



RAIDER WEEKLY

McCulloch Intermediate School and Highland Park Middle School

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Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

I hope you had a wonderful weekend! Thank you to everyone who joined us for grade level Coffee Talks this week! I truly enjoyed getting the opportunity to share my vision as the principal for both schools, and I appreciated the wonderful questions and insight you all shared.

I wanted to share the following schedules and information with everyone. Please mark your calendars for important dates.

- [24-25 HPMS Comprehensive Tutorial Schedule](#)
- [UIL Eligibility Report](#)
- [24-25 Raider Clubs](#)
- [2024-2025 7th Grade Assessment Calendar](#)
- [2024-2025 8th Grade Assessment Calendar](#)
- 24-25 HPMS Semester Exam Weeks
 - Dec. 17-20

- May 20-23

[Parent Input Form](#)- Please use this form to submit constructive questions, concerns, or suggestions that may benefit our two schools.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement.

Sincerely,

Amanda Reyes

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Principal
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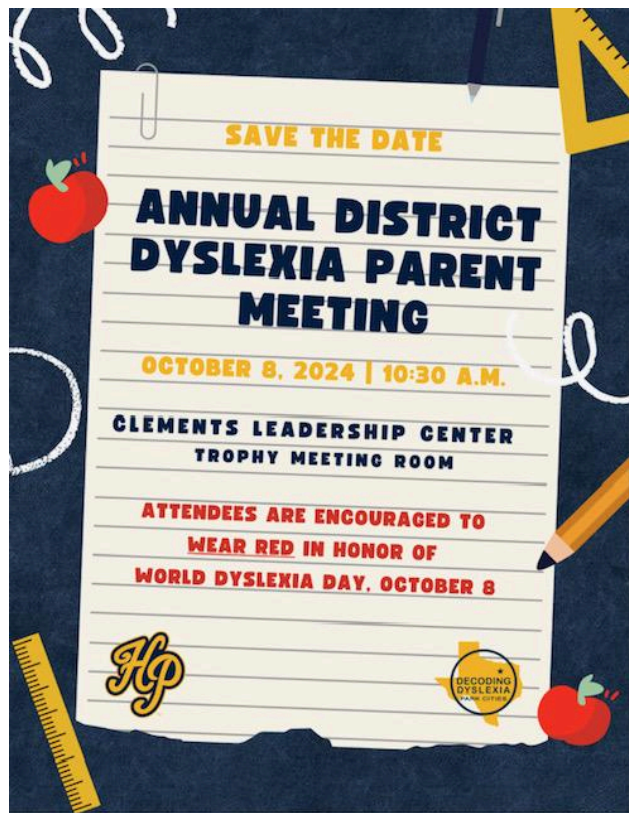


- **October 8:** District Dyslexia Meeting
- **October 14-15:** Student Holiday



- Review the Traffic Guidelines [HERE](#).
- Review the Student Handbook & Dress code (page 9) [HERE](#).
- Sign up for a volunteer shift [HERE](#).
- Add money to your student's lunch account [HERE](#).

Annual District Dyslexia Parent Meeting



Raider Shop

SPIRIT WEAR

Spirit Wear has arrived! If you ordered Spirit Wear during BSSU or the August Raider Weekly link, it is being distributed to your student this Tuesday and Wednesday. Be sure and check your student's backpack for their items. If you missed the order deadline and would like to purchase Spirit Wear, the Raider Shop will have limited inventory for sale while supplies last!

Parents - Did you know?

In addition to fun trinkets like Rubik's Cubes, Squishy Balls and more, the Raider Shop also sells school supplies. Save yourself a trip to the store and remind your student to purchase items from the Raider Shop. All proceeds from sales go back to the school!

3 Ring Binders, Highlighters, Notebook Paper, Erasers, Pens White Out, Pencils and Pocket Folders...and More!

The Raider Shop is open every morning from 7:30-8:00am and during lunch. Cash, credit card or Apple pay accepted. (We cannot accept \$100 bills.)

Raider Shop Volunteers Needed

Volunteers still needed for reoccurring shifts and substitutes welcome! Click [HERE](#) to volunteer!

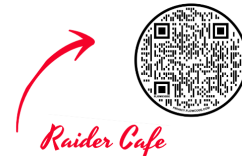
Volunteer in the Raider Shop!



Questions? Raider Shop Volunteer Chairs [Laura Price](#) or [Brooke Garner](#).

Cafeteria Volunteers Needed

Please join us in volunteering in the cafeteria! Due to our Cafeteria Volunteer Chairs' hard work and commitment, we only have 2 volunteer openings left to fill, the 3rd Thursday Hot Line or 4th Tuesday Soup Line!



Click [HERE](#) to volunteer!

Questions? Contact Cafeteria Co-Chairs [Katherine Issel](#) or [Tracy Port Melech](#).

Raider Career Review

Earlier this week AJ Childs and Robert Maddox interviewed Coach Mueller. He is now the Head Coach of the Scots Wrestling Club here at Highland Park. He has returned to help revitalize the program, which includes a brand new, state-of-the-art wrestling space. Coach Mueller has had a remarkable journey in the sport, and he told us more about the Scots Wrestling Club, how you can get involved, and what it takes to succeed on and off the mat.



Sports

RAIDER VOLLEYBALL



7th Grade Girls

The 7th grade team had the pleasure of hosting our high school program. It was great to see the girls bond and look forward to the future of volleyball at

HP. The teams were challenged with high competition across the board, but the girls continue to fight and grow each week!

<u>HPMS A</u>	<u>HPMS B</u>	<u>HPMS C</u>
HPMS Loses	HPMS Loses	HPMS Loses
20-25	18-25	18-25
20-25	15-25	26-28
MVP: Olivia Smith	MVP: Briley Brown	MVP: Lydia Maris

8th Grade Girls

Your 8th grade team competed against a talented Prosper Rogers team. C team started the night with a dramatic win and A and B were tested in new ways. We hope to come back stronger for our home game next week. Please come cheer the girls on!

<u>HPMS A</u>	<u>HPMS B</u>	<u>HPMS C</u>
HPMS Loses	HPMS Loses	HPMS WINS!
16-25	24-26	13-25
20-25	9-25	25-18
MVP: Sallie Winters	MVP: Reese Mattison	15-9
		MVP: V Kwon

RAIDER CROSS COUNTRY

Boys

Please congratulate the boys cross country team on a great night in Prosper. The 7th grade squad came in fifth while the 8th grade boys team took home first place, narrowly beating Prosper Reynolds by 1 point!

Top 7th Grade Runners

Caleb Terry - 2nd
Hayden Cason - 18th
Ben Phillips - 21st
Charlie Bradbury - 28th
Matthew Choi - 31st

7th Grade Runner of the week:
Brooks Gerken

Top 8th Grade Runners

Grayson DiCanio - 3rd
Stephen Bratton - 7th
Drake Soukup - 9th
Holden Helm - 11th
Carson Royall - 17th

8th Grade Runner of the week:
Carson Royall



Girls

Congratulate the 7th and 8th grade cross country teams on a fantastic meet in Birdville. They showed great growth and determination. The 7th and 8th grade girls ran together in the Middle School Girls division and came away as the meet champions!

Team Results (12 Total Teams)

HPMS - 25 points

Valley View - 87, Great Hearts Irving - 101
Boyd - 106, Shackelford - 130, ILT Keller - 199
Barnett - 206, Great Hearts Lakeside - 207
ILT Arlington - 247, Maypearl - 258
Lake Country - 275, Saginaw - 352

Top HPMS Grade Runners

Stella Pruett (8th) - 12:28 - **1st place overall**
Ella Marie Hooks (7th) - 13:23 - 4th
Hadleigh Raynor (7th) - 13:33 - 6th
Louise Litton (7th) - 13:34 - 7th
Ruthie Swope (8th) - 14:17 - 11th
Allison O'Connor (7th) - 14:50 - 17th
Sloane Odom (7th) - 14:52 - 18th



Full race results [HERE](#)

RAIDER FOOTBALL

7th Grade Boys

The 7th grade Raiders teams took on Prosper Rogers at Highlander Stadium. All three teams played hard and gave a solid effort as your Raiders went 2-1. Our guys made us proud, and we are excited for our next games on the road at Prosper Jones.

White Team Wins 26-0

Offensive MVP
Jameson Mahmud and
Tate Deskin

Defensive MVP
Graeson Davis and Nico
Velesiotis

Special Teams MVP
Marc Minasoff

Red Team Loses 13-30

Offensive MVP
Jack Neff and Ean
Dennis

Defensive MVP
Ballard McMurray and
Henry Lee

Special Teams MVP
Jack Watts

Gold Team Wins 44-12

Offensive MVP
Chase Merrick and
Hudson McClain

Defensive MVP
Liam Adami and Sam
Huff

Special Teams MVP
Hall Allison and Trey
Cantrell



8th Grade Boys

Congratulate the 8th grade team who played Prosper Rogers. We came home last night with 2 out of 3 wins and a hard-fought 3rd game. We were so proud of the team focus level and effort. Next week we return to Highlander to play Prosper Jones.

White Team Loses 12-16

Offensive MVP
Felix Bonewell and
Haynes Morrison

Defensive MVP
Jack Bodwell

Special Teams MVP
Jax Anderson

Red Team Wins 30-16

Offensive MVP
Zach Swedian

Defensive MVP
Charlie Alpert and Cole
Hastedt

Special Teams MVP
Andrew Clark

Gold Team Wins 50-0

Offensive MVP
Preston Hamner and
Charlie Petet

Defensive MVP
Layton Thomas and
Hutch Huffstutter

Special Teams MVP
Banks Biggers



Cheers to Raider Volunteers

Many thanks to our all of our **Coffee Talk Chairs**: **Carolyn Longino, Jenilee Ladd** and **Liza Raynor** (5th grade); **Meg Boyd** and **Emily Klein** (6th grade); **Emily Abubakar, Carroll Gurganus** and **Claire Swope** (7th grade); and **Haylie Crouch** and **Ashley Shull** (8th grade). We appreciate your time and effort planning engaging and informative talks with our new Principal, **Amanda Reyes**. We loved hearing her vision for MIS/HPMS and having a chance to connect with each other.

Huge thanks to our **Gift Committee Chairs**: **Margaret Kelley** and **Alexa Snelleman**, along with our **Gift Committee**: **Kitsy Smith, Amy Barker, Kelley Curtin, Allison Lockard, Divia Dayalji, Jessica Turner Waugh, Julie Melihercik, Kristin Evans, Rachel Stephens, Jill Morrison, Allison Small, Nancy West, Marisa Stockwood** and **Mary Margaret Neff**. We appreciate your time and careful consideration of fall gift requests from our MIS/HPMS staff. Thank you also to **Principal Reyes** and **Emily Green**, Campus Instructional Technologist, for your diligent preparation for this important process. We appreciate all of the work this team has put in to allocate and approve an amazing gift back to our school!

Much appreciation to our **6th Grade Parent Party Chairs**: **Meredith Ferrell, Katie Head, Katie Roach** and **Amy Sherman**.

Thank you for coordinating and planning the parent party for our 6th Grade Parents. And a special thank you to **Kara & Austin Adam** for opening your beautiful home and welcoming our Raider parents. Everyone had a great time together!

GO RAIDERS!

Kitsy Smith
MIS PTO President

Amy Barker
HPMS PTO President

News to Share

YOUTH NIGHT FRIDAY OCT. 04

HIGHLAND PARK VOLLEYBALL

RAFFLE PRIZES FOR GIRLS 1ST - 7TH GRADE
Complimentary Pre-Tryout clinic for girls entering 7th & 8th grade - August 2025
Chance to win a 1 hour lesson with HPVB captains (only 4 available)

"CAPTAIN FOR A DAY"
RAFFLE PRIZES FOR GIRLS K-6TH GRADE
Fun-filled game experience for you and a friend!
Honorary Captains will:
Run onto the court with team
Get introduced as part of the varsity lineup
Participate in coin flip and cheer with the team from the bench and in team huddles.

"ULTIMATE FAN BASKET"
Featuring the official HPVB poster, water bottle, T-shirt, volleyball signed by the Varsity team and more!

Raffle tickets available now through October 4th. Game times:
5:30 PM Varsity and JV2
6:30 PM JV1 and 9th
At HPHS Main Gym.
**6th Grade & Under Free Admission!*

RAISE THE STANDARD
HIGHLAND PARK VOLLEYBALL

JOIN US

SCAN HERE

PLEASE JOIN US



**100 YEARS OF CHEER
COMMUNITY PEP RALLY**

OCTOBER 17 | 5:30 PM

HPS MAIN GYM

(NO TICKETS NECESSARY)

ENJOY A SPECIAL VIEWING OF THE NEW
HISTORY OF HIGHLAND PARK CHEER DOCUMENTARY



GO SCOTS!

For sponsorship information on the 100 Years of Cheer, please follow this link.



Highland Park Cheer is celebrating 100 Years with a Community Pep Rally. We want to see our Raiders there!



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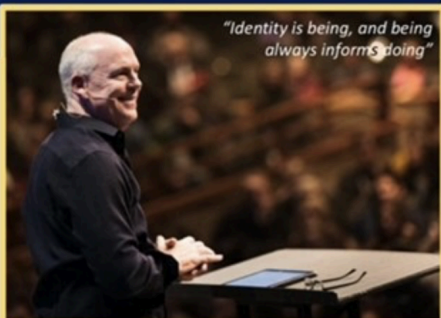



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HPHS PARENT EDUCATION COMMITTEE

**Live Fearless in Your True
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"Identity is being, and being always informs doing"

**6:00-7:30
PM**

**Monday, Sept
30th**

**Highland Park
High School
Auditorium**

Jamie Winship
- Bestselling Author & Speaker -

Have you ever experienced a time in your life when you felt like you or someone you know was defined or identified only by a job position, a title, a jersey number, or maybe even a GPA? Life experiences have caused us all to develop beliefs about ourselves that maybe are not true - a false identity. Jamie helps people remove the obstacles that keep them from becoming highly resilient individuals by understanding the conflict between their false identity, and their true identity. Jamie is an incredible storyteller, who shares real life stories and adventures that stick and make an impact.

Raiders Reaching Out

Raiders Reaching Out is ready to serve our Raider students, families, and staff in need of support and to honor those who go above and beyond to serve our school and children. Please let us know if you know someone in our Raider community who needs some sunshine sent their way! Email confidentially raidersreachingout@mishpmspto.org.



Thank you so much!
RRO Chairs, 2024-25



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Didn't see a school-related shout-out this week?
We want to hear about it! Please send details
and any available pictures!

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