

# Hawk Talk



Herbert Hoover Elementary School  
Celebrating 50 Years

## IN-DISTRICT PERMIT 2017-2018

In-District Permits for the 2017-2018 school year are available on the school district website [www.cr.k12.ia.us](http://www.cr.k12.ia.us) and are due March 1<sup>st</sup>. Permits are to be submitted to the student's attending school and parent/legal guardian will be notified in writing of decision in April. Please contact Hoover's main office with any questions 558-2369.

## RECESS REMINDERS!

50 degrees and above-  
Coats optional

40-49 degrees- long  
sleeves

Below 40 degrees- Jackets  
required

We go outside for recess  
unless it is raining or below  
10 degrees.

Please remember to dress  
for the weather.



## SCHOOL HOURS

The school day for Students starts at  
8:45 AM and ends 3:45 PM

If your child arrives after 8:45 AM  
they will be counted tardy.

Breakfast is from 8:15- 8:35 AM

Early Dismissal Days  
8:45- 2:15

## Calendar of Events

### JANUARY

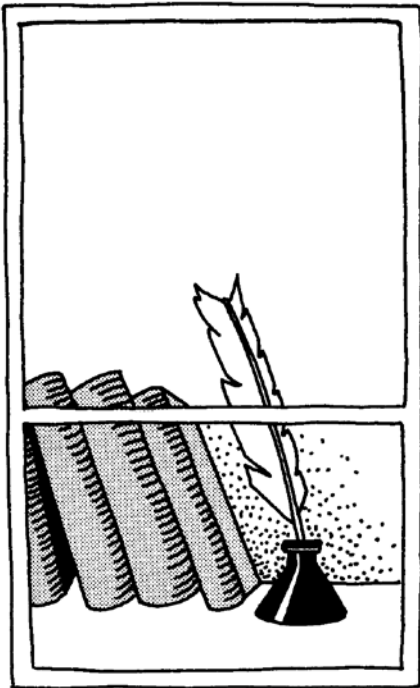
2	No School
3	Class Resume
6	Early Dismissal 2:15
9	PTA Meeting 5:30
13	End of First Term Early Dismissal 2:15
16-17	No School
20	Early Dismissal
27	January Birthdays PARRT Assemblies

### FEBRUARY

3	Early Dismissal 2:15
6	PTA Meeting 5:30
10	Early Dismissal 2:15
16	Parent/Teacher Conferences
17	Early Dismissal 2:15
21	Parent/Teacher Conferences
24	No School

### MARCH

2	Preschool/Kindergarten Registration at District Office
3	Early Dismissal 2:15
6	PTA Meeting 5:30
7	Spring Picture Day
10	Early Dismissal 2:15
13-17	Spring Break
24	Early Dismissal 2:15
28	Roosevelt Orchestra for 5 <sup>th</sup> grade
31	Early Dismissal 2:15 PARRT Assemblies March Birthdays



## *Note from the Principal Hawk Talk*

Hello Hoover families,

After a refreshing winter break, we are back in the swing of things here at Hoover. January is the midpoint in our year, and as a result there are a number of assessments the students take from the district to continue to monitor the growth of our students. We are always looking at data to determine the instructional needs of our students, this is another opportunity for our staff to support our students. We look forward to sharing all of that excellent growth with you this month during our parent teacher conferences.

Speaking of conferences, we are excited to have all of you in the building again this month! The connection between home and school is essential for our students to be successful. This is also a wonderful chance for our students to share their growth and goal setting with you through our student led conferences. Taking responsibility and ownership for their learning is an important part of empowering our students. We had excellent attendance from our families in the fall, and I know it will be the same this month. Thank you for all that each of you does to support our kids on a daily basis.

March 2<sup>nd</sup> is early learning and kindergarten registration for the district. We have included information in the newsletter this month if you will be registering a student for the fall. If you know of families who will be registering kindergarten students for Hoover for the fall, please share that information with them as well. If you have any questions, please contact the office, and we would be happy to assist you.

Take care,  
Clint Stone  
Principal

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL COMING SOON.....**

Hoover 5<sup>th</sup> Graders will be visiting their Middle School the week of April 24<sup>th</sup>.

Hoover Students are assigned to attend Roosevelt. They will be spending a couple hours visiting, touring, learning about Middle School life, meeting staff members, as well as getting questions answered.

Roosevelt Orchestra will be visiting Hoover on March 28<sup>th</sup>.

Roosevelt Band will be visiting on April 25<sup>th</sup>.

More information will be coming home in early April- regarding the visits and other student & parent activities. If you have other questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Coyle 319-558-4635 or Hoover's Main Office 319-558-2369.



## BOX TOPS

Please remember to save Box Tops. Please see the website for more information and ways to earn- [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com). We earn money for our school and well as earning items for the playground and classrooms. Thank you Hoover families for doing your part.

## HERE IS THE IOWA SEX OFFENDER WEB SITE

[Http://www.iowasexoffender.com/mapsearch.php](http://www.iowasexoffender.com/mapsearch.php)

You can enter any address you want to see who is registered. Set the distance at 3 miles to see all around you.

## Exciting News

### Your School offers Breakfast and Lunch at No-Cost

Through Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)

- **All students** shall receive one breakfast and lunch daily at **no charge**.
- May purchase extra milk, seconds and/or ala carte with cash or money in their meal account.
- Students that attend this school will not need to complete a free and reduced application
- Be sure to complete Parent Permission Form for School Fee Waiver consideration.
- Students, including siblings, attending schools not covered under CEP can still be considered for free or reduced meals by completing the online Free and Reduced Lunch Application.

Apply online at [www.lunchapp.com](http://www.lunchapp.com)

*CEP allows the Cedar Rapids Community School District to expand access to healthy school meals for student success.*

## EXCITING NEWS!

The District is excited to introduce its third Magnet School and the first at the middle school level. The Roosevelt Creative Corridor Business Academy Magnet School (RCCBA) will open in the fall of 2017. It will provide three pathways that will encompass key areas of businesses today and provide real-world learning experiences for students in grades 6 – 8.



**ROOSEVELT**  
CREATIVE CORRIDOR  
BUSINESS ACADEMY

We will have more information coming, as well as a parent meeting in February. This will be a great opportunity for Hoover kids.

## MUSIC CONCERTS

Mark your calendar! Music concerts will be happening in May.

Hoover students will be performing in May on the following dates.

3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grades will be performing May 4<sup>th</sup> in the evening.

Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> will be performing May 9<sup>th</sup> in the evening

All performances will be taking place in the Hoover gym, we hope to see you there.



## TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS

Parents/Guardians in the Cedar Rapids Community School District have the right to learn about the following qualifications of their child's teachers: state licensure requirements for the grade level and content areas taught, the current licensing status of your child's teacher, and baccalaureate/graduate certification/degree. You may also request the qualifications of an instructional paraprofessional who serves your student in a schoolwide Title I program. Parents/Guardians may request this information by calling the Hoover Office.


The Cedar Rapids Community School District ensures that parents will be notified in writing if their child has been assigned, or has been taught by a teacher for four or more consecutive weeks who is not considered highly qualified.

## STUDENTS THAT ARE SICK OR LATE

When your child is ill, absent or going to be late, please call the clinic at 558-2370. If you are leaving a message please be a detailed message, the time you called and a phone number that you can be reached at if necessary. Students are expected to be in class and to make attendance a top priority. Parents/guardians of the student who will be absent are to notify the school attendance office prior to the absence. If advance notification is not possible, parents/guardians are asked to notify the school office on the day of the absence. If notification is not received, the office attempts to contact the parents/guardians at their emergency number(s). The school determines whether an absence is excused or unexcused. Excused absences include, but are not limited to, illness, family emergency, recognized religious observances and school activities. Unexcused absences include, but are not limited to, tardiness, shopping, hunting, concerts, preparation or participation in parties or other celebrations, and employment.



## SCHOOL FEES REMINDER!

 Please pay your consumable material fees. Consumable Fees are due at the beginning of the school year. Consumable fees are \$28.00 per student for the entire year. The fee is used to cover a part of the cost of consumable instructional materials. Please see Patty in the main office or you may pay these on line with [Cashonline.com](http://Cashonline.com).



## THE CORNERSTONE CLOTHES HANGER

The Cornerstone Clothes Hanger is a FREE clothes closet that is opened year round to help meet the needs of the people of our community. It is located at 162 Jacolyn Drive NW across the street from Dollar General and next door to St. Mark's Church. It is open every Tuesday morning 9-11AM and every Wednesday evening 5-6PM and Saturday 9-11AM. Donations are accepted during operating hours. For more information contact Jenny Drake at [djdrake@mcleodusa.net](mailto:djdrake@mcleodusa.net) or St Marks Church at 396-6361.



## VIRTUAL BACKPACK

The District offers an online Virtual Backpack site to support the efforts of community organizations wanting to share information about educationally-based programming.

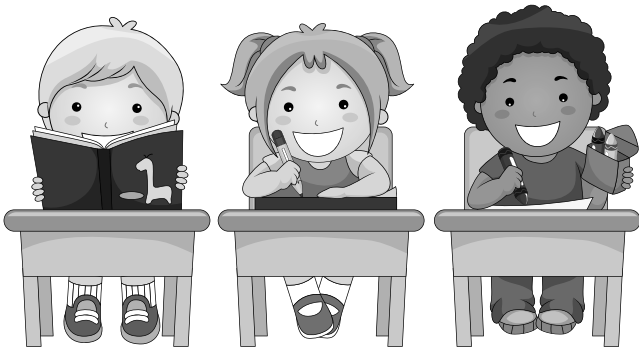
Individuals or organizations wishing to post material on the Virtual Backpack submit items electronically and approved materials will appear online for families to access.

Organizations will find a link to submit flyers for consideration on the District homepage at [www.cr.k12.ia.us](http://www.cr.k12.ia.us). Families can access the Virtual Backpack from their school Web site.

## FUTURE KINDERGARTENERS AND PRESCHOOLERS

March 2<sup>nd</sup> will be kindergarten & pre-school registration for the school year of 2017-2018. This is a city wide registration for incoming kindergarteners. If you have a child the will be 5 years old or a preschooler, please stop by to register them or spread the word if you know someone with a child that age. All registrations will be taken at the district main office at 2500 Edgewood RD NW on that date. Please feel free to contact Hoover's main office with any questions 319-558-2369.

Thank you



## IOWA ASSESSMENTS

April 3<sup>rd</sup>- 14<sup>th</sup>  
3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grades

Dear Parents,

We will be giving the Iowa Assessments the week beginning April 3<sup>rd</sup>. These are standardized achievement tests that are taken by children throughout Iowa.

Students should be encouraged to do their best on the Iowa Assessment, as they should for all of their school activities. Parents can help in the following ways:

1. Have your child get enough sleep each night.
2. Have your child eat a nutritious breakfast at home or at school each day.
3. Make sure your child is at school on time. If your child arrives late for school and testing is already in session, he or she will not be permitted to enter the classroom until the test is over, and will be required to make-up that test.
4. Try to schedule appointments outside of these weeks.

## METRO CARE CONNECTION

The Cedar Rapids Community School District is fortunate to have three "Metro Care Connection" health centers. They offer free health care to all Cedar Rapids students without access to affordable health insurance or a primary care provider. Each center is staffed by a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner. Our nurse practitioners provide:

- Physical exams and immunizations
- Treatment of minor illness
- Basic laboratory tests
- Prescriptions for medications
- Health education and counseling
- Referral for complex medical conditions

Contact your school's health office if you would like more information regarding Metro Care Connection.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding a health issue or if you need assistance obtaining a health care provider, do not hesitate to call your school's health office.

**METRO  
CARE  
CONNECTION**

Healthy Students = Healthy Schools  
Cedar Rapids Community School District  
School-Based Health Centers & Services



## YOUR SCHOOL'S HEALTH OFFICE

Cedar Rapids Community Schools promotes the belief that healthy students are better learners. Each school's health office is staffed by a school nurse and a health secretary. The school nurse has multiple building assignments and will visit each school at least once each week. They are available by pager for questions or consultation at all times. The health secretary is certified in CPR, First Aid and medication administration and is in the health office every day.

The school should be informed of students' significant health conditions. This information should be written in the space provided on the Student Emergency Card at the beginning of the school year. The information will be shared with school staff that need to know about your child's condition. If the condition requires special adjustments in the school environment, the school nurse should be contacted. Any changes in student health status during the year should be communicated to the school nurse or health secretary.

Students are sent to the health office if they are injured or appear ill. Depending on the student's need, their temperature may be taken. If the student has a temperature that is 100 degrees F. or over, the parent/guardian will be called and the student will be sent home. The student may return to school when they have been fever free, without the assistance of medicine. Temperature is not the only symptom that influences the decision to send the student home; general appearance and functioning are also important factors.

After a period of observation, a decision will be made to do one of the following:

1. Call the parent/guardian
2. Allow the student to rest in the health office for a brief period
3. Return the student to class

Parents will also be notified of injuries, which appear to require close observation or medical attention.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding health issues for your child, do not hesitate to call your school's health office.



### SAFETY CONCERNS

Cedar Rapids Community School District takes your safety seriously and welcomes your input. Please contact your building principal/administrator and report any safety concerns that you may have. Thank you for helping us keep staff and students safe.

### HY-VEE CASH FOR STUDENTS

Please remember to bring in your Hy-Vee receipts. This is a very easy way to raise money for your student's school. For every \$200 in receipts, Hoover receives a \$1. No receipt is too small; all the amounts add up in the end. Please remind family and friends to save their receipts. We have a large bin in the front foyer for you to deposit receipts in.

Thank you!



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## PROOF OF RESIDENCY

All new students entering the Cedar Rapids Community School District, current students entering a new building or current students who move to a new residence must provide the proper documentation to establish proof of residency. The name and address on these documents must match the name and address of the parent or legal guardian (or primary parent) of the student. The legal residence of a minor student is the same as that of his/her parents/guardians. If the residence of a minor is not the same as the parent's, the residence must have been established for the sake of the student having a home and not for the sake of attendance in the District or a building. Acceptable proof of residency documents is listed below.

- The parent/guardian name and the residence address must be listed on the document and residency at the address is required.
- Purchase contract with possession date or closing date
- Most recent property tax bill
- Recent mortgage statement
- Utility bill (gas or electric) for the last or current month
- If you rent, please provide one of the following:
  - A current, signed lease or rental agreement with the rental term listed
  - Utility bill (gas or electric) for the last or current month
  - A pay stub from your employer, for the last or current month, showing the resident address
  - A notarized letter from the landlord with the rental term listed. It must list the property owner's name, address, and signature; and the name and signature of the parent/guardian residing at the residence. Additional information:
- Any student whose residency is deemed homeless will be verified by our District Homeless Coordinator.
- Falsification of any information or document required for residence verification, or the use of the address of another person without actually residing there may result in revocation of enrollment at an attendance center and reassignment to resident school.

Procedure 602.4c may be viewed in full at: <http://www.cr.k12.ia.us/aboutUs/BoardOfEd/support-Docs/PolicyHandbook/PolicyHandbook.pdf>





## PROPER WINTER DRESS/FROSTBITE

As cold weather approaches, students need to be reminded of what they should be wearing before going outside. Hats, mittens or gloves and a winter coat are essential for all students to wear during winter weather. Much body heat is lost when hats are not worn and children lose body heat faster than adults. If your child participates in recess, please see that they also have boots and snow pants so they can enjoy the outdoor fun.

Frost nip usually affects areas that are exposed to the cold, such as cheeks, nose, ears, finger and toes, leaving them white and numb. Frost nip is an early warning sign of frostbite and if caught quickly, can be treated at home.

What to do:

Come indoors immediately.

Take off wet clothing.

Immerse chilled body parts in warm water (100 degrees) until sensation returns.

Frostbite is literally, frozen body tissue and must be handled carefully to prevent permanent damage. It can occur very quickly and any exposed skin is vulnerable. Frostbite causes an aching pain or numbness. The skin feels hard with a white, waxy or purplish appearance. Ears, fingers, toes and the nose are at a greater risk. Treatment is usually done at a hospital or doctors office.

For more information, check out "KidsHealth.com". Click on "About Kids Health", then "First Aid Safety".

## E-REGISTRATION

PowerSchool is the student information system used by the Cedar Rapids Community Schools. It gives parents the ability to access their child's attendance and stored grades and to email their teacher or teachers anywhere there is internet access. You can update your child's information for your school- new phone numbers, address, health information etc. You can access your parent account you set up last year. Or parents will need to set up their own account using the temporary



access id and password which was provided to you if you do not have an account already. We will need every family to update their account as soon as possible this gives us current emergency contact information and permissions for field trips and computer use. Thank you!

## PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Conferences are coming soon. Mark your calendars, conferences will be Thursday February 16<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday February 21<sup>st</sup> from 4pm to 8pm in the evenings. This is an important time for your student and you to meet with teachers and discuss your student's growth



and progress for this year. It is also an important time for your student to showcase their hard work. Please make time to come and visit their classroom and check out what they have been working on.

### Non-Discrimination Policy

It is the policy of the Cedar Rapids Community School District not to illegally discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, religion, creed, age (employment only), marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, and socioeconomic status (students/program only) in its educational programs and its employment practices.

There is a grievance procedure for processing complaints of discrimination. District employees with questions or a grievance related to this policy should contact Rodrick Dooley, Executive Director of Human Resources, rdooley@cr.k12.ia.us 319-558-2000. Students and others should contact Ken Morris, Jr., Manager of Student Equity/Title IX Coordinator, kmorris@cr.k12.ia.us or Paul Hayes, Director of Learning Supports/504 Compliance Officer phayes@cr.k12.ia.us 319-558-2000. The District mailing address is 2500 Edgewood Rd NW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52405-1015.