

HAMPTON HAPPENINGS

November 2017 Edition

Reminders from Ms. Offenbecker

- Students should not be dropped off before 8:00 a.m. unless permission is granted. Front doors are unlocked at 8:00 a.m. and supervision starts at 8:00 a.m.
- During Drop-Off, **DO NOT PARK BY THE CURB** — it clogs up the flow of traffic.
- If you see your child in the “pick-up” line after school, *please* let the teacher know *before* you retrieve him/her. Please do not “grab and go”. The teacher is responsible for making sure your child is safe at the end of the day. We need to work together to make sure your child is in a safe place.
- **PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY** in the parking lot.
- **ONLY DRIVE IN THE DIRECTION OF THE ARROWS** in front of the school — East to West. Driving in the opposite direction clogs traffic.
- **ONLY** use the pick-up lane if it is inconvenient for you to get out of the car and get your child (pregnant, hurt, or unsteady on your feet).
- Students **MAY NOT** walk in the parking lot unattended — even from feet away. **ONLY** drop off your child in the drop off lane — **DO NOT make a second lane and have your child walk in front of cars.**

End Of Day – Calls to Change Pick-up

To help us with the end of the day confusion, we are asking that all pick-up arrangements be called in prior to 3:00 p.m. Any calls that come in are put on a special note and then delivered to the classrooms at that time.



HAMPTON ELEMENTARY MISSION

The mission of the Hampton Elementary School Community is to foster an environment where all children feel safe, respected, and valued. We provide the foundation for students to reach their maximum potential in their academics and encourage them to strive for personal excellence.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Popcorn Days	Nov. 3 & 17 Dec. 1 & 15
Bd. Of Ed. Mtg at Western High 7pm	Nov. 13
Picture Make-Up Day	Nov. 15
Half Day / Dismiss at 12:19 pm	Nov. 21
No School— Thanksgiving Recess	Nov. 22-24
College Day	Nov. 28

Parent / Teacher Communication — Phone Calls

In an effort to maximize instruction time, all calls to teachers will NOT be sent to the classroom during normal classroom hours. Please leave a message with the office and the teacher will return your call as soon as possible. Another option would be to communicate with your child's teacher by e-mail.

Dress for the Weather

It has been our observation, that students are NOT coming to school prepared for WINTER. Please help us in the following manner:

1. During cold, snowy weather, encourage your child to wear boots, hats, gloves, warm coats, etc.
2. On days they wear boots, be sure another pair of shoes are sent to school. Wearing boots all day in school is not a comfortable, healthy or safe situation.
3. Send an extra pair of shoes for "muddy" days.

Remember: All children must go outside for at least 15-20 minutes during their lunch hour. The only exception to this is during rain days. Once it starts getting colder, our district rule is to only keep students inside if the temperature with wind chill is below 10 degrees. We check a few different sources if it is close and make a judgment call, so please watch the weather and try to pack accordingly. Our children need to get outside and have a fun and energetic break. Please help us make sure that all students are pre-

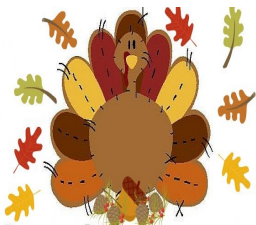


Safety / Parents in the Building

All visitors or volunteers that are visiting our building must please sign in at the office. We have visitor badges that all of our visitors and volunteers must wear.



Half Day and Thanksgiving Break



There will be a half-day on Tuesday, November 21st. Students will be dismissed at 12:19 and will be fed lunch before dismissal.

There will be no school on November 22, 23, & 24 due to Thanksgiving break. Enjoy the time with family and friends!

Booster Club News

THANK YOU!

A big thanks to all the parent volunteers who helped make Harvest Night a success! Also, thanks to all the families who were gracious enough to donate candy toward this event. The kids had a great time!

FALL FUNDRAISER

The Fall Fundraiser products will be delivered to school on November 28th and will be available for pick up that day between 3:30-5:30 pm. We are proud to say that we went beyond our target goal!. Way to go!

POPCORN FRIDAYS

November 3rd & 17th
December 1st & 15th
\$.25Cents Per Bag

REMINDER!

Volunteers — Please remember to sign in at the office. We log your hours and want everyone's time to be accounted for. Hampton is one of the schools that logs the most volunteer hours! Let's keep it up!

If you plan to volunteer and have not filled out a form yet, do so... the sooner the better.

SHOPAROO

If you have not already downloaded this app., we encourage that you do so. This is a great and easy way to earn money for our school. You can find the app on Google Play or the Apple App Store. It is free and so easy!

HOLIDAY GIFT SHOP

Just a heads up to watch for info to come home towards the end of the month for our upcoming "Holiday Shop" which is scheduled for December 12th - 14th. We are also looking for volunteers to help run the Holiday shop as well! Contact us at:
hamptonvolunteer@bcschools.net

Gifted & Talented Program

The Gifted and Talented Office will open a window to take nominations for its program beginning in January. The program is designed for 1st through 8th grade students whose learning characteristics indicate a need for a unique educational experience beyond the regular classroom curriculum.

Middle School — Grades 5, 6, and 7

January 3rd through January 12th

Elementary — Grades Kindergarten, 1,2,3,and 4

February 5th through February 16th

To make a nomination, please visit the Gifted and Talented website at www.bcpsgifted.com to submit an application form. If you have any questions, please call the Gifted / Talented Office at (989) 671-8170.

STAY CONNECTED!

Like us "Hampton Elementary" on Facebook for up-to-date information about school events!

Be sure to look for our "Hampton Hawk"! There are a few Hampton Elementary School's in the United States, so be sure you "Like" the right one!

Over-the-Counter Medication

Just a reminder that Bay City Public Schools has a policy regarding children having "Over-the-Counter" medication at school. The policy considers cough drops, medicated chap stick, nose spray, Tylenol, Visine and many other common remedies as "Over-the-Counter" medication. For a student to have these at school, we have a form that must be signed by a Physician, and on file in the office. As a parent, you are allowed to come administer these OTC medications without the form on file.

Reading for Education Fundraiser

We are excited to announce that our school is participating in the Reading for Education program. The kick-off is November 17th! Your student will be bringing home an envelope with the words "Attention Parents" across the top. Please take 10 minutes to complete the materials in the envelope and return them to school. That is all you have to do for our student to earn a prize and our school to earn money.

Inclement Weather and School Closings

During the weeks and months ahead, we can possibly expect freezing rain, ice, snow, and fog. Severe, adverse weather conditions will undoubtedly force the closing of some or all of our school buildings at some time or another during the school year.

Please listen carefully to local radio or TV stations if the weather is questionable or check the Bay City Public Schools website at www.bcschools.net.



Girls on the Run Update!

Hampton's Girls on the Run Team will be running the Reindeer Run 5K in Saginaw on Saturday, November 18th. It's a fun event and the girls would love to have more supporters there to cheer them on or even run with them! Public runners/walkers are welcome! Here's the link — <http://m.gotrsaginawbay.org/race/312-girls-on-the-run-5k>

