

Nighthawk News

Herbert Akins Rd MS Community Newsletter

Week of March 13, 2023

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

Herbert Akins Road MS Website

Check here for club information and weekly events taking place on our campus this week.

Weekly Updates for the Week of March 13, 2023

Nighthawks,

At Herbert Akins Rd MS, we continue to align our daily work to our vision: *The Herbert Akins Road MS Learning Community collaborates to facilitate equitable outcomes and growth through social, emotional, and academic opportunities.*



If you have or may use carpool at any point this school year, please take a couple of minutes to review [this video](#). In addition, the [Parent/Student Dashboard](#) is linked at the bottom of this newsletter.

This week's Nighthawk News has helpful information and something for everyone!

- Spring Sports begin to compete this week!
- Positivity Project -Character Strength Focus: Cheering Others' Success and Prudence
- Apply for School Meals - This does assist the school with obtaining more funds and resources.
- EOG/EOC Remediation and Retesting for students who are not proficient
- Purchasing a Yearbook

- PTA Booster Bash Fundraiser
- Spirit Rock Rentals
- Much more!

Be sure to check out our webpage (<https://www.wcpss.net/herbertakinsroadms>) and/or our Twitter account (@HerbertAkinsMS) to follow all the wonderful learning taking place at our school!

[#NighthawksRise](#)

This past week the WCPSS School Board approved Mrs. Emily Petersohn as an Assistant Principal at our school. Please join us in congratulating her!

Thank you for your continued support as we continue growing and expanding our Nest. We are grateful and proud that our #NighthawksRise as #NighthawksStickTogether!

Anne Marie Adkins
Principal

Apply for School Meals here.

Did you know that students must pay for breakfast and lunch this year? Funding is available for our school if parents take a moment to complete this process. Thank you!

Positivity Project - Track 3 Cheering Others' Successes; Track 4 Prudence

Dear Families,

This week our Track 3 students and staff will be focusing on the Other People Mindset of Cheering Others' Successes. This means when other people succeed, I am happy for them and cheer them on.

Being happy for other people when they succeed isn't always everyone's initial reaction. Often, it's easy to become jealous or envious of others' victories -- or even to experience schadenfreude, which is deriving pleasure from witnessing (or learning about) another person's misfortune. People who have these reactions to the success or misfortune of others are colloquially known as "haters." It's important to note that these are natural emotions and in small doses can be helpful in allowing us to see what we care about -- and motivate us to pursue those goals.

But making a commitment towards cheering on other people's successes can be a great way to improve our own health, happiness, and relationships. People can take active steps to be more genuinely happy for the achievements of others. Ways to do this include; telling others about the success of your modest friend; noticing when your reaction to a sibling's success is envy or jealousy -- and asking yourself why that is; reminding yourself that appreciating the excellence in another is a character strength; asking your successful teammates and classmates what they do to prepare for games or tests.

Being supportive of people who succeed is good for our mental, physical, and emotional well-being and when people cheer each other on it begins a reciprocal process that forges stronger relationships. Those relationships are the foundation for a strong culture in teams, schools, and businesses.

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 and staff will be focusing on the character strength of Prudence. Prudence means you plan for the future and achieve your goals by making careful everyday choices.

Prudence is the ability to do the right thing for the right reason, at the right time. It's a future-oriented way of thinking that helps a person set goals, make plans, and have the discipline to accomplish them. It is cognitive -- more a strength of the head than of the heart.

Prudence supports effective individual self-management. Whether aspiring for an athletic record, academic grade, or purchasing a car, foresight and planning are necessary. However, even with a plan, long-term goals can only be obtained by overcoming those impulses and desires that steer you away from your goals. Prudence provides the wisdom to know which character strength to leverage, at which time, to achieve your desired end state.

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Have a wonderful week!

Nighthawks Elective A Day/B Day Calendar

EOG Testing Info/Tips - Did you know about the NC Standard Course of Study?

Lessons each day in your student's classes are created from the standards in the NC Standard Course of Study. This prepares them for their EOGs and EOCs at the end of the school year that become part of their permanent school record.

Therefore, it is imperative students demonstrate their learning in class and on assessments so teachers can modify the instruction. All staff reviews students' assessment data (i.e.- Classroom assessments, FastBridge assessments, STAR Math, Delta Math, Formative, etc...) to determine students' levels of learning. Instruction and pacing is determined on student learning.

PTA Meeting

When

Monday, March 13th, 6pm

Where

This is an online event.

More information

PTA meeting

Monday, March 13 · 6:00 – 7:00pm

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/umm-mrtw-tyq>

Boys' Soccer Game

When

Tuesday, March 14th, 4pm

Where

7833 Fussell Avenue Cary, NC

More information

We wish our Boys' Soccer Team and Coach Guzman the best of luck in their first game ever!

Preorder Your Inaugural Nighthawk Yearbook

The price is \$50.



PTA Booster Bash - #NighthawksRise as the first WCPSS Middle School to host a Booster Bash!

Herbert Akins Rd Middle families!

We're only ONE week away from our Herbert Akins Rd Middle Booster Bash and our students and staff are so excited! We're looking forward to having fun and building community together.

☆ [Log into MYBOOSTER.COM today to get started!](https://mybooster.com) ☆

Register & share today to help our school reach our goal of \$20,000 for students & staff.

PLUS, there are only a FEW DAYS LEFT to register. Any parent/guardian who registers their student before their track's kickoff date will be entered to win a gift card (6 winners).

Thank you for supporting our school - we are grateful for our amazing school community!

Track Meet

When

Wednesday, March 15th, 4pm

Where

7833 Fussell Avenue Cary, NC

More information

Looking forward to cheering both track teams as they compete in their first ever meet! Best of luck to our student athletes and Coach Alombro, Coach High, Coach Frett, and Coach Carrino.

Our Track Team Needs Your Assistance!

Please take a moment to review the volunteer slots needed for our Home Track Meets. We appreciate the assistance and support of our school community.

Attendance Email

If you need to send an email to the school about our students' absences, please send the email to attendance435@wcpss.net.

Student Snack Donation Sign Up Genius - Nighthawks PTA

We are still accepting donations in the front office for snacks for students and families in our school community. Collecting shelf stable snacks as part of our outreach activities to help our students and school community is a focus area of our PTA. [Please sign up](#) to donate any of the items listed or any items that you feel would be a benefit. 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



Herbert Akins Road Middle School

Teacher Appreciation Week



Kristi Emanuel


 Contact

It's close to that time of year when we show love and appreciation to our dedicated Nighthawk teachers. This year for Teacher Appreciation Week, we will have a Carnival theme. The teachers will receive a small treat each day. We are asking parents to assist with donations to help make this week of highlighting our teachers a success. Below are the requests with pictures as a guide. Any similar donation is greatly appreciated. This year we are honoring approximately 90 teachers.

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We appreciate all donations and support! If you have questions, please reach out to Kristi Emanuel or Stacey McCarter in the front office. We ask that all donations be turned into the front office by April 14th. You may choose to order through Amazon and have orders sent directly to the school to the attention of Stacey McCarter.

Thank you for your continuous support as #NighthawksStickTogether!





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MIDDLE SCHOOL



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Support FVHS with their Band on the Run 5K on Saturday, April 15th!
#onecommunity

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Nighthawk Spirit Rock - Pick your week to rent!

Nighthawk families, students and staff may rent and decorate the Spirit Rock to celebrate birthdays, promote school activities, recognize accomplishments or just provide a shout out. Rentals are weekly/proceeds are utilized for PTA programming.

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

Nighthawk Student Services Webiste

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.

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



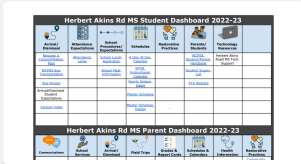
Herbert Akins Rd Nighthawks PTA Business Sponsorship Opportunities

	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

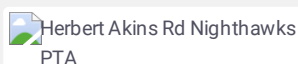
Club Level receives all benefits of the Nighthawk Superfan in addition to brand placement on official Nighthawks School Club T-shirts for the 2022-2023 school year and also social media thanks for supporting our club initiative



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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
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[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



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[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 Comm...](#)

[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
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