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Good morning Parkwood Hill family,

It's almost here! Our *Parkwood Hill Pumpkin Festival* is this Saturday from 2:00-8:00 p.m. Check out www.phispta.org/PumpkinFest and make plans to join us! We'd love for *everyone* in Charger Nation to bring hundreds of carved pumpkins to illuminate, so please buy or save a pumpkin for next weekend!

As you may know, Pumpkin Festival is a family event, open to our entire community, including those with children at the elementary, middle, and high school levels; however, parents must attend with their children, or send their children with a responsible adult. Unaccompanied children may be asked to leave.

Speaking of responsible adults, our PTA is still accepting parent volunteers for the Pumpkin Festival. If you're willing to share some joy with our kids and families, please click here to sign up. We would really appreciate your help! As always, I hope you have a fantastic week ahead, and I look forward to seeing you this Saturday!

Giving you my "Charger Best, Never Less,"

Brad Tyler, Principal



CURRENT HOUSE POINTS LEADER



Congratulations Altruismo!

The House of Giving has risen to the top of the leader board! Students in Altruismo will pick a reward from the Prize Cart this week.

SAVE THE DATE

November

- 1 College Spirit Day ~ Wear Your College Gear!
- 4 **3**rd **Annual Parkwood Hill Pumpkin Festival**, 2:00-8:00 p.m. (<u>Details Here</u>)
- 7 Constitutional Amendment Election (<u>Tarrant County Details Here</u>)
- 8 "Over the Overdoses," 6:00 p.m. at Keller ISD Education Center (<u>Details Here</u>)
- 9 Fall Picture Make-up Day
- 11-12 20th Annual Lightning Dancers Craft Show, 9:00/10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (<u>Details Here</u>)
- 13 Veterans Day Breakfast, Exhibition, & Student Assemblies
- 20-24 No School Thanksgiving Holiday Week

December

- 4 Annual Spanish Spelling Bee
- 6 College Spirit Day ~ Wear Your College Gear!
- 6 Pizza Party Bus Reward Trips (Eligible Fundraiser Students Only)
- 6 Winter Band Concert, 6:30 p.m. at Northwood Church, 1870 Rufe Snow Dr., Keller
- 7 "Peter Pan Jr." Musical, 6:30 p.m. at Parkwood Hill Cafetorium \$5 Admission
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- 12 Winter Orchestra Concert, 7:00 p.m. at Central High School Fine Arts Center
- 13 Annual English Spelling Bee
- 14 Winter Choir Concert, 7:00 p.m. at Parkwood Hill Cafeteria
- 15 "Block Party" Color Out Day! ~ Wear Your House T-Shirt & Colors!
- 15 Early Release Day (Intermediate School Dismisses at 12:00 p.m.)
- 15 End of 2nd, Nine-Week Grading Period
- 15 End of First Semester

Dec 18-Jan 2 – No School – Winter Break

LOOK AT THE WEEK AHEAD

Daily

NEW! PHIS T-Shirt Sale – If you missed the opportunity to order a campusdesigned PHIS shirt earlier this year, now is your chance to grab one. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to order by November 7. All sales are direct to the vendor online, and final. There are no returns or exchanges. Orders are scheduled for delivery on November 17.

Join PTA! - Basic Membership is only \$10. CLICK HERE to sign up today!

Wednesday, November 1

College Spirit Day – All students and staff are encouraged to dress in their favorite college attire!

Saturday, November 4

Parkwood Hill Pumpkin Festival, 2:00-8:00 p.m. at Parkwood Hill – All Charger Nation students, families, friends, and neighbors are invited to enjoy this one-of-a-kind, New England-style pumpkin festival, presented by our amazing PTA! Once the sun goes down, dozens –if not hundreds– of carved pumpkins will be illuminated for all to enjoy. Full details are available at www.phispta.org/pumpkinfest, and we hope to see you there!

KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE

NEW! Pumpkin Festival Attendees – The Pumpkin Festival is a *family event*, open to our entire neighborhood community, including those with children at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. It is *not* a *drop-off student event*; therefore, parents must attend with their child(ren), or send their child(ren) with a responsible adult. Unattended children may be asked to leave.

NEW! Pumpkin Festival Parking – Driving to the festival on Saturday? Please plan to park at Hillwood Middle School and walk safely across the street to Parkwood Hill.

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.

Fall Severe Weather Season – As we transition to Fall, thunderstorms are more likely to affect our afternoon dismissal, and we want all families, students, and staff to be weather aware. If lightning or other adverse conditions are present, all outdoor activities will cease, including the loading of buses and the release of students.

During a "Severe Weather Dismissal," all students are held in their homeroom class except those whose parents have signed a severe weather waiver. Throughout the duration of the weather event, non-waiver students remain in their homeroom

class unless they are checked out by a parent. Once the severe weather subsides, students will once again be allowed to exit the building independently. If you are interested in more information about Keller ISD's severe weather policy, <u>please click here</u>.

"Here Comes the Bus" Mobile App – If your child rides a school bus, Texas Central School Bus, in cooperation with Keller ISD, provides parents with access to real-time location information regarding his/her bus. For more information, including instructions regarding how to access the app and website, <u>click here</u>.

UPDATED! 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

LAST CHANCE! Volunteer for Pumpkin Fest! – We're planning to host 5,000 friends and neighbors during Pumpkin Fest next Saturday, and we need you to make it an amazing experience! If you're ready to serve, <u>click here to sign up!</u>

NEW! Sign up for Skating 101 – Our school is participating in an inline skating unit November 6 through November 17 to educate students on the safety of in-line skating (commonly referred to as rollerblading), and also to teach them the basic skills necessary to enjoy in-line skates. Skating 101 provides the skates, helmets, wrist guards, elbow pads, and knee pads to each student at a cost of \$12.00 for multiple days of instruction. <u>Please click here for full details, and sign up by this Monday, October 30.</u>

Donate New & Gently Used Pants – Our nurse's clinic needs new and gently used Boys and Girls Shorts/Pants, sizes Extra Small to Large, as well as Boys Shirts in the same range of sizes. If you have items of clothing you're willing to donate, we would

love to receive them in our campus office, care of Nurse Leong. If you have questions, please email Elizabeth.Leong@KellerISD.net, or call (817) 744-4020. Thank you for your help!

Complete Permission Form Regarding Library Resources – Given the variety of content within the "Young Adult (YA)" category of books, students will only be allowed to check out YA library books with parent permission. We are asking all parents to complete the permission form here, either granting or denying their child the ability to check-out books in the YA category. Without a permission form returned, your child will not be permitted to check out Young Adult books from our PHIS library.

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 <u>2023-2024 KISD Volunteer Application</u>. 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

Pumpkin Festival Details - <u>www.PHISPTA.org/pumpkinfest</u>

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/3Z84ilV

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!

