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HCPA NEWSLETTER

HMONG COLLEGE PREP ACADEMY



Hello Friends and 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!

IMPORTANT DATES:

March 25 Early Release at 11am

March 25 Career Fair for Students 6-12

April 4-8 Spring Break

April 11 School Resumes

April 21 HCPA Job Fair

9am-11am

April 27 5th to 6th Grade Transition

Night | 5pm-7pm

view our 2021-22 Board Approved Calender <u>here</u>

UPCOMING EVENTS:

HCPA Job Fair

When: Thursday, April 21st

9am-11am

Where: 1515 Brewster Street,

St. Paul, MN 55108

What: HCPA is actively hiring! Stop by our Job Fair to learn more

about open positions, or visit www.hcpak12.org/career.

5th to 6th Grade Transition Night

When: Wednesday, April 27th

5pm-7PM

Where: 1515 Brewster Street,

St. Paul, MN 55108

What: Preparing 5th graders and families

for a smooth transition into Middle

School.

HCPA UPDATES

Welcome Dr. Dao Lor

HCPA is very pleased to welcome a new member to our team, Dr. Dao Lor, to the new role of Director of Family Engagement. Building a connection between our school, our families, and our community has always been an integral part of our work at HCPA. Through the trials and challenges of the last several years, the desire and drive to partner with our parents and families has grown even stronger.



In the role of Director of Family Engagement, Dr. Lor will be working closely with all HCPA Departments in order to better foster family and community connections. In addition, he will work in conjunction with our Parent Teacher Organization and Family Liaisons to communicate and build family engagement opportunities within the school.

Dr. Lor comes with an extensive background in K-12 education working as School Director, Board and Committee Chair, Professor, and Educator. We are excited to welcome Dr. Dao Lor to Hmong College Prep Academy!

Warrior Value of the Month: Trustworthiness



March marks the beginning of our Warrior Value of Trustworthiness: Warriors can be counted on to do the right thing. Each week during the month of March, the Warrior Way Team will also be bringing students a variety of activities and resources designed to help students understand and discuss trustworthiness.

HCPA UPDATES CONT.

Parent Teacher Conferences





Parent Teacher Conferences for K-12 were held on March 3rd & 4th and were very successful. Spring Conferences are always a fun opportunity to highlight the growth and learning that students have accomplished throughout the year. Many families were able to meet with Homeroom Teachers, collect free books, and hang out in the new Warrior Cafe to enjoy some fresh Hmong Egg Rolls from the Food Committee, and Boba Tea made by the Senior Committee. If you were not able to attend or have additional concerns, you still have the opportunity to contact your student's CP Homeroom Teacher. If you have questions, please contact the Main Office at (651) 209-8002.

Recruitment of Board Candidates



SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR HCPA BOARD SEATS

Board positions are open to parents, teachers, and community members interested in making a difference at Hmong College Prep Academy. Members of the school board will assist in supporting teachers and staff, establishing transparency and accountability, growing a secure and superb school culture, and advancing guidelines that permit all students to thrive. Board member's decisions influences students, parents, staff and the community.



HMONG COLLEGE

Closes:

Monday
March 21st
2022 at 3PM

Contact Blia Her
blia.her@hcpak12.org
(651) 209-8002



For more information https://www.hcpak12.org/Page/1220

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If you are interested in being part of HCPA's board, please contact Blia Her.

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State Access Testing



State access testing has started at HCPA and will run through March 25th. The Minnesota Assessments are designed to measure achievement towards meeting the Minnesota Academic Standards (for the standards-based accountability assessments) and to measure progress towards meeting the WIDA English Language Development Standards (for English language proficiency accountability assessments).

MCA and MTAS testing will be coming up in April. The Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCAs) assess Math and Reading Skills in Grades 3-8, Reading in Grade 10, and Math in Grade 11. Students also take a Science MCA in Grades 5 and 8 and one High School grade.

Kindergarten Round-Up and Student Enrollment





Last month, HCPA and our Kindergarten Team hosted our first Kindergarten Round-Up event since February of 2020. The Round-Up is a chance for prospective Kindergarten families to visit our school, see Kindergarten classrooms, and meet with Kindergarten Teachers. It was a successful and fun evening filled with food, school tours, and activities for families.

HCPA UPDATES CONT.



2022 Summer School enrollment applications are open.

- All Current K-12 students are eligible to enroll.
- **Kindergarten Readiness:** This is for 4-5 year old students starting kindergarten next school year, fall of 2022. Student must be enrolled for FALL 2022 at HCPA to attend.

We have two options for parents to sign their children up for summer school this year: paper applications or online applications.



Summer School Enrollment: Ends on Friday, April 15th
Summer School Dates: Monday, June 13th to Friday, July 15th (24 days)

Summer School

Student enrollment applications are open and Summer School sign-up has begun for students. We have two options for parents to sign their children up for summer school this year: paper applications or online applications.

Summer School Enrollment ends on Friday, April 15th Summer School Dates = Monday, June 13th to Friday, July 15th with No School on Monday, July 4th (24 days)

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

Summer School Enrollment:

Kindergarten Readiness Online App https://forms.gle/CkX3aZih31hrMEyo7 K-12 Summer School Online App https://forms.gle/stDzUHv3LsvEPy377

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

Crystal Robideau = Elementary Summer School Coordinator: <u>crystal.robideau@hcpak12.org</u> Elizabeth (Wardell) Mercil = Secondary Summer School Coordinator <u>elizabeth.wardell@hcpak12.org</u>

COMMITTEE/SPORTS UPDATES

Robotics

HCPA's Robotics team this year, led by Mr. Joseph Norby-White will be competing at the Williams Arena at the University of Minneapolis Campus on April 6th 2022.



Sport

Spring Sports Are Here!

Our students in grades 6-12 are ready to start their Spring Sports Season, which is the strongest season for our school. For Middle School students, we have a Co-Ed Volleyball Team, Badminton for girls, and Futsal for boys and girls.

For our High School students, we compete at the Varsity Level in Badminton for girls, and at the Club Level for Boy's Volleyball and Co-Ed Flag Football. Our Badminton and Boy's Volleyball Team are always high level competitors! Our Middle School Volleyball Team is coming off their last season where we ended undefeated.

Expectations and hopes are high for the upcoming Spring Season, and we cannot wait to see how our boys and girls do!

Yearbooks

Buy your yearbook today! Parents and students can order online at ybpay.lifetouch.com code: 14191022. Yearbooks are \$30 each with options for upgrades. Every yearbook features K-12 with each grade level having their own feature stories. Final orders must be placed by March 25th. Yearbooks will be delivered by the end of the year.





Flag Football, 2018



Middle School Futsal Tournament, 2020

WE HAVE NEW SOCIAL PLATFORMS



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.



Hmong Radio Broadcast

HCPA will be featured on Hmong Radio Broadcast every 3rd Monday of the month from 9am-10am. Our Director of Family Engagement, Dr. 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