

SYCAMORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



YOUNG VIKINGS

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HALF DAY OF SCHOOL:

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30 11:10 DISMISSAL
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PICK UP LINE

Things are moving along
nicely in the pick up line.



Thank you parents! Remember to keep the line tight so cars
are not hanging out in the road and keep your eye on the car in
front of you so we can keep 'em rollin'!!!!

Sycamore H.O.P.E. Laundry Detergent Sale

Look for information coming home with your
child this week for our new fundraiser. This
runs from October 9-October 23.

Order &
teach the
kids to do
the
laundry!!!



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Phone Ins:

Please call or email the office to notify the school if your
child is going to be absent. Also, if notes need to be sent to
classrooms for pick-up arrangements, please have your calls
made by 2 pm. The office gets busy at the end of the day
and planning ahead helps us out tremendously!
616-681-9189 or kelltals@hpsvikings.org

These are basic tutorials from the tech department for parents,
students and teachers. It can be found on the district website
under the technology department.

<https://www.hpsvikings.org/technology/basic-tutorials-for-teachers-students-and-guardians/>

Free Lunch for All



1. All students are now eligible to
receive two free meals per day, five
days a week from now through
December, regardless of
income.
Meal request information is
available at www.hpsvikings.org.
The order form is due by noon each
Monday.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences will be held Tues., Oct. 20 4:-6:
and Wed., Oct. 21 12:-3:.

Conferences will be held via Zoom or a phone call.
Your conference times will come home this week.
Please give some grace to the teachers on your time as
they will be switching back & forth between phone calls
& Zoom mtgs. Again, uncharted territory for all!!!!

**CALL OR EMAIL the office with
any bus/pickup needs! This is the job of
the office. It is confusing when teachers
juggle this information.**

The Board of Education does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, (including sexual orientation or transgender identity), disability, age, religion, height, weight, marital or family status, military status, ancestry, genetic information, or any other legally protected category, (collectively "Protected Classes"), in its programs and activities, including employment opportunities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: Superintendent of Schools, Hopkins Public Schools, 400 Clark Street, Hopkins MI 49328 269-793-7261

Upon request to the Superintendent, the District shall make reasonable accommodation for a disabled person to be able to participate in activities.

COVID-19 Daily Student Screening Guidance:

Keep your children home from school if you have any of the following Symptoms -

- Temperature of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher when taken by mouth
- Sore throat
- New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing (for students with chronic allergic/asthmatic cough, a change in their cough from baseline)
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever

Close Contact/Potential Exposure -

In the past 14 days has your child:

- Had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with a person with confirmed COVID-19: **OR**
- Had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with a person under quarantine for possible exposure to COVID-19: **OR**
- Had a travel history

If you have any of the symptoms listed on the left AND have had close contact/potential exposure, call the school as soon as possible to let them know the reason your child(ren) won't be at school. Call your health care provider right away. If you don't have one or cannot be seen, go to www.mi.gov/coronavirustest or call 2-1-1 to find a location to have your child(ren) tested for COVID-19.

If the answer is **YES** to any of the symptom questions, but **NO** to any close contact/potential exposure questions, your student may return to school based on the guidance for their symptoms (see "Managing Communicable Diseases in Schools"):

- Fever: at least 24 hours have passed with no fever, without the use of fever-reducing medications
- Sore throat: improvement (if strep throat: do not return until at least 2 doses of antibiotic have been taken)
- Cough/Shortness of breath: improvement
- Diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal pain: no diarrhea or vomiting for 24 hours
- Severe headache: improvement

DISCLAIMER: This screening tool is subject to change based on the latest information on COVID-19. <https://bit.ly/2CBqGo3>

Half Days...

Our half days for the 2020-21 school year are:

*Friday, October 30
*Tuesday, November 24
*Monday, January 18
*Friday, February 12
*Thursday, March 4
*Friday, March 5
*Friday, April 30
Thurs. & Fri., June 3 & 4

These are 11:10 dismissals.

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

Proper Clothing Rules:

60 degrees or more...short sleeves

50-59 degrees....long sleeves

Less than 50 degrees....coat



Remember to collect labels. We take

Box Tops, Coke Gives, Dick 's Market & Amazon Smile.

For more information check out Sycamore H.O.P.E. on facebook.

Medications...

If your child needs prescription medication, please pick up a meds form in the office and have your dr. fill it out.

If your child needs over the counter meds at school, please pick up a meds form in the office and bring the med in it's original bottle.

Next can drive:

Monday, October 19
&

Tuesday, October 20

Drop off before school in
drop off loop



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PICTURE RETAKES: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22 & FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

If retakes are needed, send the "bad" packet to school on retake day to turn in. It's as easy as that!

HOPKINS BOYS BASKETBALL SHOOTING CLUB K-8

For information go to

www.hopkinshoops.weebly.com

or email

coachjakejewett@gmail.com



Our students will have Halloween fun in their classrooms on Thurs., Oct. 29 & Fri, October 30.

And with distancing restrictions, there will be no parade this year.