

Hello Hoover Huskies!

**Remember – there is no school tomorrow (Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>). We will see everyone back in school on Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup>!**

### Hoover School Calendar

The Hoover School Calendar is on google and can be found at: <https://hoover.csd509j.net/school/calendar/>. This is a great way to stay current on the activities happening in our school. Please bookmark this link so you can check it at any time.

#### **Upcoming Dates to make note of include:**

- **Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>** **NO SCHOOL – end of semester / grading day**
- Monday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> (-Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>) Read-a-Thon: this is the window for students to collect their pledges/money from their sponsors and return it to the school
- Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> Walk & Bike to School Day (try and get to school “under your own steam”)
- Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> Hearing Screenings for all Kdg/1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> grade students (in the morning)
- Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> Monthly Tasting Table for students at lunch time. Harvest of the month is potatoes.
- **Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>** **Semester 1 Report Cards for all students will go home today (check your child’s backpack!)**
- Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> Hoover Post Office for Students and Families (look for more information coming soon!)
- Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> HPTO Meeting in the Media Center from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> OBOB Practice Battles (throughout the day)
- Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> OBOB Main Competition (throughout the day)
- Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> OBOB Championship Round, in the gym, at 8:30 a.m.
- Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> All-School Assembly with the Wildlife Safari Animal Ambassadors at 10:10 a.m.
- **Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>** **NO SCHOOL – President’s Day Holiday**
- Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> HPTO Read-a-Thon Wrap Up Celebration today (time TBD)
- Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> Kdg & 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Kelso and CPS Parent Night from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.(look for more information coming home in February)

### Oregon Battle of the Books – Helpers Needed!

It's that time of year again, OBOB season! We are gearing up for our school-wide OBOB battles on February 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, and we need your help! **We need volunteers who can help keep time, run battles, keep score, and help students arrive at their battles on time.** Please help us to make this a fun and exciting time for our students by signing up on the link below to help us out:

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/5080A4CACAD2CA3F58-oregon](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/5080A4CACAD2CA3F58-oregon)

### HPTO Read-a-Thon: Time to Start Collecting Your Pledges!

Please encourage your student(s) to continue tracking his/her reading over the long weekend. The Reading Week ends on Sunday (Feb. 4) and that is still enough time to get in a lot of minutes of reading! Remember that there are classroom prizes for the most minutes read as well as individual prizes, so all students should be tracking minutes on their Read-A-Thon bookmark!

Pledge collection begins on Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup> and continues through Friday February 16<sup>th</sup>. Please have your student(s) return the read-a-thon packet (with their reading bookmark and any pledges they collected) by February 16<sup>th</sup>.

Questions or need a bookmark replacement? Contact Patricia Sterns at [pssterns@icloud.com](mailto:pssterns@icloud.com).

### **Soccer Camp at Hoover on Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**

On Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, Hoover is partnering with the Corvallis Soccer Club to hold two half-day soccer camps on-site at Hoover School. **These half-day soccer camps (one camp for Kdg-2<sup>nd</sup> grade in the morning and one camp for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade in the afternoon) are FREE for the first 35 students who register for each camp.** You can only register your child into the camp directed for their grade level. Please see the attached flier for more information and to learn how to register!

Note: Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, is a no-school day due to Parent-Teacher conferences.

### **Hoover Post Office Kicks Off Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>!**

Hoover's annual school post office starts Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, and will run through Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The Hoover Post Office is a great opportunity for students to use their writing skills and send postcards throughout the school.

Each classroom has a mailbox that students will use to send and receive their mail. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students from Mrs. Babbel's, Mrs. Criscione's and Mrs. Perdue's classes will be our mail carriers and will pick-up and deliver the mail each day. Student Office Helpers (part of 5<sup>th</sup> grade leadership) will be the postmasters sorting the mail each day.

Parents and other family members are encouraged to drop by the table in the front lobby of the school to write a postcard to their child. All materials needed (postcards, school addresses, and stamps) will be at the table for your use.

- Write a letter to your child (all materials are available at the table in the lobby).
- Look up your child's classroom "address" in the post office directory on the table in the lobby. Be sure to address the letter correctly.
- Put a stamp on your letter (stamps and glue sticks are on the table for your use).
- Put your completed letter in the mailbox for our mail carriers to pick up.

The Hoover Post Office is a very exciting time here at school. We hope you get a chance to stop by the school, write your child a postcard, and enjoy it with us.

**There is no cost for participating in the school's post office.**

### Hearing Screenings

On Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, the Linn Benton Lincoln ESD Audiologists will be conducting Hearing Screenings on all Hoover Kinders, 1<sup>st</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders. Classes will go one at a time to the Media Center that morning and the screening usually takes just a minute or two per student. Students that are absent or do not pass the hearing test the first time will be re-screened on Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Families will be contacted by Hoover's Speech Pathologist if their student does not do well on the hearing screening.

If you have any questions, please contact the office.

### February Tasting Tables Featuring Potatoes

Mark your calendars! This month at Tasting Tables (on Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, at Hoover) our will have the chance to try locally-grown potatoes! Volunteers at each school will be handing out samples of Rainbow Roasted Potato Salad at the Tasting Table in the cafeteria. Be sure to ask your child how she/he liked it! These potatoes were grown right here in Corvallis at Denison Farms!

If you'd like to learn more about Oregon Grown Potatoes, check out the Family Newsletter here:

[http://www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/childnutrition/F2S/Documents/Potatoes\\_9\\_Monthly\\_eng.pdf](http://www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/childnutrition/F2S/Documents/Potatoes_9_Monthly_eng.pdf)

### Volunteering at Corvallis Schools

If you want to volunteer at a Corvallis School – or if your volunteer status for Corvallis Schools has expired – or you need to update information on your existing volunteer application - please go to the Volunteer Home Access Page on the district website where you can set up your own account, get your volunteer clearance, and manage your information.

<https://www.csd509j.net/students-parents/volunteer/>. *You will receive a confirmation email when your application is successfully processed (please note it takes a little bit longer at the beginning of the school year).* **Please note that volunteering includes attending fieldtrips with your child's classroom. Please sign up to volunteer today so that the clearance is in place in case you need it!**

### Before School Supervision Opens at 7:40 a.m.

Before School Supervision starts each morning at 7:40 a.m. As a courtesy to our families, this no-cost childcare is available in the Hoover gym. Please do NOT drop your child off at Hoover School prior to 7:40 a.m. We do not have any one on staff to supervise your child before this time.

**Any students arriving on campus after 7:40 a.m. but prior to classroom doors opening at 8:10 a.m. are required to report to the gym for supervision.**

### School Bus Registration

Bus transportation is provided to and from school from designated stops within the Hoover Elementary attendance area as well as to the Boys and Girls Club after school. If your child will be riding a bus, you must register at the following link: <https://www.csd509j.net/departments/student-transportation/bus-routes/>

### **Friday E-Folder**

Community flyers are now shared on the Corvallis School District website! Families are invited to learn about community events and opportunities each Friday at::

<https://www.csd509j.net/departments/communications/community-flyers/>.



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