

HCPA NEWSLETTER

HMONG COLLEGE PREP ACADEMY



Hello HCPA Families,

Stay connected with our HCPA Monthly Newsletter! We will be publishing Monthly Newsletters on a regular basis, so please subscribe. In this newsletter you will receive information about field trips, school events, HCPA updates, and more!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

School Picnic

When: Wednesday, June 3rd
8am-3pm

Where: 1515 Brewster Street,
St. Paul, MN 55108

What: HCPA is spending our last Friday this school year outside in the fun sun. Immediate families are invited to join us. More information is to come!

Senior Commencement

When: Friday, June 10th
6pm - 8pm

Where: 1515 Brewster Street,
St. Paul, MN 55108

What: Senior Class of 2022 is graduating! Families of seniors with tickets are invited to join us to celebrate this milestone.

IMPORTANT DATES:

May 17-19

Board Elections

May 18

Asynchronous Day

May 21

Prom

May 30

Memorial Day - No School

June 1

Senior Parade

June 3

School Picnic

June 10

Senior Commencement

view our 2021-22 Board Approved Calendar [here](#)

HCPA ADVANCEMENT TEAM

HCPA's Advancement Team meets on an ongoing basis to discuss the school's process and procedures, ways HCPA can bring our mission and vision to life for our school and community, and strategically collaborating to provide the best educational experiences for our students and families. We look forward to continuing our partnership with our staff, students and families as we work towards the advancement and future of HCPA.



HCPA Advancement Team

Danijela Duvnjak, Chief Academic Officer
David Kloskin, Chief Financial Officer
Tony Hang, Director of Operations
Dr. Dao Lor, Director of Family Engagement
Jenee Nordstrom, Director of Teaching and Learning 6-12
Mariah Mercil, Assistant Director of Teaching and Learning K-12
Krista Skoglund, K-5 Director of Teaching and Learning
Chong Her, Senior HR/Business Manager
Cecelia Lee, Director of Counseling and Student Services
Luke Mead, Facilities Manager
Nou Vang, HR Manager
Mary Vang, Senior Office Operations Manager
Blia Her, Office Manager/Oversee Food Department
Nou Her, Special Education Manager
Kerry Huset, Middle School Dean of Students

"Optimism is essential to achievement and it is also the foundation of courage and true progress."

MICHAEL M. BUTLER

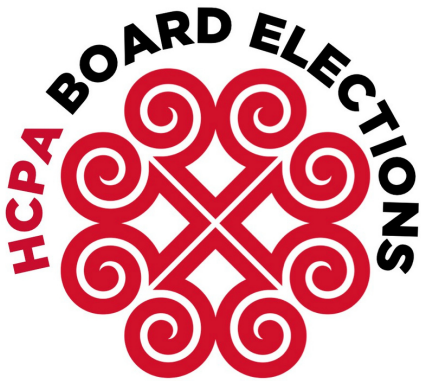


**Warrior Value
of the Month**

OPTIMISM

Warriors are confident and are excited to learn more!

HCPA UPDATES



VOTE ON MAY 17TH



VOTE BY MAY 19TH



Hmong College Prep Academy's School Board Election is this month. Parents/Guardians should have already received information on how to vote through mail or email. Please call (651) 209-8002 to talk to Mrs. Bliia Her if you haven't. Voting will begin on Tuesday, May 17th and will end on Thursday, May 19th. Only parents/guardians of HCPA students and HCPA Teacher/Staff will be able to vote.

Parents/Guardians who are voting via paper mail will have to send in mail ballots no later than MAY 19TH.

FastBridge Testing



FastBridge combines Computer Adaptive Tests (CAT) and Curriculum-Based Measures (CBM) to screen students, identify skill gaps, and offer proven recommendations for reading instruction and diagnostic reading interventions. Students K-12 will be taking the ELA and Math FastBridge tests during the month of May.

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Senior Signing Day

We held our annual Senior Signing Day on May 2nd, 2022. Thank you to all the families that were able to attend and support our students with their announcements of what their post high school plans are. It was a very exciting time for our seniors as they also met with representatives from colleges or vocations of their choosing. Congrats to all seniors for completing one milestone and starting another.



Prom Committee

All juniors and seniors are invited to prom this year!

When: May 21st, 2022 @7PM-11:30PM

Where: HCPA - Enter through Door C

Theme: Red Carpet - Dress to impress

Tickets Cost: \$40/Single & \$60/Couple

Contact Blia Her / blia.her@hcpak12.org

or 651-262-6702 for any questions or

concerns.

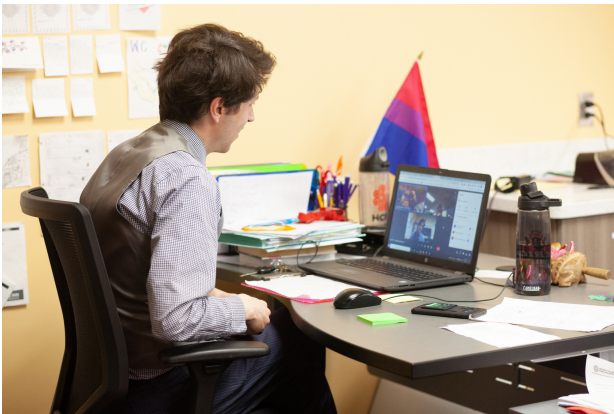


Prom 2019

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Staff Appreciation Week

It has been said that “teaching is the greatest act of optimism.” In reality, this quotation extends to every role within a school. As a team of hope-instillers, our teachers and staff each seek to encourage the next generation to seek their full potential. They provide warm meals, a Socratic seminar, a listening ear, constructive feedback, and (occasionally) the step-by-step directions for how to tie a shoe with the hope that one day the hands they hold and the minds they empower will make the world a little better than it is today, with solutions to problems they have yet to solve. The fruits of our time, love, and effort may not be visible today nor discernible tomorrow, but it is undeniable the impact that a school and the people in it can have. Teachers and staff do what they do because they believe in our students and their futures. This past week we fully acknowledge and thanked all of our wonderful staff and teachers here at HCPA. Thank you all for what you do!



Summer School Updates

Summer School Dates = Monday, June 13th to Thursday, July 14th

- Days = Monday through Thursday
- Times = 8:00am to 2:00pm
- Meals provided for both breakfast and lunch.
- Transportation provided based on location and number of students in area.

If parents or students have any questions, please have them reach out to our Summer School Coordinators:

Crystal Robideau = Elementary Summer School Coordinator:

crystal.robideau@hcpak12.org

Elizabeth (Wardell) Mercil = Secondary Summer School Coordinator

elizabeth.wardell@hcpak12.org

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5th & 8th Grade Transition Night

We held our 5th to 6th Grade Transition Night and 8th Grade to 9th Grade Transition Night in-person for the first time since 2019. The evening offered the opportunity for our 5th & 8th graders to learn about the upcoming school year in regards to classes, schedules, and more. They also had the chance to talk about electives with their families, have dinner, receive a tour of the new building and meet new teachers for next year.

School Picnic

HCPA is bringing back our annual school picnic to end the school year with our staff and students. All immediate families are invited to join us on June 3rd from 8:30AM to 2PM. More information will be sent home soon. You can contact the main office and ask to speak with anyone from the events planning committee for any questions.



HCPA School Picnic 2018

Senior Commencement

Senior Commencement will be held on June 10th at 6pm on the turf field of HCPA. All students can come and pick up their graduation gowns and tickets from Pheng Xang Vang in the Main Office. They will have to pay \$25 to pick up their graduation gowns. Contact Pheng Xang Vang in the Main Office for any questions.



HCPA Class of 2019

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Food Committee

The Food Committee had their end of year reflection gathering on Friday, May 13th 2022. They celebrated all the hard work the students had done this year including making changes to the monthly menu, volunteering at all food-related events, and their very successful eggroll sale. They also spent time discussing all their short term and long term goals with what the committee may look like next year. The students have many insightful ideas of wanting to help the school and community in regards to food. Their next big project includes crafting the menu for the school picnic to service all students and families that are invited and helping with serving food at the event.



Parent/Teacher Organization

Parent Empowerment Academy classes help teach parents how to make better connections with their children and learn how to get involved in their education. These classes also include various activities such as role playing, group discussions and creative thinking. These classes are currently taking place every Tuesday from April 19th to June 14th, 2022. The time will be from 4:30pm - 7pm and dinner will be provided for those in attendance. If you would like to learn more about the Parent Empowerment Academy, please call Ms. Malie MK Vang (Hmong Parent Liaison) or Mr. Su Klain Paw (Karen Parent Liaison) for more information. We welcome you all to attend these classes!



PARENT EMPOWERMENT ACADEMY

at Hmong College Prep Academy

Engaging and guiding parents on how to be involved in their student's education.

Date: Every Tuesday from April 19th, 2022 to June 14th, 2022

Time: 4:30pm - 7pm | Dinner will be provided

Location: 1515 Brewster Street, Saint Paul, MN 55108

For more information call: Ms. Malie MK. Vang | Hmong Parent Liaison/Trainer | (651) 289-1816
Mr. Saw Lu Lu | Karen Parent Liaison/Co-Trainer | (651) 703-8324



SPORTS UPDATES

Middle School Volleyball

The Middle School Volleyball teams are approaching the end of the season at the top of the conference rankings. The squad was divided into two teams, Red and Black. The Red team is sitting at a record of four wins and two very close losses, while the Black Team has a 6-0 record. On Monday, May 16th, the two teams will square off in the final game of the season.

Flag Football

Starting out as a Club Sport this year without any opponents, Coach Phengxang Vang has spent long hours this Spring improving the skills of his team to become a strong pair of squads. Despite weather issues all Spring, the boys have competed in a few scrimmages and will end their season with a final one on May 19th.

Boy's Volleyball

One of the strongest teams at HCPA, the Boy's Volleyball Team has worked hard this Spring to live up to the high expectations of their Coach Fong Vang. With a nearly perfect season and a lot of tough games on the horizon. The team has shown exactly what they are made of and are a very exciting watch leading up to the State Tournament.

Badminton

Our Badminton Team has shown remarkable progress from a tough start of the season, winning half their matches and showing a true grasp of the skills needed to win in the game. Coach Tang Xiong is excited to see how her teams will do in the Conference Tournament on May 16th and the State Tournament that same week, led by senior captain Pazong Yang.

