

Nighthawk News

Herbert Akins Rd MS Community Newsletter

Week of December 5, 2022

Our Vision: The Herbert Akins Road MS Learning Community collaborates to facilitate equitable outcomes and growth through social, emotional, and academic opportunities.

Weekly Updates for the Week of December 5, 2022

Nighthawks,

Monday will be the last day of the second quarter and first semester for our Track 1 students. We hope all Track 1 families have a nice track out and winter holiday break.



Monday, December 5th is also an Early Release Day for all students. Dismissal will begin at 1:00 PM so staff can begin their Professional Learning session by 1:30 PM.

Tracks 3 and 4 will continue their second quarter until December 21st.

The Herbert Akins Road Middle School Nighthawks PTA Spirit Rock is HERE!!!!

Rental Information will be forthcoming. Stay tuned!

We are grateful for the support as #NighthawksStickTogether!

Anne Marie Adkins
Principal

Apply for School Meals here.

Did you know that students must pay for breakfast and lunch this year?

School Attendance & Communication

As we enter the winter months, please keep in mind the critical importance of communicating absences with your student's first period teacher. Sending an e-mail or a message through Talking Points is the difference between an excused and an unexcused absence and the absence being recognized by [WCPSS Board Policy](#). Communicating helps us better support your student and understand the challenges that impact their attendance. Remember, that your student can stay on track by accessing their work through Google Classroom or Canvas as they feel up to it.

2022 PTA Holiday Fundraiser

2022 PTA HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER

<http://app.memberhub.gives/harmsauction>

Buy Gifts, Support your school. Don't wait...bid or buy it now.

Want to lose weight? Or just want to make time for you?

We have **Jazzercise, ClubWorx and D1 Training**

Need a kid's class or camp?

We have **WakeFC, Holly Springs Dance, Vision Martial Arts, Crazy Glaze & Mathnasium**

Does your teen need orthodontics?

We have **Fritz & Wilson Orthodontics & McNutt Orthodontics**

Prefer to eat out?

We have **Assagios, Zeera, Aviator, Wing It On and Bluegrass Bagels**

We also have **Hand & Stone, Rodan + Fields, Computer Training Solutions, Sun Tan City, Sign Gypsies, Counting Stars Antiques, The Guys Place, Sherwin Williams, and so MUCH More.**

You can win one of the HARMS exclusives: **ONE OF THE FIRST FOUR SPOTS IN CARPOOL, principal for the day, teacher lunch, friend lunch** and more.

PLEASE, TAKE the TIME to SUPPORT your child's SCHOOL.

<http://app.memberhub.gives/harmsauction>

Positivity Project - Supporting Others and Creativity

Dear Families,

This week our Track 3 students will be focusing on the Other People Mindset of Supporting Others When They Struggle. This means when other people are struggling, we do our best to help them out.

Supporting other people when they struggle is a critical piece of being human. There are many different approaches to helping people who are struggling. These can include: listening while they describe an event and their feelings about it, taking action to help people in need, or simply just being there and sitting together in silence. Everyone faces tough days and needs support, and this support leads to a chain of prosocial behavior that makes us feel good about ourselves and our group.

To practice and encourage the character strength of perspective with your child, please visit the Positivity Project's [P2 for Families](#) (password: **P2**), where together you will watch a video, read a quote, and talk about the answers to three questions.

This week our Track 4 students will be focusing on the character strength of Creativity. Creativity means you come up with new and original ways to think about and do things.

Creative people can look at the world in original ways. They are open to new experiences, and have an imaginative and independent thought process. They generate lots of different ideas and can pursue them with energy and enthusiasm. Creativity is a process that takes courage. Anytime you share your original ideas with the world, you risk being criticized or even ostracized.

On a group level, creativity is vital. It helps us solve seemingly impossible problems, create something we never knew we wanted, or simply see the world in a new way. Technological examples include the printing press, refrigeration, electricity, automobiles, and the internet. Just think of what we'd be missing without Renaissance art, Enlightenment thinking, Harlem Renaissance jazz, or hip-hop emerging from the South Bronx in the 1970s and 80s.

To practice and encourage the character strength of creativity with your child, please visit the Positivity Project's [P2 for Families](#) (password: P2) where together you will watch a video, read a quote and talk about the answers to three questions.

Have a wonderful week!

Food Drive at Herbert Akins Rd MS

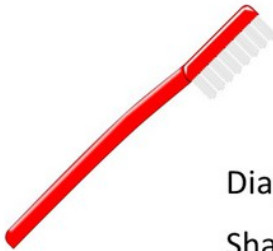
The Herbert Akins Road Middle FFA Chapter is participating in a county-wide donation drive sponsored by Wake County Farm Bureau. The FFA chapter that donates the most items in our county will win \$250 for chapter events! The drive will start on November 28th and end on December 19th. Donations may include non-perishable and canned food items, as well as unopened essential household items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, and soap. Donations can be brought to Mrs. Weatherspoon's room (room 1707) or dropped off directly at a local Wake County Farm Bureau office. Thank you for your support!

List of Needed Items



FOOD ITEMS

Plastic Jars of Pasta Sauce	Pasta	Gravy
Canned Vegetables	Rice	Sweet Peas
Canned Tuna or Chicken	Beans	Peanut Butter
Canned Sweet Potatoes	Cereal	Oatmeal
Cranberry Sauce	Cereal Bars	Grits
Macaroni & Cheese	Green Beans	Jelly
Boxed Mashed Potatoes	Cake Mix	Corn
Evaporated Milk	Jiffy Mix	Juice
Canned Fruit	Stuffing	



ESSENTIAL ITEMS

Diapers & Wipes	Toothbrushes
Shampoos	Bleach
Conditioners	Dish Soap
Toothpastes	Feminine Products



Track 1 Last Day of the 2nd Quarter/1st Semester

When

Monday, Dec. 5th, 3pm

Where

2275 Herbert Akins Road Fuquay-Varina, NC

Nighthawk Families Needs Assessment

Click here to take you to a form to request support in a certain area or provide donations.

Nighthawk After school Clubs - Get involved! Information for your student can be found by clicking here.

Nighthawks PTA Spirit Wear - Purchase throughout the school year

Spirit Wear is available to purchase throughout the school year. Please visit <https://1stplace.sale/107275> to purchase Spirit Wear.

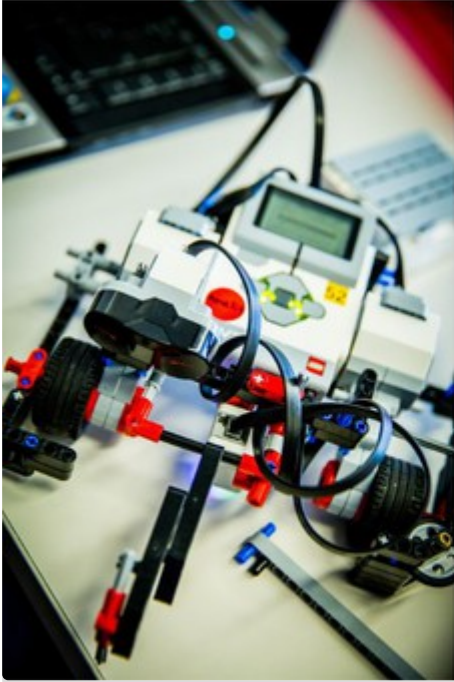
Nighthawks PTA Snack Donation Sign Up Genius

Nighthawks PTA is currently collecting shelf stable snacks as part of our outreach activities to help our students and school community. [Please sign up](#) to donate any of the following items listed. You are welcome to send them in with your student to drop off in the main office. We appreciate your help and thank you for your support! - Nighthawks PTA

ROBOTICS CLUB



Interest Meeting



Interested in joining our
inaugural Robotics Team!?
Come learn more about it at one
of the interest meetings!

Tracks 3 & 4

Thursday, December 8th,
3:30-4:30p

Track 1

Thursday, January 5th,
3:30-4:30p

Questions?

Email sstephens4@wcpss.net

Join our Nighthawk PTA by clicking on this button!

Buy your Athletic Booster Club Pass here!

Purchase your Athletic Booster Club pass and membership to get free entry to all athletic home games this entire school year.

Nighthawks Athletic Booster Sponsorship Program



	NIGHTHAWKS ATHLETIC FAN	NIGHTHAWKS ATHLETIC CHAMP	NIGHTHAWKS ATHLETIC ALL STAR	NIGHTHAWKS ATHLETIC MYP
	\$250	\$500	\$1000	\$2000
Certificate of Appreciation	✓	✓	✓	✓
Business Booster Membership	✓	✓	✓	✓
Monthly Social Media Shoutouts		✓	✓	✓
Logo Banner on Exterior Fence and in Gym			✓	✓
Merchandise Table			✓	✓
Game Day Sponsorship Package*				✓

*Game Day Package Includes: Halftime Recognition on the field/court, Presentation of Signed Game Ball, & Thank you Instagram reel with footage from game day experience



Herbert Akins Rd Nighthawks PTA Business Sponsorship Opportunities

	Friend of the PTA	Nighthawk Supporter	Nighthawk Fan	Nighthawk Superfan
Donation Amount	\$150	\$500	\$1000	\$1500+
Framed and Personalized Certificate of Appreciation	✓	✓	✓	✓
Small Business Logo on "Business Sponsor" Page on PTA Website		✓	✓	✓
Medium Business Logo with Link to Business Website on "Business Sponsor" Page			✓	✓
Monthly "Shoutout" on Instagram and Facebook with Business Tagged			✓	✓
Mention at the bottom of Every PTA Instagram and Facebook Post			✓	✓
Exclusive Opportunity to Provide Marketing Table at select PTA events				✓
Business Logo on Top Banner of Homepage of PTA website				✓



Club Level \$5000

Club Level receives all benefits of the Nighthawk Superfan in addition to brand placement on official Nighthawks School Club T-shirts for the 2022-2023 school year and also social media thanks for supporting our club initiative



PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS:
YEAR-ROUND OPTION



School tours available on

October 27 November 15 December 16

8:30 - 9:30 am or 1:00 - 2:00 pm

HERBERT AKINS ROAD MIDDLE SCHOOL

PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS: **YEAR-ROUND OPTION**

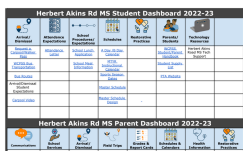
Join us

January 10th

6:00 - 7:30 pm

to learn more about our school!

- Building Tours
- Clubs
- AIG Info Session
- Electives
- PTA
- Athletics



[Herbert Akins Rd MS Stu...](#)

docs.google.com

Sheet1 Herbert Akins Rd MS Student Dashboard 2022-23
Arrival/Dismissal, Attendance Expectations, School Procedures/
Expectations, Schedules, Restorative Practices, Parents/
Students, Technology Resources Request a Carpool/Walker Pass , <a
href="https://d...

Nighthawks PTA Carolina Hurricanes Family Night

When

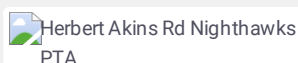
Thursday, Feb. 16th 2023 at 7pm

Where

1400 Edwards Mill Road Raleigh, NC

More information

You can buy tickets at [this link](#) for the Hurricanes game on February 16th!



[Herbert Akins Rd Nighth...](#)

www.nighthawkspta.org

School Announcements 2022-2023 School Supply List Mark Your Calendar Pick Up - Students schedule, Fill out beginning of year sign-ups, Meet teachers & Tour school Meet & Greet Track 1 - July 6th - Drop In 10:30 -12:00pm Meet & Greet Track 3 - July 6th - Drop In 1:00 - 3:00pm Meet & Greet Track



[Herbert Akins Rd MS 20...](#)

forms.gle

Nighthawk Families: If you are planning to utilize carpool at any time during the school year, please fill out the carpool/walker pass request form below. Once received, you and your student will receive a number. Carpool/Walker tags will be distributed to students during their first week of face-to-face instruction.



[Community Communicati...](#)

drive.google.com

HARMS Track Change Request Form 2022-2023 Herbert Akins Road MS Intro Letter 1.14.22.docx Herbert Akins Road MS Intro Letter 1.14.22.docx.pdf Middle School Program Planning Guide 2021-2022 Final V1.pdf No files in this folder. Sign in to add files to this folder




Herbert Akins Road Middle School

 @HerbertAkinsMS

 2275 Herbert Akins Road, Fuqu...

 (919) 694-8300

 wcpss.net/herbertakinsroadms

