



Armstrong Article

Campus Newsletter



August

- 15 - First Day of School
- 15 - Dads Club Sno Cones 3:15pm
- 18 - Cafeteria Training, 8:00, Cafeteria
- 19 - ABPA Kindergarten Popsicle Party, 9am, Playground
- 23 - Spirit Day
- 23 - Room Parent Training, 8am, Auditorium
- 29 - Curriculum Night (two sessions 4:00 and 4:45)
- 31 - Donuts with Dad Jokes

September

- 4 - Student Holiday
- 14 - Individual Student Pictures
- 28 - Book Fair Begins (9/28-10/5)



August 14, 2023

Dear Armstrong Families,

Find Your Place in the Eagle's Nest was fabulous! It was great to see all of the smiling faces and excitement about the upcoming school year! We look forward to see all of our Eagles tomorrow morning!

Here are a few reminders for a successful day!

- There are 2 locations for morning drop-off beginning at 7:30am: the main entrance door on Cornell and the northeast door at St. Johns and Byron. These doors are monitored by staff beginning at 7:30am to support student and staff safety. All students must proceed to the grade level hallways to wait until 7:50am.

· Please wait in the tiled areas or outside at the Cornell and St. John's entrances. This will help our teachers and staff prepare for the day.

· Please exit the building immediately after the 8:00 a.m. tardy bell rings, or check-in at the office if you are volunteering or have other obligations within the building.

· Cafeteria volunteers should check-in AND out each day.

· Students with cell phones, smart watches, and other internet enabled electronic devices should have them stored in lockers and turned off during the school day, from 7:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m. Student cell phones should never be in use or visible, unless specifically directed by the teacher as a component of a supervised instructional activity.

· The queue lane is the lane along the curb next to the building, and flows west on Cornell and northeast on St. Johns.

· Parking is along the curb farthest from the school, and the middle lane is for traffic flow ONLY. Use the queuing lane, or pull over to a legal curb, for your child to exit on the sidewalk side of the car. Cars in the middle lane must yield to cars trying to exit the queue lane.

· Pull forward as far as possible in the queue lane before dropping off or picking up your child. Be courteous and do not stop the traffic behind you.

· Display the color coded card issued by your teacher with your student's name, grade level, and teacher's name prominently on your window or dashboard. This will help the staff members who manage the carpool lines to load and move cars more quickly.

· Drop off and pick up students from the queue lane on the curb side ONLY, never the middle of the street.

· NO cell phone use is permitted in the school zone. Comply with posted traffic signs at all times.

· Students crossing the street must ALWAYS use crosswalks.

Please familiarize yourself with the directed flow of traffic around the school, and obey all traffic signs and crossing guard instructions.

Attendance Reminders:

· When a student is absent, parents are requested to call the office at 214-780-3100 or email Registrar/Attendance Clerk at arattendance@hpsid.org and your student's teacher as close to 8:00am as possible to notify the school of the absence.

· Students arriving late to class can be very disruptive to the academic routines of the classroom as well as to the student's own academic participation and success. Students arriving after 8:00am are marked tardy and must come to the main office for an admit slip to class. Please help support your student's positive school skills and habits by ensuring consistent, daily, on-time attendance. Excessive tardies may result in a referral to the office and conference with the principal.

· Students are not to leave the school without permission. If students plan to leave school before the regular dismissal time, the parent or guardian MUST check out the child at the office.

Thank you for the positivity and enthusiasm as we begin a new school year! We would love to hear about your great experiences throughout the year! One way of doing that is to submit staff shoutouts using this Google Form: [Staff Shoutouts](#). We will share these shoutouts in our weekly newsletters. Our staff deserve recognition and praise throughout the year!

Thank you for entrusting us with your child every day. It is a great privilege, responsibility, and a special joy. Our mission is for each of our students to experience daily success. We look forward to partnering with you to provide excellent educational support for your student. Please take great pictures and post on our social media sites so that we can share all the wonderful things happening at Armstrong Elementary!

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Betsy Cummins

Betsy Cummins
Principal
cumminb@hpsid.org

Spirit Day

August 23



Armstrong Elementary PTA News



Armstrong PTA Mass Text Service



Not an email person? Stay "in the know" with Armstrong's new mass text service.

For instructions on how to join,
click [here](#)

Armstrong Subscription Calendar



Let the Armstrong PTA keep you up to date by with our new subscription calendar. Calendars are available for school wide events as well as individual grade levels. Click [here](#) for directions and subscription links.

Room Parent Volunteer



If you are interested in being a room parent this year, please complete the Google Form below.

[Room Parent Form](#)

@armstrong_eagles

Eat
lunch
with
your
kiddo!



VOLUNTEER!

*cafe training & refresher
directly after*

our sign up link
drop off AUG 18!

In the Cafeteria



Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp:

<https://signup.com/go/KbZSCxo>

2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.

3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.

Cafeteria Volunteers





The Armstrong PTA has funded and operated the cafeteria since 1921. We need YOU to help us make the cafeteria successful and ensure our students have the best lunch experience possible.

[Sign up Here!](#)

Or using the QR Code



Please join the long-standing tradition of cafeteria volunteer service by volunteering as a server or cashier in the cafeteria! **We need every family to volunteer in the cafeteria at least once a month!**

Late BSSU



Did Back to School Sign Up (BSSU) come and go without you knowing? Please reach out to Jamie Condon in the front office to make sure all permission forms have been updated and any fees (school supplies, field trip, etc.) are paid.

Auction Tickets



Purchase your auction tickets now
and join your friends for an out of this
world party!

[Buy Auction Tickets!](#)

4th Grade News



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL 4TH GRADE DONUT BREAKFAST

Tuesday August 15th, 7:30 - 7:50AM,
Cafeteria

Pop In, Drop Off, Or Stay and Visit

4th Grade Students Only, Please

4th Grade News



If you did not receive a paperless post invite for the social, please email Laura Price, ljaprice@gmail.com or Brooke Garner, txbfannin@gmail.com

Armstrong Dads Club



Interested in joining the Dads Club?
Contact Jeff Sears at
president@armstrongdadsclub.com

Family Giving



It's not too late to participate in our annual Family Giving campaign and receive your family giving benefits!

	THE EAGLE HAS LANDED	EXPLORATION	TOUCHDOWN	ORBIT	ASCENT	LAUNCH
BENEFITS	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$2,750	\$1,250	\$850	\$500
Teacher of the Day	X					
Designate Your Own Spirit Day	X					
Auction Underwriting Party Tickets	X					
Carnival Fuel Ticket	X					
VIP Performance Seats	4	2				
Personalized Yearbook Page	X	X				
Morning Announcements	X	X				
Carnival Wristbands	X	X				
Auction Tickets	VIP	VIP	X			
Early Access Book Fair	X	X	X			
PNO Pass	X	X	X			
Founder's Day Fast Pass	X	X	X	X		
Breakfast w/ Principal Cummins	X	X	X	X		
Spring Mom's Night Out Party	X	X	X	X		
Exclusive Family Giving T-Shirt	X	X	X	X		
Yard Sign	X	X	X	X	X	
Car Decal	2	2	2	2	2	1
Donor Wall Recognition	X	X	X	X	X	X

You can still donate online at armstrongpta.org/family-giving or via check payable to Armstrong PTA. Checks can be dropped in the PTA Mailbox in the Armstrong Front Office.

Community News

2023

BACK *to* BUSINESS

HIGHLAND PARK TENNIS

2024



MEET THE SCOTS

Tennis Festival & Exhibition Match Play

SPONSORED BY

JOHNSON ORAL FACIAL SURGERY



SATURDAY AUGUST 26, 2023
8:30 - 11:00
SEAY OUTDOOR TENNIS COURTS

**Serving challenge! Target contest! Prizes!
Raffle baskets! Jamba Juice Food Truck & more!**

**Bring family & friends for a fun morning on the courts - all skill
levels & ages welcome!**

<https://hp-tennis-meet-the-scots.cheddarup.com>

HP

Tennis Academy



**2023 Fall Program
August 28 – December 9**

**Elite/Tournament Training
& Lower School**



Spaghetti Supper T-Shirts

Support the Highland Belles on and off the field with your 2023 Love at First Kick T-shirt. Wear it at our Annual Spaghetti Supper and in the stands all year long. Limited quantities available and 100% of all proceeds support our Highland Belles.





**Spaghetti Supper,
Raffle & Online Auction**

September 1, 2023

Dine In 5-7pm

Take Out 4:30-6:30pm

Bring your family and friends to the High School to enjoy a delicious dinner catered by *Amore Italian Bistro!*

BUY TICKETS NOW!

Tickets purchased online will be delivered in August. You may support one or more of your favorite Belles by including their name(s) as indicated.

- **PURCHASE RAFFLE TICKETS** at \$5 each or 6 for \$25 for a chance to win our fabulous raffle items! You DO NOT need to be present to win.
- Bid online for **AMAZING AUCTION ITEMS** from August 25th to September 1st!
All money raised directly funds essential Belle needs such as transportation, costumes, equipment, choreography, and competition. With your help, we can continue our tradition of excellence!

Thank you for your support!



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Thank you to the 2022 - 2023 Armstrong Elementary Community Partners!



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Support Local

Armstrong Eagles love to support our own!

**Do you own a local
business you would like
to include on our PTA
webpage?**

Please complete this form to be
included in our PTA resource
directory for parents.

GO EAGLES