

Hawk Talk



Herbert Hoover Elementary School
Celebrating 50 Years



HOOVER SPRING MUSIC CONCERTS

Mark your calendar!

Thursday May 4

3rd Grade 6pm

4th Grade 6:40pm

5th Grade 7:20pm

Tuesday May 9

Kindergarten 6pm

1st Grade 6:30pm

2nd Grade 7pm

Please arrive 20 minutes before your concert time and go the cafeteria

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

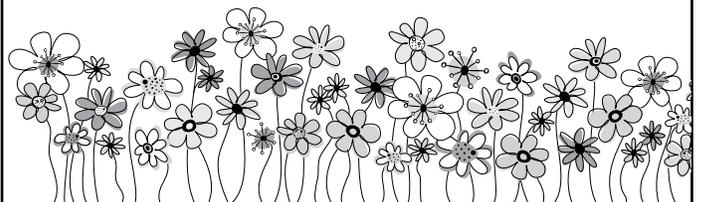
Calendar of Events

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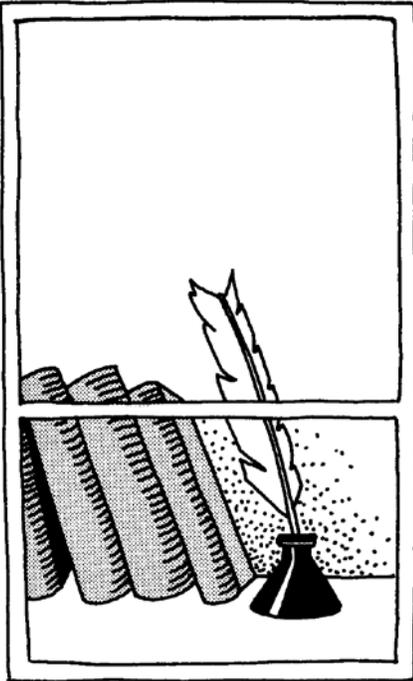
- 1st5:30 PTA Meeting
- Delaney's 4th Grade class to Iowa Children's Museum
- 2ndStapleton's 4th Grade class to Iowa Children's Museum
- 3.....Student Council
- 4..... 5th Grade to Hoover Museum
- 3rd Grade to 5th grade Music Concert 6pm -7:40
- 5..... Early Dismissal
- 9.....Roosevelt Band performs
-Kindergarten- 2nd grade Music Concert 6pm-7:40
- 11..... Schoolhouse Jazz Assembly
- 12..... Early Dismissal
- 18..... Kernels Assembly
- 19..... Early Dismissal
- 245th Grade to Kernels Game
- Student Council
- 25Kindergarten to Splash Pad
- 26 Early Dismissal
- 29No School
- 31..... Field Day

JUNE

- 1st2:30 5th Grade Graduation
- 2ndLast day of School
- Early Dismissal



Note from the Principal Hawk Talk



Hello Hoover families,

Our annual Title 1 Family Night was another success this year, thank you so much to everyone who was able to make the event in April. Our theme of Superhero Literacy Night involved a number of activities, including hands on science activities with Coe College, a superhero obstacle course in the gym, and creating comic books along with costumes. The Cedar Rapids Public Library was also generous enough to come out to read books aloud to families, and help everyone sign up for a library card to make sure our students keep reading all summer. Every student who attended also went home with a free book, which was really exciting. Thank you also to our PTA, who was helping families sign up for the school supply box for the second year in a row. It is always great to get our Hoover families together.

As we head into the summer, I hope you will have time to spend as a family, and we are looking forward to seeing our returning students in August. I know our fifth grade friends are off to great things in middle school, and we will miss each of them. The kids have worked hard, and now it is time to get outside and play, rest and relax. I also hope they have the chance to find some great books, and to keep reading all summer. It has been an amazing year, and the staff here at Hoover is grateful that we had the chance to spend it with your amazing children.

Take care,
Clint Stone
Principal

SCHOOL START AND END TIMES CHANGING FOR 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR

The Cedar Rapids Community School District will adjust start and end times by five minutes for elementary and middle schools **for the 2017-18 school year**. The revised schedule will provide bus drivers a full hour instead of 50 minutes to complete their elementary routes, ensuring that all students arrive to school in time for breakfast and start the school day with their peers.

“Under the current schedule some students are arriving late for breakfast, making for a rushed start to the day,” explained Val Dolezal, Executive Administrator of Preschool – 8th grade. “Adjusting the school times slightly is expected to resolve this. In addition, all of our schools will start at 50 minutes after the hour, which is easier for everyone to remember.”

Starting with the 2017-18 school year:

- Elementary schools will **begin classes at 8:50 a.m. and dismiss at 3:50 p.m.** Early dismissal time will be 2:20 p.m.
- Middle schools will **begin classes at 7:50 a.m. and dismiss at 2:50 p.m.** Early dismissal time will be 1:20 p.m.
- High school classes **will continue to begin at 7:50 a.m. and end at 3 p.m.** Early dismissal will be at 1:30 p.m.

The 2017-18 calendar can be found on the District website at www.cr.k12.ia.us



BOX TOPS

Please remember to save Box Tops. Please see the website for more information and ways to earn- 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

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

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 and are due March 1st. 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.



SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

Next fall's school supply list are available on the Hoover website. PTA has School supply packs for sale by EPI. Flyers have gone home or you can order online at www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks. Enter School ID: HOOo56 (3 letters, 3 numbers) School supply packs will be on student's desk for Open House. If you have questions please contact Hoover PTA.

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.



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 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. Families can access the Virtual Backpack from their school Web site.

SUMMER SAFETY

As the weather warms up and summertime approaches, it is important to be reminded of some safety tips. Here are a few ideas to help keep your child or teen or any adult safe this summer:

Water Safety

No one should ever swim alone.

Remain with and watch over children while in or near water.

Don't swim in unsafe water.

Be sure your child learns to swim.

Bikes, Skates, and Skateboards

Be sure your child always wears a helmet that fits.

Wear knee and elbow pads when appropriate

Be sure your child knows your rules about where and when your child may ride or skate.

Teach your child the rules of the road.

Sun Exposure

Insist that your child or teen wears sunscreen and don't forget to reapply yourself, too.

Make sure to have adequate water and fluids for all to prevent dehydration.

Avoid peak sun exposure between the hours of 11AM and 2PM.

Miscellaneous

When in wooded or grassy areas, wear protective clothing or bug sprays to protect against ticks and other insects. Remember to check scalp and clothing after being in these areas.

Iowa state law requires seat belts be worn in the front seat by all passengers and beginning July 1, 2010 Iowa state law will require passengers up to age 18 wear a seat belt or be in a proper restraint seat in the back seat of a vehicle. By law a child under 6 years must be secured in a child restraint seat (a safety seat or booster seat). A child under 1 year and less than 20# must be secured in a rear facing child restraint system. Due to possible air bag injuries children should be restrained in the back seat of your vehicle.

Remember: Children learn from example and will imitate both your safe and unsafe habits. Take the time to enjoy the outdoors and play with them!



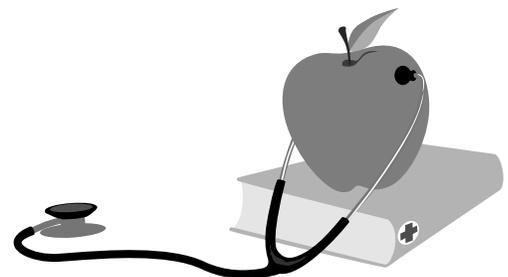
METRO CARE CONNECTION

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.



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/supportDocs/PolicyHandbook/PolicyHandbook.pdf>



HEALTHY STUDENTS ARE BETTER LEARNERS

NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

NUTRITION

A lot has been in the news about obesity and children. Some families eat out many times a week. Processed foods seem faster for us to prepare when we are busy with activities. Body mass index screening of the Cedar Rapids School District kindergarteners and fifth graders show that some students are at risk for being obese. Where do we go from here? Here are some ideas for healthier choices.

Eating out:

- select a salad with low fat dressing on the side. Dip your fork in the dressing before each bite of lettuce instead of pouring it on the salad.

- select meats that are grilled instead of fried or breaded.

- avoid super sizing.

Snacks:

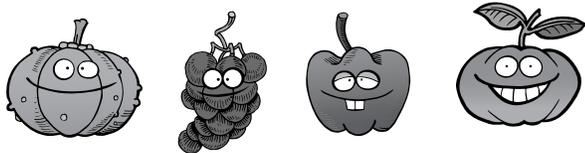
- try freezing fruits such as blueberries, grapes and strawberries or eating frozen peas as a refreshing treat.

- make your own granola mixture with whole grain low fat cereals, dried fruits, nuts and a small amount of chocolate.

- instead of pop or a sports drink consider a glass of cold water, milk or 100% juice

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

According to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, the average cost of a serving of fruit or vegetable (all types-fresh, frozen, and canned) is 25 to 50 cents per serving. This is a good deal compared with a 99-cent single-serve bag of potato chips or an 80-cent candy bar.



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!

FUTURE KINDERGARTENERS AND PRESCHOOLERS

March 2nd was registration for Kindergarten and preschool the school year of 2017-2018. This was a city wide registration for incoming kindergarteners. If you have a child the will be 5 years old or a preschooler, you can still register them. Preschool registrations can only be taken at the district main office at 2500 Edgewood RD NW. Please feel free to contact Hoover's main office with any questions 319-558-2369.

Thank you



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.