



Kestrel Heights Elementary News

September 30, 2016

[“MAP”ping Our Way Through...](#)

We are out of the gate and really on the move. The weather is changing and we are into the real grind of the year. As you can probably see, the rigor is increasing and deeper thinking is happening. We are gaining momentum and are excited about what we are already seeing springing forth from the students. Your children are GREAT!!!

We have started our first round of NWEA/MAP Testing. This is helping us establish baselines and growth patterns for each individual student. You will receive information about the reports we get from this test. It is not an standardized test like the EOG. It is a test to show us where your child is now (in math, reading, and 2-5 language skills) and at the end of last test for the year it will show us how they have grown. All students will complete this test two more times this year (winter and spring).

[Dr. R.L. Webb](#)

THE HUNGER GAMES

Ladies and gentlemen, let the KHS 1st annual Hunger Games begin – and may the odds be ever in your favor!

We are collecting items for the KHS school pantry that also supports the Hawkpacks that get sent home to students in need of a little extra nutrition on weekends, holidays, and school breaks. Fall break is coming up so the shelves need to be filled! The official Hunger Games begins on October 3rd and will conclude by the close of business by October 17th. There will be a neutral judge to determine which district is the winner.

Prizes are awarded based on the district that you belong to (determined by Dr. Webb or Mrs. Goff)! Student support services will also throw in a prize!

The rules are simple.

1. Bring food items to your child's classroom. There will be a box to collect food items.
2. All items will be counted and be tallied to go toward the grand prize. Winner will be announced by October 21.

Crissy Schmieder

KESTREL TALKS (Student Written) Newspaper 1st Edition is out! Please check out the newspaper on our website!

<https://docs.google.com/a/kestrelheights.org/viewer?a=v&pid=sites&srcid=a2VzdHJlbGhlaWdodHMub3JnfGtlc3RyZWwtaGVpZ2h0cy1lbGVtZW50YXJ5LXNjaG9vbHxneDpmMzU3OTI4NTA1NmM0ZjM>

LUNCH REMINDERS

Lunch money must be on a child's account in order for them to get lunch at the school. Please go to this website to add money to your child's account. www.schoolpaymentportal.com

If you drop off a lunch, please leave at the lunch table in the front office and your child will need to come up to get it at their lunch time. Tell your child in the morning and email the teacher as well. Front office staff will not disrupt class to call a child to the front office for a lunch. Make sure you clearly mark the bag/box with your child's name.

PTSO Fall Box Tops Contest and Other Fundraising Dates

Fall Box Tops Contest Final Day to turn in: October 14, 2016

Collecting Box Tops/Labels for Education is a fun and easy way to earn money for our school! Last year not only did we get money back, but we were able to buy items, such as playground equipment, water coolers, etc.

This is how it works:

Cut UNEXPIRED box tops neatly and labels for education and bag box tops in bags of 50, writing the # on the bag. Bag labels in separate bags based on the point value, with the quantity written on each bag. Label each bag with the teacher name and grade, and turn it into your child's teacher or the box in the lobby.

The top 3 classes with the most collected on October 14th will win a Popsicle party.

The top grade with the most collected on October 14th will win an extra dress down day.

1. Wheels Spirit Night on 11/18/16 from 6pm-9pm. \$7.00 per person.
2. City BBQ Fundraiser 12/15/16

Important Dates/Announcements

September 27 - Fall Clubs have started and run through the week of November 17th. **Club parents, please remember to use the front carline to pick up your child from clubs(not the front office or back carline). Your children will not be released until 3:15pm, so there is no reason to line up before this time. You will still need your pick-up sheet in the front window.**

October 3- 17 Hunger Games - Fill the Food Bank event

October 13 - Fall Picture Day

October 14 - Fall Picture Make-up/ Last Day to turn in boxtops!

October 20 - Anthropologie event - *Thursday, October 20, 2016 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm, Anthropologie will host 6 Mother/Daughter pairs for an evening of style and substance. Each pair will be treated to some snacks, hear about ways to keep their relationship strong, and learn more about self-expression and style.*

The event is first come first serve and only available to the first 6 mothers and daughter pairs for our grades 5-12 students ONLY.

If you are interested, email engage@kestrelheights.org.

October 24 - 31 Fall Break