

Armstrong Article Campus Newsletter





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Find out about PTA events and subscribe to our calendar at the Armstrong PTA website





November 4, 2024

Dear Armstrong Families,

I hope everyone enjoyed the Pumpkinpalooza festivities on Halloween! It was great to see so many parents here to watch our kindergarteners in the book parade and throughout the day for hands-on learning and pumpkin-carving. These memories and traditions are what make Armstrong a wonderful place to be!

I want to share a friendly reminder that Election Day is this Tuesday, November 5. Exercise your right to vote and learn more about Bond 2024 by visiting <u>bond2024.hpisd.org</u>. Tomorrow is also a student holiday and professional learning day for our staff. Enjoy the extra time with your sweet kiddos!

It is important to share educational resources with our Armstrong families. The Texas Education Agency has updated their Parent Support information. Now, when you visit the TEA website, you will need to scroll all the way down to the bottom of the page for the Parent Resources. It will look like this:

Parent Resources

Below are resources available to parents.

- · STAAR Parent Portal
- · Enrolling Your Child in Public Schools
- Student Testing Resources
- Accountability Ratings
- Educator Certification Records
- State Graduation Requirements
- · School District Locator
- Curriculum Standards

I hope that you find this to be a valuable resource.

Thank you again for the warmth and appreciation you showed me during Principal Appreciation Month. Your kindness and generosity mean the world to me, and I am so grateful to be part of this community. I LOVE being the principal here at Armstrong and strive each day to ensure our students receive the best education possible.

Thank you for continuing to share the great things happening across our campus! Our students and staff are both amazing!



Form to Submit Shout Outs

Thanksfor submitting staff shout outs! We are grateful for your support and encouragement.

*Lane is amazing! She is such a joy to see when walking into the school and I love her cheerful voice every time she answers the front office phone. Thank you, Lane, for being a friendly and kind face. We love having you as one of the main ones at the front of the school!

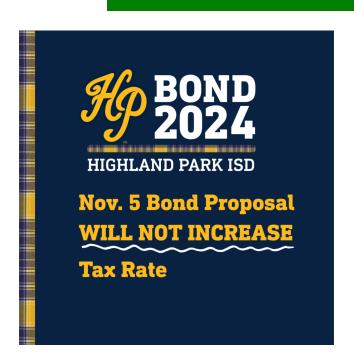
*Ms. Green has been absolutely wonderful supporting my son academically, socially, and emotionally. I feel such a sense of comfort knowing she is always there for him throughout the school day. Thank you for all you do, Ms. Green!

Highland Park ISD welcomes and encourages parents and staff to share their feedback on the 2025-26 academic calendar. The District sent out an email with details and a survey link on Friday, November. 1. The deadline to complete the survey is Sunday, November. 10.



Let's have another great week at Armstrong! Please let me know if you need anything or have any questions.

Sincerely,
Betsy Cummins
Betsy Cummins
Principal
cumminb@hpisd.org



Texas law mandates that all school bond ballots state "THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE," even If your tax rate will remain the same. The November 5 Highland Park ISD bond referendum will not affect your tax rate. Learn more at bond2024.hpisd.org.

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

Thanksgiving Lunch

Where: Armstrong Cafetería When: November 7th 2024 Time; 10:45 am-12:50pm

Adult Meal: \$12

Includes:

your choice of meat Turkey or Ham and up to 3 sides with Roll

Sides:

Green Beans
Corn on the Cob
Sweet Potato
Mash Potato
Homemade Dressing

Extras:

Pumpkin Pie- \$1.50 Extra Meat- \$3.00 Please sign up if you plan to join your student for the Thanksgiving Lunch. This will greatly help the office staff in getting you checked in on Thursday. No cash or checks will be accepted, payments will be made through the student's lunch account.

ATTENTION 4TH GRADE HERO MEMBERS:

NOVEMBER 7

@ 7:30

IN THE
AUDITORIOUM

This is our monthly meeting for all HERO members



On Monday, November 11, Armstrong students will salute our nation's heroes during Armstrong's Veterans Day Program. Photos are already displayed on Armstrong's Wall of Honor near the main entrance leading up to the celebration. If you submitted pictures in the past, we still have them and will display them for the duration of your time at Armstrong.

Many of you purchased our exclusive Armstrong Veterans Day t-shirt for your child; expect those home in backpacks on Friday and have your student wear it on Monday!



Register Here for First Grade Performance

The First Grade Performance is November 22, 2024 at 8:15am in the Auditorium. To expedite your entrance into the building, please register for a badge. You can use your permanent badge to scan in also.

Serve on the 2025-2026 MIS/HPMS PTO Board

Submit interest forms by Friday, November 15, 2024!

Why You Should Get Involved with the PTO:

- Parent involvement and leadership are critical to the success of our school
- You'll meet other parents who are committed to serving our students, teachers and staff
- You'll have unique opportunities to interact with school staff and teachers
- IT'S FUN!

Want to serve on the MIS/HPMS PTO Board?

We have more than 75 roles so there's something for everyone! Learn about the available opportunities by viewing the job descriptions, **HERE**.

Want to help select the next PTO Board?

Serve on our Nominating Committee to help slate the 2025-2026 PTO Executive Board and Committee Chairs. Required meetings are planned for Tuesday, November 19, 2024 (10:30am to 12pm), and Friday, Jan. 10, 2025 (8:30am to 2pm)

How do you participate?

Questions? Email us at nominating@mishpmspto.org.

Spirit Day

November 6 & 20



Reminder:

Please do not bring snacks for student or teacher birthdays for classrooms. We are not allowed to distribute these in the classrooms.

Thank you!

PTA News

Armstrong Auction is sailing soon!



Armstrong Families,

We cannot wait to see many of you and raise funds for our amazing school, staff and teachers at **The Palm** Beach Yacht Club this Friday, November 8th at 7PM (6PM for VIP Patrons) at Dallas Country Club! If you haven't gotten your tickets yet, reserve your spot on the waitlist by emailing our Auction Co-Chairs Natalie Lesikar, Laura Price and Samantha Wortley.

This week is Yacht Week!

It's Yacht Week as we prepare to set sail for the most fabulous destination in town!

Yacht Week Schedule

Monday

Kids Patroitic Dress-Up Day! Purchase your child's art at drop-off view the Palm Beach Playhouse! Come shop at Alice & Olivia 1-3pm

**15% giveback to Armstrong

Tuesday

Bid online ALL day Come view live auction items & Peruse the Auction Booklet to decide what to bid on in the Live Auction Friday!



Wednesday

Kids PJ Dress-Up Day! Buy your child's art at drop-off Thursday

Kids Nautical Dress-Up Day! Buy your child's art at drop-off

Friday

Kids Spirit Day! Buy your child's art at drop-off Our <u>Silent Auction goes LIVE TODAY</u>, **November 4th**. Everything will be open to bid on except LIVE Auction items, which will be available only on Friday night at Auction. Start browsing and bidding to grab some fabulous items. Check out the Eagle Family Parties, Bougie Bingo, Mahjong, HPV stroll, Mother/Son Dance and the Mother/Daughter Tea - all expected to go fast!

Don't forget to purchase your child's their unique, Armstrong auction themed art in support of the Auction! Our wonderful art teacher, Ms. Christy worked with every single grade and every single student on a special, nautical Inspired art project. Purchase this week for \$65 using the link below and pick up this week at 7:45-8 AM during school drop off - or at the Alice and Olivia Event on today from 1-3 PM.



Pre-School Art



Kindergarten Art



1st Grade Art



2nd Grade Art



3rd Grade Art



4th Grade Art

Here are the creations from each grade. Find the best addition for your home!



KID ART

Stop by Alice and Olivia TODAY from 1-3PM to support Auction! There will be complimentary bites and sips and shop for a cause! Alice and Olivia will be donating back 15% to Armstrong of all purchases. Anyone is welcome so bring a friend or two with you for a fun afternoon! RSVP here





Want to get involved with the Armstrong PTA? Check out our <u>volunteers opportunities</u> and attend our Armstrong PTA Volunteer Fair on Nov 12!

Ever wonder how the Armstrong Auction gets pulled off? How Invention Convention runs so seamlessly? How our memorable yearbooks come together each year? It's because of our wonderful community of volunteers! **Join us on November 12 at the DCC from 7:00-8:30PM** to learn more about our PTA and the roles YOU can play!



Come learn about all the fun ways to volunteer and support Armstrong through the PTA.

There is a place for everyone!



Tuesday, November 12 7–8:30pm Dallas Country Club Mockingbird Room

Register Here!



FOOD DRIVE

November 15, 2024



Benefitting Brother Bill's Helping Hand

YOUR DONATIONS of boxed and canned food items assist

BROTHER BILL'S HELPING HAND

providing to over

HOUSEHOLDS in the Dallas area!

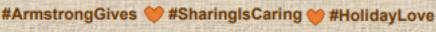


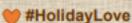
Drop off your brown bags in your AUDITORIUM

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Requested Food Items (per bag)

- 1 Box of Stuffing Mix
- 1 Can of Green Beans
- 1 Can of Sweet Potatoes
- 1 Can of fruit (mixed fruit cocktail or single type)
- 1Can of pie filling(such as pumpkin, apple, peach)
- 1 Bag of Rice
- 1 Bag of Pinto Beans
- 1 Bag of Kidney Beans
- 1 Bag of Elbow Macaroni













Please fill a brown paper grocery bag with each of the food items listed above and have your child drop in the Armstrong Auditorium. It is important that all families participate!

Students will add a personal note to complete each bag during school.

Tom Thumb in Snider Plaza will have all items by the checkout.

Post your pics with the above hashtags.

Thank you for helping us teach our students about serving others in our community!



Follow us <u>@armstrong_eagles</u> on Instagram for real time updates and stories from Eagle Nation!



Armstrong Yearbook: we want your photos for the 2024-25 We love receiving group photos of our Eagles! We are working on a new way for you to upload photos for the 2024-25 yearbook; but until then you can email your photos to Armstrongeaglesyearbook@gmail.com. Group photos are preferred for the yearbook, and please include the class/teacher name or event. We do **not** need the children's names in the photos. Armstrong Eagles Yearbook!

Archived Communications:

Fine room parent newsletters, Armstrong Articles and much more on the <u>Armstrong PTA website!</u>

Community News

We would love to have the Armstrong kids come out to see their favorite players and experience a fun community event. We'd love for the kids to sign up for the shooting contest HTTPS://MENSBBALL2024.CHEDDARUP.COM

HP Basketball Community Event/Fundraiser Meet The Scots at Hoops & Hot Sauce Monday, Nov. 11th 6-8PM HPHS Main Gym

Support Highland Park Basketball by attending Meet The Scots at Hoops & Hot Sauce. Click here: https://mensball.2024.cheddarup.com for more details and to purchase a Hoops & Hot Sauce shooting contest ticket for your child, raffle tickets, tacos, a Hoops & Hot Sauce shirt, and an HP basketball (limited quantities). We are excited about this community event and appreciate your support with our big annual fundraiser.



Meet the Scots at Hoops and Hot Sauce

Support Highland Park Basketball by purchasing one or more of the following below: a Hoops & Hot Sauce shooting contest ticket for your child, raffle tickets, tacos, a Hoops & Hot Sauce shirt and/or an HP basketball. We are excited about this community event and we appreciate your support with our big annual fundraiser. See details below.

DATE: Monday, November 11th

LOCATION: HPHS Main Gym

SCHEDULE:

- 6:00 7:00 pm: "Meet The Scots" event includes autographs, free pictures with players (buttons), and purchasing opportunities for apparel, raffle, basketballs, tacos and more.
- During and after "Meet The Scots": Hoops & Hot Sauce Shooting Contest. *Ticket must be purchased below to participate.
- 7:00 pm: HP Drumline performance, HP Cheer performance, Hype Video and player introductions.

SPECIAL OFFER: The first 50 attendees receive HP Basketball/One Team One Dream wristband **IMPORTANT NOTE**: A ticket must be purchased to enter the Hoops & Hot Sauce shooting contest by grade level.

TACO JOINT will provide their famous tacos.

Thank you for your generosity! Please share this with friends in the community! Go Scots!

MEET THE SCOTS!

TENNIS FESTIVAL & EXHIBITION MATCH PLAY

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 9, 2024

9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. SEAY OUTDOOR TENNIS COURTS

SERVING CHALLENGE! TARGET CONTEST! SENIOR RECOGNITION, MATCH PLAY & MORE!

BRING FAMILY & FRIENDS FOR A FUN MORNING ON THE COURTS **ALL SKILL LEVELS & AGES WELCOME!**

PURCHASE TICKETS HERE:





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Cafeteria

PTA Website

PTA Auction

Armstrong Dad's Club

Volunteer Scheduler

Directory Spot

Skyward

COVID-19 Updates

Thank you to the 2022 - 2023 **Armstrong Elementary Community Partners!**













GO EAGLES

Support Local

Armstrong Eagles love to support our own!

Do you own a local business you would like to include on our PTA webpage?

Please complete this form to be included in our PTA resource directory for parents.

Armstrong Elementary | 3600 Cornell Avenue | Dallas, TX 75205 US

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