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WELCOME TO ANOTHER EDITION OF THE HUSKY HERALD FOR  
2021-2022, YOUR SOURCE FOR EVERYTHING HYER!

## HUSKY HAPPENINGS

**August 26:** Dads Club Social at 5:00 PM

**August 27:** Hyer's Family Underwriting Campaign  
Ends / Late BSSU ends

**September 1:** Room Parent Orientation at 8:15 AM in  
the Hyer Cafetorium

**September 6:** Student Holiday (Labor Day)

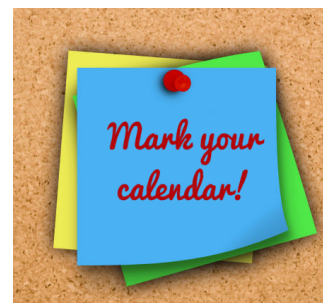
**September 7:** PTA Coffee Talk "All Things Hyer" Q&A  
with Ms. Burt and Ms. Thompson at 8:15 AM in the  
Hyer Cafetorium

**September 9:** Curriculum Night (Parents Only) and Teacher/Staff Appreciation  
Dinner

**September 15:** Dads Club Kindergarten Dads Social from 5:30-7:00 PM

**September 16:** Hyer Moms Night Out from 7:00-10:00 PM, Mimi's Pizzeria  
Restaurant Day

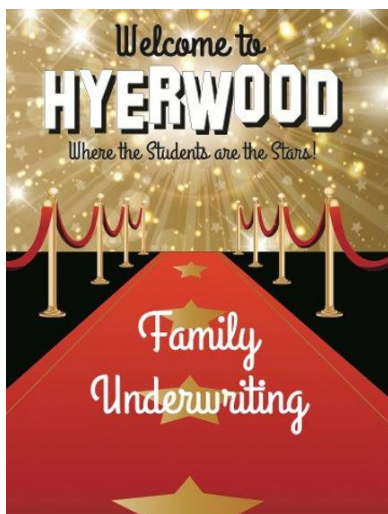
**September 17:** Early Release at 1:00 PM



## WELCOME NEWCOMERS!



## **FAMILY UNDERWRITING CAMPAIGN ENDS FRIDAY!**



This is the final week to support Hyer's Family Underwriting Campaign, which raises vital funds for students, teachers and staff at Hyer! Through fundraising events and our Family Underwriting Campaign, the Hyer PTA must raise over \$650,000 annually to support our school. Please consider contributing. Thank you for your generous support!

[Why does the PTA fundraise and where do the dollars go?](#)

[Click here to view the Brochure and Benefits for families who donate!](#)

Thank you for considering how you may be able to support Hyer this year through Family Underwriting. Click [HERE](#) to participate online. Please contact [Leslie Carroll](#) with questions.

**The deadline for family recognition is this Friday!**

**CALLING ALL PARENTS - THE HYER PTA NEEDS YOU!**

We have a position available on the 2021-2022 PTA Board for Cafeteria Volunteer Chair-Elect. This is a two-year role; you will transition into Cafeteria Volunteer Chair for the 2022-2023 school year. This is a wonderful opportunity to jump right into the PTA and work with a terrific group of parents. Responsibilities include:



- assisting the Cafeteria Volunteer Chair as needed
- serving on an as-needed basis in the Cafeteria when there is a shortage of volunteers throughout the year
- serving on the Cafeteria Committee

This is a great chance to work with teachers and parents, and to interact with students! Please reach out to [Kristin Evans](#) with any questions.

## WELCOME TO SIGNUP.COM - HYER'S NEW VOLUNTEER SCHEDULING PROGRAM!



Hyer is rolling out the red carpet for an all-new web-based volunteer scheduling program, [Signup.com](#), that will replace Volunteer Scheduler Pro (VSP). This new software promises to make creating, signing up for, and managing school volunteer opportunities easier and more convenient! From cafeteria volunteer and teacher workroom shifts to class parties and PTA events, [Signup.com](#) will be the go-to spot for managing shifts.

Volunteers will be able to sign up for shifts in various ways, depending on the opportunity; for private events (such as class specific parties) volunteers may be sent an email invitation; for general school-wide events there may be an event specific volunteer link in the Husky Herald or on the PTA website.

Volunteers will not be required to create an account or download an app to sign up for and manage a shift – they will click through the emailed invitation or click on the event volunteer link, provide an email address, and sign up! Volunteers can access their activities through their confirmation Signup.com email, or by going to [Signup.com](#), clicking “Find My Signup”, and entering their email address. It is that simple!

Want text reminders of your volunteer shifts? When signing up for a new activity be sure to click “get text reminders”!

The image shows a sign-up form with the following fields and options:

- Name \***: Amara Sterling
- # of Spots \***: 1
- Email**: parenthelper3@yahoo.com
- Phone \***: 213-555-1212
- Get text reminders (US only. Msg & data rates may apply)

A red arrow points to the checkbox for text reminders.

Have a volunteer opportunity you need filled? All new SignUps will be created in coordination with the Volunteer Software Chair [Koren McGinnis](#).

## HYER DADS CLUB UPDATES



It's not too late to join the Hyer Dads Club and be a part of a year of fun with your kids! Please click [HERE](#) to sign up for 2021-2022!

Join the Dad's Club this Thursday at The Meat Shop to pre-game for the Scots opener against Southlake at AT&T

Stadium. Beverages from 3 Nations Brewing and appetizers from The Meat Shop will be served from 4:30 to 6:30 PM (note that we moved up this time for the game). The event is FREE, but click [HERE](#) to RSVP and help us manage the food counts.

### Calling All Dad Cafeteria Volunteers

Come join your fellow Hyer Dads Club fathers in serving lunch to our kiddos at Hyer Elementary this year! This is a wonderful opportunity to serve your Hyer staff (and kiddos literally) in a meaningful and fun way. The Dads Club members take charge of the first Thursday of every month and the time slot is 10:25 AM to 1:00 PM. Please use the sign-up genius link [HERE](#) to register for times throughout the first half of the 2021-2022 school year. Spots fill up quickly, so sign up today!!!

### Calling all Kindergarten Dads!

Please join us on Wednesday, September 15th from 5:30 to 7:00 pm (note that this date moved on the calendar) for a Kindergarten Dads Happy Hour to meet the guys that you will hang with for the next five Hyer years. The Passmore's at 4112 Stanford Avenue are hosting. Please RSVP [HERE](#).

### Dad Carpool Signups

Dads are responsible for running Hyer carpool, with two guys each on the Caruth and Colgate entrances every morning. Look out for emails this week from your Room Dads to sign up for your shifts!

## HYER MOMS' NIGHT OUT COMING SOON!

**A Night Under the Hyerwood Stars -  
University Park 75225**

**Thursday, September 16, 2021  
7:00 - 10:00 pm**



The kiddos are back in school and it's time to party at Hyer Moms' Night Out. This exciting evening at the Owens' home will include champagne & charcuterie boats. You may purchase tickets [HERE](#). If you have any questions, please contact [Jill Harvey](#), Moms' Night Out Chair.

**Thank you to our Moms' Night Out sponsor, Lisa Henderson Interiors!**

*Lisa Henderson*  
**INTERIORS**

## LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTION - HYERWOOD



**7 PM on October 15, 2021  
The Dallas Country Club**

Sponsorships are a wonderful way to support the Hyer Auction and have your family name/business recognized at the event and in the program. Dinner sponsor, party favor sponsor, dessert sponsor, late night snack sponsor and flip flop sponsor are a few up for grabs! Unlimited \$500 sponsorship spots include your two auction tickets and program recognition. Contact Auction Co-Chairs [Joanne Gates](#) or [Amy McEvoy](#) to secure your spot today!

We can't wait to reveal the trips, art, dining and family experiences the auction team has worked so hard all summer securing! If you would like to contribute by donating an item, please contact Solicitations Co-Chairs [Amy Passmore](#) or [Chelsea Hunt](#).

Be sure to follow [@hyer\\_auction](#) on Instagram for Hyerwood updates and giveaways!

## **WATER BOTTLES**

Water fountains will not be available for use during the school year. Please make sure your student(s) brings a refillable water bottle from home. Bottle filling stations will be available for use throughout the school day.



## THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS! PLAN AHEAD AND BUDDY UP WITH A SUB



Thank you so much to our 300 volunteers! We are very grateful to everyone who signed up for a second shift. It's thanks to you that we're able to keep our cafeteria running efficiently and our hungry kiddos happy!

Please remember that it is your responsibility to find a sub and let the Day Captain know when you are not able to attend cafeteria duty. Given the current challenges, we recommend that you plan ahead and find a partner who is able to cover for you if you are unable to fill your shift. Remember to be considerate of your team members!

Please contact [Erika Kohl](#), Hyer Cafeteria Volunteer Chair, with any questions.

## HYER CAFETERIA NEWS!

### Visitor and Birthday Policy

Hyer will have tables inside as well as outside, in Balto's Courtyard, if you would like to have lunch with your student during their lunch period. **We ask that you wait until September 13 to join your child for lunch so our students have an opportunity to learn the procedures in our cafeteria and connect with their classmates and new friends.** If your child has a birthday before September 13, we are happy to make an exception so you can join him/her for lunch on his/her birthday.



There are visitor-specific tables for parents who would like to eat lunch with their children. We kindly ask that parents not sit at class tables due to limited seating and student privacy. Please remember that Kindergarten through 3rd grade students can invite ONE student friend to have lunch with them and their parent guest. Fourth graders may invite TWO student friends to join them for

lunch. Please adhere to these guidelines so as not to cause hurt feelings.

We celebrate every child's birthday with special recognition on the morning announcements and in the classroom. Because of food allergies and nutritional guidelines, parents are asked not to bring birthday treats to distribute to other students in the class, either in the classroom or in the cafeteria.

### Lunch Selection and Menu Options

Students in grades Kindergarten and 1st will have the option to buy either a hot or cold lunch each day. Students in grades 2nd - 4th will have the option to purchase items à la carte. Meat, vegetables, salads, sandwiches, fruits, milk, and juices are available each day.

About 15 minutes after the beginning of the lunch period, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade students are allowed to purchase ice cream for dessert. Kindergarten and 1st grade students are allowed to purchase ice cream for dessert on Fridays only. Second grade students can purchase ice cream on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Third and fourth grade students may purchase ice cream on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Menus are available [HERE](#).

Students are not required to purchase lunch from the cafeteria and may bring a lunch from home.

### Questions

Questions may be directed to [Margaret Kelley](#), Cafeteria Finance Chair, [Erika Kohl](#), Cafeteria Volunteer Chair, or [Donna Stacy](#), Cafeteria Manager.

## CALLING ALL FOOTBALL FANS!

Huge Highland Park Crowds inspired our Scots to play great football throughout the 2020 season! The Scots need that same Highland Park fan support this Thursday, August 26 when they play 6A Southlake Carroll in the best opening season matchup in the nation televised on ESPN U!

- **Location:** AT&T Stadium
- **Date:** Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup>
- **Time:** 7:00 P.M.
- **Tickets:** \$15 Online (Plus Fees) thru Wednesday August 25<sup>th</sup>.





\$20 Online on Game Day

- **Parking:** \$20 Credit Card/Mobile Pay Per Car (Lots 5, 6, 7, 11). Parking lots will open at 5:30 P.M. Stadium doors (Gate C or H) will open at 6:00 P.M.
- **Other Info:** Scots are the visiting team (white jerseys); fans will sit on the south sideline

Click [HERE](#) to purchase tickets. Tickets will not be sold at the HPIISD Athletic Office. Click [HERE](#) to review the AT&T bag policy and other stadium policies.

**GO SCOTS!**



**Husky Helpers are working doggedly to start the year right!**

To **Kristin Evans**, our Fearless Leader, for doing such a great job making sure our first day in Hyerwood was star-studded and special for our kids, teachers and staffs. Thank you for working tirelessly – we are so thankful for you!!

To all the **Hyer families** who came to Meet the Teacher and helped us navigate a successful First Week of School. It was so nice to see our cheerful families back together in our Husky home.

To our **Hyer staff** and **teachers** who have worked so hard to make the first week of school a success!

To our Husky Shop Chair, **Lisa Leet** -- we are so grateful for your creativity. Thank you for designing and ordering fabulous inventory for our Husky Shop! Special thanks to **Jill Morrison, Allyn Waid, Jen Hinze** and **Joanne Gates** for helping run our Meet the Teacher Pop-Up Shop and helping our Huskies get all their back-to-school Hyer swag.

To **Cafeteria Manager Donna Stacey** and **PTA Officers Margaret Kelley** and **Erika Kohl** for their diligence in preparing the cafeteria and staffing our volunteers for the year. We had a wonderful and smooth transition this week.

To our Dads Club President, **Doug Kelley** -- we appreciate your time over the summer forming the 2021-2022 Dads Club Board, recruiting volunteers, and planning events for the year! Thank you for partnering with our school and our PTA!

To our HPA President, **Brittany Graft**, for all she has done over the summer to recruit a fabulous HPA

Board, create a new organization and structure for the HPA, and plan events for the upcoming year. We love our baby Huskies-to-be!

To our wonderful treasurers, **Jen Hinze** and **Allyn Waid** -- we value your expertise and trusted guidance always and appreciate your continual attention to details over the summer months.

To our Faculty Support & Outreach Officer, **Amanda Hamilton**, and our Newcomers Chair, **Brittany Hunt**, for all they have done to welcome our new Husky Families to Hyer. **Brittany**, thank you for opening your beautiful home to our new Kindergarten families. To **Debbie Burt** and **Linde Thompson** for taking time out of your busy day to meet our Kindergarten families for coffee.

To our BSSU Chair, **Ashley Weinstein**, for being up to the task of figuring out all of our BSSU reports and helping ensure that our PTA officers and chairs always have the most up-to-date information needed to do their jobs. And to our BSSU-Elect Chair, **Gina Grove**, for seamlessly handling our late BSSU process.

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Check the [School Calendar](#) for upcoming Hyer events!

[Send an email](#) to be added to the *Husky Herald* distribution list.



*Hyer is ready for a star-studded year!*

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