



Armstrong Article

Campus Newsletter



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September 3, 2024

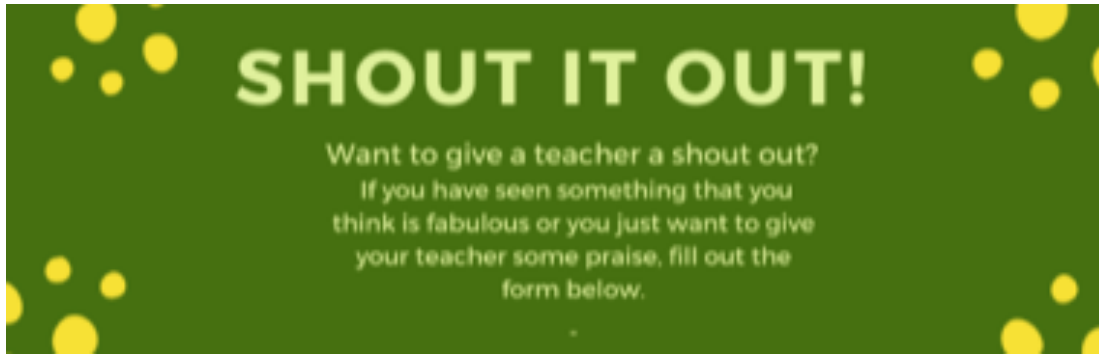
Dear Armstrong Families,

I hope you had a wonderful Labor Day holiday! It is great to see our students and staff engaged in teaching and learning throughout the day. I hope your children are feeling confident and settling into weekly routines.

We loved having our parents at Curriculum Night last week to learn about district curriculum updates, classroom procedures, and other important information regarding your child's teacher and classroom. Communication is essential to a successful school year, so please reach out to the teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

Our fabulous PTA has been working diligently on the PTA website. Thanks to Whitney Walden for your expertise, creativity, and dedication to Armstrong! Check it out here: <https://www.armstrongpta.org/>

This website can be used for the answer to many frequently asked questions!



[Form to Submit Shout Outs](#)

Thanks for submitting staff shout outs! We are grateful for your support and encouragement.

*We have had the best start to the school year with Ms. Johnson and Ms. Pence. They have been so welcoming, warm and supportive to our family. We feel so lucky to have them in our lives and are so thankful for them both!

*Ms. Rigg--Taking the extra time to have a phone call to discuss our child's transition into the new school helped us to better understand our child's daily experiences.

*Ms. Bily--Going above and beyond to ensure our child feels comfortable at his new school! Daily high-fives or hugs make him feel truly loved.

*Thank you to Ms. Dunston for such a wonderful start to second grade. She has truly gone above beyond for our daughter. She creates such an amazing learning environment and has been just wonderful. We cannot say enough great things!

*I cannot adequately express how pleased I was with the teachers I visited with at Curriculum Night. I'm on year 7 as a parent at Armstrong, so in theory nothing should surprise me much anymore. But Ms. Johnson, Stringer, and Kuehn were so so enthusiastic, so informative, and so pleasant to visit with that it put a real hop in my step. Thanks teachers, current and former. Y'all are awesome!

I would love to hear from you! What topics or ideas do you want to learn about throughout this school year? We will be planning All Things Armstrong, parent education events, and digital communication topics. We

want to ensure that the learning and information is meaningful for our families. ***Please take a few minutes to fill out this [Google Form](#) to share your ideas and needs with me so that we can plan accordingly.***

As always, I value your input and feedback. Please let me know if you need anything or have any questions.

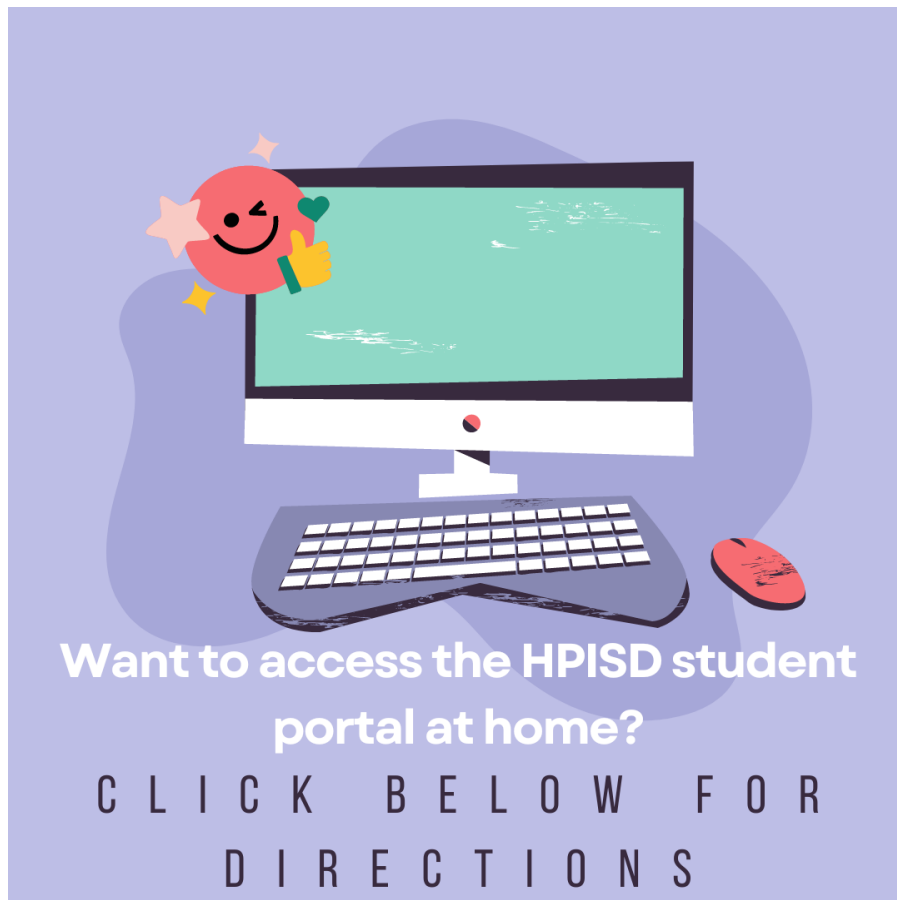
Sincerely,

Betsy Cummins

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Principal

cumminb@hpsid.org



[Portal Instructions](#)

Safety Reminder:

Do not cross the streets, Cornell and St. Johns, through the que lanes. ALWAYS use the cross walk. If you are picking up carpool, PreSchool or K-4, please get in the que lane and move forward with traffic, remain in your vehicle, we have staff to help your children into the car. If you are parking and walking up for pick-up, please use the crosswalk to cross the street. Please do not block driveways. This safety reminder is for morning and afternoon.



Armstrong Elementary

HIGHLAND PARK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024 - 2025

Dear Parents:

There are some students in our school that have severe food allergies to **PEANUTS & TREE NUTS**.

We are asking that you be mindful of this when sending food into the classroom for class parties and snack time due to the severity of these allergies. Please send nut free food options during these times. Packed lunches do not need to be nut free.

Please instruct your child not to share food with other classmates.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation. We look forward to a great school year! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the school.

You can learn more about severe food allergies by visiting the Food Allergy & Anaphylaxis Network at www.foodallergy.org

FoodAllergy.org

FARE is the largest private funder of food allergy research advocating on behalf of the 33 million Americans living with potentially life-threatening food allergies.

www.foodallergy.org

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Also, if you would like to donate bottles of water for our campus, please bring them to the front office.

Sincerely,

Crystal Hunt, BSN, RN

Armstrong School Nurse

Spirit Day

September 4 & 18



SEPTEMBER 11

Wear red, white & blue

A note from the office:

If your child is absent from school, please email arattendance@hpisd.org. If you email your child's teacher, please copy the attendance email as well. A text to your child's teacher is not sufficient notification of a student's absence. Timely communication is very important for the state attendance coding that is required.

The attendance time is 10:00am. If you come in after 10:00am, please bring a doctor note so that we can code accordingly and still received funding for your student.

Thank you for your attention and communication with the office.



If you have borrowed our umbrellas from the foyer, please return them. We seem to be missing some! Thank you!

PTA News

Class Contest

Class Contests supporting the Armstrong Auction are Friday, September 6 - Friday, September 13

Each year we hold class contests asking parents to donate items for our online, silent and live auctions. In lieu of an item, families can contribute a monetary donation (\$25 suggested per child), which is used to enhance live luxury packages with gift cards. **In honor of Armstrong turning 110 years old, please consider donating \$110 to support our amazing school!**

All classes with 100% participation will be rewarded with a special treat! Check your child's take home folder this Friday or the [PTA website](#) later this week for more information.

Want to get a head start? [Click here to donate through givelively today!](#)



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th

**Buy a ticket, grab your picnic blanket and join us on the large field
for our annual Founder's Day Picnic at Armstrong!**

**A DJ will be playing the hits while In-N-Out Burger serves up lunch
(hamburger, cheeseburger or grilled cheese + chips and drink)!**

Lunch times will be staggered, please check your child's time below:

Pre-K: 10:45am

Kindergarten:

Doremus 11:00am

Johnson 11:05am

Spalten 11:10am

Veitenehimer 11:15am

Second Grade:

Bierman 11:40am

Pence 11:45am

Beber 11:50am

Dunston 11:55am

Third Grade:

Bily 12:05pm

Davis 12:10pm

Massey 12:15pm

Rigg 12:20pm

First Grade:

Donham 11:20am

Gaubert 11:25am

Talley 11:30am

Stringer 11:35am

Fourth Grade:

Kuehn 12:25pm

Green 12:30pm

Katz 12:35pm

Walters 12:40pm

****Deadline to order is September 16th****

No tickets will be sold at the event and the cafeteria will be closed.

Check your skyward account fee management or the [Armstrong PTA website](#) for more information on tickets and confirming your purchase

[Purchase Tickets Here!](#)

[Check for Your Order Here!](#)



PTA Subscribe Calendar:

Did you know that you can subscribe to the Armstrong school year calendar on the PTA site? This will keep you updated on all Armstrong key dates throughout the school year! Subscribe to the PTA calendar here: [Subscribe to Calendar](#) , or visit the [PTA website](#)!

Armstrong Spirit Shop will be temporarily closed starting Tuesday, September 3rd for renovations. We can't wait to open again soon and welcome you with new items and Armstrong gear! Check the [PTA website](#) for updates.

Directory Spot

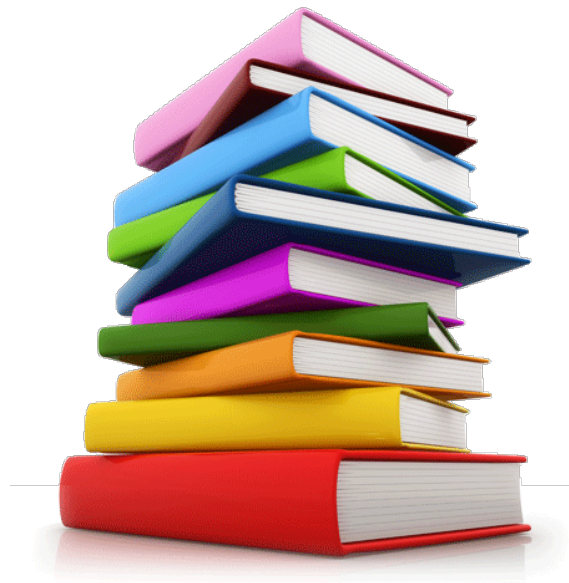
All Armstrong families in the PTA have been added as a user for Directory Spot. Directory Spot is our online all-school directory and your main resource for class contact information.

To Access:

1. Download the DirectorySpot app from your app store or go to Directoryspot.net from your browser
2. Enter your email address as your username and click on “reset password”
3. Click on the link in your email to set your password, relaunch the app and log in with your email and new password

Please note- Directory Spot is only accessible once PTA dues have been paid.

If your information is incorrect or you would like to be included/excluded please reach out to Directory Spot chair, Lindsey Williamson at lindseypwilliamson@gmail.com.



NEW - LIBRARY VOLUNTEER

LOVE BOOKS?! Come volunteer in the library with your child's class! Sign up for one (or more!) 30 minute time slots that are available weekly throughout the school year. Job includes helping students find books and assisting Mrs Riley with any misc tasks. This is a super easy and **FUN** way to volunteer and see your kids! Sign up through your classroom volunteer signups (<https://www.armstrongpta.org/classroomvolunteers>)!



Follow us [@armstrong_eagles](#) on Instagram for real time updates and stories from Eagle Nation!

Community News

Hello! The Fine Arts Department publishes a biweekly newsletter that includes photos from our classrooms, upcoming events, social media links, and more! If you would like to receive this newsletter directly to your inbox, please scroll to the bottom of this edition and click "Subscribe" (found in the blue bar at the bottom of the letter that has the heading 'HPISD Fine Arts Newsletter'). Please enjoy our first 24/25 school year edition!

Newsletter link, August 23: <https://secure.smores.com/n/cqu54>

Thank you all!



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MAGAZINE COLLAGES

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10,
4 - 5 PM**

. CREATE A COLLAGE ALL ABOUT YOU, YOUR INTERESTS, AND HOBBIES! USE MAGAZINE CUTOUTS AND MOD PODGE TO FILL A CANVAS WITH YOUR FAVORITE THINGS.

LIMITED TO 20 PARTICIPANTS.

REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 7.



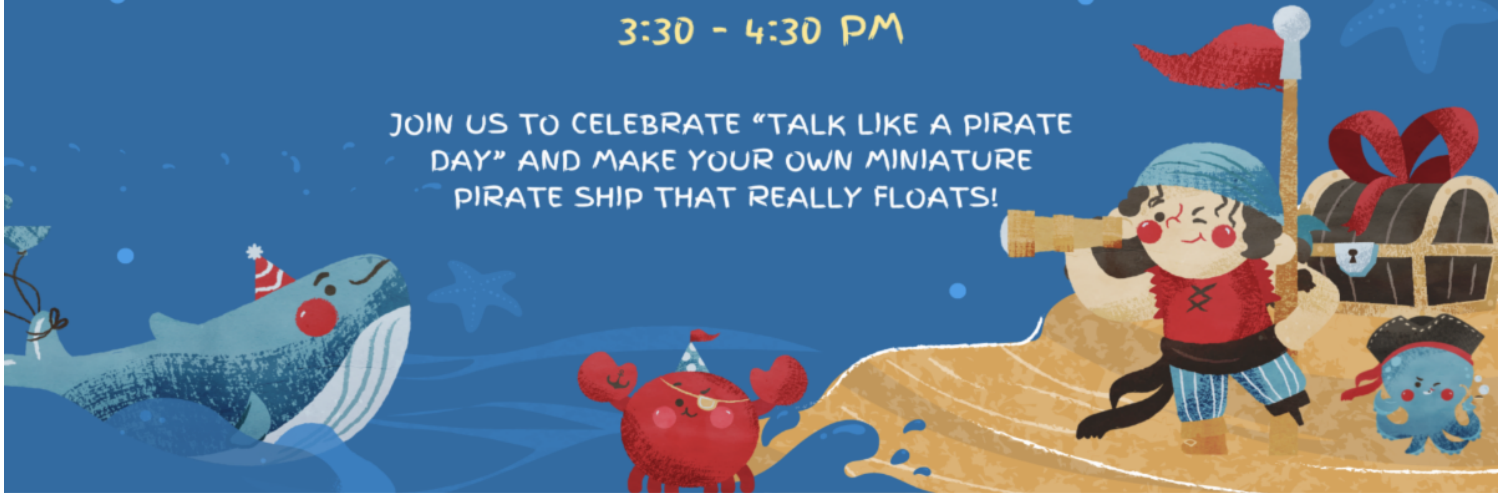
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<http://www.uptexas.org>

TALK LIKE A PIRATE DAY!

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

3:30 - 4:30 PM

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE "TALK LIKE A PIRATE DAY" AND MAKE YOUR OWN MINIATURE PIRATE SHIP THAT REALLY FLOATS!



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Elementary
Explorers

Ages 6+

Slime Making

**Wednesday, September 25,
4:00 - 5:00 pm**

Join Miss Stacey from Play Play Play for
squishy, slimy fun!

Limited to 20 participants.

Please register by Saturday, September 21.



Learn more about Miss Stacey!



Register



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Las niñas necesitan un lugar seguro solo para ellas donde puedan probar cosas nuevas, divertirse con amigas y sembrar semillas para un futuro brillante.

Join Kinder Girl Scout Troop 4226!

**Sept. 9th @ 6pm @ Armstrong
Kinder Registration/Information Meeting
For more information contact Emily @
972-349-2432/ekrizan-lopez@gsnetx.org**



The Scots Wrestling Club is registering athletes for the 2024-2025 season!
Sign up & secure your spot. Limited Spots Available.

<https://scotswrestlingclub.com/>

"This program has profoundly enhanced my son Elan's confidence, mental resilience, discipline, accountability, athleticism, and self-esteem over the last two years, equipping him with invaluable skills that will last a lifetime." - Ben Winski, 4th Grade Dad at Armstrong.

BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW!



CLICK TO BUY SUPPER & RAFFLE TICKETS HERE!

**4:30-6:30 P.M. HPHS CAFETERIA
SEPTEMBER 20, 2024**



Highland Belles Spaghetti Supper and Online Auction/Raffle
Friday, September 6, 2024



[Buy Tickets Now](#)

Spaghetti Supper

Friday, Sept 6th

HPHS Cafeteria

Amore Spaghetti Supper

Dine-In: HPHS Cafeteria 5-7pm

Take out: Emerson 4:30-6:30pm (drive-thru on Emerson Ave)

Purchase Dinner & Raffle Tickets [online](#)

Online Auction opens 10am Friday, August 30th

[Buy and Bid](#) over 600 incredible items

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to include on our PTA
webpage?**

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

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