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Hurricane Intermediate Newsletter

March 2016

Dear Parents, Guardians and HIS Students,

Having lived all over the west in my youth and now living in southern Utah, I have a real appreciation for the beginning of Spring. To experience the hints of warmer weather on the horizon, it is indeed a time of new beginnings. So it is now with our students as our final trimester has just begun.

I am reminded of a classic quote on beginning: *"Whatever you can do, or dream you can do, begin it. Boldness has genius, power, and magic in it!"*

The truthfulness of that message is empowering for each of us—and especially our students at Hurricane Intermediate. A new trimester brings new hope and new resolve. Parents, this is the time to become more involved with your student so that they practice good habits that will lead them to success. Such habits could include a set time for reading or doing homework. It may be that chores about the house will set a pattern of work that could lend itself to learning the value found from seeing a task through from beginning to end.

At Hurricane Intermediate School, we embrace the notion of accomplishment and determination. It is our mission that every student is high-achieving and well-round—a task that requires effort from all the stakeholders in our community. I promise you that we keep that mission in our minds each and every day. As parents, we encourage you to instill that hope in the minds of our children. Here are several quotes which may serve you well in that endeavor:

1. "Do what you can, with what you have, where you are." *Theodore Roosevelt*
2. "Life isn't about finding yourself. It's about creating yourself." *George Bernard Shaw*
3. "The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing." *Walt Disney*
5. "The world as we have created it is a process of our thinking. It cannot be changed without changing our thinking." *Albert Einstein*
6. "Anyone who keeps learning stays young. The greatest thing in life is to keep your mind young." *Henry Ford*
7. "Nobody can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending." *Maria Robinson*

Kevin Pedersen, Asst. Principal

"Talent wins games, but teamwork and intelligence wins championships."

~ Michael Jordan

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RASK Week

February 29 - March 3

The Counseling Department is sponsoring RASK Week — Random Acts of Service and Kindness. The week focuses on the many ways we can give service to each other, our school, our community, and the earth.

POSTER CONTEST

Winning Categories: Most Artistic, Best Use of Theme, Most Colorful, Most Creative, and Student Choice

Poster board may be obtained in the office. Posters are due before school starts on Monday, February 29th to be eligible for prizes.

PRIZES

Rip Stick, Kindle Fire, Community Businesses

RASK CARD

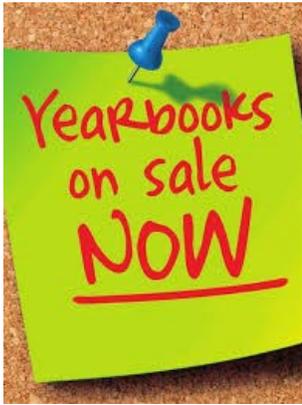
Students are required to do various kinds of service throughout the week and will be entered for prize drawing if complete the tasks and have the card signed by an adult. The services are: pick up 10 items of trash at school, sit by someone new at lunch, compliment 5 people who are not in your friend circle, write a “Thank You” note, greet as many people as possible by name who are not in your friend circle. BONUS: stand up for someone who is being bullied or laughed at or help someone who is sad to feel happy.

SMILE WALL



The Peer Mediators will have a Smile Wall at lunch—Students will submit something they saw someone else doing that was kind for the wall.

Peer Mediators will be reading quotes about the benefits of being kind and helping others each day at the beginning of Homeroom. The entire week seems to bring the best out of our students, and our school shines with examples of service and kindness.



Yearbooks are still on sale! Get yours before it is too late. Price is \$19 until April 1st the price will go up to \$21.

Southwest Utah Public Health Department



Immunization Clinic

Tuesday, March 8th (7:30am-11:30am)

620 S, 400 E. (Level 3)

St. George

Click below for more details

[English](#)

[Spanish](#)



College & Career Awareness

We are super excited to have our 1st College and Career Week. All of our home room teachers doors will be decorated with pictures of every student in our school, where they want to go to college and what they want to do when they grow up. We will be hiding college pennants around the school each day for students to find and learn more info about college.

During the week of March 14-18, at lunch we will have the following activities:

Monday: Bubble gum blowing contest “Don’t Blow your Future.” Start planning today!!

Tuesday: Basketball shooting contest “Shoot for the Stars.” Don’t ever believe that you are not capable of your dreams!

Wednesday: Oreo balancing contest on head “Find Balance and Prioritize Important Things in Life.”

Thursday: Balloon Popping Contest “Pay Attention to What is Popping Around You.” Visit with your school counselor often to make sure you are aware of scholarships, deadlines, and financial aid information.

We want every student in our school to know that College IS an option for them!!!



School Activities

March 3—History Fair

March 4—Spring Pictures

March 7-11—NO
SCHOOL Spring Break

March 22—Music Festival

March 25 & 28—NO
SCHOOL Spring Recess

March 29—End of level
testing starts

April 1—Choir SUPAF

April 4—PLC Early out at
11:45am

April 5—Orchestra
SUPAF

April 5—Immunization
Clinic

April 8-9—Relay for Life
on track

April 21—Earthquake
Drill “The Great Utah
Shakeout”



Luann Dotson—Library Aide

Staff Spotlight

Hi... my name is LuAnn Langston Dotson. I'm the new media assistant and so excited to be working at HIS. I grew up here in Hurricane and lots of people recognize me as having worked at Ace Hardware. My husband Gordon and I have four children with two of them married. Best of all we have two sweet granddaughters, Jordyn and Blake. I enjoy reading and listening to books, pickle ball, working in the yard and any holiday that brings our family together. I'm so grateful for my new job and look forward to getting to know you!

Fun Facts

About 8,000 Americans are injured by musical instruments each year.

DSU Afterschool Program

Afterschool programs have a history that features improved student test scores, improved school attendance and more focused students. Our program provides a school-based environment where extended academic learning is the norm. Students in our afterschool program achieve better in math, reading and other subjects and have fewer behavioral problems. One of the best things about the program is the way it brings various community members together and gets them actively involved in helping kids learn and grow.

The YAA (Youth Action Alliance) Program is available Monday through Friday from 2-4pm. At Hurricane Intermediate School. There is not a charge for the program. Our program has a certified teacher and additional staff to assist students. We are striving to bring an awesome program for students and their families.

If you are interested in having your child participate in this program, please click on the below link for an application, fill it out and return it to the main office.

[YAA Afterschool Program Application](#)

LUNCH CORNER

Click here for [March Menu](#)

If your student does not have the full amount for a meal, they will not be allowed to eat that day. This is district policy. **THERE IS NO CHARGING FOR MEALS.**

February Payment Amounts

Lunch Full Pay	\$40.00
Lunch Reduced	\$ 6.40
Breakfast Full Pay	\$20.00
Breakfast Reduced	\$ 4.80

Payments can be made in the office in the form of check, cash or credit card. You also have the option to pay online at www.paypams.com



National School Breakfast Week

Let's Celebrate Breakfast!

During March, schools throughout the country will celebrate National School Breakfast Week with visits from national, state and local leaders, food demonstrations, games and other activities. It is a great time for your child to try school breakfast!

If your child already eats a free or reduced price lunch, they automatically qualify for a free or reduced price breakfast. Breakfast is served until 7:35am daily.

News from the Office

Office Hours are Monday—Friday 7:10am—2:50pm

ATTENDANCE—If your child will not be at school please call 635-8931 or email jennifer.gray@washk12.org. If you are checking your student out of school, you will need to come into the office and sign them out. You must have I.D. in order to check out a student. We will not release students to anyone who is not on your contact list.

POWERSCHOOL—Just a reminder that your PowerSchool I.D. and password are on your students schedule that they received at registration. If you have problems accessing your student's grades online,

Contact Us

Give us a call for more information about our school.

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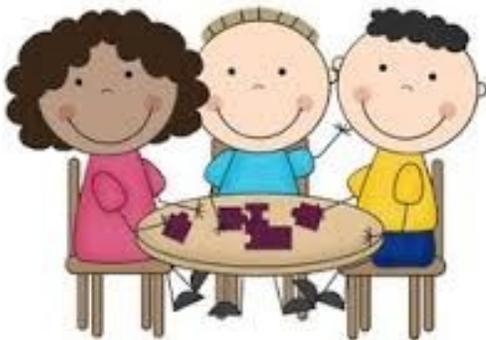
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***BREAKING NEWS FROM HIS MEDIA CENTER!
CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW TO READ ALL ABOUT IT.***

[E-Book Collection is ready for check out!!](#)



Character ED Theme of the Month is:

Habit 6—Synergize-Together is Better

Helen Keller once said:

“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.”

We will be focusing on valuing differences and working together to create a better solution than what one could do alone. One thing students could do at home is to write down 3 things they are really good at. Then write down 3 things someone else in the family is really good at. Think of a project you could do together using the things that both of you are really good at.

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