

HCMS HIGHLIGHTS

March 13, 2015

Principal's Message:

Musical Bragging Rights!

Congratulations to the students of the Concert and Sinfonia Orchestras who earned superior scores from all judges in both Concert and Sight Reading events. After a very eventful week with the schedule changing due to inclement weather, our students rose to the occasion and played with incredible pride, enthusiasm, and refinement. Job well done, Ms. Horvitz and students!

Band had success as well. Congratulations to the HCMS Symphonic Band on their 23rd consecutive UIL Sweepstakes award! Concert Band had perfect scores as well! The bands earned first division ratings from all 3 concert judges as well as first division ratings from their 3 sight-reading judges! Congratulations to these fine musicians and their directors, Ms. Floyd and Mr. Fischer. Way to go, Band!

Spring Participation Fees

If your son/daughter intends to participate in soccer, tennis, or golf, he/she may owe a participation fee if one was not paid for a fall sport. The maximum yearly fee for a student to participate in one or more sports is \$275.00. If you have paid this fee, your student is clear to try out/participate in all spring sports. If the yearly participation fee has not been paid, please see the following list of rates:

Track only - \$200.00
Tennis only - \$200.00
Golf only - \$200.00
Soccer - \$275.00
One or more sports - \$275.00

The participation fee is due now and may be paid online at this time. Any past due fees for football, volleyball, or basketball may also be paid online now.

Destination Imagination

Congratulations to the Dream Scorpions: Blake Biles, Aislinn Hurley, Emma Streun, Helen He, and Jillian Cuddy! They placed first in the Fine Arts Challenge "Feary Tales" at this past weekend's Capital Region Destination Imagination Tournament, and will represent HCMS at the State Tournament in Dallas next month. The team also received a special judges' award, The Renaissance Award, for Outstanding Performance.

Box Tops

Remember to send in your box tops. There is a drop-off box in the Main Office. The funds received from box tops really adds up and can help supplement our yearly expenses.

Lost and Found...

Our Lost & Found is overflowing with coats, lunchboxes, gym bags, and water bottles. Items are now out on tables in the cafeteria. Please encourage your child(ren) to claim any articles they are missing. Items remaining in our lost and found will be donated on March 13.

Go, Cougars!

Kathleen Sullivan

Cougar Club News

Hello, Cougars! It's finally spring break, and I am sure you and your children are so excited! The entire Cougar Club board wishes you a safe and enjoyable break. Please see below the updates for the week:

Volunteers needed for STAAR testing day: Ms. Hubbard (shubbard@eanesisd.net) needs help monitoring restrooms during the testing. Testing is on March 30 and

31, 2015. You can sign up for a 1 or 2-hour shift. Bring your laptops, books, etc., and multi-task! Please contact Ms. Hubbard if you can help!!

2nd Annual HCMS Fit Fest: HCMS is excited to hold this event on April 29, 2015. The staff works so hard and needs parent volunteers. Some positions needed:

*Set-up the day before (3:45 - 5:30)

* Morning Set-up & Speaker Check-In

* Session Helpers

* Field Day helpers

Please consider volunteering here: <http://vols.pt/tks9PF> Want to learn more about the Fit Fest? Check it out here: <http://hcmsfitfest.weebly.com/> (Check out the cool video under media tab)

Positions open for 2015-2016: The call for nominations for next year's HCMS Cougar Club board will be open from March 23 through March 30, 2015.

Open positions are:

- President Elect
- Secretary
- Treasurer Elect

This is the best way to get involved with our school - you can nominate yourself for secretary, your fiscally savvy buddy for treasurer elect, or your super organized neighbor for president elect. Don't forget those incoming 6th graders! We'd love to include parents from all the elementary schools. Nominations with name and position can be emailed to the Co President-Elects Zelda Minors at zeldaminors@yahoo.com or Laura Clark at l_h_clark@hotmail.com.

Thanks for your interest!

Your 2014-2015 HCMS Cougar Club Board

APRIL

Booster Club General Mtg/Principal's coffee	Wednesday, April 1	8:45 - 11:00	Library
CLT meeting	Wednesday, April 1	4:00 - 5:00	Library
Report card treats	Tuesday, April 7	A, B, C lunches	Cafeteria
6th grade dance	Friday, April 10	7:00 - 9:00	Café/gym
Teacher Appreciation Luncheon	Tuesday, April 14	A, B, C lunches	Staff lounge
Eanes late start	Thursday, April 16		
Booster Club Board Meeting	Wednesday, April 22	8:45 - 11:00	Conf Room

[Relay For Life of Westlake, Saturday, May 2, 2015](#)

Relay For Life is coming soon, and everyone in the Westlake community is invited to participate! This is an annual community event that raises awareness and funds for the American Cancer Society as we honor and remember those who have fought cancer. The event will be held at the Westlake High School stadium from 6pm to midnight on May 2, with a Luminaria ceremony at 9pm.

You may participate by forming a team to walk, by making a contribution to a team, and/or by decorating a Luminaria bag to be displayed along the perimeter of the track and lit during the ceremony. **Luminaria bags are available for a \$5 donation per bag in the front office of each Eanes school.**

Please see this link for more information:

<http://www.relayforlife.org/westlaketx>. Contact Alissa Horrigan for general Relay questions (ahorrigan5@gmail.com) or Valerie Andruss for information about the Luminaria (vxandruss@gmail.com).