

# HILLSBOROUGH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

### **WELCOME!**

The 2023-2024 school year is here! The Hillsborough Elementary School Home & School Association (HES HSA) would like to wish all HES students and their families a healthy and happy school year! Whether you're new to HES, or are a returning family, please take a few moments to review this packet so that you are all set for a fun and successful year at HES.

The HES HSA is a non-profit organization that works to benefit students and promote a closer relationship between the home and school. The HES HSA offers parents and guardians an opportunity to contribute to their student's elementary school experience. Our annual budget in a normal year, is typically used to provide Staff Grants, Assemblies, Staff Appreciation Events, Scholastic Magazines, 4th Grade Day, and Family Fun Events such as the Halloween Trunk or Treat and PICTO! We are a very active parent group, committed to finding creative ways to support HES students and build our community.

## **COMMUNICATION!**

We are excited to launch a new communication tool this school year called Givebacks. Previously known as MemberHub, Givebacks provides best-in-class software that integrates membership,

fundraising, communication and website functionality *into a single interface*. Used by PTA/PTO/HSA and other nonprofits nationwide, we're excited to provide a streamlined experience for our community members. Be on the lookout for more information in the next few weeks.

## **MEMBERSHIP!**

One great way to support your student and HES is to join us as a member of HES HSA for only \$10 per family! Members get the first opportunity to volunteer for fun school events and voting rights at meetings. All the dues go directly towards programs which benefit students and staff. You will be able to purchase your membership for the 2023-2024 school year through our Givebacks store; available in the next few weeks.

## **VOLUNTEERING!**

Our parent volunteers are the heart of the HES HSA! All our activities need your energy and enthusiasm. We have many chairperson positions open, with varying time commitments. The sad reality is that we cannot run all our amazing events without parent volunteers. You can partner up with a friend and volunteer together. If

HES HSA Website www.heshsa.org

Follow us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/HillsboroughEleme ntaryHSA

Instagram https://www.instagram.com/hes\_hsa/

#### <u>Meetings</u>

Please join us for our monthly meetings! All are welcome to attend! Meetings take place at the HES Library at 7pm.

> September 20, 2023 October 11, 2023 November 15, 2023 January 10, 2024 February 7, 2024 March 6, 2024 April 10, 2024 May 8, 2024

> > June 12, 2024

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you are new to our HES Community, coming to meetings is a great way to meet other parents and make new friends. If you are interested in chairing, co-chairing or joining a committee, you can sign up using the google form below. This will also be emailed out in September.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSef-bDMqRQNAstwtBsLuwsguHB61tm-Rd9j38jqnZZXBqqofQ/view form?pli=1

As information is compiled, you will be added to the corresponding committee hubs within Givebacks.

## **INVEST IN YOUR CHILD**

The HSA is happy to give families a way to "opt-out" of traditional fundraisers through a one-time, tax-deductible donation. "Invest in your HES Child" and you can feel guilt-free about not participating in other fundraisers organized by the HSA throughout the school year. Please consider donating any amount. You will feel good knowing that 100% of the money supports the HSA and HES students. Donations to "Invest in your HES Child" will be available through the Givebacks store; available within the next few weeks.

### 2023-2024 HES/HSA Executive Board

Questions? Feel free to contact us anytime!

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## 2023-2024 HSA Calendar & Spirit Days

Please see the calendar of events below. Spirit Days are highlighted in blue.

#### September 2023

5<sup>th</sup> - Open House- K-4

5<sup>th</sup>- Sweet Parlor Fundraiser (mention HES!)

6<sup>th</sup>- First Day of School

12th- Back to School Night 3-4

14th- Back to School Night K-2

20<sup>th</sup> - HSA Meeting- 7pm

22<sup>nd</sup> - Crazy Hat Day

25th- School Closed

#### October 2023

2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>- Week of Respect. (Spirit Day themes TBA)

11<sup>th</sup>- HSA Meeting- 7pm

13th-20th- Scholastic Book Fair

23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>- Red Ribbon Week

27th- Halloween Trunk or Treat- 6-8pm

31<sup>st</sup>- Halloween Class Parties/Parade

#### November 2023

7<sup>th</sup> - School Closed

9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>- School Closed/NJEA Convention

15<sup>th</sup> - HSA Meeting – 7pm

16<sup>th</sup> - Disney Day

17, 20, 21- Half Day K-6 Conferences

22<sup>nd</sup>- Half Day- All Students/Staff

23-24th- School Closed

#### December 2023

15<sup>th</sup> - Ugly Sweater/Holiday Shirt/Sweater Day

22<sup>nd</sup>- Winter Class Parties

22<sup>nd</sup>- PI Dav

22<sup>nd</sup> - Half Day- All Students/Staff

25-29- School Closed

#### January 2024

1st- School Closed

10<sup>th</sup>- HSA Meeting – 7pm

kind of crazy weather: Rain/Snow Storm, Summer

**Days** 

15th-School Closed 19th- Crazy Weather Day (students dress for any

#### January 2024 (cont'd)

19th- HES STEM Fair, 7-9pm (tentative)

26<sup>th</sup>- HES STEM Fair (Snow Date - tentative)

#### February 2024

7<sup>th</sup>- HSA Meeting- 7pm

9<sup>th</sup> - Team Jersey Day

19th - School Closed

#### March 2024

6<sup>th</sup>- HSA Meeting – 7pm

8th- PICTO Night- HHS Cafeteria, 7-9pm (tentative)

15<sup>th</sup>- PICTO Night (Snow Date - tentative)

22<sup>nd</sup> - Stuffed Animal Day

29th- School Closed (Spring Break)

#### **April 2024**

TBD - Scholastic Book Fair

1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> - School Closed (Spring Break)

10<sup>th</sup>- HSA Meeting- 7pm

12th - Zoom Day (Dress business on the top, and comfy on the bottom)

May 2024

2<sup>nd</sup> - Star Wars Day

6-10<sup>th</sup> - Teacher Appreciation Week

8<sup>th</sup>- HSA Meeting- 7pm

23rd - Field Day

27th-School Closed

#### **June 2024**

TBD- 4th Grade Day

4<sup>th</sup>- School Closed

12<sup>th</sup>- HSA Meeting

14<sup>th</sup>- Flag Day Assembly

14th - Red, White & Blue Day!

17th - 18th - Half Day

18th- End of Year Class Pizza Party

18<sup>th</sup>- Last Day/Graduation