



# Armstrong Article

Campus Newsletter



## August

- 29 - Curriculum Night (two sessions 4:00 and 4:45)
- 31 - Donuts with Dad Jokes

## September

- 4 - Student Holiday
- 6 - All Things Armstrong (with Dr. Rockwood)
- 8 - HERO meeting (4th Graders in the auditorium 7:30am)
- 11-15 Class Contest (donations for PTA auction)
- 14 - Individual Student Pictures
- 28 - Book Fair Begins (9/28-10/5)



# ARMSTRONG

E A G L E S

August 28, 2023

Dear Armstrong Families,

We look forward to seeing all of our parents tomorrow, Tuesday, August 29 at **Curriculum Night!** We are offering two identical sessions: 4:00-4:30 p.m. and 4:45-5:15 p.m. This will give all parents the opportunity to learn from your child's teacher about the school year. Teachers will cover topics including an ELAR and math framework update, curriculum topics, homework guidelines, Eagle Time, and classroom communication.

Family Curriculum Guides (FCGs) provide an overview of what your child is learning in the current nine-weeks grading period. These guides also provide information and access to additional information about steps you can take at home to help your child achieve success by supporting their academic growth.

Family Curriculum Guides are created with teachers and aligned to the HPISD Frameworks

and curriculum documents. The FCGs began with ELAR during the 2022-2023 school year and are expanding to Mathematics in the 2023-2024 school year. As new frameworks are developed, additional FCGs will be created.

New documents will be posted to the [curriculum website](#) each nine weeks grading period and shared through campus and teacher communication.

Additionally, we have listed each FCG below:

If you have questions, you may reach out to your child's teacher. They can provide additional details.

**Kindergarten:** [ELAR Family Curriculum Guide](#) [Math Family Curriculum Guide](#)

**First Grade:** [ELAR Family Curriculum Guide](#) [Math Family Curriculum Guide](#)

**Second Grade:** [ELAR Family Curriculum Guide](#) [Math Family Curriculum Guide](#)

**Third Grade:** [ELAR Family Curriculum Guide](#) [Math Family Curriculum Guide](#)

**Fourth Grade:** [ELAR Family Curriculum Guide](#) [Math Family Curriculum Guide](#)

Let's continue to celebrate all the great things happening at Armstrong! Our amazing Armstrong staff works incredibly hard to meet the needs of our students and always keeps teaching and learning the focus each day. ***Please take a few minutes to fill out this [Google Form](#) to give a staff member a well-deserved Shout Out!*** I will include several Shout Outs for staff members each week in the Armstrong Article. As always, I value your input and feedback. Please let me know if you need anything or have any questions.

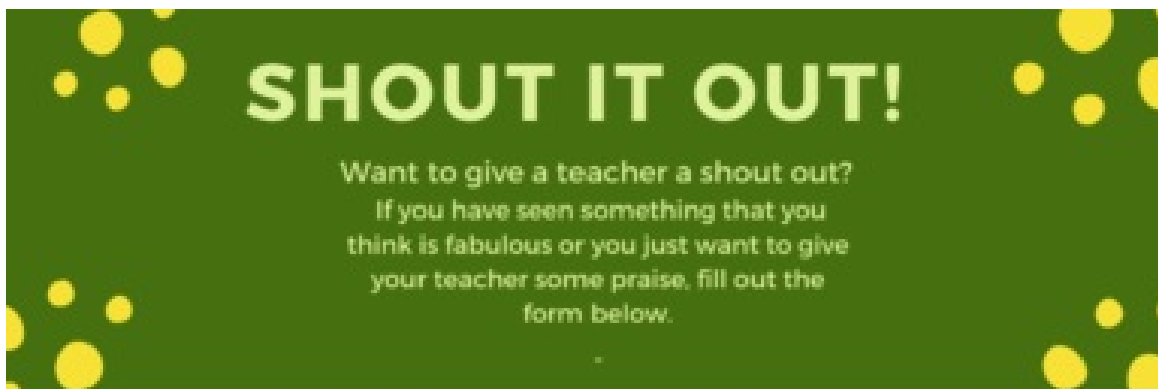
Sincerely,

## Betsy Cummins

Betsy Cummins

Principal

[cumminb@hpsid.org](mailto:cumminb@hpsid.org)



Shout Out

SMU



ATM



National College Colors Day  
Friday, September 1

Wear your favorite college shirt or  
colors

BU

*Ole Miss*

TCU

OU

OSU



***Join Mrs. Cummins &  
Leadership Team  
To Learn  
All Things Armstrong***

We will have special guest  
Dr. Mike Rockwood, Superintendent of HPISD.

Wednesday, September 6  
@8:15am in the Auditorium

Submit questions for  
Dr. Rockwood on the link below.

To ensure a timely check-in process, please RSVP on the link below.  
We will have a badge printed for you when you arrive.



[RSVP Here](#)

[Questions for Dr.  
Rockwood](#)

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**2023 PNO Dates  
6:00pm to 11:00pm**

Sept 8<sup>th</sup> – Ms. Trenia, Coach Rosenfeld, Senora Zelaya (registration: August 30<sup>th</sup>)  
Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> – Mrs. Donham & Mrs. Talley (registration: September 13<sup>th</sup>)  
Oct 20<sup>th</sup> – Mrs. Kuehne & Mrs. Stringer (registration: October 11<sup>th</sup>)  
Nov 10<sup>th</sup> (auction night. 6p-12a) – Coach Trent & Ms. Pence (registration:  
November 1<sup>st</sup>)  
Dec 8<sup>th</sup> - Ms. Gaubert & Mrs. Davis (registration: November 29<sup>th</sup>)

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# Armstrong PNO Friday, September 8, 2023

## Coach Rosenfeld, Ana Zelaya, Ms. Trenla

**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 gym games, pizza, a movie and more!

**Who?** K – 4<sup>th</sup> grade Armstrong students

**When?** FRIDAY, September 8 - 6:00, pm-11:00pm

**Where?** Check in and pick up at the little 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 11:01 and an additional \$10 will be assessed at 11:15 and at each 15 minute interval.

PNO Registration  
Form

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ATTENTION NEW

## HP FAMILIES

New to Highland Park students, in grades 2-12, may be referred to be tested for Talented and Gifted services within 3 weeks of the 1st day of school.

Contact Armstrong's campus TAG Specialist, Blair Smith ([Smithb@hpisd.org](mailto:Smithb@hpisd.org)), for more information or visit our website.





# Curriculum Night

**AUGUST 29**

**SESSION 1: 4:00-4:30**

**SESSION 2: 4:45-5:15**

**PLEASE MAKE PLANS TO  
ATTEND ONE OF THE SESSIONS**



**Join a team and start your creative journey today!**

- Solve awesome STEAM challenges!
- Make new friends!
- Learn new skills!
- Develop your creative side!
- Plan, build and present your own solution!

Join us for an Informational meeting  
SEPTEMBER 5, 4:30 PM  
McCulloch Intermediate Auditorium



ATTENTION 4TH GRADE HERO MEMBERS:

# HERO

SEPTEMBER 7  
@7:30  
IN THE AUDITORIUM

HERO is for 4th graders only.  
More details about HERO will be  
coming home with all 4th graders  
later this week.  
Don't miss the first meeting  
of the year!

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Please come by the  
office to scan your  
license for the year

Also please  
remember that you  
**MUST** sign out when  
you leave



# Armstrong Elementary PTA News



## Family Giving



Family Giving decals, yard signs, and t-shirts will be available for pick up at Curriculum Night! Please be sure to stop by the atrium to pick up your goodies!

# Parents' Night Out (PNO)



PNO's are back! Your child will have a blast at school with their friends and teachers on select Friday evenings from 6-11pm. \$50 for the 1st child and \$40 for siblings.

**Sept 8th** – Ms. Trenia, Coach Rosenfeld,  
Senora Zelaya  
(registration: August 30th )

**Sept 22nd** – Ms. Donham & Ms. Talley  
(registration: September 13th )

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(registration: November 29th)

### PNOs Are Back!

A great 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 gym games, pizza, a movie and more! These will fall on Friday evenings throughout the fall going from 6pm-11pm. \$50 for the 1st child and \$40 for siblings. See below for the upcoming PNOs with our wonderful hosts. Registration for each PNO will begin the Wednesday the week before the PNO. All forms must be brought to the front office completed and with a check (NO cash). Your spot is not guaranteed until your form and payment are received. Space is limited to the first 50 students. Keep an eye out for future newsletters with more information.

**Attention Family Giving donors:** Those who gave at the Touchdown Level (\$2,750) and above receive one complimentary PNO with priority reservation for each Armstrong child in the family. You will be contacted via email to select your night for priority reservation. Please watch for that email!

All Family Giving Donors will need to fill out the PNO registration form your child will bring home.



## Change of Date



Please update your calendar,  
Bike Rodeo is now **Friday, October 27th**

# TEACHER WORKROOM 2023

We need help

**Tues. & Thursday**

Come at your convenience anytime BETWEEN 8-11am. Plan to stay anywhere from 45 minutes to 2 hours, depending on how much help the teachers need.

**Sign up!** ↓

[SIGN UP CLICK HERE!!!](#)



[Sign Up to Volunteer Here!](#)

# Armstrong Spirit Shop Volunteers



The Armstrong Spirit Shop is opening **tomorrow!!** If you would like to volunteer in the spirit shop, sign up [here!](#)

# Did you know you can now buy your Armstrong Spirit Wear online?



Buy your spirit wear here!

<https://armstrong-eagle-store.myshopify.com>



# Armstrong Dads Club presents Donuts with Dad Jokes



Thursday, August 31st at 7:15am  
Armstrong Cafeteria  
Email your joke to  
[president@armstrongdadsclub.com](mailto:president@armstrongdadsclub.com)  
by August 30th

## 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.

## Cafeteria Volunteers



The Armstrong PTA has funded and operated the cafeteria since 1921. We need YOU to help us make the

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!**

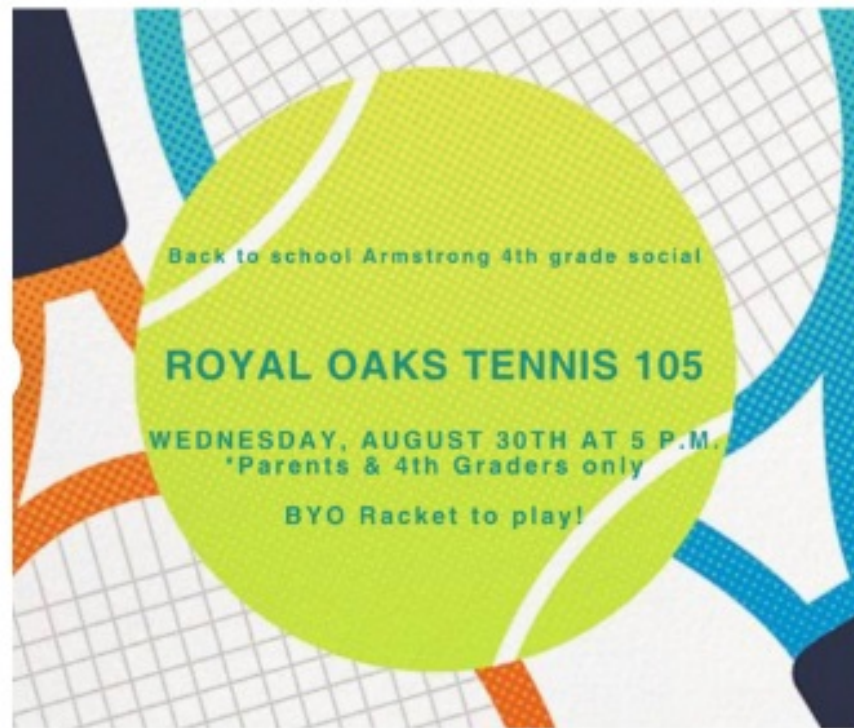


## Late BSSU



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.

# 4th Grade News



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

# Armstrong Dads Club



Interested in joining the Dads Club?  
Contact Jeff Sears at  
[president@armstrongdadsclub.com](mailto:president@armstrongdadsclub.com)

## Kindergarten News



**Armstrong Kinder Parent's Happy Hour!**  
*Upside West Village at the Canopy by Hilton Hotel*  
2950 Citvplace West Blvd, Dallas, TX 75204

2550 Cityplace West Blvd, Dallas, TX 75201  
Tuesday, August 29th @ 7-9pm



Save the date and find a sitter for the  
Armstrong Kinder Parents' HH on  
**August 29th at 7pm.**

Please reach out to hostesses Carrie Denbow  
([carriedenbow@gmail.com](mailto:carriedenbow@gmail.com)) or Lauren Hill  
([laurencassidyhill@gmail.com](mailto:laurencassidyhill@gmail.com)) with  
questions!

**Last Call for Family Giving!!**



Our annual Family Giving campaign will

be closing **August 31st**. Give now to receive your family giving benefits!

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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](http://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





# ELECTRIC BIKE REGULATIONS

Information and Video Link  
Here

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# HP

## Tennis Academy



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

**Elite/Tournament Training  
& Lower School**

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## 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.





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**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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**Admin Asst**  
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## Thank you to the 2022 - 2023 Armstrong Elementary Community Partners!



SEWELL





# 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