

HAWKEYE



Dear Hacienda families,

Thanks to all of you who attended our Back to School Night! We had a great turnout, and what a wonderful way to kickoff off our HIPS Membership and

Giving Drive. Classrooms were filled with parents enthusiastically listening as teachers explained what students will be learning, what field trips they may take, and what curriculum they will use for instruction throughout the year.

HIPS is in the midst of our giving drive. Every year, parents and families make generous contributions that support art, music, science, and technology. I encourage all of you to join HIPS and contribute what you are able (no donation is too small). Thank you for your support! The membership drive will run through September 22nd.

Our newest staff members, Renee Anders (4th grade), and Katrina Griggs (5th grade) are settling in nicely, and getting to know our students and our school. We are fortunate to have them join our Hacienda community.

Students have taken the CPAA and the Achieve Level Set assessments. These are used as our beginning of the year assessments. The results from these are used by teachers to help inform their instruction and determine students' specific needs. If you have questions about how your child performed, you may reach out to the classroom teacher.

Fall is just around the corner, as is our Fall Break (October 2-6th). Fall Festival will be held the following week, on Friday, October 13th. With the warm weather we've been having, it sure feels like summer, rather than early Fall! Enjoy the beautiful weather while you can. 😊

Here's to another fabulous year at Hacienda.

Kind regards,

Carmen Loy
Hacienda Principal



2017 HIPS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE Have you seen our HIPS Membership mural near the office? Join HIPS and support our school! We still have plenty of room to add your family's names to the mural.

HIPS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE ENDS NEXT WEEK, FRIDAY 9/22

It's not too late! Turn in your forms by next week!

Thank you to all the families and staff who have already joined HIPS and donated to our annual membership drive fundraiser! This is HIPS' biggest fundraiser of the year. We try to raise as much money as we can in the beginning of the year to fund all of the fabulous HIPS-sponsored programs offered at Hacienda. These donations make programs such as Music, Science, Art Vistas, Recess 101, and Project Cornerstone possible. In addition, HIPS funds classroom technology improvements, instructional supplies & materials for our teachers, field trips, and much more. On average, HIPS spends at least

\$300 per student per school year. But donations of any amount are welcome. We need your support to keep our amazing school programs active!

Please return the completed Membership Drive form to your child's teacher by next Friday, 9/22 (only one form needed per family). Classes with at least 75% participation get a popsicle party, and classes with over 90% participation get a pizza and a popsicle party!

To maximize the contributions to HIPS, do not forget to check with your employer to see if they will match your donation. Many employers will

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Fall Festival 2017

Save-the-date:
Friday, October 13th
5:30-9:00pm

Welcome All Hacienda Families! One of Hacienda's biggest community events is coming and we need your help to make it a success! This is a great opportunity for you and your family to mingle with other Hacienda families and staff in a fun setting. The best way to get to know people and to feel like you are part of your school is to get involved! Don't miss this night of fun!

- Games
 - Face Painting
 - Prizes
 - Food
 - Cake / Pumpkin Walk
 - Glow Booth
 - Bake Sale
- And much more!

VOLUNTEERS

We welcome and appreciate all volunteers. To make this event run smoothly, we ask that ALL Hacienda families volunteer for at least ONE shift. 5th grade students may volunteer for game shifts along with their parent or guardian. Alumni, friends and extended family are welcome to

volunteer as well. High school and middle school students may volunteer and earn community service hours.

The online volunteer sign up will be on KONSTELLA. Be sure to download the app.

COME HAVE A GREAT TIME!

Many fun activities are planned for this year, including a giant inflatable slide, bounce houses, High Striker, face painting, haunted house, cake and pumpkin walk, the bake sale and the ever-popular glow booth and photo booth. Also, we are looking forward to having a delicious plate of homemade Hispanic food courtesy of our SELAC families! It's going to be awesome! Come early and stay for the whole event!

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Meet Your 2017-18 HIPS Board

Hacienda Involved Parents & Staff (HIPS) is a group of parents and staff working together to help our children get the best educational experience at Hacienda. Every Hacienda parent/guardian is considered a HIPS member. Some HIPS members are more active than others, and that's perfectly fine. Whether you're a stay-at-home parent or a working parent, there are plenty of ways to get involved. Please contact any of the board members with questions, concerns or suggestions.

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HIPS Powered by Volunteers

Ask one, Be one!!!



Welcome to the 2017-2018 school year!!! Muriel Mawdsley and Diana Wilson are excited to be your Volunteer Coordinators for this school year. We have been busy meeting families, recruiting for coordinator positions, collecting Parent Interest Forms, and planning out how we can best support staff and our Hacienda community. We wanted to try a new way to gather and survey the interests of our community, thus the Parent Interest Form was created. If you have not filled one out yet, please do so. They are located in the front office. Please feel free to contact us at our email Hipsvolunteervp@gmail.com. See you at school!



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Parents/Guardians: Studies show that parental involvement in a child's education is one of the most important factors in raising student self-esteem and academic achievement. Moreover, most experts agree that parental involvement should go beyond attendance at teacher conferences and open house.

We realize, however, that each of our families is unique - with its own priorities, needs, talents, and time constraints - and so we try to provide as many different kinds of opportunities for parental involvement as possible. Our request is to ask each family to volunteer 10 hours per school year. There are some jobs that do take more time, and some less. We even have jobs that don't require coming to school AT ALL! Please review the volunteer opportunities suggested below, and check any and all you are interested in - or tell us what you would like to do. There is something to fit everyone's time & talent!

I AM INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE			
GENERAL:	HELP FROM HOME:	FUNDRAISING:	SPECIAL EVENTS:
<input type="checkbox"/> Make copies or file	<input type="checkbox"/> Phoneing/Emailing	<input type="checkbox"/> Dinner Night Out	<input type="checkbox"/> Book Fair
<input type="checkbox"/> Library member	<input type="checkbox"/> Translation	<input type="checkbox"/> Help with the trees	<input type="checkbox"/> Movie Night
<input type="checkbox"/> Lunch duty	<input type="checkbox"/> Preparing materials	<input type="checkbox"/> Science Camp	<input type="checkbox"/> Fall Festival
<input type="checkbox"/> Monitor new family	<input type="checkbox"/> Marketing	<input type="checkbox"/> Sell's Candy	<input type="checkbox"/> Annual Holding Days
<input type="checkbox"/> Headmaster (Head/Desk)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> Classroom Help:	<input type="checkbox"/> Holiday Business
<input type="checkbox"/> PIST for staff/teacher		<input type="checkbox"/> Chaperone, field trip	<input type="checkbox"/> Star Party
<input type="checkbox"/> PARENT/SCHOOL:	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS:	<input type="checkbox"/> Assist with a party	<input type="checkbox"/> Art Night
<input type="checkbox"/> Facebook posts	<input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor work day	<input type="checkbox"/> Classroom activity	<input type="checkbox"/> Bank Day Celebration
<input type="checkbox"/> Website updates	<input type="checkbox"/> Pick up supplies	<input type="checkbox"/> Bulletin boards	<input type="checkbox"/> Going Native Tours
<input type="checkbox"/> CURRICULUM & ENRICHMENT:	<input type="checkbox"/> Wash towels	<input type="checkbox"/> Tutoring	<input type="checkbox"/> Spring Fling
<input type="checkbox"/> Art Shows	<input type="checkbox"/> Water garden beds	<input type="checkbox"/> Read to students	<input type="checkbox"/> Staff Appreciation
<input type="checkbox"/> Project Concessions		<input type="checkbox"/> Read Day	
<input type="checkbox"/> Events:			

I WILL BE A MORNING DROP OFF VOLUNTEER

8:25 am - 9:10 am: Set-up traffic cones, barriers & signs. Direct kids as they open car doors. Offer friendly reminders to parents about traffic rules.

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

I HAVE A UNIQUE TALENT OR SKILL THAT I'D LIKE TO SHARE (photographer, artist, graphic designer, gardener, etc.):

I HAVE ACCESS TO A UNIQUE RESOURCE THAT MIGHT BE A GREAT FIT FOR THE SCHOOLS (list):

The Days, Times and Types of Activities Best For Me Are: (Please check all that apply)

The School Day At School Weekends Evenings After School From Home Weekends

There are many opportunities for service at Hacienda, come work with us to find the one that best fits you.

Your name: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: Day () Evening () Check best time to contact you.

Please return this form to the front office. If you have questions please email Diana and Muriel, Volunteer Coordinators
#haciendafallfestival@gmail.com Thank you for your time year!!!

Current Volunteer Needs!!! (no experience required)

- Traffic & safety helpers at the drop off circle (M-F 8:25 am - 9:10 am)
- Art Vista docents in each classroom
- Project Cornerstone helpers in each classroom
- Sprouts helpers
- Fall Festival Prize Redemption Coordinator

Contact Muriel and Diana @ Hipsvolunteervp@gmail.com to help out.

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VOLUNTEER SHOUT-OUTS

Kinder Kick Off Team welcomed kinder families to Hacienda on August 12th. Thank you Ellin Payne and Mary Diridon Ormsby for coordinating this successful event. Students and parents/guardians got a chance to meet their kinder teachers, learn about the school, hold animals, do an art project, get a taste of our music program, get to know each other, and talk with veteran families. Thank you to our amazing kinder teachers: Mrs. Hollenbeck, Mrs. Lombardo, Mrs. Wickersham, and Ms. Burgess for giving their time to acclimate our new families. Our fabulous music teachers Mrs. Ulrich and Mrs. Thompson gave time to instill the love of music in our new kinder kiddos. Mrs. Weissshahn, our kinder Science teacher and Mrs. Deckert our Science Assistant spent the time getting to know the families and introducing them to our fantastic science program. Thank you Susan Herrera and all her helpers for bringing the animals and making sure the kinder students got to hold and learn about some of our animals here at Hacienda. Thank you Vicky Kossayian for helping out with the science station. Thank you Mrs. Loy and the HIPS board for being available to answer questions, help with stations, talk with new families about our phenomenal school.

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Through our Community Giving Program, we will make a \$500 donation to HIPS for every loan I provide to friends and family of Hacienda Elementary! We offer highly competitive rates and exceptional service. Please call us today - we'd love to help you with any of your mortgage needs!



Science Lab Notes

BY MS. AUDRA DECKERT,
SCIENCE PROGRAM ASSISTANT

Our year has gotten off to a great start in the Science Department! All grades have had their first science classes already and 1st through 5th grade have jumped right into learning about landfills and how they affect our environment. 3rd through 5th grade got to do a Landfill Engineering project, which required them to work as a team to engineer a landfill that could withstand as many rainstorms as possible. Ask them to tell you about **leachate!** 1st and 2nd grade got to participate in making a landfill in a bottle and seeing how things are layered precisely to contain all the waste. A number of kids have expressed interest in doing this activity at home, so here is the link to the website that explains it: <http://www.shareitscience.com/2017/03/storybook-science-garbage-barge-landfill-model.html>

Kindergarten students have been learning what good science students do while experiencing a fun and engaging lesson with meeting some animals from our science lab!

For those of you who haven't heard, our Sprouts gardening program is now part of the regular science curriculum. We're well on our way to finishing the first lesson for all the grades. This lesson focuses on the soil and it's importance to our gardens. Ask your student what they learned about soil in science!

Some of the best quotes from Science this month:

- When dismantling their landfill, a third grader: "I know why it failed!! The straw got clogged up and didn't allow the leachate to drain through! Next time we should use something else."
- While assembling the landfill in a bottle, one first grader said, "So the leachate is "garbage juice"?! Ewwww!"



FIRST OUTDOOR WORKDAY: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Save the date for this school year's first outdoor workday on Saturday, September 23rd. We are so blessed at Hacienda to have our beautiful outdoor science classroom. But we need your help to maintain our outdoor classroom. Here is the schedule for the day:

- 9:30-12:00 = Work time (Please arrive by 11:00.)
- 12:00-1:00 = Lunchtime snacks
- 12:30-1:30 = Crayfishing (for students who worked an hour or more)
- 1:30-2:00 = Clean up

- All children must bring a supervising adult to work alongside them.
- Come to work for as long or as short as you like. We recommend younger students come for just an hour. See timeframes above.
- **Wear sunscreen and work clothes that can get dirty.**



HIPS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE...

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match employee donations. If you have any questions, email Rob Kossayan at HIPSTreasurer@gmail.com

We are grateful for all donations and hope that all Hacienda families will join HIPS to support of our children's education. Contact the Membership Team at hpsmembership@gmail.com for more information.

Mark Your Calendar

Mark Your Calendar dates are collected two weeks in advance of publication. Submit dates for publication by email to newsletterhacienda@gmail.com. Entries may be edited for length and/or clarity.

SEPTEMBER 15

Movie Night – Concessions open at 6:30 p.m. "Moana" movie starts playing at 7:30 p.m. Blacktop near Kinder classrooms.

SEPTEMBER 19

HIPS Meeting: 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Free childcare.

SEPTEMBER 22

Last day of HIPS Membership Drive!
Please turn in form to child's teacher.

SEPTEMBER 23

Outdoor Workday: 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
See Science Lab Notes for details.

OCTOBER 2-6

Fall Break – NO SCHOOL

OCTOBER 13

Fall Festival – 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.