Pros•pect (n) - anticipation; expectation; a looking forward

Good morning Parkwood Hill family,

I hope you're having a safe and restful Presidents' Day weekend. Below, you'll find our March calendar has been added, along with some new opportunities to engage with our campus community. Don't forget this Tuesday is our Chipotle Spirit Night benefiting Parkwood Hill Theatre! Please order online using code "YEC78TG", or mention "PHIS Theatre Arts" when visiting the Watauga location on 377 between 4:00-8:00 p.m., and 33% of sales will go to our program. We always appreciate your support!

As we round out the week ahead, we also invite families to cheer our "Applause" show choir at the <u>Lone Star Invitational</u>, learn more about our Charger Orchestra program, and participate in our upcoming instrument fairs. Please see below for more details.

We look forward to seeing our Chargers on Tuesday, and as always, I hope you have a fantastic week ahead!

Giving you my "Charger Best, Never Less,"

Brad Tyler, Principal

CURRENT HOUSE POINTS LEADER



Who's in the lead? Students will find out this Friday!

SAVE THE DATE

<u>February</u>

- 19 No School Presidents' Day Holiday
- 20 Chipotle Spirit Night, 4:00-8:00 p.m. at Watauga Location (<u>Details Here</u>)
- 22 Deadline for HMS Cheer Tryout Paperwork, By 4:00 p.m. to HMS Office (<u>Flyer Here</u>)
- 22 Orchestra Information Night, 5:30 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria
- 22 Orchestra Instrument Fair, 6:00-7:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria

NEW! 22 – Lone Star Show Choir Invitational – Intermediate Division, 5:30 p.m. at Central HS (<u>Details Here</u>)

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

NEW! March

- 2 Casey's Kids Fun Run/5K & Keller ISD Family Health Expo (<u>Details Here</u>)
- 4-7 Elective Course Request Week for Fifth Graders (Online)
- 5 "House" Family Game Night, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at PHIS (RSVP Coming Soon!)
- 6 College Spirit Day! Wear Your Favorite College Gear!
- 7 End of 3rd, Nine-Week Grading Period
- 8 No School Student Holiday (Teacher Workday)
- 11-15 No School Keller ISD Spring Break
- 18 Start of 4th, Nine-Week Grading Period
- 22 Final Grade Reports (3rd Nine-Weeks) Published in Aeries Parent Portal
- 24 Deadline to Enter 2024 KISD Film Festival. Visit https://www.kellerisd.net/Film.
- 29 No School Student Holiday (Teacher Workday)

LOOK AT THE WEEK AHEAD

Daily

HAPPENING NOW! 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!

Monday, February 19

No School - Keller ISD District Holiday

Tuesday, February 20

Chipotle Spirit Night, Benefitting PHIS Theatre – Walk-in and mention "PHIS Theatre Arts," or order online using code "YEC78TG," between the hours of 4:00-8:00 p.m. at the Highway 377 location in Watauga, and 33% of sales will go directly to benefit our PHIS Theatre program! <u>CLICK HERE for more details</u>, and thank you for your support!

Thursday, February 22

Lone Star Show Choir Invitational, 5:30 p.m. at Central High School

- "Applause," our Parkwood Hill show choir, will perform in the intermediate division of the Lone Star Invitational this Thursday evening at 6:40 p.m. This is a ticketed event, starting at 5:30 p.m., and will feature several intermediate/junior show choirs from across Keller ISD and beyond. CLICK HERE to buy tickets and view the master schedule, including middle and high school performances on Friday and Saturday.

Orchestra Information Night, 5:30 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria – All students and their families are invited to join us this Thursday evening to learn about Charger Orchestra! Our Director, Ms. Zayra Vincent, will provide helpful information about the program, including instrument selection, expectations for beginning musicians, and how the program progresses from Parkwood Hill to Central High School. This event will be immediately followed by the Orchestra Instrument Fair (see below). CLICK HERE to view the flyer.

Orchestra Instrument Fair, 6:00-7:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria – Join us for the Orchestra Instrument Fair, immediately after Orchestra Information Night. Students will have the opportunity to see, hear, and play the violin, viola, cello, and bass. <u>CLICK HERE to view the flyer</u>, and make plans to come see us! Questions? Please contact our orchestra director at <u>Zayra.Vincent@KellerISD.net</u>.

Saturday, February 24

Charger Band Instrument Fair, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria – Is your child excited to join Charger Band next year? Join us to have him/her try out all the instruments with one of our professional "instrument testers!" You'll find out which instrument fits him/her best, and leave knowing what he/she might play next year. We look forward to seeing you this Saturday!

KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE

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! Register for the Casey's Kids Fun Run/5K – Casey's Kids was formed in 1997 when Janie Casey, a former Keller ISD counselor, discovered that a student was missing school because of a lack of clothing. It continues today, providing kids with clothing, school supplies, grants, and other essential items so our students don't have to miss school. This year Casey's Kids is excited to partner with the Keller ISD Health Expo to increase awareness of Casey's Kids and healthy lifestyles. CLICK HERE for more details, and to register today!

NEW! Review Grades Before End of Grading Period – We are in the final weeks of the grading period, and as always, asking parents to monitor their student's grades. If your child has a missing assignment, or an individual failing grade, there may still be time for him/her to submit or retake the assignment for a better grade; however, that is at the teacher's discretion, and in accordance with our grading guidelines. Please have your child discuss options with his teacher, or assist your child by contacting his teacher to inquire about them. Access the Aeries Parent Portal by CLICKING HERE.

Encourage Your Charger Filmmaker! – Students are invited to express their creativity by entering their film creations in any of 5 special categories: Drama, Comedy, Documentary/PSA, Animation, and Music Video. A panel of judges comprised of Keller ISD administrators, as well as industry video professionals, will watch all entries and pick winners in each category. Entries will be accepted until March 24, finalists will be announced April 22, and finalists will be showcased in a gala event on May 13 at the Keller Moviehouse and Eatery. Visit https://www.kellerisd.net/film for full details, and encourage your Charger to enter this year's festival!

Consider Central Volleyball Spring Break Clinic – Central Charger Volleyball will offer a Spring Break Clinic for kindergarten through sixth-grade students, March 11-13, at Central High School. The clinic will be run by Central coaches and players, and represents an excellent opportunity for our youngest Chargers to learn the game, stay active, and have fun over Spring Break! <u>CLICK HERE for a flyer with details</u>.

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! <u>CLICK HERE</u> 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

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!

