



August 1, 2019

Dear Middle Grades Hawk Families,

On behalf of the staff at Hilburn Academy, I am happy to welcome you to the 2019-2020 school year! We are looking forward to a meaningful partnership to ensure our students can achieve their highest potential. We recognize that our children need support from both home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners in this nest, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to support your child this year. We strive to carry on the tradition of high expectations, within the nurturing environment of our Hawk's Nest. As a K-8 School we have the fortune of establishing a meaningful connection with your family as your student begins school, and transitions into adolescence.

We look forward to a positive and productive year together! We extend a special, yearlong invitation to our families to join us at school activities and events whenever possible. You are your child's first teacher. Your involvement and support in your child's education is essential to our community! Your active participation is key to the success of our school and your student. We believe every student has an opportunity to shine, and we want to see your student succeed.

Again, we welcome you to Hilburn Academy and to our wonderful learning community. Here's to an *HAWKSOME* new school year as we work together to make our school a great place to work and learn each day! As a Middle Hawk, we recognize the value in our small nest. In comparison to our sister schools with close to 1000 or more students, we are home to around 230 Middle School Hawks. This allows us to have an even greater opportunity to know, engage, and connect with our students and families. We want you to experience a full, yet unique, Middle School experience at Hilburn. We believe this nest is right for you, and we are excited to grow with your family.

We will hold a Meet the Hawks for Grades 6-8, on August 23, 2019 from 10-11:30am. Please check our website for more information. Rising sixth grade families, be sure to check out the information about *Hawkpalooza*! All rising 6th Grade Hawks are invited to Hawkpalooza on August 23, 2019 from 9-10:00am. For questions about Hawkpalooza please contact Ms. Burnette or Mr. Smith!

Middle School Schedules will be available for online viewing, on Friday, August 23, 2019. A printed copy will be available during Middle School Open House from 10-12pm, also on August 23, 2019.

The Hilburn Academy staff thank you in advance for your support this year! We look forward to meeting you. Be sure to check our Website and Twitter for continuous updates.

From The Hawk's Nest,

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