Husky Happenings!

September 9, 2025

Hoover Calendar

September

- 11 Meet The Teacher Night @ 6:00
- 12 Hoover Spirit Wear Store closes
- 26 Parent Communication Day Students dismissed @ 11:20

October

- 13 Institute Day No school for students
- 16 Trunk or Treat Hoover Parking Lot 6-7
- 23 Parent Teacher Conferences 12:30 3:00 5:00 7:30 Students half-day
- 31 Halloween Parade @ 9:00 /Records Day Students dismissed @ 11:20

Meet The Teacher Night

Our annual Meet the Teacher Night will be held on Thursday, September 11 @ 6:00. This is probably one of the most important meetings of the school year. During Meet the Teacher Night parents will have the opportunity to meet with the classroom teacher who will discuss our curriculum along with the classroom expectations! Sure hope you can make it!!!

Why Attendance Matters!

Attendance in elementary school plays a critical role in a child's academic success and overall development. Here are several reasons why it is so important:

1. Academic Achievement

- Consistent Learning: Regular attendance ensures that students are consistently exposed to the curriculum. Missing school leads to gaps in learning, making it harder for children to keep up with new material.
- **Skill Development**: Elementary school is when children build foundational skills in reading, writing, and math. Missing classes can hinder the development of these essential skills, which impacts future learning.

2. Social and Emotional Development

• Social Interaction: Elementary school is a time when children develop critical social skills, such as teamwork, communication, and conflict resolution. Regular attendance allows

children to build relationships with peers, fostering emotional intelligence and cooperation.

• **Routine and Structure**: School attendance helps children establish routines, teaching them responsibility, time management, and the importance of following through on commitments.

3. Long-term Success

- **Habit Formation**: Good attendance habits developed in elementary school tend to carry over into middle and high school, influencing future academic and career success.
- **Reducing Dropout Risk**: Studies show that chronic absenteeism in the early years is often linked to higher dropout rates in later schooling.

4. Teacher-Student Connection

• **Supportive Relationships**: Teachers can better assess students' needs and provide tailored instruction when they see them regularly. Absenteeism limits the ability of teachers to form strong, supportive relationships with students.

5. Building Responsibility

• **Accountability**: Attending school daily teaches students the importance of being accountable for their education, a lesson that applies to other areas of life as well.

6. Reducing Behavioral Problems

• **Structured Environment**: Students who attend school regularly benefit from the structured environment, which helps reduce behavioral issues. Absenteeism is often linked to an increase in behavioral problems both in school and at home.

In summary, regular attendance in elementary school is vital to a child's academic, social, and emotional growth. It sets the stage for lifelong learning, strong relationships, and the development of important life skills.

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.

Our PIE Team - Partners in Education

Hoover has an amazing parent volunteer team known as PIE. PIE stands for Partners in Education! This team works together to organize school events and support our Hoover staff. Our group meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 3:30 in the kindergarten classroom. You can enter through door number 7. All are welcome! I have attached the notes from our last meeting to this email.

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.

Hoover Spirit Gear

Show your Hoover spirit with Hoover Spirit Gear! Hoover will be selling Hoover Spirit Wear online until September 12. We have a variety of styles and colors which can be seen online using the QR code attached below. Two dollars from every item ordered goes back to Hoover! We have several samples in the office if you are wondering about sizes. The Hoover Spirit Wear store will be closed on September 12 and items will be delivered on September 30. Here is a link to the Hoover Spirit Store Link. or you can use the QR code to the left.



Introducing Promise Navigator, Stephanie Wright

We would like to introduce Stephanie Wright. Stephanie has been appointed Hoover's Promise Navigatort position. Stephanie is here to support our Hoover families. Whether that means helping you find resources, connecting you to services, or just being someone you can reach out to with questions or concerns, she is here to help! We know family needs don't pause during the summer, which is this is a twelve month position. Please don't hesitate to reach out! I'm here to listen, help, and walk alongside you every step of



the way. Below is a QR code which will link you to a Google Form requesting Stephanie's assistance. She will contact you as soon as possible, once she has receive the form!

Courtesy in the Car Line

As we work together to create a positive relationship with our school's neighbors, we kindly ask families to be mindful while waiting in the car line. **Please refrain from playing loud music** during arrival and dismissal times.

Your cooperation helps us maintain a respectful and peaceful environment for the families who live nearby. Thank you for doing your part to make our school community shine—inside and out!

Free After-School Program - Michigan Stage

Hoover is excited to offer **Playlabs**, in Partnership with Michigan Stage! This one-of-a kind theater program gives students the chance to create original plays through improve and play-making. Playlabs meet once per week at school and end with an original performance. Spots are veery limited. onluy twenty students will be eligible to sign up. For additional information, see the flyer attached to this email. Click on the QR code below to register your student.



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!



