

HHA Herald – Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Hi, this is Principal Hornbeck with your weekly HHA Herald. I hope this finds you and yours doing well. There is a Chat with Matt scheduled for tomorrow, Thursday November 19th at 3 pm. Please join me for a conversation about the state of our school and current events. These have been well attended this year and we try to answer all parent questions. Spanish language translation will be provided. Ms. Swann will post a link on our website at www.hha47.org. Meanwhile, we met our enrollment numbers and the per pupil went up about \$100 bucks so our budget for this year looks good. In other news, you will receive information through Bloomz about our annual NWEA reading and math test. This is not a high stakes test and will not be used for promotion or placement purposes. However, NWEA is a requirement of our charter contract with the district and we take it very seriously. We need your help. Once you know the test dates and times, please make sure your child is rested and ready. They should get a good night's sleep the night before and have breakfast. Your child should login as usual with the same link they always use. They should get settled and login a few minutes early to troubleshoot technology challenges before the test start time. Your child will have a test code that is provided by their teacher. Once they click on the website link that the teacher will provide and enter the test code, the student will simply follow the teacher's directions to complete the test. This is an independent test. Parents, please do not provide hints or help in answering the questions. The only help you may provide during the test is with technology that is not working. And this breaking news: Your child's 1st quarter report card is in the mail. Please congratulate and praise good grades and ask questions and provide support for grades that need to improve second quarter. The biggest problem we are seeing is incomplete work and work that is not submitted for grading. To discuss a grade, please send your child's teacher a message in Bloomz or by email. Finally, our puzzler for the week is tough. If you are running a marathon and you overtake the person in second position, what position are you in? Send your answer to me at principalhornbeck@hha47.org and I'll let you know if you are correct. Have a good evening and we'll talk next week.