hot and all students are asked to comply with the dress code for HMS. The dress code as well as the other district and school wide policies can be found in the student handbook that was passed out to all students this week.

For some general reminders for the start of the year, please remember to turn in any forms and fees from the first week

to the front office. Forms can be found on Harding's website. Also, we ask that students ask for help immediately if they feel like they are not staying on track. Your child's education is of upmost importance to us and we want to ensure we are helping all those that need it.

Parents, please be very careful when dropping off and picking up your student(s). Drop off in the morning is at the cafeteria entrance and we ask that you drive slowly and carefully as you watch out for other students and cars. In the afternoon, please do not double park or crowd others when waiting for your student(s). Bus students are released before the walkers and riders. Please be polite and use good judgement.

We are looking forward to a safe and happy school year. We are excited for all that we have going on in the coming months and we can't wait to see your children grow and learn throughout the school year!

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Upcoming Events

Take a look at the events going on during the month of September!

- ✦ September 2—Pasta Dinner (4:30-6:30)
- ✦ September 5—Labor Day, NO SCHOOL
- ✦ September 7—Drama Club Auditions (3-5pm)
- ✦ September 12-15—SADD Club Sign-ups (during homeroom, \$1 to join)
- ✦ September 12—Stallion Singers (select choir) Auditions (2:30-4:30)
- ✦ September 13—Stallion Trot (5:15pm)
- ✦ September 13—Jazz Choir Auditions (2:30-4:30)
- ✦ September 22—Favorite Team Day, Sponsored by SADD club (\$1 to participate)
- ✦ September 30—Pasta Dinner (4:30-6:30)



Please join us on September 2nd, 30th and October 20th for a delicious pasta dinner before the football games! All dinners are donation only and support the Alumni Association. Dinners are from 4:30-6:30 in the HMS cafeteria. We look forward to seeing you there!



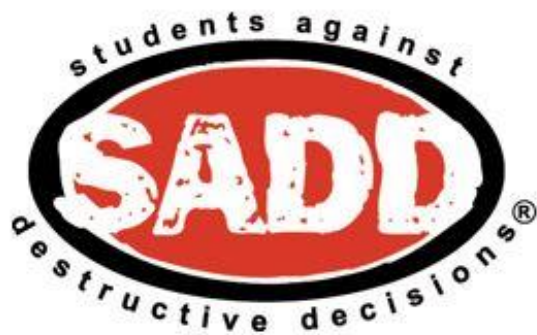
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Sign-Ups for the SADD Club are about to begin!

We encourage all students to sign up for the SADD Club during homeroom between September 12th and 15th. It only costs \$1 to join, and it is worth it!

Students are able to organize and participate in fun and meaningful activities while learning the importance of making good decisions. Some of last year's activities included Relay for Life, a Christmas toy drive, a nursing home visit and peer tutoring. The club holds meetings once a month and the advisors are Ms. Eskridge and Ms. Storey. An informational letter will be sent home at sign up. We hope your student joins us!

AUDITIONS

<p>SEPTMBER 7TH</p> <p>---DRAMA CLUB</p> <p>3-5PM</p>	<p>SEPTMBER 12TH</p> <p>---STALLION SINGERS (SELECT CHOIR)</p> <p>2:30-4:30PM</p>	<p>SEPTMBER 13TH</p> <p>---JAZZ CHOIR</p> <p>2:30-4:30PM</p>
<p><i>Please see Mrs. Macre if you have any questions!</i></p>		

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

Below is a list of all important forms that need to be completed at the start of each year. If you have not yet filled them out, please do so and send them back with your student(s) as soon as possible. All forms can be found on the right side of the HMS webpage. Thank you for your help!

Emergency Medical Authorization Form
Internet Form
Parent Email Request Form
General Permission Form for students 2016–17
Instructional Fee Waiver



Reminder: School fees for all students are \$20. If eligible, you may fill out the instructional fee waiver form found on the HMS website.

School Nurse News

If your student is currently taking any medications, you must have this information on file with the nurse. 7th grade students **MUST** have updated shot records for TDap and Meningitis.

These records must be updated by Thursday, September 29th. A letter was sent home with this information at the end of the 2015–2016 school year.

Stallion Trot

September 13, 2016

5:15pm

Topics:

STEM Labs
Activity Schedules
Levy



We will meet in **room 115**

Please enter through the
main doors!

This meeting will give you an opportunity to chat with Mr. Yanok, Mr. Mills and other school personnel in an informal setting.

It also gives you a chance to meet other Harding parents. We hope to see you there!



THIS YEAR'S 7TH AND 8TH GRADE CHRISTMAS DANCE
WILL BE ON DECEMBER 9TH DIRECTLY AFTER SCHOOL.
THE DANCE WILL RUN FROM 3-5PM!



Final Thoughts....

ATTENDANCE AND TARDIES

You will never be successful in school if you are not present at all times. Attendance is crucial to academic and personal/social success. Being on time is a very important character trait that should be developed during this time in your student's life. The "tardy bell" rings at 7:45am EVERYDAY! Do not make excuses for your child when he/she is tardy or absent. PLEASE get your kids to school on time each day. Watch absences—MISS SCHOOL AND MISS OUT is the motto to live by. If your child is going to be absent or tardy, call the office before 8:15am. If you want an early release for your child, send in a note or call early on that day so we are aware. DO NOT call after 2pm with messages for your child. There is not enough time to run messages to your student after 2pm. Thank you for your cooperation!

We ask that you please familiarize yourself with the student handbook found in the front of your student's planner. Here you will find information including, but not limited to, attendance, classroom, dress and discipline policies. We also encourage you to check in on your student's daily planner to stay informed about the work that they are expected to complete.

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