

Prospect (n) – anticipation; expectation; a looking forward

Good morning Parkwood Hill family,

This week, we're looking forward to warmer temps and a full five days of learning. January to Spring Break represents one of the most focused instructional periods of the year, and we would love all students to be at school each day.

As you may know, we're encouraging perfect attendance this grading period by giving away a free gift card to two lucky students whose names are drawn from those who attend every day in a given week. Please join our teachers in supporting the academic growth of our kids by ensuring your child gets a good night's rest, a healthy start each day, and is actively participating in their own learning.

As always, thank you for partnering with us to serve our kids, and have a fantastic week ahead!

Giving you my "Charger Best, Never Less,"

Brad Tyler, Principal

CURRENT HOUSE POINTS LEADER



Who will it be?

Our next House Points Leader will be announced Friday!

SAVE THE DATE

January

14-28 – House Gear Online Sale! ([Shop Now](#))

23 – AVID Parent Information Meeting (6th Grade Families), 7:00 p.m. at Hillwood MS Cafeteria

26 – 5th Grade Hearing & Vision Screenings During PE Class Time

28 – Last Day to Buy House Gear Online ([Shop Now](#))

29 – 5th Grade Hearing & Vision Screenings During PE Class Time

30 – 5th Grade Girls' Spinal Health Screening During PE Class Time

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February

NEW! 2 – **Go Red Day!** Our KISD community is invited to wear red for heart health awareness.

2 – Hillwood MS Course Registration Form Sent Home with Sixth-Grade Students

6 – **Mandatory State Testing** – Campus Closed to Visitors for STAAR Reading Field Test (Fifth Grade Only)

7 – College Spirit Day ~ Wear Your College Gear!

7 – 6th Grade Students Submit 7th Grade Course Requests During School Day

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8 – HMS Cheer Mandatory Parent Meeting, 5:45 p.m. at Hillwood MS Library ([Flyer Here](#))

13 – Band Information Night for Fifth-Grade Families, 6:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria

13 – 5th Grade Spring Picture Day (Individual & Class Pictures)

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16 – No School – Professional Development Day

19 – No School – Presidents’ Day Holiday

20 – Chipotle Spirit Night, 4:00-8:00 p.m. at Watauga Location

22 – Deadline for HMS Cheer Tryout Paperwork, By 4:00 p.m. to HMS Office ([Flyer Here](#))

22 – Orchestra Information Night for Fifth-Grade Families, 5:30 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria

22 – Orchestra Instrument Fair, 6:00-7:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria

24 – Band Instrument Selection Fair, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria

LOOK AT THE WEEK AHEAD

Daily

FINAL WEEK! House Gear Online Sale! – Brand new House Gear designs are on sale! Three new t-shirt designs, and a new hoodie design are available, starting at just \$12. Check out our [flyer here](#), or go directly to the online store by [CLICKING HERE!](#) Orders will be delivered to PHIS the week of February 5. Please note, availability is based on campus-wide order minimums being met. Your order will be canceled if campus-wide minimum order quantities are not met when the online store closes.

Perfect Attendance Incentive – This nine-weeks, we're asking all students to maintain perfect attendance. Students who are present every day of a given week will be entered into a weekly drawing to win a gift card to Amazon, GameStop, or Target. We'll draw two winners per week, so there's twenty chances to win! Please encourage your child to be at school every day so their name might be drawn!

Join PTA! – Basic Membership is only \$10. [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up today!

Tuesday, January 23

AVID Information Meeting for 6th Grade Parents, 7:00 p.m. at HMS Cafeteria – Parents of sixth-grade students are invited to meet in the Hillwood Middle School (HMS) cafeteria on Tuesday evening and learn about the AVID elective class at HMS. AVID is a national program whose mission is to close the opportunity gap by preparing all students for success in college and beyond. [Click here to check out the HMS AVID website for more information.](#)

Friday, January 26

5th Grade Hearing & Vision Screenings – All fifth-grade students will have their hearing and vision checked during their physical education class, starting this Friday, and proceeding through Monday (1/29). Parents who have questions regarding the screening process are welcome to contact Nurse Leong at (817) 744-4020.

KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE

NEW! Update Contact Information – Have you recently moved, gotten a new phone number, or changed primary e-mail accounts? It is important that we have up-to-date information. Please contact our office at (817) 744-4000 to update your contact information so our nurse, teachers, and other staff members can always reach you. If you have any questions, please e-mail our Registrar, Laura.Macnab@KellerISD.net.

IMPORTANT! Cell Phone Use Prohibited – Cell phone use at school distracts students from learning, disrupts the school environment, enables access to inappropriate material, and has the potential to endanger the health of students. At Parkwood Hill, students may not display or use cell phones inside our school building, or outside our building during school hours (e.g., at recess, PE). Students may carry a cell phone, but it must be completely powered off and out of sight (e.g., in a backpack, in a pocket). ***Any student using his cell phone at school must surrender his device to a teacher/staff member upon request, and a fine of \$15 may be charged before the device is returned to a parent/guardian. Any student who uses his/her cell phone in a restroom will be subject to immediate suspension.***

Visiting Your Child for Lunch – For the safety of our students, parents/guardians may **only** bring outside food for their own child(ren), and cannot provide outside food to other students. In addition, parents are only permitted to eat lunch with their own child, and **cannot** invite additional children to join them for lunch. Thank you for honoring these important safety practices.

After-Hours Contact – On school days, our campus office hours are 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. If you need to reach someone on our staff, and you are calling outside of business hours, please leave a voicemail message at (817) 744-4000, and we will contact you the next business day. If you have an emergency involving a missing student, and it is outside of our campus office hours above, you may call (817) 744-1206 from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, or 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. on Friday. If you are calling outside of the business hours above, and it involves a missing student, please call 911.

GET INVOLVED

NEW! Run for Keller ISD School Board – Filing for the 2024 Keller ISD Board of Trustees Election opened Wednesday, January 17, and runs through 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16. Place 6 and Place 7 on the Board are up for election this spring, with Early Voting set for April 22-April 30, and Election Day on Saturday, May 4. [For more information visit the 2024 Board of Trustees Election page.](#)

Consider Beginner Band & Orchestra – Parkwood Hill offers outstanding fine arts programming, and our fifth-grade students will submit their preferences for a yearlong, sixth-grade elective this spring. Our Charger Band and Charger Orchestra programs are hosting fifth-grade parent information nights in February, with accompanying instrument selection/fair opportunities. See the February calendar above for details, and please join us!

Consider AVID at Hillwood Middle School – AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is a course that supports students with their rigorous classwork by providing organization, collaboration, and study skills while including college research and visits! If your sixth grader is interested in joining AVID, [check out the Hillwood AVID website for more information](#). There will be an AVID Parent Meeting for sixth-grade families looking to join the program this Tuesday, January 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Hillwood Middle School cafeteria. Please contact meredith.akers@kellerisd.net with questions.

Consider HMS Cheer at Hillwood Middle School – Hillwood Cheer is recruiting sixth-grade students to join their 2024-2025 program! Tryouts will be held in March; however, parents of interested students must attend a mandatory parent information meeting on Thursday, February 8 at 5:45 p.m. in the Hillwood Middle School Library. [Click here to view flyer](#) with details.

Think About 7th Grade Course Selections – It's time for sixth-grade families to start thinking about their child's middle school course selections, and more information will be coming soon from Hillwood Middle School. HMS Counselors will be helping our sixth graders with course selections during the week of February 5, so be on the lookout for more information soon.

Join PTA – Parkwood Hill PTA is a gift to our kids, families, teachers, and community. Your support makes it possible to provide key resources and numerous events throughout the school year, including meals/events, campus volunteers, Art Night, Science Night, and the Parkwood Hill Pumpkin Festival, among others. If you have yet to sign-up, please do! Membership is only \$10! [CLICK HERE](#) to join today!

Register to Volunteer - If you plan to volunteer on our campus this year, or to serve as a field trip chaperone, you must successfully completed a [2023-2024 KISD Volunteer Application](#). This application and background check must be completed each year, and when successful, will cover all Keller ISD campuses. Please apply at least 2 weeks before you are scheduled to volunteer on our campus.

CONNECT WITH US

Campus Flyers – Campus flyers are posted to “Peachjar.” Visit our website at www.KellerISD.net/PHIS and click on “Peachjar eFlyers” under the Quick Links section.

Online Resources – Campus information is always available online!

Campus Website: www.KellerISD.net/PHIS

Campus Counselor Website: <https://bit.ly/3Z84iIV>

Campus “X” (formerly Twitter) Account: www.x.com/ParkwoodHill

Campus Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/ParkwoodHill

PTA Website: www.PHISPTA.org

PTA Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/phispata

“PROSPECT-IVE” SOLUTIONS

If you have any solutions, concerns, or praise that can serve to make Parkwood Hill a better place for our kiddos, please fill out a brief, online feedback form by clicking [here](#). When using the form, you can choose to share your name, or to remain anonymous.

Thank you for staying informed, active, and involved in the education of our
Chargers!



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