January 27, 2023

Talbott Springs Families,

We are thankful to our families for assuring that your children are at school each day! If you have any questions about whether to send your child to school, please contact Mrs. Squillario in the TSES Health Room and she can help you with the decision based on your child's health symptoms. Quarter 2 Report Cards will be visible on HCPSS Connect on January 31, 2023 after 4:00 and will be distributed to each child at school. For information about the HCPSS Elementary School Report Card, please visit this link. Please see directions below to access your child's report card in HCPSS Connect. Our teachers are preparing for Parent Teacher Conferences scheduled to take place on February 9 and February 10. Sign up for February Parent-Teacher Conferences is now open. Please see specific directions below. Congratulations to Arely B.C., Aracelly G., Lamija N., and Maximus P. for having their artwork selected for the Visual Art's 5th Grade Showcase at the HCPSS Board of Education. Their artwork will be on display from February 3rd-April 14th. Congratulations to Maya B. for having her art work on display at the Non Profit Collaborative Center. Please note dates for school events projected for the second semester of the school year have been added below. We hope that you have a wonderful weekend!

Nancy Thompson, Principal

Information

Accessing your child's Report Card in HCPSS Connect: Parents/guardians may view and or download report cards by taking the following steps:

- 1. Log in to HCPSS Connect Synergy
- 2. Select More Options from the left panel
- 3. Select Report Cards from the middle
- 4. Select the report card you wish to access

Sign up for your child's Parent Teacher Conference! Parents and guardians may sign up for Parent Teacher Conferences through February 3, 2023, at 4:00 PM. For our February conferences, we are targeting on conversations about your child's progress in Math. Please also sign up for conferences with your children's Related Arts (Art, Music, Technology, Media, Physical Education) teachers. Find a list of our staff members on the TSES Website at this link.

- Conferences scheduled on Thursday, February 9, 2023 between 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm will be in-person conferences only.
- Conferences scheduled on Thursday, February 9, 2023 after 4:00 pm, or Friday, February 10th will be virtual only, using a Google Meet link received as a confirmation email from noreply@hcpss.org
- All students will be dismissed at 12:10 on Thursday, February 9 and Friday, February 10 to allow for parent/teacher conferences.

 Please understand that math teachers create their schedules within a framework and have some flexibility in building their conference schedules. When signing up for a conference, please consider your preferred type of conference and schedule accordingly to attend a virtual or in-person conference based on the designated schedule above.

Directions to Select a Conference Time:

- Login to hcpss.org/connect
- Select Conference from the left-side choices
- Select Parent Scheduled Conferences at the top right
- Select a time slot for your conference *Note in-person and virtual options

If you need support or have questions about scheduling a Parent Teacher Conference, please contact our TSES Office Staff by calling 410-313-6915.

Registration Dates for 2023-2024 School Year: Please share this information with families who might be new in your neighborhood or who may have a young child who will need to register for school soon.

- February 1-Registration for Grades 2-12 opens in Synergy.
- March 6-Kindergarten and 1st Grade registration officially begins the week of March 6
 - Please note: families of kindergarten and new 1st grade students will be able to begin
 the enrollment process when Synergy opens February 1. However, official
 registration does not begin until March 6, as is advertised within the community,
 the <u>HCPSS website Links to an external site</u> and the <u>HCPSS calendar Links to an
 external site</u>. Schools will receive advertising materials in late February.
- March 13-PreK registration officially begins the week of March 13. Schools will receive advertising materials and applications in late February.

Families of TSES 5th Grade Students: IMPORTANT Middle School Update: Please <u>use this link</u> to access a letter that provides IMPORTANT information about scheduling for 6th grade classes. Scheduling for your child's 6th grade classes begins on Thursday February 2, 2023. Any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to our School Counselor, Lauren Sansone via email Lauren Sansone@hcpss.org or by calling the front office.

Kindergarten Ready Summit will be held at Harriet Tubman on Saturday, February 4, 2023, at 10:30 AM. The theme is **Kindergarten Ready: Connecting the Community.** There is no cost, but we ask that anyone planning to attend use the following link for more information and to register: http://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-call-to-action-summit-tickets-480246178247?aff=ebdssbdestsearch

HCPSS Summer Programs Registration Opens Feb. 1

Online enrollment requests for HCPSS' 2023 Summer Programs for currently enrolled HCPSS students will open Wednesday, Feb. 1 at 6 p.m. Enrollment requests can be made via HCPSS Connect Synergy by a parent, guardian, school counselor or school achievement liaison. Enrollment requests do not guarantee placement in courses.

Columbia Community Care is hosting an Essential Resources Day on Saturday February 4th from 10AM-2PM at HCC. and ALL students & families are invited. It is an opportunity to expunge criminal records as well as learn more about both financial freedom and generational wealth. There will also be a free grocery giveaway. Free food, transportation, and childcare will be provided. Please fill out this short survey if you are interested! https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CLBHLJQ

Howard Community College's Kids on Campus is a Summer Enrichment Program for ages 6 - 17. Classes run June 26 - August 17, 2003. Registration opens January 26, 2003. Please visit this link for more information!

Howard County Parks and Recreation offers fun after school programs with some of them taking place at TSES. <u>Please use this link to find additional information</u>.

HCPSS Community News! Approved materials will be published on the <u>HCPSS Community News</u> and <u>Programs website</u> (<u>Links to an external site.</u>) which is user-friendly and searchable.

Important Dates:

| Tuesday January 31, 2023 | Q2 Report Cards Issued |
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| Tuesday January 31, 2023 | String a Palooza field Trip to OMHS |
| | String a Palooza Concert at OMHS 6:30 |
| Thursday February 9, 2023 | School Closes at 12:10-Parent Teacher Conferences |
| Friday February 10, 2023 | School Closes at 12:10-Parent Teacher Conferences |
| Thursday February 16, 2023 | TSES PTA Meeting at 6:15 |
| Monday February 20, 2023 | Schools Closed for Students and Staff-Presidents' Day |
| Thursday March 2, 2023 | TSES International Night |
| Wednesday March 15, 2023 | Schools Close at 12:10 for students |
| Thursday March 30, 2023 | TSES Eagles' Night Out |
| Thursday April 13, 2023 | TSES Academic Night |
| Thursday April 20, 2023 | TSES Field Day |
| Friday April 28, 2023 | Field Day Raindate |
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