

HCMS HIGHLIGHTS

April 24, 2015

Principal's Message:

STAAR Studded Results

This year our 8th grade students received outstanding scores on their STAAR Reading test. 99% of our students passed and 62% received Level III Advanced Academic performance. This is the highest number of students we have had receive this Level III distinction. Congratulations to our students and thank you to our teachers for preparing them for success!

Congratulations Stock Market Game Winners

Congratulations to the team of 6th graders Brooks Jeffers, Alex Jessup, Duke Elliott, and Ethan Nguyen. They are the winners of the Spring Semester Stock Market Game for the Austin/West Texas Region, placing 1st out of 52 teams of 4th-8th graders.

The team will receive a plaque for our trophy case, and each member will receive a certificate and a check for \$50 from the Texas Council on Economic Education.

Yearbook news

Hello, Hill Country Families! If you haven't had a chance to purchase a yearbook, now is the time! The kids have an absolute blast on yearbook signing day, making memories that last forever. To purchase your yearbook, visit the HCMS website and use the online payment option!

Thank you,
Emily Molina and Jenny Buttler, Yearbook teachers

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.

HCMS Scoreboard

The boys and girls tennis team won Thursday's match against Hudson Bend at LTHS (17 matches to 3). Please congratulate each one of them, and wish them success for our next match against Marble Falls (on Tuesday the 28th). Way to go Cougars!!

Last night the girls and boys soccer teams fought hard.

In the girls' game, Hudson Bend scored 2 goals early in the game. Our defense stepped up and did not allow Hudson Bend to score another goal. Hudson Bend was awarded a penalty kick. Our great defense intimidated the kicker and her shot did not make it in the goal. The game ended 2-0 Hudson Bend.

In the boys' game, we managed to score 2 goals right away. Hudson Bend came back and scored 2 goals. Our boys fought hard and put a great deal of pressure on the Hudson Bend defense, it looked like it was going to be a tie. Unfortunately, Hudson Bend got a breakaway and scored another goal, the game ended 3-2 Hudson Bend.

Lady Cougars' Awards Assembly

Our girls' sports awards assembly will take place on May 6th from 2:30-3:52 in the big gym. This is an assembly for any girl who participated in a sport at HCMS this year (Volleyball, Basketball, Track, Soccer, Tennis, Golf, and Cross Country.) All athletes will receive a certificate of participation and we will be awarding a few individual achievements. There will be cupcakes. Thanks!

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 add up and can help supplement our yearly expenses.

Go, Cougars!

Kathleen Sullivan

Eanes Communication News

The number of students with severe and life threatening food allergies, especially those with tree nut allergies, is increasing nationwide. Eanes ISD implemented Nut Free classrooms in 2003, as allergies became more prevalent at the elementary campuses. While allergy management has previously been addressed through Individual Health Plans, the marked increase in cases caused the District to evaluate its practices related to food allergies.

In response to the increase, the District created the Food Allergy Management Plan in the Spring of 2014, with input from parents, school nurses, Special Education staff, administration and the School Safety & Health Advisory Council (SSHAC). The Superintendent approved the regulation August 11, 2014, and the regulation was then revised in March 2015 with input from the same stakeholders.

Please see link below which provides information on the Food Allergy Management Plan, including Frequently Asked Questions.

<http://www.eanesisd.net/departments/health/food-allergies>

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EEF News

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