

WELCOME TO HIGH POINT ELEMENTARY



WHO?

- Administrative Team
 - Carrie Pitchford, Principal
 - Richard DiBartolo, Assistant Principal
 - Sheri Hess, Curriculum Support Teacher (PreK-5)
 - Brian Madej, Literacy Coach (K-5)
 - Kerstin Long, Math Coach (K-5)
 - Rachel Wooden, Counselor
 - Lauren Coachman, IST
 - Lib Roberts, IB Coordinator

MISSION



High Point Elementary cultivates compassionate, knowledgeable, and inquiring learners who impact a diverse global community.

STRATEGIC PLAN - 2022

- Student Achievement – Ensure that 85% of 3rd grade students will read at or above grade level and 100% of 5th grade students will partner with teachers and parents to take ownership of their learning.
- People and Culture – Increase and maintain a 5-Star Climate Rating and increase teacher retention
- Community Collaboration – Increase community partnerships and increase percentage of families who feel empowered to support their children in their educational experience.
- Fiscal Responsibility – Remain transparent and efficiently manage local funds

WE ARE....



- Diverse
- Title I School
- IB Candidacy Phase
- Personalized Learning
- Innovative
- About the whole child



TOP 10 “NEED TO KNOW”

High Point Elementary 2018-2019



I. TIMES AND DAYS

- 7:10 am – Welcome Students
- 7:40 am – School Begins
- 2:35 – School Dismisses (15 minutes later than other FCS)
- FCS Calendar + August 31st and November 1st are RFF Days

2. TRANSPORTATION

- Tags for all students
- Morning
 - Two carpool lanes
 - Bus
 - Walkers or bike riders
- Afternoon
 - Carpool
 - Bus
 - Walkers or bike riders
 - Afterschool programs
- Communication for Transportation – Written Note or Email to Child’s Teacher



3. AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

- YBC Kids
- YMCA/Primetime
- Clubs: Tennis, Soccer, Art, Legos, Chess, Gymnastics, etc....

www.highpointelementary.org or OPEN HOUSE

4. EVENTS AT HPES



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- Open House
 - Student Showcase
 - Parent/Teacher Conferences
 - STEAM Day
 - Fall Festival
 - Annual Title I Parent Meeting and Monthly Title I Parent Meetings
 - HPES Hound Bowl
 - Hands-On High Point
 - Costume Dance
 - Mother/Son Event and Father/Daughter Event
 - BINGO Night
 - School Musical
 - Spring Auction
 - International Night
 - Book Fairs
 - Career Week

5. COMMUNICATION

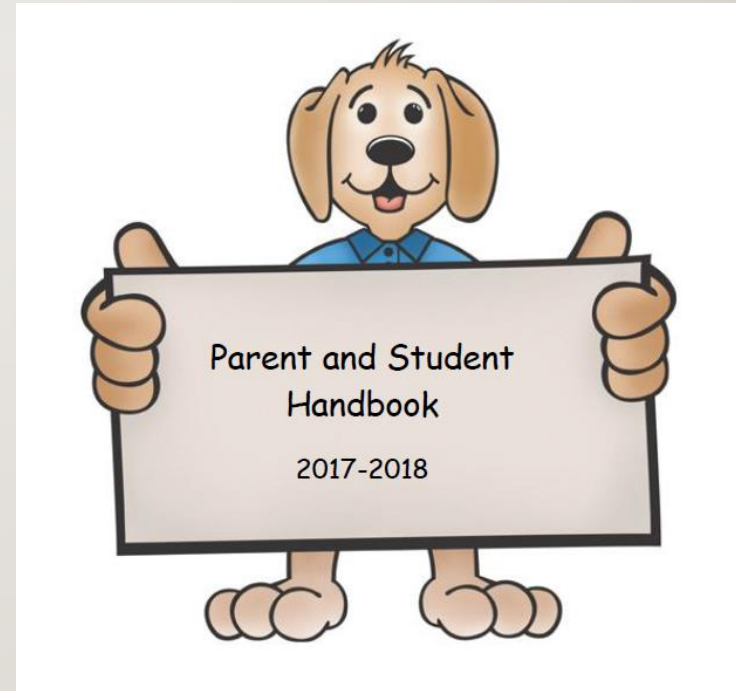
- Open House – August 3rd

- High Point Hound Student Showcase – This is “howl” we do it! – August 30th
- Parent-Teacher Conferences – 2x a Year (October and February)
- Thursday Folders
- Daily Folders
- Email in eSchool; Verifications quarterly
- Principal’s Blog Monthly
- School Newsletter – 1st week is Paper Copy; Next 3 weeks are electronic
- Grade Level Newsletters – Monthly
- Facebook and Twitter
- SeeSaw (PreK-2) and Google Classroom (3-5)



6. STUDENT HANDBOOK

- Discipline
- Attendance
 - Absences and Tardies
- Policies
- Expectations for Partnerships



7. HOMEWORK

- We believe that homework needs to be meaningful and purposeful.
- Typically it correlates to 10 minutes for each grade level (1st grade = 10 minutes; 5th grade = 50 minutes)
- We believe that reading with your child every night is important.
- Homework will only count 10% of a child's grade
- If you feel like your child should have more or less homework, please contact your child's teacher.

8.VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

- PTO
 - Grade level events
 - STEAM Day
 - Afterschool Events
 - Book Fairs
- Grade Level Representatives
- Everybody Wins
- School Governance Council
- Classroom Opportunities



9. VOLUNTEERING V/S VISITING

VOLUNTEERING

A “volunteer” is defined by High Point Elementary as someone who:

- Assists in classrooms, library, cafeteria, or office which requires a person to work directly with students (**this includes classroom parties**)
- Assists with school events which require a person to work directly with students (STEAM day, Career Day, Everybody Wins, Field Day, etc..)
- Attends field trips with a grade level
- Tutors students during the day or acts as a mentor

VISITING

A “visitor” is defined by High Point Elementary as someone who:

- Eats lunch with a student
- Attends a meeting scheduled by a staff member (parent/teacher conference, PTO meeting, SST meeting, Title I meeting, IEP meeting, etc..)
- Attends a school-wide event during the day (concert, program, or assembly) and is not in direct contact with students

10. IB CANDIDACY SCHOOL

- Learner Profile
 - Caring
 - Inquirer
 - Principled
 - Risk-Taker
 - Knowledgeable
 - Thinkers
 - Balanced
 - Reflective
 - Open-minded
 - Communicator
- Globally-minded students
- Standards-based project K-5
- 6 Transdisciplinary Units K-5; 3 in PreK
- Spanish offered K-5

NOW WHAT?

- Receive a Welcome Letter in the Mail
- Receive a Post Card
- Open House – August 3rd 3:00-4:30

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

