

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

Good morning Parkwood Hill family,

Thanks to the generosity of Charger Nation, and a small army of volunteers, we were able to collect hundreds of items yesterday morning to benefit Watauga Animal Control and the Community Enrichment Center. In addition, our hard-working crew picked up several bags of trash, and painted rocks to beautify our campus. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Keller ISD Big Event. You made a positive difference!









Our busy month continues this week, starting with a once-in-a-lifetime total solar eclipse tomorrow afternoon. Please note that *our campus office will be closed from 1:30-2:00 p.m. tomorrow, and students will not be available for dismissal at that time.* If you plan to pick up your child for an early release, you must do so by 1:15 p.m., otherwise you will be required to wait until our office reopens at 2:00 p.m. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we ensure all students and staff can enjoy this rare event.

As you'll see below, our PTA is hosting Science Night this Wednesday evening, our Play It Safe presentations are continuing, and we have a couple of field trips toward the end of the week. Thank you for staying up to speed with everything happening at Parkwood Hill, 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



Congratulations Heshima!

The stags have leapt ahead! Students in the House of Respect will pick a reward from the Prize Cart this week!

SAVE THE DATE

April

8 – Campus Office Closed 1:30-2:00 p.m. During Solar Eclipse Event

8 – Total Solar Eclipse Event ([See Flyer Here](#))

10 – Fifth-Grade “Play it Safe” Presentations ([Details Here](#))

10 – Science Night! Sponsored by Parkwood Hill PTA, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at PHIS ([Flyer Here](#))

11 – Fifth-Grade “Play it Safe” Presentations ([Details Here](#))

11 – Band Field Trip – Epic Waters Music Festival, Epic Waters Waterpark in Grand Prairie

12 – Unified Champion Schools Inclusive Prom Fashion Show at Central HS

13 – Charger Orchestra Solo & Ensemble Contest at Timber Creek HS

16-17 – Primary STAAR Testing Dates ~ Campus Closed to Visitors

16 – STAAR Testing Date – 5th Grade Reading – Campus Closed to All Visitors

17 – STAAR Testing Date – 6th Grade Reading – Campus Closed to All Visitors

18 – STAAR Testing Date – Reading Make-up Testing

19 – STAAR Testing Date – Reading Make-up Testing

19 – Unified Champion Schools Spring Extravaganza at Central HS

NEW! 19 – Feeder Pattern Night with Charger Baseball, 7:00 p.m. at Central HS
([Details Here](#))

20 – Choir Solo Contest at Hillwood MS

20 – Bell’s Music Instrument Drive, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria

22 – Central Stage Theatre at PHIS Presents 6th Grade Class Plays, 6:30 p.m. at PHIS

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24 – Primary STAAR Testing Date ~ Campus Closed to Visitors

24 – STAAR Testing Date – 5th Grade Science – Campus Closed to All Visitors

25 – STAAR Testing Date – Science Make-up Testing

26 – STAAR Testing Date – Science Make-up Testing

26 – Family Movie Night Featuring In-N-Out Burger Truck, Sponsored by PHIS PTA,
5:30-8:00 p.m. at PHIS

30-May 1 – Primary STAAR Testing Dates ~ Campus Closed to Visitors

30 – STAAR Testing Date – 5th Grade Math – Campus Closed to All Visitors

May 1 – STAAR Testing Date – 6th Grade Math – Campus Closed to All Visitors

LOOK AT THE WEEK AHEAD

Daily

Order a 2023-2024 Yearbook! – Our Parkwood Hill PTA is still accepting orders for our 2023-2024 yearbook. Visit <https://www.phispta.org/yearbook> to order today!

Review & Return “Play It Safe” Form – Schools are required to provide personal safety lessons to educate students on preventing child abuse and family violence as part of a comprehensive school counseling program. Parkwood Hill partners with The Women’s Center of Tarrant County to provide evidence-based, age-appropriate "Play it Safe" lessons. Please [CLICK HERE](#) for more information, and for instructions regarding how you may opt-in or opt-out your child. You may also submit your opt-in or opt-out decision electronically by [CLICKING HERE](#).

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

Monday, April 8

Campus Office Closed, 1:30-2:00 p.m. – Our school office will be closed from 1:30-2:00 p.m. this Monday so all students and staff can participate in the solar eclipse event. *No students will be dismissed during this time.* If you wish to pick up your child for early release on Monday, please do so by 1:15 p.m.; otherwise, you will be required to wait until the office reopens at 2:00 p.m.

Total Solar Eclipse Event, 1:30-2:00 p.m. – All students will be provided with ISO-certified solar eclipse glasses, and will have the opportunity to view the total solar eclipse (weather permitting). Any student whose parent submitted an opt-out form will remain inside, and will be supervised by a staff member. [See flyer here.](#)

Wednesday, April 10

Fifth Grade “Play it Safe” Presentations – The Women's Center of Tarrant County will be presenting the "Play it Safe" program to fifth-grade students during the school day on April 10 and 11. The purpose of this personal safety presentation is

to provide students with information and practical skills to reduce their risk of being in dangerous and/or abusive situations. If you have not completed and returned the [paper-based permission form](#) to let us know your student **will** or **will not** be participating in Play it Safe, [please CLICK HERE to let us know your wishes electronically](#).

Science Night, Presented by PTA, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria – Dads and science enthusiasts are invited to tinker and complete experiments at school this Wednesday night. We'll have **FREE** pizza and supply everything you need to participate. In addition, students and staff from the Keller Center for Advanced Learning (KCAL) will be on hand to demonstrate their robots! Please [RSVP HERE to let us know you're coming!](#)

Thursday, April 11

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KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE

IMPORTANT Severe Weather Season is Here – With the arrival of Spring, thunderstorms are likely to affect our afternoon dismissal, and we want all families, students, and staff to be weather aware. As you know, the safety of our students is our top priority; therefore, 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, [please click here](#).

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Complete Required Spring Immunizations (6th Graders) – Texas state law requires students entering 7th grade have the following immunizations: TDaP booster and Meningitis vaccination. Please make sure your sixth grader is up to date on these required shots.

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

NEEDED Donate New Boys Underwear or New & Gently Used Pants/Shirts – Our nurse's clinic needs brand new, unopened packages of boys' underwear, as well as new or gently-used pants and shorts for boys and girls. If you have items of clothing you're willing to donate, we would love to receive them in our campus

office, care of Nurse Liz. If you have questions, please email Elizabeth.Leong@KellerISD.net, or call (817) 744-4020. Thank you for giving!

Join our 2024-2025 Parkwood Hill Intermediate PTA Board! – Our Parkwood Hill PTA is committed to connecting our community, our school, and our families to build a greater future for the kids we serve. If you're ready to partner with us to make a positive difference in the lives of our Chargers, [CLICK HERE to share your interest](#).

“Save the Dates” for STAAR Testing – In Texas, each school now selects the dates their Grade 3-8 students will participate in state testing (STAAR), so dates vary from school to school. Below, please note the primary test dates that students at Parkwood Hill Intermediate will participate in state testing this spring. We want our kids to have the best opportunity to shine while demonstrating the academic growth they've made this year, so please ensure your child is especially encouraged, well rested, and has had a healthy breakfast on the following days:

APRIL 16 – 5th Grade Reading STAAR

APRIL 17 – 6th Grade Reading STAAR

APRIL 24 – 5th Grade Science STAAR

APRIL 30 – 5th Grade Math STAAR

MAY 1 – 6th Grade Math STAAR

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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