# Husky Happenings!

December 1, 2025

### **Hoover Calendar**

#### December

2-5 Santa Workshop

2 YMCA After School Program/PIE Meeting @ 3:30 - Door 7

11 Hoover Holiday Concert

18 Hoover Holiday Family Event

## **Jingle Grams**

Hoover is selling Jingle Grams this holiday season to celebrate friends and family! Students can send a holiday wish and chocolate treat with the purchase of a Jingle Gram. The forms were sent home on Monday with students. The cost is one dollar per Jingle Gram. We will accept orders until December 17. Jingle Grams will be distributed on our last day before break, Thursday, December 19.

### **Cereal Donation Dominoes**

Hoover is hoping to create a school wide domino reaction with our donated cereals! The more cereal boxes we collect, the more fun we'll have! The entire school will be seated in the hallways to watch the boxes topple over! Please help contribute to our district wide Holiday Food Drive collection. Hoover Elementary will be collecting cereal. Each class will track their donations collected, and the class with the most donations will celebrate with a pizza party! Donations will be collected in the office from now until December 11.

# **Upcoming YMCA After-school Session - 12/4**

Hoover is also offering another after-school opportunity. The YMCA will be hosting an after-school recreation program every other Thursday. A snack will be provided, and then students will participate in some after-school fun, playing different games. There is a limit of 24 students each week. Students must be picked up at 4:30. Here is the link to this week's session: <a href="Hoover Elementary School Y on the Fly Registration Link 12-4">Hoover Elementary School Y on the Fly Registration Link 12-4</a>

Hoover Holiday December 11 @ Hazel Park High School

We are excited to announce that we will be having a whole school Winter Concert on Dec 11, 2025. The concert will begin promptly at 6:00. Please have your children/child at the High School Auditorium by 5:45. If your child would like to dress up or dress festively for the concert that would be great but it is not necessary. Mrs. Barone has shared a document with the links to each song so students are able to practice the songs at home. We are looking forward to the performance!

# **Hoover Holiday Book Fair**

The Scholastic Book Fair is a little over a month away! Students will be able to preview the book fair on Friday, Dec. 12. Shopping days will be Monday, Dec.15 through Thursday, Dec. 18. Please consider volunteering (Sign-Up Sheet Link)! Make sure you have an iChat form on file at least 2 weeks before the event. Your help is always greatly appreciated!

## Santa's Workshop Volunteers!

Once again we will be hosting a Santa Workshop so our Hoover Huskies have an opportunity to purchase holiday gifts for friends in family! The workshop will take place December 2-5. We will need volunteers to run this student revered event! Here is a link to sign up: <a href="Hoover Holiday Shop Volunteer Sign-Up">Hoover Holiday Shop Volunteer Sign-Up</a>. We appreciate your support! Please note that all volunteers must have an approved iChat.

## Santa's Workshop

All students are invited to participate in our upcoming Holiday Gift Shop program. This program makes it possible for children to experience the joy of choosing their own special holiday gifts for family and friends. The program will be set up and supervised by our parent volunteers. They will help the children pick that perfect gift for the price they want! Flyers will be coming home this Friday. Students will preview the gifts on Monday, December 1. Students will be able to purchase gifts December 2, 3 and 4.

# **PIE Team Meeting**

The PIE Team will meet on the first Tuesday of the month. We will meet in the kindergarten room, which is door 7 off of the black top. We meet from 3:30 - 4:30. All are welcome!

# **Birthday Celebrations At School**

Birthdays are an important celebration for all of us! Our Hoover staff understands the significance of birthday celebrations. We want to recognize and celebrate these important milestones with our students, however we believe that birthday festivities are meant for home with friends and family! At Hoover we celebrate our students with a birthday announcement over the school PA and invite our birthday boys and girls to the office to receive their birthday trinkets. The best part of the day is during lunch when the whole lunchroom sings Happy Birthday while the birthday babies are on the stage.

Please note! Students may not bring treats to school to celebrate, as it can be distracting from the learning environment. One last note regarding birthday celebrations. If your family is holding a birthday celebration and want to invite your students classmates, there must be an invitation for every student in the class. If you are only inviting a few classmates, then those invitations should be distributed outside of the school setting.

Thank you in advance for following all of our birthday policy.

## Headphones

Headphones are an important school supply for all Hoover students. Students use their headphones for personal learning using their technology device. If you are able to send in a set of headphones for your student/s it would be greatly appreciated.

# **Promoting a Safe and Positive School Environment**

At our school, the safety and well-being of every student is our top priority. We want to remind families and students that any threat to harm or kill another student, or any reference to weapons of any kind, will be taken seriously. Such behavior is not only against school policy but also disrupts the sense of safety that is essential for learning.

Our goal is to foster a positive school culture where students feel supported, respected, and safe each day. Research shows that students learn best in a warm, trusting environment, and we are committed to maintaining that standard for all.

We encourage families to talk with their children about the importance of using words responsibly and treating others with kindness. Together, we can create a school community where everyone feels secure and valued.

## **Bagel Price Increase to \$1.25**

Each Thursday we will be selling bagels for \$1.25. We have salt, plain, everything, and cinnamon. The funds raised through our bagel sale will be used to sponsor our monthly celebrations and other fun events for students. We will begin selling bagels next week, Thursday, September 4.

## **Student Arrival and Dismissal**

Please be reminded that drivers should not get out of their vehicle during drop off time. This disrupts the flow of traffic. If you need to get out of your vehicle, please pull into a space in the parking lot.

### **Breakfast Information**

Breakfast is free for all students each morning. The breakfast doors open at 7:30. Students will walk directly to the gym for breakfast. Breakfast is served until 8:05. Students who enter the building between 7:30 and 8:05 must go to the gym for breakfast.

### **Cell Phones**

Cell phones are not allowed in the classroom. All cell phones must be left in backpacks and remain in crates. Cell phones will be taken from students who choose to have them out. The phone will be taken to the office and a parent will be responsible for picking it up. Please have a conversation with your student regarding our cell phone policy!



