

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

Good morning Parkwood Hill family,

As we close the month of January, we continue to encourage students to be at school every day; ready to learn and maximize their academic growth. We've already given away \$150 in **FREE** gift cards to GameStop, Target, and Amazon, and will be drawing two winners every Monday from among those students who've had perfect attendance the prior week. Please encourage your child to be at school so we can maximize our instructional time between now and Spring Break.

As you'll see below, today is the final day to purchase new house gear online. 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!](#)

Finally, if you're a sixth-grade parent, your student will be selecting seventh grade classes in less than two weeks. It's important that you [please make time to learn more about course options and registration by clicking here](#). If you have questions, the counselors at Hillwood Middle School are ready to help. Please email them at the addresses in the "Get Involved" section below.

As always, thank you for partnering with us in the education of our kids, and have a fantastic week ahead!

Giving you my "Charger Best, Never Less,"

Brad Tyler, Principal

CURRENT HOUSE POINTS LEADER



Congratulations Heshima!

The House of Respect is in the lead! Students in Heshima will pick a reward from the Prize Cart this week!

SAVE THE DATE

January

Final Day! 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

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 – [Details Here](#))

14 – 6th Grade Spring Picture Day (Individual & Class Pictures – [Details Here](#))

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

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!

Sunday, January 28

Last Day to Buy House Gear Online! – 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.

Monday, January 29

5th Grade Hearing & Vision Screenings – Fifth-grade students who have physical education class on Monday will have their hearing and vision checked during that time. Parents who have questions regarding the screening process are welcome to contact Nurse Leong at (817) 744-4020.

Tuesday, January 30

5th Grade Girls' Spinal Health Screening – Fifth-grade girls will have a spinal screening during their physical education class, either this Tuesday or Wednesday. Girls are required to wear a halter top, bra, or swimsuit top under their regular clothing. Parents who have questions regarding the screening process are welcome to contact Nurse Leong at (817) 744-4020.

Wednesday, January 31

5th Grade Girls' Spinal Health Screening – Fifth-grade girls will have a spinal screening during their physical education class, either this Tuesday or Wednesday. Girls are required to wear a halter top, bra, or swimsuit top under their regular clothing. Parents who have questions regarding the screening process are welcome to contact Nurse Leong at (817) 744-4020.

Friday, February 2

Go Red Day! – Join Keller ISD and hundreds of organizations across the nation as we "Go Red" in support of the American Heart Association. Students and staff are encouraged to wear red to school on Friday.

KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE

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! Prepare to Make 7th Grade Course Selections – It's time for sixth-grade families to determine their child's middle school course selections. All sixth-grade families are asked to read through the information on the "[HMS Class Choice Site](#)" [by clicking here](#). On the Class of 2030 page, you will find tons of information about seventh grade scheduling, including course guides for the classes offered at Hillwood Middle School (HMS). HMS Counselors will be helping our sixth graders with course selections during the week of February 5, so please look through the site and communicate with your child about classes before that date. Once your child enters his/her course requests in February, you will receive an email to review his/her choices. Questions? Feel free to reach out to the Hillwood Middle School counselor that serves your child (alphabetical by last name).

Student Last Name is A-E: Ambra.Beaty@KellerISD.net

Student Last Name is F-L: Jennifer.Stinson@kellerisd.net

Student Last Name is M-R: Joseph.Nisbett@KellerISD.net

Student Last Name is S-Z: Suzanne.Gibson@KellerISD.net

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.

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!

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/phispta

"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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