Principal's Weekly Update Mrs. Janiece Dilts

Sunday, September 8, 2019

Dream It, Believe It, Achieve It

Walk for Water Community Service Project: Our National Junior Honor Society has partnered with <u>Water</u> <u>Mission International</u> to sponsor a Walk for Water on Saturday, September 28, from 8-11:30am.

Students and faculty can sign up to walk using <u>this link</u> (posted on the HGMS website under Walk for Water and on the posters around the building). We ask each walker to commit to raising a minimum of \$10 in donations in order to walk with us.

Once a walker is signed up to participate, s/he will receive a collection envelope. The link to donate directly to Water Mission is <u>here</u> and on the collection envelope. We are encouraging online donations so we don't have to handle cash!!!

Here is a video that was played last Monday during homeroom to give you more information; you can find it <u>here</u>. This project is new to the advisers and is 90% student driven. We're trying to develop leadership skills in our NJHS kiddos and appreciate your patience as many navigate LEADING for the first time.

Parking Lot Traffic: The elementary school reached out to me to ask for our help. Their After-School parents have complained the last few days that some of the middle school traffic is blocking their "E" lane and their parents are unable to get through to pick up their students and get them to after-school events/sports on time. Please remember that when you are picking your students up from after school events that you stay to the left in the second to last lane that is marked "M" for middle school.

Washington DC Field Trip Update: Parents please be sure that you have paid the full amount of \$375 when you are paying your final payment for the Washington, DC field trip. Many payments have come in online that are not covering the full \$375.

Winterguard: Most of you know the high school has a color guard team that performs with the marching band... but did you know there are also elementary and middle school indoor color guard (winterguard) teams, that perform under the high school umbrella? The Junior Hawks team is open to all Holly Grove Middle School students, so if you have a student that may be interested, there will be a parent informational meeting on Tuesday, September 17th, 6:30pm at Holly Springs High School. For more information, please email hollyspringswinterguard@gmail.com or visit goldenhawksband.org.

School Dance: Our first dance will be **Friday, September 27,** at 3:30-5:30 p.m. Students will receive permission forms on Friday, September 20, that need to be returned to their homeroom teacher by Friday, September 27, at 8:15 a.m. and must include their \$6 (exact change) payment either with cash or a check made out to HGMS PTSA. The permission form is full of information about pricing and procedures. All

students who are tracked out **DO NOT** require a permission form, and we will collect their \$6 entrance fee upon their arrival. <u>Here</u> is a copy of the form in case you need to print it.

Bulldog's Got Talent: Due to the weather, we have decided to postpone the talent show until the spring semester. We'll look into a date more thoroughly ASAP, and communicate the change as soon as it is finalized.

Instructional Spotlight: Sixth grade students are working on a project involving a hero's journey. Please ask to see their Screencastify project. They are amazing!!