



YOUNG VIKINGS

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Mom/Daughter Night

Friday, November 7

Join us for a pajama party at
Sycamore Elementary 6:00-8:00 p.m.

\$5.00 entry to be purchased in advance
Sycamore Girls Y5-5th grades
RSVP form coming soon

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HALLOWEEN

We will celebrate our ghosts & goblins on
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31.

All are invited to the parade at 10:30.
Weather permitting, it will be outside
in our loop. See classroom newsletters
for grade specific activities.

It is also an **11:10 dismissal day.**



SOUP-TOBER Soup Drive

Sycamore's Student Council will be collecting cans of soup
for the Allegan County Food Pantry.
Donations can be brought to the office or in with your child.
The drive will go through October 31.

The end of the first trimester is quickly
approaching...November 14! Our students have 11:10
dismissals on November 13 and November 14.
Be certain to make arrangements both days.

Hand2Hand

Permission slips went home for this opportunity to have weekend food
bags delivered to school for your children for over the weekend.
If you are interested, please scan the QR code on that sheet to have
your child added to the list.



Treat Day...

Treat day is every Tuesday. One treat for .75 cents or three
treats for \$2.00.
This happens at the very beginning of the day.
Proceeds help with "March is Reading Month" activities.

Time to change those
clocks....before bed on
Saturday, November 1st. Fall
back one hour and say goodbye
to daylight saving time.



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**WE WANT TO KNOW
WHAT YOU THINK!**



**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
COMMUNITY FORUM**

Please join the HPS district leaders for a community discussion about the vision of our school buildings.

As a district, we're seeking input on future facility and programming needs that will improve the educational environments of our students.



SAVE THE DATES:

FORUM #1 (2 OPTIONS)

6:00 PM, Monday, September 22, 2025
Hopkins High School Cafeteria

6:00 PM, Tuesday, September 23, 2025
Sycamore Elementary School Media Center

FORUM #2

6:00 PM, Monday, October 27, 2025
Hopkins High School Cafeteria

FORUM #3

6:00 PM, Monday, November 24, 2025
Hopkins High School Cafeteria



SCAN FOR MORE
INFORMATION!

**Popcorn....Our next popcorn day is Friday,
November 21. Same great price of 50 cents a
bag!**



**Positive Message Day....think happy thoughts, smiley
faces, any positive thought to bring positivity to our school!
Our next positive message day: Wed., Nov. 19, 2025**

**Suggestions given by the Allegan County Health Dept. of
"When to Keep Your Child Home":**

- *Severely Ill
- *Fever: Temp. of 100.4F or greater AND behavior changes or other signs and symptoms (keep home until 24 hours fever-free, without use of fever-reducing meds)
- *Diarrhea: no loose stools for 24 hrs. prior to returning==
- *Vomiting: no vomiting episodes for 24 hrs. prior to returning==
- *Rash: with fever or change in behavior==
- *Skin sores (weeping sores that can't be covered with waterproof dressing)
- *Certain Communicable Diseases: may need to be excluded

==These are general recommendations only. Consult physician or local public health department.

Children who attend school every day or miss at most 1 day a month, are more likely to read on or above grade level.

Some students want to skip school because of unfinished homework. For homework help ideas go to this [link](#).

REGULAR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST FACTORS THAT CAN HELP YOUR CHILD SUCCEED IN LIFE.

Going to school regularly helps students get good grades.

Regular attendance helps your child feel like an important part of their class.

Children who attend school every day or miss at most 1 day a month, are more likely to graduate from high school.

Did you know that asking children about their school day helps them succeed? Visit the [link](#) for questions to get you started.

News from H.O.P.E.

Check us out at Sycamore H.O.P.E. on face book or email sycamorehope@gmail.com

Next H.O.P.E. meeting is on Thursday, November 20 at 7:30 a.m.

**Proper Clothing Rules:
60 degrees or more...short sleeves
50-59 degrees....long sleeves
Less than 50 degrees....coat**

BACKGROUND CHECKS are required or all who will help in the classroom, attend a field trip, go to Field Day....be ahead of the curve & fill them out now! They must be done every year.

Hpsvikings.org Under "Family Resources"

Our half days for the 2025-26 school year are:



- *Friday, October 31
- *Thursday, November 13
- *Friday, November 14
- *Friday, January 16
- *Thursday, February 12
- *Thursday, March 5
- *Friday, March 6
- *Friday, March 27
- *Tuesday, June 2
- *Wednesday, June 3

These are 11:10 dismissals.

**MAKE ARRANGEMENTS
FOR YOUR CHILD(REN)
THESE DAYS!!!**