

Hydetown Happenings

News from the Nest



November
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PTG Update

The PTG Officers for the 2025-2026 school year are:

President: Jacquelyn Slater
Vice President: Jess Macera
Secretary: Becky Kirkland
Treasurer: Jennifer Troup



In response to the PTG survey, the next PTG meeting will be held in the evening on Wednesday, November 12, at 5:30 pm in the Hydetown Cafeteria.

Safety Drills

Our first lockdown drill was held on Friday, October 24. School Resource Officer Max Fuller assisted in the drill. Facilitators discussed lockdown procedures and expectations with all classes.



Helpful Tips for Awesome Attendance

Research shows that missing 10 percent of school, or about 18 days per year, negatively affects a learner's academic performance. That's just two days a month and is known as chronic absenteeism. Learners with good attendance generally achieve higher grades and enjoy school more. Regular school attendance patterns encourage the development of other responsible patterns of behavior.

- Remind your child that school is their first and most important job! Tardies, late arrivals, and early release times matter!
- Communicate the importance of regular school attendance to your child so they are hearing the same thing we are saying at school.
- If your child has a doctor/dentist appointment, you can bring them before or after their appointment with the note from the doctor.

In accordance with attendance regulation, letters are mailed home after 10 absences. A doctor's excuse is required for all absences beyond 10 days. If a child is not in school regularly, is chronically tardy, or consistently leaves early, school officials are required to proceed with measures that discourage poor attendance.

Upcoming Events

- **November 5** – Report Card Distribution
- **November 6** – No School; Parent/Teacher Conferences
- **November 7** – No School; Parent/Teacher Conferences
- **November 12** – PTG Meeting, 5:30pm
- **November 13** – Hydetown Skate Night
- **November 14** – Veterans Day Celebration
- **November 19** – Last Day of Special R2 (Art/PE)
- **November 20** – First Day of Special R3 (Art/Music)
- **November 27 – December 1** – No School; Thanksgiving Break



Outdoor Recess

Despite the change in temperature, we will continue to have outdoor recess as the weather permits. Please make sure that your child has a warm coat. If your child is in need of a coat, please call the school counseling office at 814-827-2715 x4430.

PBIS

PBIS stands for Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports and our program at Hydetown encourages and promotes positive behaviors and choices. At the beginning of the year, facilitators reviewed our SOAR expectations with all classes. Learners are able to earn Eagle Bucks for exhibiting behaviors based on our SOAR expectations. Students who receive these, have a chance to redeem them for prizes or experiences throughout the year!

Veteran's Recognition

We are happy to host our Annual Veteran's Recognition Assembly. Our 5th grade learners have the opportunity to invite a family member who served in the military to join them for lunch and then share their military experiences. Our Veteran's Assembly will take place on Friday, November 14.

Additionally, all learners received a star that can be colored and returned with the name of a veteran. We are posting the stars on the walls of the building as a way to recognize our veterans and their service to our country.



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Track & Field Day Update

In the last newsletter we announced that parents/guardians will be invited to Track and Field Day this June! If this is something you are interested in being a part of, please carefully follow the directions below.

To ensure the safety of all the students and staff in the building, all interested parents/guardians will be required to complete the "TASD Volunteer Packet". This can be found on the website at...

<https://www.gorockets.org/human-resources>
(all the way at the bottom)

The completed packet with all the needed clearances must be turned into the district office by May 8, 2026.

Parents/guardians that do not have this completed will not be permitted to attend.

This invitation is only open to immediate parents/guardians. Extended family and siblings are asked not to attend.

We know this is a lot of work, but safety is our top priority! Please reach out to the office with any questions.