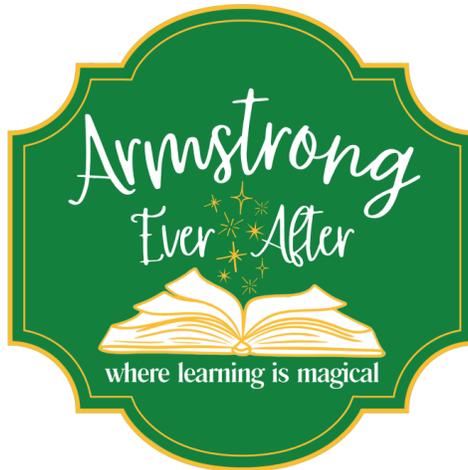




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Campus Newsletter



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Stay up to date with Armstrong happenings by [subscribing to the calendar](#).



March 9, 2026

Dear Armstrong Families,

As we approach Spring Break, I wanted to take a moment to thank you for your loyalty and dedication to the Armstrong throughout this school year. It's hard to believe we will be entering the final nine weeks of the 2025-26 school year when we return from the break. Spring Break offers a great opportunity for our students, staff, and families to recharge, explore, and create memories with their families and friends. Whether you are traveling or staying in Dallas, I hope this break provides a chance for rest, relaxation, and precious memories. Our dedicated staff looks forward to welcoming our students back for the remainder of the year with renewed energy and enthusiasm!

We hope to see all our 3rd grade families at "Thwacked!" this Thursday morning, March 12, at 8:15 a.m. Dianne Morgan, our Specials team, and many parent volunteers have dedicated many hours to this program, and we are excited to see our kids in action!

Have a fantastic week! Thank you for your dedication to our students and learning community. As always, feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

**2ND- 4TH
GRADE MENU**

MARCH 2026

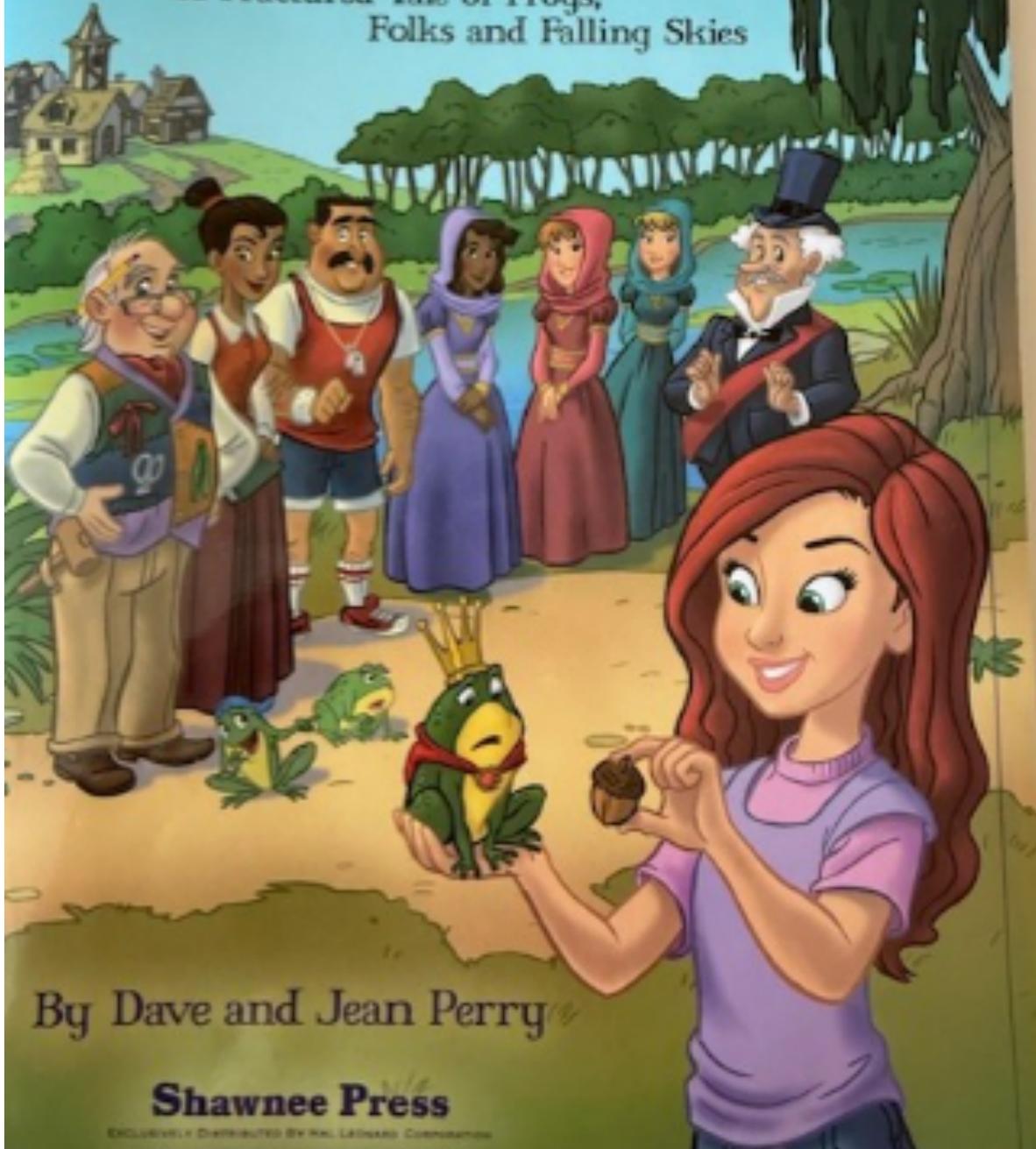
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23 2ND-4TH GRADE PANCAKES, BACON, HASH BROWN, SAGE LINKS OR BEEF TAMALE OR CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP	24 2ND-4TH GRADE BEEF NACHOS MEXICAN RICE RANCH STYLE BEANS TACO SALAD POBLANO CHICKEN SOUP	25 2ND-4TH GRADE PASTA W/ PLAIN MARINARA CESAR SALAD GARLIC BREAD MOZZARELLA CHEESE STICKS MEAT LOAF	26 2ND-4TH GRADE CHICKEN NUGGETS GREEN BEANS MASH POTATO ROLL GRAVY BBQ SAUSAGE	27 2ND-4TH G GRILLED C SANDWICH, CHEESE T SANDWICH TA TOMATO S MIXED VEG BAKED SAL

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THWACKED!

A Fractured Tale of Frogs,
Folks and Falling Skies



By Dave and Jean Perry

Shawnee Press

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Thursday, March 12, 8:15am is the 3rd grade performance for Thwacked! Don't miss it!

[PreRegister Here!](#)

You will have to register or sign in for this event! Make it easier on yourself and the office staff by preregistering in our Verkada system at the above button!

Thank you!

Registration begins at 7:30am on Wednesday 3/11/26!

Armstrong PNO
Friday, March 27, 2026
***with Ms. Gaubert, Mrs. Henderson and M
Talley***

What Is It? It's a chance for you to have a parents' night out! Your child will have a blast at school with their friends and teachers. There will be fun activities, gym games, pizza, a movie, and more!

Who? K – 4th grade Armstrong students

When? Friday, March 27 6:00pm-11:00pm

Where? Check in and pick up at the small gym doors @ St. Johns.

Cost? \$50 1st child and \$40 for siblings. No refunds will be given. *A \$25 late pick-up fee, to be paid immediately or the next school day, will be charged at and an additional \$10 will be assessed at 11:15 and at each 15 minute interval.

What to bring: Nothing is necessary, but you can bring a pillow, sleeping bag, water bottle (name on all). Do not bring snacks or electronic devices.

[PNO Form Here!](#)



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Grandfriends Day

ARMSTRONG | 2026

Grandfriends' Day is an Armstrong tradition when grandparents or a special friend visit your student(s). A grandfriend's presence brings fairytale magic to the day, creating storybook memories as students share their work.

Mark your calendars for **April 2** and be sure to let your grandfriends know.

Volunteers will welcome grandfriends (parent attendance not required) at the front door and guide them to the auditorium, where coffee and cookies will be served during a short wait until they go to the classrooms. Elevators are available for those needing assistance inside the school, and valet parking will be located at the front entrance on Cornell.

Schedule for April 2nd:

Preschool – 8:00–8:35am

1st – 8:40–9:15am

2nd – 9:20–9:55am

Kindergarten – 10:00–10:35am

3rd – 10:40–11:15am

4th – 11:20–11:55am

If you have a student already registered in PreK (4) this year, you do not have to enroll for Kindergarten, they will automatically roll into the Kindergarten class. If your 4 year old (5 by 9/1/26) is not attending Kindergarten here at Armstrong, Please let us know. The earlier you register **completely**, the more accurate our count will be when the district is deciding how many sections we will have for 2026-2027. Please register **and** upload documents as soon as possible. We have already begun processing applications!

Thank you!





KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

*Enroll your 5-year-old in kindergarten today!
Kindergarten enrollment opened on February 3,
2025, and will close soon. Secure your child's
spot by enrolling today! Learn more at
HPISD.org/kinder.*



PROGRAM CHECKLIST:

- ✓ Must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2025
- ✓ Live in the City of UP or Town of HP (proof of residency required)
- ✓ Campus tours available upon request

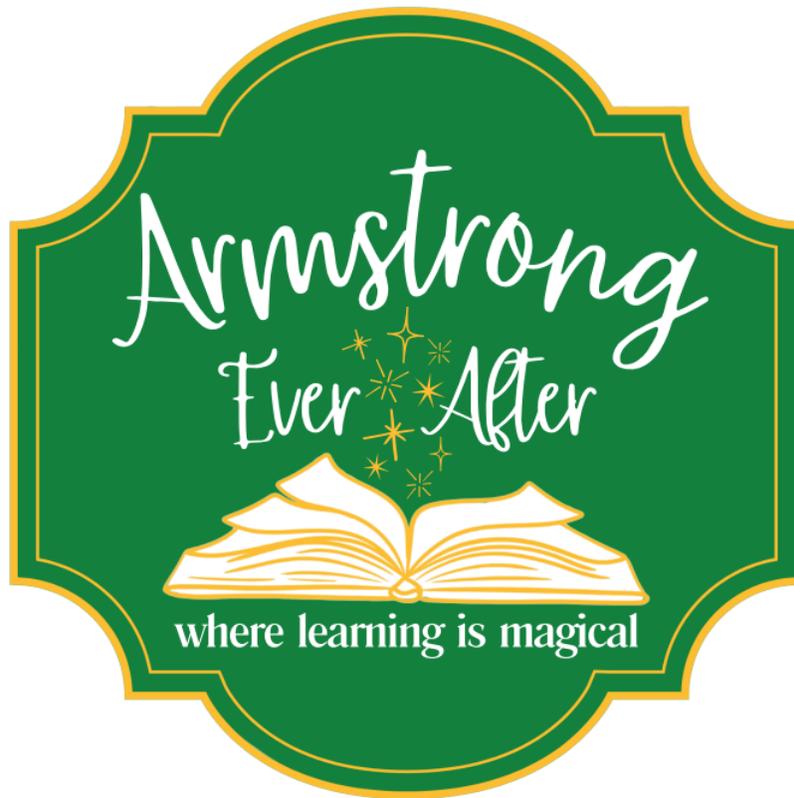
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 hpsid.org/enrollment



PTA News



We need your help!

The Spirit Shop needs your help! We currently don't have volunteers signed up for the rest of the year, (Mondays and Wednesdays) and the kids absolutely love when the store is open. The shift is just 7:30–8:00 AM, and it's a fun and easy way to get involved. Even better, it's a great activity to do with your child—they'll love helping out and seeing their friends before school. If you have a morning to spare, we'd be so grateful for your help!

Sign up here: <https://signup.com/go/woPTHbv>



Select Family and Eagle Party tickets are Still Available for Purchase:

Whether you're a flyer, a tumbler, or just love to move, this 2nd Grade Gym Party has something for everyone! Join your friends at the cheer gym for an afternoon of stunts, games, music, and teamwork. Boys and girls alike will love this high-energy, high-fun celebration! 10am-12pm. \$30/ticket. **New date to be announced soon!**

[Purchase Tickets Here!](#)



Hold on, Summer! Step into a sparkling winter wonderland for our 2nd Annual Mother–Daughter Tea — a magical afternoon filled with sweet treats, warm tea, and memories to last a lifetime. Dress in your winter whites, soft blues, and shimmering silvers as we celebrate the special bond between mothers and daughters in true “snowy princess” style. Enjoy dainty tea sandwiches, glittering desserts, and enchanting activities fit for royalty. Tickets are limited! 55 Seventy. March 28, 2026. 11am-1pm. \$135/ticket for mother & daughter. \$35 for each additional daughter.

[Purchase Tickets Here!](#)



Aloha, pickleball enthusiasts! Get ready to serve up some tropical fun at our luau-themed pickleball party, where the courts meet the coast and competition meets celebration. Whether you're a seasoned pro or just learning to dink, this island-inspired evening is your ticket to good vibes and great volleys! Join us for an unforgettable night of friendly matches, fruity drinks, and Hawaiian flair. Dress in your best island attire - think grass skirts, leis, and aloha shirts. Lighthearted pickleball games for all skill levels. Big Kahunas Tournament. Prizes for best dressed, top teams and more! Royal Oaks Country Club. April 18, 2026. 4pm-7pm. \$150/ticket.

[Purchase Tickets Here!](#)



REMINDER:

Invitations have been sent for the Mother Son Kickball Tournament! Please check your email for important information!

Hear ye, hear ye! Calling all princes, knights, and their fearless queens! The annual Mother & Son Kickball Tournament is upon us - a day of laughter, teamwork, and playful competition fit for a fairytale kingdom. Gather your courage (and your sneakers!) for an enchanting day on the field. PreK-4th graders are invited to join the royal games! Armstrong Fields. April 10, 2026. 4pm-6pm.

Opens at 4pm today!



Nervous about
sending your
4th grader to MIS?

Join us in the Raider
Cafeteria and see
them at school!

Claim shifts in VSP starting March 9th

[Sign up for a VSP account here!](#)

VSP is the system MIS/HPMS uses to sign up volunteers across the ci

Try a shift before school ends!

If you want an inside glimpse –

Contact Katherine & Tracy to get on the
schedule to try it or join for next year

Katherine.issel@gmail.com

portmelech@gmail.com

We hope to see you there!

katherine.issel@gmail.com

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If you are new to MIS, cafeteria spots will open to new
volunteers on **March 9th**. Coveted spots and days with multiple openings go quick! New
volunteers can make VSP accounts now and start registering on March 9th. VSP is how
volunteers at the middle school sign up for volunteering.

MIS 4th/5th Transition Shirt

Congratulations, Class of 2034, on your exciting move to MIS this fall!

To celebrate this big transition to middle school, be sure to order your MIS Transition Tee and show off your new school spirit!

The MIS Transition Tee is a long-standing tradition for 4th graders heading into 5th grade. Students often wear their shirts during the final weeks of elementary school as a fun and meaningful way to celebrate this milestone and proudly represent their future at MIS.

Don't miss out! Order your Class of 2034 Transition Tee and join in the celebration of this exciting next chapter!

Order deadline: Wednesday, April 1st Shirt distribution: At the 5th Grade Transition Meeting April 30th at MIS, 9:30am or 6pm.

Click below to place your order today!

Runs true to size. If you are in between sizes, we recommend you size up.

<https://4-5transitionshirt.cheddarup.com>



4th to 5th grade transition meetings will take place on April 30th, 9:30am and 6pm. A long standing tradition is the 4/5 transition shirts, and ordering will start today and end April 1st!



The Annual Park Cities Dads Club Pickleball Event
March 28
Royal Oaks Country Club
1pm - 6pm

<https://pcdcpickleball.com/event/2026-pickleball/>



YEARBOOK PHOTOS!

Don't forget to submit your photos from this fall
(Meet the Teacher, First Day of School,
Founder's Day Picnic, Hero, Pumkin Carving,
Bike Rodeo, Character Parade,
2nd and 3rd Grade Performances,
Veterans Day, Sports...)
to Armstrongeaglesyearbook@gmail.com

Please just include the grade and if applicable,
the class/teacher.

You do not need to include children's names!

[Upload photos here:](#)

Volunteers Needed!

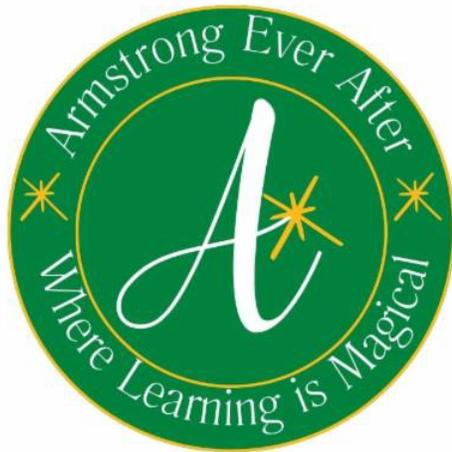


NEW SHIFTS ADDED

*must commit to work entire shift, not just a class' assigned time

Questions? Email Meredith Clark
Meredithwclark@gmail.com

[Sign up for a shift here!](#)



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2025-2026 DirectorySpot is LIVE! If you [purchased a PTA membership](#) during BSSU, you'll have access to the Armstrong Directory. Existing users can continue to use the app as you did last year, unless you want to [update your contact information](#). If you're a new user, click on Login in the upper right-hand corner and click Reset password using your email address. Then, click on the link in your password and log in. If you have questions, reach out to Directory@armstrongpta.org.

**Need your information in the Armstrong PTA
Directory updated? Click Here**



[PTA Feedback Form](#)

Community News



Get ready for an exciting night of softball, school spirit, and community fun—**Youth Night** is coming to the Highland Park Softball Field on **Friday, March 27 at 6:45 PM!**

The Highland Park Scots Softball team invites all Armstrong, Bradfield, Boone, Hyer, and University Park students, families, and staff to join the celebration. We are asking for **nominations of your amazing teachers**, and the teacher with the most nominations will have the honor of **throwing out the ceremonial first pitch!** Imagine the cheers when your school's teacher takes the mound.

Please send all nominations to hpssoftballboosterclub@gmail.com. Our Scots Varsity Softball team is off to a fantastic 9–3 start this season, and many of these players once sat in your classrooms. Now they're proudly representing our community on the field! Submit your nominations, wear your school colors, and come cheer loud. Let's pack the stands and make it a night to remember! **Go Scots!** 🟡



HPHS STUDENT COUNCIL PRESENTS

MOVIE NIGHT



SATURDAY | 6-9 PM
MARCH 28TH

AT HPHS SOFTBALL FIELD

MOVIE, SOCCER CHALLENGE, SCOOBY DOO BOUNCE HOUSE, 2 PERSON OBSTACLE COURSE, FACE TO FACE RACE CLIMBING WALL, AND FACE PAINT

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MOVIE STARTS AT 7 PM | PLEASE EAT BEFOREHAND



COME MEET THE
**LADY SCOTS
GOLF TEAM**

MONDAY, MARCH 30TH
4:15-6:00PM
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* TAKE PICTURE
WITH THE EAST
BUNNY, GRAB A
ARNOLD PALME
PLAY GOLF GAME
GET LADY SCOT
MERCH AND
HAVE SOME FUN





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2026 Summer Program
May 26 – August 7

All Academy Brochure



Meadows Museum
**SUMMER
CAMPS**
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Students entering the 4th through 8th grades are invited to the Meadows Museum's weeklong summer camps, where they can make artworks of their very own! Campers will also have the opportunity to explore art in the museum's galleries and go behind the scenes to view works that are rarely exhibited.

SENSATIONAL SCULPTURES

JUNE 1-5 | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Chisel and carve. Model and mold. We'll explore the different materials used to create three-dimensional works of art, including clay, plaster, and wood.

For rising 6th- through 8th-graders.

PRINTMAKING PALOOZA

JUNE 22-26 | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

It's a Printmaking Palooza! This weeklong camp will introduce students to a variety of techniques, such as monoprint, screen printing, Gelli plate printing, and linocut.

For rising 4th- through 6th-graders.

\$200 per child; \$175 for children of SMU students/faculty/staff; \$125 for children of Meadows Museum members at the Individual level and above.

Priority registration for members opens Feb. 2; registration for the public opens Feb. 14.

Register at meadowsmuseumdallas.org/family-programs/







Our practical talk series equips parents, educators, and ministers to navigate life challenges with resilience and purpose—drawing on mental health insights, faith and effective communication to inspire lasting transformation.

Youth & Difficult Thoughts: Suicide Prevention, Response, and Postvention | Tuesday, February 10, 6:30-8

Nathaniel R. Strenger, Psy.D., Licensed Psychologist

Talk of teen suicide is terrifying. But, few things are more protective than an informed and collaborating community. In this Inform talk, we will equip parents, ministers, educators, and caregivers to take on an uncomfortable subject with confidence. We'll discuss preventative communication and the role of faith and community in well-being. We'll practice difficult conversations about risk factors and help-seeking. These are the foundations of community suicide prevention, response, and postvention.

Empty Nest: Prepare for Launch | Tuesday, April 14, 6:30-8:00 pm

Carrie Davidson Psy.D., Licensed Psychologist and Clint Donaldson, LPC-S

As we prepare for an empty nest and the launch of kids, how can we have a sustainable relationship with our young adult/college child. When do we step in and when do we step back? How can we encourage our kids to apply faith values independently of us and be resilient, confident, and self-sufficient.

The Mental Load for Moms | Tuesday, September 1, 6:30-8:00 pm

Katie Campbell, LCSW and Lindsey Parker, LPC

The "mental load" or the invisible, constant, and often exhausting cognitive and emotional labor many moms carry—planning, remembering, organizing, anticipating needs, managing schedules, and keeping the household and family running—is a burdensome weight on Moms. We will help shine a light on the unseen work mothers do, how it impacts mental health, and what healthier balance can look like. Moms will leave with practical resources how every aspect of their lives—relationships, faith, physical well-being, emotional lives—can sync together for contentment and resilient life.

Holding On and Letting Go: Managing Holiday Grief After Loss | Tuesday, November 3, 6:30-8:00 pm

Sandy Robinson, LPC-S

The holiday season can amplify feelings of grief, especially for empty nesters coping with the loss of parents or adjusting to new family dynamics. This discussion offers a compassionate space to explore how grief intersects with traditions, faith-life, expectations, and emotional well-being during the holidays. Participants will learn practical strategies for honoring memories, managing loneliness, and finding meaning in this season of change.

REGISTRATION

There is no fee to attend, but we ask that you RSVP so we can prepare seating and send you a reminder before the event. To register, go to TheCenterCounseling.org/Inform or scan QR.



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