

Despite the chilly Minnesota weather, March warmed our spirits at HCPA! Our students embraced the snowy conditions, turning them into winter wonderlands for outdoor adventures and snowy-day activities. As the snow melts away, we're excited for the arrival of spring and all the fun it brings to our school community!

# UNIFORM POLICY®

Students are required to be in uniform at all times. We encourage parents to support the school uniform policy. Students are expected to dress appropriately for school. Parents may be contacted if students do not dress accordingly. Please note what not to wear: Crocs, hats, sandals, hoodies, shorts, leggings, and T-shirts are not allowed.

If you would like to purchase uniform, please contact the main office (651) 209-8002 and set up a time to come in and shop.



#### WHAT TO WEAR?

**CREW NECKS** 

BLACK RED

POLO SHIRTS (SHORT OR LONG)

BLACK RED WHITE

#### **BOTTOMS**

BLACK JEANS - WITH NO RIPS BLACK SLACKS BLACK DRESS PANTS

#### **NOT PERMITTED:**



**NO SANDALS** 



NO HOODIES/ZIP
UP HOODIES



**NO CROCS** 



**NO HATS** 



IO SLIDES



**NO T-SHIRTS** 



**NO SHORTS** 



NO LEGGINGS OR YOGA PANTS



#### **FOOD**

Spring is near, and the birds are out singing! It's that time of year when animals awake from hibernation. Did you know that March symbolizes transformation and new growth? Tropical fruits and citrus are in season like pineapples, kiwis, oranges, and so much more! You will also find vegetables such as spinach and artichokes!

This month's Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program features pineapple as the fruit of the month and yellow onion as the vegetable of the month. Check out our educational posters displayed throughout the cafeteria and hallways!



#### **CLASSROOM NEWS**

#### ELEMENTARY



#### TRUSTWORTHINESS

March's Warrior Value of the Month is Trustworthiness: Warriors can be counted on to do the right thing.





#### EXPLORING SCIENCE

Hope Carey's 3rd grade music class had a special guest last week leading up to this weekend's St. Patrick's Day. The students from Katherine Klein's class were able to visit and learn from a middle school math teacher (and musician) Iain Dove-McAfee. Iain was able to talk with the class about the instruments he plays and share about traditional Irish music. According to Ms. Carey, students had fun learning about the tin whistle and bagpipes. Students also loved dancing to jig music and had some excellent questions too! From Ms. Carey: "My favorite quote from a student was 'Is it uranium?" when Iain asked what they thought the tin whistle was made out of."

#### **CLASSROOM NEWS**

#### SECONDARY



#### HONOR BAND FESTIVAL

On Monday, March 4th, 10 of HCPA's finest musicians took part in the University of St. Thomas High School Honor Band Festival. Students Bao Kou Lee (12), Calvin Thao (10), Kaylean Phuong (10), K'paw Sue (10), Muaj Vaj (10), Jason Khang (10), Juelz Yang (12), Lisa Her (11), Elijah Smith-Nguyen (11), and Marcus Thao (10) were among students selected from high schools around the state. The students worked with conductor Simão Francisco, as well as the University of St. Thomas Music Faculty. Students also got to take a tour of the campus, enjoy lunch and dinner in the dining hall, and be one of the first to rehearse in the new music building that just opened last month.

At the end of the night, students performed a concert alongside UST's Symphonic Wind Ensemble (including Andy Thao, class of 2023), for a packed audience. These students put a lot of work into their performance, and it paid off. If you see them in the halls, be sure to extend a congratulation for their hard work!



#### ASPIRNAUT SUMMER RESEARCH PROGRAM

Congratulations to Sophomore Ku Moo and Junior Angel Chang for being awarded a spot at Vanderbilt University for their 6-week Aspirnaut Summer Research Program. This Research program is fully funded. Students accepted to this program are embedded in a biomedical research laboratory for six weeks. They work on diabetes, cancer, and regenerative biology projects. Students conduct their own research and gather results that contribute to the data and goals of the larger research team. After the experience, students present their research to peers and mentors.

#### **CAREER FAIR**

The Counseling Department hosted our annual Career Fair on Friday, March 22, 2024. It was a wonderful success with 47 companies/organizations and 86 attendees. Our high school students had the opportunity to engage in conversations with different business reps.









Here are a few of the different careers that were in attendance: Barber, Veterinarian, Nurses, Law Enforcement Officers, Financial Workers, US Small Businesses, Dentist







## SPRING CONFERENCES

Spring conferences were held on March 7th and March 8th. Teachers, parents, and students had the opportunity to connect during the two days regarding academics and student progress. In addition to academics, teachers also talked about the importance of attendance for the student. Both evenings offered a variety of fun-filled stations for families and students! From the exciting Book Fair to the lively HCPA school store and delicious offerings at the school café, there was something for everyone to enjoy. Additionally, multiple committees set up fundraising concessions, adding to the festive atmosphere!



#### **Boys Volleyball:**

The boy's volleyball team will enter their final season before the sport becomes officially recognized by the state of Minnesota. Expectations are high for the team.

Coach Fong Vang says that the depth on his teams is some of the best he has ever seen, and their first games after spring break will show just how hard his students have been working.

#### Badminton:

The girl's badminton team started the season strongly, winning two of their first three matches. They displayed strong fundamental badminton skills, maintaining their position as one of the top teams in the metro. New coach Pang Fang is eager to witness her team's potential, recognizing that the journey to the state tournament at the end of the year will be lengthy.



#### Track:

In her second year of coaching the sport, coach Samantha Janchan has witnessed her team's growth and increased competitiveness throughout the year. This has resulted in a fully developed team this season. With practice sessions divided between the HCPA campus and the nearby Hamline University track, the team is optimistic about another successful season.

# High School Flag Football:

With last year being their first, the boys and girls on the high school flag football team spent the season preparing for a higher level of competition. This year, the team will be competing in a league against five local schools. Coach Yeng Kong Vang feels strongly that they will be the best in the state in the sport.

#### Middle School Flag Football:

Middle school has introduced a new sport with the addition of a flag football team under coach Cheng Xiong. The team eagerly anticipates their first game after spring break.

#### Middle School Volleyball:

The middle school volleyball team remains undefeated this year, aiming to extend its years-long unbeaten streak. Coaches Brent Ness and Jasmine Xiong have instilled a tremendous sense of pride in the HCPA community.



### SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM







MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:00AM-2:00PM



CLASSES NOW AVAILABLE FOR GRADES 9-12!

#### **OUR PROGRAM:**

- Classes available for grades PreK-12
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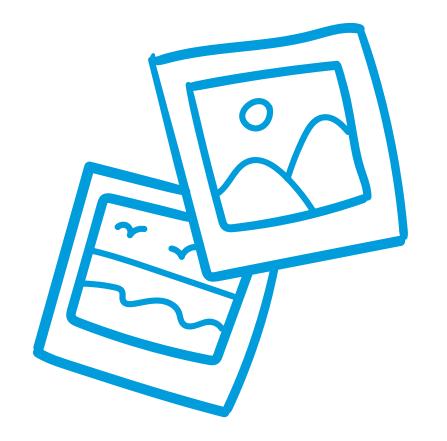
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#### **REGISTRATION**

WE ARE ENROLLING NOW! Open enrollment is for all grade levels. If you have a student you would like to enroll, please contact HCPA's enrollment team at enrollment@hcpak12.org or call 651-334-5842.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

HCPA is in full swing of hiring. If you know of anyone who is looking, please have them visit our website: https://www.hcpak12.org/domain/91

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#### APRIL IMPORTANT DATES

MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

APRIL 1ST-5TH SPRING BREAK

APRIL 16TH 7:30AM-2PM SPRING PICTURE DAY

APRIL 17TH 5PM 5TH & 6TH GRADE TRANSITION NIGHT

APRIL 18TH 6PM-8PM SECONDARY SPRING THEATER PERFORMANCE

APRIL 23RD AT 1PM
EARLY RELEASE AT 1PM
- STATE TESTING

APRIL 24TH AT 1PM
EARLY RELEASE AT 1PM
- STATE TESTING

APRIL 30-MAY2ND
CREDIT RECOVERY