



Highland Park Herald

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Bulldogs Rock!

Dear Highland Park Elementary Families,

I am writing to share with you a new opportunity for me to lead Northwest Elementary. Although this is exciting for me professionally, I am saddened at the prospect of leaving my Bulldog family here at HPES.

I am happy that although I will be at another campus, I will still have the opportunity to passionately serve our great PfitISD students. I will continue to be here at Highland Park as much as possible, and plan to split my time with Northwest Elementary through the end of the school year.

I know the district will work diligently to find a wonderful principal to lead Highland Park for the next school year and continue the great work I see happening at HPES every day.

The last seven years here at Highland Park have been some of my fondest in my educational career and I will always be a part of the Highland Park family in my heart.

Highland Park! Bulldogs, WOOF!

Tana Ruckel
Principal

A B Cs Of Student Success

U is for UNIQUE.

It sounds cliché, but it's true -- your child is unique, unlike anyone else!

- Oprah once mentioned that parents should "light up" when their child walks into a room. How special is that?
- Let your child know what you appreciate about him. Point out his or her special accomplishments and talents.
- Nurture your child's special interests by providing related experiences and books.
- Spend time with others who share your appreciation of your child's uniqueness.

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PTO News

Join the team! PTO is looking for board members and Committee Chairs for the 2019-2020 school year!

Don't forget to join us at **Chipotle on April 30 from 4:00-8:00 p.m.** for Spirit Night!

ATTENDANCE - Remember if your child has not attended 90% of the instructional days, it is state law that they be considered for retained.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Apr. 24 - Seussical the Musical Performance 6:30 p.m.
- Apr. 26 - Dia del niño
- Apr. 26 - Pre-K Field Trip Austin Aquarium
- Apr. 26 - Pfit Pfamilies - Active April
- Apr. 29 - 5th Math and Reading STAAR Scores expected
- Apr. 30 - Chipotle Spirit Night 4:00-8:00 p.m.
- May 2 - Spring Concert 2nd Grade & ASL Club 8:30 a.m.
- May 2 - Summer Volleyball Parent Meeting
- May 5 - Cinco de mayo
- May 6-10 - Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 7 - Tutu/Tie Tuesday
- May 8 - A+ Green Apple Deposit Day
- May 10 - Spirit Store open
- May 12 - Mother's Day
- May 13 - Kinder Field Trip
- May 13-15 - **STAAR** Test 3rd & 4th Math and Reading, 5th 2nd Admin Math and Reading, Science
- May 15 - 1st Grade Field Trip
- May 16 - Pfit Pfamilies Finish Line
- May 16 - PTO Meeting 7:00
- May 17 - 3rd Grade Field Trip
- May 17 - 4th Grade Field Trip
- May 17 - 5th Grade Dance
- May 17 - Kona Ice
- May 18 - Armed Forces day
- May 21 - 5th Grade Field Trip - Austin Parks and Pizza
- May 21 - 3rd Grade Field Trip
- May 22 - 3rd Grade Awards 8:30
- May 23 - Kinder Graduation 8:30
- May 23 - PPCD/Pegasus Awards 11:05
- May 23 - PALS Field Trip 11:15
- May 23 - 4th Grade Awards 1:30
- May 24 - 2nd Grade Awards 8:30
- May 24 - Pre-K Awards 1:45
- May 24 - Diversity Night 6:00
- May 27 - Memorial Day Holiday
- May 28 - 1st Grade Awards 8:00
- May 29 - 5th Grade Graduation 8:15
- May 29 - End of Year parties
- May 29 - CAAC meeting
- May 30 - Early release for students' last day 12:00
- June 1 - High School Graduations
- June 4 - 5th Grade 2nd Administration scores expected
- June 11 - 3rd & 4th Math, Reading & Writing Scores expected

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