

Hardy Brown College Prep's Parent Newsletter



Weeks 16/17 - November 28th-December 9th, 2016

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(Above) HBCP's Parent Academy that was held on Saturday, November 5th.

Dress Uniforms-Swagtastic Wednesdays!

As a reminder, our dress uniform was enforced on October 26th. The dress uniform consists of the following:

- **K-5th grade:** khaki bottoms, dark socks (boys)/white or navy tights/socks (girls), white/navy/brown dress shoes, white button up shirt, and navy blue HBCP embroidered vest or cardigan.
- **Middle School:** khaki bottoms, dark socks (boys)/white or navy tights/socks (girls), white/navy/brown dress shoes, white button up shirt, and navy blue embroidered blazer. Parents with scholars in middle school, as an option, you can purchase a navy blue blazer via cookiekids.com.

Scholars not dressed in their dress uniform will receive a consequence according to our discipline matrix. Make sure our scholars are dressed in their dress uniform every Wednesday.

Welcome Back!

I hope all of our HBCP families had a wonderful Thanksgiving and intersession break! The next three weeks of school, before Winter Break, will be important as we continue to teach our curriculum and Common Core standards. Please make sure to bring your child to school each day, and on time. This is the start of Trimester 2, and I want our scholars to start off strong. I look forward to seeing our scholars excel and achieve. Let's continue to work together to help our scholars succeed!

Perfect Attendance Assemblies

Each Trimester HBCP hands out Perfect Attendance awards to scholars who earned Perfect Attendance for the trimester. This means scholars are present at school daily and have zero absences. The assemblies will take place on **Thursday, December 1st**. 119 scholars will be honored with an award and Perfect Attendance medal. Out of the 119 scholars, 40 scholars will be honored for earning Perfect Attendance (zero absences) **and** zero tardies. Scholars who earn Perfect Attendance in Trimester 1 **and** Trimester 2, will participate in a family luncheon at the end of Trimester 2 in February. See grade level times below for the Trimester 1 Perfect Attendance Assemblies.

Kinder: 8:00 a.m.

2nd Grade: 8:45 a.m.

1st Grade: 9:30 a.m.

3rd and 4th Grade: 10:00 a.m.

5th-8th Grade: 10:30 a.m.

Father and Son Game & Movie Night!

HBCP will host its first "Father and Son Game & Movie Night" on **Friday, December 16th**. All men of HBCP, this event is for you. If you have a son, grandson or nephew who attends HBCP, come out and join some fun on this day. Flyers were sent home before we went on intersession/Thanksgiving break. We will send the flyers home again this week. If you plan on attending this event, make sure to fill out the RSVP form and submit it in the front office by **Friday, December 2nd**. If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact the front office. We look forward to seeing you all on **December 16th**. Information listed below:

Date of event: December 16th

Time: 5:00pm-7:00pm

Location: Main MPR at HBCP

Attire: Casual (Fathers and Sons-please dress alike)

HBCP Family Corner



HBCP Teacher Leaders completed 341 out of 368 parent/teacher conferences in Trimester 1. Our expectation is 100% attendance for parent/teacher conferences and we were close to that goal with 93% completion. Thank you to all our parents/guardians for attending parent/teacher conferences at HBCP.☺ As you know, your role is vital in our scholar's education. Let's get to 100% completion in Trimester 2!

Upcoming Events/Important Dates: December-January

December 1st, 2016

- Trimester 1 Perfect Attendance Assemblies

December 9th, 2016

- Career Day

December 16th, 2016

- Father and Son Game and Movie Night

December 16th-January 2nd

- Winter break

January 3rd, 2016

- School resumes

January 16th, 2016

- Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School)

January 12, 2017

- Culture Day

January 21, 2017

- Men of HBCP Breakfast Basketball Clinic

January 27, 2017

- Middle School Winter Wonderland Dance

Attendance Counts!-HBCP's SART TEAM

HBCP's daily average attendance goal is 96%! Let's bring our scholars to school on time, every day. This school year HBCP has a new attendance policy that was adopted by Fortune School of Education's board of directors. **This policy went into effect in September.** In case you missed seeing this policy, the attendance policy is available for you in the front office. Truancy letters have been sent home to scholars who are considered truant due to excessive tardies and absences. Let's work together to get our scholars to school on time, every day! Below is information regarding the SART team:

Each School in the Fortune System has created a School Attendance Review Team (SART).

The School Attendance Review Team at the school site level will support the school attendance policies and address the truancy issue at all grade levels. The SART would convene as needed to review attendance for the purpose of holding each school accountable for meeting the attendance goal of 96% and to review truancy cases. If a student is habitually truant (absent without a valid excuse for 5 days during the school year), if he/she is absent or tardy by more than 30 minutes without a valid excuse on 5 occasions in a school year, or any combination thereof, a SART hearing will be called. The parent/guardian of the habitually truant student will receive notice of the SART hearing and be required to attend. At the SART hearing, information will be provided about a student's attendance record. Parents/guardians will be asked to comment on the reasons for the student's truancy. A parent contract will be developed to bind the parent to bringing their child to school on time every day. The SART will make referrals to local agencies as appropriate. Documentation of SART proceedings will be included in the child's cumulative file.

HBCP's Playground is Coming Soon!

Hardy Brown College Prep moved into our new home last January. Our final phase to complete our new home consists of our playground☺. Construction has already begun! We are expected to have our playground completed by late December/early January. 3rd grade will release from the classrooms daily due to the construction. Stay tuned for additional information!

Honor Roll in Trimester I

Congratulations to the 152 scholars who earned Honor Roll in Trimester I! These scholars earned Honor Roll based on meeting all three criteria areas: Academics, Attendance, and Leadership. Although all of our scholars did not earn Honor Roll, HBCP is proud of **all** our scholars for their hard work and dedication in Trimester I. Let's keep up the great work!

Chuck E. Cheese's Limo Ride

Congratulations to the 23 scholars who earned the Chuck E. Cheese's limo ride for selling more than 30 items for the fall fundraiser we conducted. The Chuck E. Cheese's limo ride will be scheduled sometime in January or February. We will definitely make sure to send a notice home to families of those scholars who earned this prize. Thank you again to all families who participated in our fall fundraiser!

Interested in Volunteering?

Grab a form in the front office and complete your live scan☺. Upon clearance, you can volunteer for school events, field lessons, etc. We love for our families to volunteer! We have upcoming field lessons that will take place in Spring. We would love to have parent/family volunteers join us on these field lessons. However, all families must be cleared in order to volunteer. If you are interested in volunteering, please see Mrs. Cardiel in the front office.