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Happy New Year

2023



The January PTF
meeting has been
postponed until Tuesday,
January 10th, 2023
at 3:15 in the lunch room.

LUNCH MENU

Week of 01/02 thru 01/06

- ♦ Monday, Jan. 02—No School
- ◆ Tuesday, Jan. 03—Bring Your Lunch
- ♦ Wednesday, Jan. 04—Chick-Fil-A: Chicken Nuggets, Chips, Cookie
- ♦ Thursday, Jan. 05—4 Seasons: Chicken Strips, Chips, Brownie
- ◆ Friday, Jan. 06—Elementary Merit Day (MS/HS Bring Your Lunch)

Week of 01/09 thru 01/13

- ♦ Monday, Jan. 09—Basketball Nacho Lunch—Pay at Table (\$5.50)
- ♦ Tuesday, Jan. 10—Señor Lopez: Chicken, Cheese, and Rice
- ♦ Wednesday, Jan. 11—Chick-Fil-A: Chicken Sandwich, Chips, Cookie
- ♦ Thursday, Jan. 12—4 Seasons: Spaghetti, Breadstick, Brownie
- ♦ Friday, Jan. 13—MS/HS Merit Day (Elementary Bring Your Lunch)

Prices: Chick-Fil-A \$6.00 Señor Lopez \$6.00 Subway \$6.00 4 Seasons \$6.00

Pizza Slices: 1-\$2.00, 2-\$2.50, 3-\$3.00

You can view the monthly lunch calendar on our website at www.hcahopkinsville.org All lunch order forms must be turned in by **9:00 a.m. the day prior to the lunch of choice.



I hope that you and your family had a most joyous Christmas, and are ready for the start of the second semester at HCA. This morning's weather provides an excellent opportunity to review some pertinent policies and practices with regard to inclement weather at HCA.

- *When the school closes for inclement weather, notices will appear on local radio stations, Nashville TV stations, and social media platforms, and you will receive a call with information about the closure. The caller id associated with that number is usually "Calling Post" and the origin of the number is often Oklahoma, so don't expect a local number or the school number to appear on your caller-id.
- # HCA does not always follow the school closures initiated by the local public school districts. If a situation arises in which the local school districts are closed (Christian, Trigg, Todd, Caldwell, Clarksville/Montgomery) and HCA remains open, parents have the discretion on whether or not to send their students to school. Parents possess this discretion because road conditions often vary in the different communities in the region.
 - * On days like today, with some communities receiving warnings and sirens throughout the night, and with the threat of severe weather during the "traveling time" to school, the same discretion outlined above applies. No students will be counted tardy when there is the possibility of trees being down or roads being flooded, etc. because of immediate weather activity.
- It is my intention that notifications regarding adjustments to the school day will be made the night before rather than the morning of inclement weather. At HCA we have the capability of giving assignments via Google Classroom and therefore would not have to make up any missed days at the end of the year. Therefore, if the threat of inclement weather exists (snow/ice most often), a decision will be made by 7 pm so that parents who need time to adjust childcare plans will have time to do so. I do understand that there will be times when predictions are wrong and no precipitation falls, but hopefully that will not happen often.

Also, I really appreciate how you all have helped out with the traffic patterns in the afternoon. Here are a couple of observations:

- * It is helpful when parents who are picking up students from the back of the building remain in the right-hand lane, and parents who are picking up students on the side of the building or the front of the building use the left-hand lane.
- It is helpful when the driving lane closest to the side of the building (2nd-5th grade pick-up) is used as an exit lane for parents who are picking students in 2nd-5th grade, and not for parents who are picking up students in the front of the building.
 - * The next driving lane over serves as an exit for elementary pick-up, and should feed into the pick-up lane closest to the sidewalk in the front of the building for MS/HS students.
 - * The third driving lane (going from the building toward the tennis courts) on the side of the building should feed into the middle driving lane in the front of the building.
 - * The driving lane closest to the tennis courts should feed in to the driving lane that is behind the cars that are parked diagonally in the front of the building.
- It is also helpful when you cannot successfully complete a turn into a driving lane, that you not get half-way through the turn and stop. This is especially true at the corner of the side and front of the building. Given the staggered dismissal, parents of elementary students are often leaving before the MS/HS students exit the building. Cars that remain in the middle of that turn prevent parents who are ready to leave from having a clear path off of campus.

Again, these are small issues because you have been so helpful with the afternoon pick-up process. I am looking forward to a great second semester!



TO HELP SERVE YOU BETTER THROUGH THE CALLING POST

Some of you have stated that you did not receive a call from the Calling Post last year.

After reviewing the call history, it appears that several calls went to an answering machine, but a message was not left. Most of us will not answer a call from a number we do not recognize. We suggest putting the Calling Post number in your contact list so when a call comes through from the Calling Post, you'll know it's an important message from Mr. Walsh. **That number is 405-754-2583.** It is the same number every time. Please consider doing this to help avoid missing another important call from Mr. Walsh through the Calling Post. Hopefully, we can cut down on the missed calls and you will be better informed when we have to utilize the Calling Post. Thank you for your continued support of Heritage Christian Academy.



WEATHER RELATED SCHOOL CLOSINGS

In case of inclement weather or other local emergencies, listen to WNKJ (89.3 FM), WHOP (1230 AM or 98.7 FM) or Nashville stations for CBS, NBC & FOX17, if you do not receive a call from the Calling Post. You can also check out our website (www.hcahopkinsville.org) or view our Facebook page (Heritage Christian Academy). Since we do not provide bus service, HCA will not necessarily follow public school weather related closings. It is our intent to hold classes even when there is inclement weather. Parents may use their discretion in determining if it is unsafe to drive. Students will not be penalized for tardiness or absences on these days.

Boys Basketball Varsity/Jr Varsity

Jan 07	Sat	Galilean	Away	1:00
Jan 10	Tue	All "A" Qtr Finals	Away	TBA
Jan 12	Thr	Legacy Chr	Home	3:30
Jan 13	Fri	All "A" SemiFinals	Away	TBA
Jan 14	Sat	All "A" Finals	Away	TBA

Boys MS Basketball Middle School

Jan 03	Tue	St. Joseph	Home	4:00
Jan 09	Mon	St. Joseph	Away	5:30
Jan 12	Thr	Legacy Chr	Home	3:30



Girls Basketball Varsity/Jr Varsity

Jan 07	Sat	Dawson Springs Home		6:00
Jan 12	Thr	Legacy Chr	Home	3:30
Jan 13	Fri	St. Mary's	Home	5:30
Jan 14	Sat	Hickman Co.	Away	6:00

Girls MS Basketball Middle School

Jan 07 Sat Dawson Springs Home 6:00





There will be a meeting for students interested in a clay target shooting team on **Thursday, Jan. 12th** at 3:00 in the library. If you have questions, or are interested but cannot attend, please email Mayce Dublin at crossdublin@bellsouth.net





Elementary Academic Team

Will practice Mondays in Mrs. Bowers classroom until 4:15

Middle School Academic Team

Practices will be on Mondays and Tuesdays after school until 4:15.

High School Academic Team

Will practice Mondays & Wednesdays In Mrs. Johnson's classroom until 4:15





The Chess Club will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month after school in Mr. Lassiter's room.

The next meeting will be

Wednesday, January 18th



Mrs. Hilling has all lost and found items in her office. If you have lost something (lunch box, water bottle, coats, jackets, etc.) you need to pick it up ASAP. Anything not picked up by the end of school **Tuesday**, **January 10**th will be taken to Grace and Mercy.



HCA YEARBOOK ORDERS

Now is the time to order your HCA 2022-2023 Yearbook!

Order Now to receive the best price and to reserve your copy, since there will only be a small number of extra books available to purchase later!

Cost: \$45 each (\$55 if purchasing extras after they arrive)

ORDER DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 27th, 2023

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ONLINE ORDERING ONLY!!!

In order to make sure that everyone's order is accounted for, we are moving all yearbook orders ONLINE!

To order your yearbook, you can either:

- Go to <u>balfour.com</u> and select "Shop My School". Search for Heritage Christian Academy, then find the section for Yearbooks, and fill out the requested information.
- 2) Scan the QR Code to be directed to the Yearbook Order Page.

