





Armstrong Article

Campus Newsletter

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- April 29 4th/5th Transition meeting @MIS (9:30am or 6:00pm)
- April 30 Math STAAR (No visitors)

Find out about PTA events and subscribe to our calendar at the <u>Armstrong PTA website</u>



March 24, 2025

Dear Armstrong Families,

It's a busy, fun week at Armstrong! We hope you can join us for **Open House this Wednesday, March 26,** from 4-5 pm. Our teachers, staff, and students have worked hard preparing the classrooms and flex spaces so that you can see their diligence and hard work in all content areas. You will be able to truly experience where your child learns and interacts each day. On **Thursday morning, March 27, we have Grandfriends Day!** We created a staggered schedule this year as a response to feedback from various stakeholders, so we hope it's an organized, enjoyable experience for your family. Please see the following schedule:



RSVP Here! https://forms.gle/stGkwGar6SAvXvPQ8

Next Monday, March 31, please join us for All Things Armstrong! Dr. Rockwood and Amy Wood will be providing district updates. We look forward to you joining us!



Thanks for submitting the shoutouts for our teachers! I will continue to share the great things happening each week in the newsletter.

*Ms. Dunston is absolutely amazing with the kids and so attentive and patient-we greatly appreciate it! Wonderful communication with the parents also. Love being in her class this year!!

*Mrs. Arnold is so welcoming, organized and helpful! She is a friendly face to parents and loves our kiddos! Our school is so lucky to have her!!!



Form to Submit Shout Outs

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

As always, feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Betsy Cummins

Betsy Cummins Principal cumminb@hpisd.org



Armstrong PNO March 28th 2025 with Ms. Heraty & Ms. Ashley

What is it? It's a chance for you to have a parents' night out! Your child will have a blast at school with their friends and teachers. There will be gym games, pizza, crafts, a movie and more!

Who? $K - 4^{th}$ grade Armstrong students

When? Friday March 28th - 6:00pm-11:00pm

Where? Check in and pick up at the little gym doors @ St. Johns.

PNO Registration is this Wednesday, at 7:30am in the front office. Your child should bring home a PNO form today. If you still need one, here is the link:

PNO Form Here!





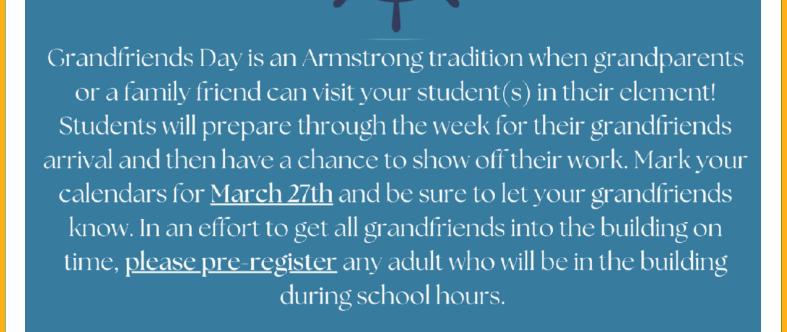
All Things Armstrong

District Updates provided by Dr. Mike Rockwood, Superintendent and Amy Wood, Executive Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Professional Learning

Monday, March 31 8:15am Armstrong Auditorium

RSVP Here





Volunteers will be at the front door to help guide our grandfriends into the auditorium where they will wait for their Grandchildren to meet them. We will have coffee and cookies in the auditorium while they wait. Our elevators will be available for use by grandfriends requiring additional assistance, and valet parking will be available at the front entrance on Cornell.

> Preschool-8:00-8:35am 1st- 8:40-9:15am 2nd- 9:20-9:55am Kindergarten- 10:00-10:35am 3rd- 10:40-11:15am _____4th- 11:20-11:55

Questions? Please contact our **Event Chairs Leslie Woodall or Megan Reynolds** at <u>grandfriends@armstrongpta.org</u>

Pre-Register your Grand Friend Here!

Pleae pre-register your Grand Friends - It will make their entrance into the building much faster and easier. Only register them once, if they have been registered already, no need to register again.

We also need parent volunteers to help our Grandfriends connect with their students! Please consider volunteering!

Thank you!

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You're invited to "Armstrong -Bradfield 4th Grade Girls Mixer." Tap here to RSVP - Paperless Post Flyer pp.events

4th Grade GIRL Moms Only:

Please RSVP if your daughter can make this Sunday's mixer with the 4th grade Bradfield girls. We will play a fun game to help the girls get to know each other before starting MIS. A sweet treat will also be provided!

An RSVP for the BOYS mixer will be sent in April.

ATTENTION 4th GRADE PARENTS! Order your child's MIS 4th/5th Transition Shirt Now! And Save the Date for the 4th/5th Transition Meeting for Parents on Tuesday, April 29!

Congratulations Class of 2033 on heading to MIS in the fall! To celebrate this exciting new chapter, be sure to order your transition shirt to show off your new MIS school spirit!

https://hp-raider-shop.myshopify.com

Deadline to order is Friday April 4! Shirt distribution will be at the 4/5 transition parent meeting on Tuesday April 29 at MIS! Meeting times to choose from are 9:30am or 6:00pm.







PARENTS, CHECK FOR SKYWARD FAMILY ACCESS EMAIL REGARDING

HEALTH LESSON INFO

PARENTS OF 1ST-6TH GRADES STUDENTS

PREVIEW UPCOMING LESSONS & COMPLETE OPT IN FORM

> CONTACT PE TEACHER FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Armstrong Health Dates are as follows:

1st Grade: Tuesday, April 22nd (during Specials time)
2nd Grade: Wednesday, April 23rd (during Specials time)
3rd Grade: Thursday, April 24th (during Specials time)
4th Grade: Thursday, April 24th (during Specials time)



Ahoy, Armstrong parents! 🌌

In the last five days alone, your students read for over **36,000 minutes!**With **247 students** participating in **Armstrong Reads**, we are so proud of their efforts and dedication!

Take a look at the top classes leading the charge in each grade in **fundraising** and **minutes read**. You're all doing an amazing job, but don't stop now! There's nine days left to secure prizes for your child, their class, and even their teachers! Keep logging those minutes, sharing with friends and family, and raising funds for our wonderful teachers and staff – **100% of the funds go to support them.**

Each student's goal:

- 1. Raise at least \$250 to reach our \$75,000 fundraising goal
- 2. Read 30 minutes per day or more!

Incredible prizes await those who continue the adventure! \mathbb{X} If you haven't signed up yet, don't wait any longer – register here:

Family Login Page pledgestar.com

Keep up the great work, and happy reading! 🛸 🔱

Prizes for all can be found here:



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- WWW.PLEDGESTAR.COM/ARMSTRONGREAD
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WRISTBANDS ON SALE NOW

Not sure if you purchased one during BSSU or Family Giving...

Need to purchase a wristband



FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2025 3:15 PM- 6 PM Check here to see if you have a Wristband or Food Ticket!

Purchase Wristbands here



Armstrong Family Parties are still happening!

We have just a few family party tickets left! Come join in on the fun!

Mother Daughter Tea: Saturday, April 5, 1-3pm Get Your Mahj On: Wednesday, April 30, 12-3pm

Pre-K and 4th Grade - your Eagle Parties are still to come! Calling our youngest and oldest Eagles! Don't miss your first and last Eagle parties! <u>Secure your child's</u> <u>ticket here</u>!

4th Grade PNO: Friday, March 21, 6:00pm to 11:00pm Pre-K Eagle Party: Sunday, May 18th at 11:30am



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



Archived Communications:

Fine room parent newsletters, Armstrong Articles and much more on the Armstrong PTA website!



Extended School Day Information

- ESD is offered by The Academy for Lifelong Learning (A.L.L.) of HPISD and is available for students K – 8 at their school day campuses.
- K-4th grade students receive care from their dismissal time of 3:15 p.m. Older children join the ESD program as they are dismissed from class. The program includes a snack, quiet time for homework, and supervised group play. ESD ends promptly at 6:00 p.m. each day and follows the HPISD calendar. <u>Part-time enrollment is not available.</u>
- Open enrollment begins Tues., April 1, 2025, at the Academy for Lifelong Learning Office in the Administration Annex Bldg., located at 6915 Westchester (75205).
- The Early Bird Registration fee is \$75 per child, payable by check to Academy for Lifelong Learning, due at the time of enrollment. There is a price increase after April 30, 2025.
- Monthly tuition payments will begin September 1, 2025. Payments are due on the first day of each month and are payable online through your child's Skyward account, or by personal check, bank-drafted check, or money order in the A.L.L. office.
- Registrations must be received in the A.L.L. office by 4:00 p.m., Thursday, August 7, 2025, to begin the program on the first day of school.

For more information about the Extended School Day program, please contact the A.L.L. Office at 214-780-3380 or bjorkc@hpisd.org or drillea@hpisd.org.



Register Now for HPISD's Summer Classes and Camps Through A.L.L.

Registration opens Friday, March 28th at 8AM for summer classes with Academy for Lifelong Learning. Classes include Adventures in Art, Camp Invention, Chess, Cooking, Gym Fun, Robotics and much more!

Click on the below link to browse and register for A.L.L. classes.

Questions? Please call (214) 780-3380.

Click Here to Register



TEACHER APPRECIATION NOMINATIONS

Help us celebrate our teachers! PCLDA will hold an awards ceremony Tuesday, May 6th 4PM at the Clements Center. You can visit our website <u>https://pclda.org</u> or click here to <u>nominate a favorite teacher</u>, class aid, counselor, therapist or ANY staff member who has had a special impact on your student. Multiple

nominations are encouraged and all nominees receive a monetary gift & certificate. Parents and students are invited to attend the event as we honor those who serve our students in so many facets.



Join us April 1st for Lady Scots Softball 2025 Youth Night!

> JV game 5 pm Varsity game 6:45 pm

The varsity game will honor Raegan Davis, the 2009 HP Lady Scots Softball Team Manager. We will also have some fun activities like Softball Bingo and Youth Door Prizes!

DALLAS UNITED CREW SUMMER CAMPS



Get ready for an unforgettable summer filled with rowing, paddle boarding, kayaking, and outdoor fun!

Hosted by Dallas United Crew, our summer camps offer young campers an opportunity to explore White Rock Lake, make new friends, and gain valuable skills on and off the water.

OUR CAMPS

- Learn to Row Camp
- Continuing Skills Camp
- Paddle Camp
- Small Boats Camp
- 2k Erg Camp
- High Performance Camp

LEARN MORE





Nervous about sending your 4th grader to MIS?

Join us in the Raider Cafeteria and see them at school!

Claim shifts in VSP starting March 24th, 2025

Try a shift before school ends!

If you want an inside glimpse or have any questions regarding sign up for next year –

Contact Katherine & Tracy to get on the schedule

katherine.issel@gmail.com portmelech@gmail.com

We hope to see you there!



Highlander Summer Swim Team Registration is now open!

 Registration is online through HPISD's hometown ticketing website - you can access the swim team registration directly <u>here</u>

- The Highlander Summer Swim Team will practice Mondays Thursdays at the HPISD Natatorium from 6/2 to 7/24
- There will be 3 practice groups in the program ranging from 5-19 years age. Groups are determined by skill level and age.
- Level 1 (ages ~ 5-10) 10:15 11:00 am
- Level 2 (ages ~ 8-11) 9:00 10:00 am
- Level 3 (ages ~ 11+) 7:30 8:45 am
- Group descriptions and requirements can be found here
- From now through April 14th, the cost for participation is \$350 for 8 weeks of practices (it goes up to \$375 on April 15th). Included in that price is...
- -Facility & Insurance costs
- -8 weeks of coaching instruction (31 practices ~ 23-39 hours of instruction depending on the group)
- -Annual AAU Membership
- -Entry Fees for 3 Swim Meets
- -Team T-Shirt
- -Team Latex Cap
- This summer HSST will compete against Frisco ISD's Iron Express AAU team. Meet dates are 6/13, 6/20, and 7/10. Meets will all take place in Frisco at the Bruce Eubanks Natatorium starting at 5:30 pm.
- If an athlete wishes to train/participate but not compete in meets, the registration cost is \$250 (going up to \$275 on April 15th). Included in that price is...
- Facility & Insurance costs
- -8 weeks of coaching instruction (31 practices ~ 23-39 hours of instruction depending on the group)
- -Team T-Shirt
- -Team Latex Cap
- The Highlander Summer Swim Team website can be found here at: <u>http://bit.ly/highlanderswimteam</u>.
- The website includes links to program information, practice/meet calendars, team communication, our coaching curriculum, online team store, team policies, and tryout information.

Parents,

Do you have a child who loves to play golf and might be interested in playing on the high school team one day? If so, Coach Mercedes Trent (girls golf) and Coach Richard Wager (boys golf) would love to get to know who those kids are.

With most high school sports, coaches get to know their future players through middle school athletics/youth sports organizations. Golf is not one of those sports. Coach Trent and Coach Wager would like to get to know their future players earlier than right before their freshman year. If you think your child could be interested in playing high school and would like to know what you should do to help them prepare for that, please reach out.

Coach Trent – <u>trentm@hpisd.org</u> Coach Wager – <u>wagerr@hpisd.org</u>

Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you!"

Save the Date **HP CultureFest**



Saturday 5 April 2025 Highland Park Presbyterian Church 12-3PM Earn HPHS Service Hours!

Activities

- Food
- Crafts
- Performances
- Raffles

For More Information hpculturefest.com



Tennis Academy



2025 Summer Program May 27 – August 8

All Academy Brochure

MAX LEVELS **COMING TO HIGHLAND PARK**

SPRING SEASON **BEGINS MARCH 23RD** PLAYOFFS: MAY 19-23

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

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