

# HCPA NEWSLETTER

HMONG COLLEGE PREP ACADEMY



## Hello Friends and Families!

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

### IMPORTANT DATES:

<b>February 21</b>	President's Day NO SCHOOL
<b>February 22</b>	College Fair
<b>February 23</b>	Kindergarten Round Up and Student Enrollment
<b>March 3</b>	Parent Teacher Conference 5pm-8pm
<b>March 4</b>	Parent Teacher Conference 10am-4pm NO SCHOOL

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

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

#### Kindergarten Round Up

**When:** Wednesday, February 23rd  
5pm-7pm

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

**What:** Bring your future Kindergarteners to come tour our school, meet our teachers, and learn more about our programs. We are enrolling K-12. Dinner will be provided.

#### Parent Teacher Conference

**When:** Thursday, March 3rd | 5pm-8PM  
Friday, March 4th | 10am-4pm

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

**What:** Connect with your student's College Prep Teacher to make an appointment for parent teacher conferences. We will be holding conferences this Spring in-person or online, at your preference.

# IMPORTANT UPDATES

## Pandemic EBT

### HCPA School Uniform Policy

This is a reminder that students are required to be in uniform at school. Uniforms help promote a positive learning environment for students and we are working on reinforcing the proper uniform attire that should be worn. Please help us ensure that students are coming to school in proper uniform. Attached is a list of acceptable and non-acceptable uniform clothing. You can also find this attachment on our website [www.hcpak12.org](http://www.hcpak12.org)

For any questions, please call the main office at 651-209-8002



### P-EBT Phase 3 - 2022

HCPA recently sent home a letter home to notify parents of the recent PEBT program released from MDE. Students who qualify for free or reduce price meals may be eligible for PEBT to purchase food for days they are not in the school building. There are many different eligibility qualifications for this third roll out of PEBT.

You can find more information about the P-EBT programs at <https://mn.gov/dhs/p-ebt/>. You can call the PEBT Call Center for any other questions at 651-431-4608 or 1-833-454-0153 or by submitting questions using the P-EBT help form <https://pebthelp.state.mn.us/>



### HCPA UNIFORMS

**Red or White Short Sleeve Polo**      **Black Blazer Red or Black Sweater**      **Red or White Long Sleeve Polo**      **Black Pants No leggings or Jeans**

All students are required to be in uniform daily. Grade K-12 have the option to wear any of the following above

NO CROCS   NO HATS   NO OPEN TOES   NO HOODIES   NO SHORTS   NO LEGGINGS

These uniforms can be purchased at selected stores below:

**BIG K   Sears   KOHL'S   Walmart   JCPenney   Target   Burlington**

### Updates from Penny War

The counseling department successfully hosted HCPA's annual Penny Wars Competition in December to raise money for a local mental health organization. Students were encourage to bring in spare changer and the school raised a total of \$1,426.89! We would like to congratulate the CP classes the raised the most:

Grades K-2: Ms. Blum (2nd Grade)

Grades 3-5: Ms. Xiong (4th Grade)

Grades 6-8: Ms. Xiong (8th Grade)

Grades 9-12: Ms. Bolduan (9th Grade)

# WE HAVE NEW SOCIAL PLATFORMS

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## Instagram

Follow us on Instagram to see the daily life of students at HCPA. Get an inside look at what students are doing in school, see how our students enjoy school events, and catch sight of our educational classroom activities!

## Twitter

Follow us on Twitter to get immediate updates on school announcements regarding school cancellation, breakfast & lunch menus, school events, etc.



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## Hmong Radio Broadcast

HCPA will be featured on Hmong Radio Broadcast on Monday, February 21 at 10am. Our Director of Family Engagement, Dao Lor, will be live on radio to talk about recent updates at HCPA and upcoming events. Tune in to learn more about student enrollment and the history of HCPA. You can listen on the radio at 1590 AM, 103.3 FM, 106.7 FM k102.1 FM, or on Hmong Radio Broadcast's official Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/hmong.radio.broadcast>



# COMMITTEE UPDATES

## Parent Advisory Committee

The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) had their monthly meeting on February 8th. At the meeting, they went through an overview of HCPA's finances, an update on vending machines and addressed parent's questions and concerns about academics and school related topics. The PTO will be helping to maintain the school vending machines as they hope to get it started up by the end of February. Vending machines will be available to students and staff throughout the school day. The next PTO meeting will be held via Zoom on March 8th, 2022.

## Student Ambassador Committee

HCPA's Director of Counseling Cecelia Lee met with some of our Middle School and High School Student Ambassadors to discuss the process of identifying a new authorizer. After the meeting, students were asked to identify words or phrases that would describe an ideal authorizer and the support they would like to see from a future authorizer. Their results are represented in the word cloud below. Thank you to Ser Vang, leader of our Student Ambassadors, and our Student Ambassadors for sharing their perspectives and insights as we conduct our authorizer search!

## Food Committee

The food committee met on February 9th, 2022. They've recently had a menu change which prompted the food committee to survey K-12 students on their take of the menu rollout. So far, there has been positive feedback. The Warrior School Café' opened this week for all staff and teachers. The food committee met to discuss the possibility of opening it up as well for the high school students. They surveyed and asked for student signatures to help with the petition and in total they received 305 signatures which will be provided to the administrators of the school to help with moving forward with this project.

## Word Cloud





# SPORTS/ACTIVITIES **WARRIORS**

## Girls Basketball

The girls basketball team continues to play hard this year, playing close games against Hiawatha and Math & Science and getting a big win over Community of Peace Academy. Head coach Brent Ness has made the season fun and informative for the girls, teaching them basketball while incorporating a field trip to a Gophers women's basketball game as a team to see how great basketball can be played.



## Boys Basketball

The boys JV team came up with big wins against AFSA and Exploration High School, and coach Raph Xiong is looking forward to continued growth from his players as the end of the season nears. The boys varsity team has shown strong improvement from a tough start to the season, winning a close game against Lincoln high as head coach Joe Hultberg prepares his team for the conference and section tournaments.

## Middle School Basketball

Both middle school teams have played a tough schedule this year but have responded, playing hard against good teams to show all the hard work they have put in this year. With their big game against each other coming up on 2/24, the two teams have shown that the future is bright for HCPA basketball.

