

Hello Hoover Huskies!

It has been a wonderful week here at Hoover, and we hope it has been great for you as well. **We have just four days of school left before Winter Break begins.** Have a great weekend and we will see you on Monday!

### 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, December 22<sup>nd</sup>** **NO SCHOOL – Winter Vacation begins**
- **Mon. Dec. 25 – Fri., Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>** **NO SCHOOL – Winter Vacation**
- **Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>** **SCHOOL RESUMES – 1<sup>st</sup> Day Back to School**  
**After Winter Break**
- Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> Monthly Walk & Bike to School Day – get to school under your own steam!
- **Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>** **HPTO Read-a-Thon Kicks Off Today!** (look for more information coming home soon)
- **Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>** **NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday**
- Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir kicks off – will be meeting weekly afterschool (see Mrs. Epperley for more information)
- Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> HPTO Meeting in the Media Center from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- **Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>** **K/1<sup>st</sup> Buddy Up! Literacy Night in the Media Center** from 6:00-7:00 p.m. (look for more information coming home soon)
- **Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>** **2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Fine Arts Night in the Hoover Gym** from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- **Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>** **NO SCHOOL (but may be possible weather**  
**make-up day if needed)**
- **Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>** **NO SCHOOL – end of semester / grading day**

### Winter Spirit Week Monday 12/18 – Thursday 12/21

For our last week of school before Winter Break, we want to have some fun and show a little extra school spirit together!

With that in mind, we are having a week of Spirit Dress Up Days for the winter season all next week (Monday 12/18 – Thursday 12/21).

- **Monday: Winter Weather Gear – It's been cold out, so grab those fun/silly/crazy hats and scarves and bundle up!**
- **Tuesday: Candy Cane Day – Wear red & white**
- **Wednesday: Pajama Day – Stay cozy in your winter pajamas all day long.**
- **Thursday: Holiday/Winter Sweaters – Ugly or not, it's time to put on your seasonal sweaters and celebrate the last day of school before Winter Break.**

Please join us and enjoy some winter spirit day fun!

## Corvallis School Board Meeting

Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, will be the next School Board meeting. The informational packet is now available on the web and may be accessed via this link: <https://v3.boardbook.org/Public/PublicHome.aspx?ak=1000829>.

## School Delays and Cancellations due to Inclement Weather

### **How We Decide to Delay or Cancel School**

The safety of students is our primary consideration. In any situation where safety is a concern, the superintendent consults with district staff and/or regional agencies to make informed decisions regarding risk factors. Safety considerations include:

- student drivers, student access to bus stops, students walking to/from school and all other aspects of transporting students to and from school
- the suitability of our facilities for occupation, as well as the condition of local infrastructure

It is important to remember that the school year calendar includes nine possible weather make up days including December 22, January 26, February 19, March 16, and June 18-22. **The December 22 date will be used as a make-up day only if we have a school cancellation day on or before December 8.**

### **How We Communicate School Delays or Cancellation**

In the event of the decision to delay or cancel school, an alert will immediately be shared via the district website, the FlashAlert newswire, and social media. Parents and guardians will be notified through a School Messenger automated call, typically at 6:00 am or 7:00 pm depending on area weather conditions.

In the event of a school emergency, please do not call the school. We will relay information to parents/guardians as soon as possible. Emergency updates are recorded on the district emergency hotline at 541-757-4555. Our goal is to respond quickly in order to minimize the impact of an emergency situation and to provide accurate information to parents and if necessary, emergency personnel. For community public safety messages we recommend opting-in to the Linn-Benton Alert Notification System. More details are available on the Benton County website at: <https://www.co.benton.or.us/sheriff/page/emergency-alert>

### **How We Communicate about Snow Routes for Buses**

For most schools, one or more bus routes follow alternative snow routes during inclement weather. Paper copies of individual bus snow routes will be given to student bus riders in the next week. Snow routes are also available on the district website.

In the event that buses are on snow routes, the district will share that information via the district website, the FlashAlert newswire, and social media.

If you have any questions about Corvallis School District communications, please send an email to [communications@corvallis.k12.or.us](mailto:communications@corvallis.k12.or.us).

## 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/>.