

Moments at the Middle School

From Dr. Lux and Mr. Rice

March 16, 2023

Congratulations to our PBIS student winners this morning! With the NCAA Tournament starting today, we included watching the tourney with three friends as one of our special prizes! Check out some student pictures below.

Student Winners from March 3rd



Student Winner from March 10th



Student Winners this Week - March 16th!



March Madness Viewing Prize!



Orchestra Concert

Great job to all students from the elementary, middle school, and high school level at the Orchestra concert on Wednesday! We are very proud of the music we heard from our students!



Upcoming Student Assembly - Mr. Jon Pritikin

We are really excited to welcome back to Hampton Middle School Mr. Jon Pritikin, famous motivational speaker! When we heard Mr. Pritikin would be in the area (as he lives in CA), we immediately worked to book him at HMS. Jon shares a very heartfelt story about his struggles throughout school, including bullying and struggling academically. He overcame his hardships and actually broke and set two Guinness World Records. The official record title that landed his picture in the Guinness Book of World Records is: "The Tightest Circumference of Two Aluminum Frying Pans Rolled Together with His Bare Hands in Less than 30 Seconds."

Jon Pritikin will visit HMS on Thursday, March 30th. A special thank you to our PTO and Student Council for helping to make this possible!

Faculty vs. Student Basketball Game: Thursday, March 30th after school

We are excited to announce that our annual Faculty vs. Student Basketball game will be held on Thursday, March 30th from approximately 2:40-4:30. This year, all proceeds will go to *Aiden's Helping Hands*. Aiden Hanna, HHS student, was diagnosed in August with osteosarcoma. Following this diagnosis, Aiden started a charity called Aiden's Helping Hands. The main goal of this charity is to help raise awareness and lift others up during their cancer journey.

We would love for our students to stay after school on Thursday, March 30th to attend this very fun, annual event. The students always enjoy watching their teachers play basketball against the students. Most importantly, it is for a good cause! The game will end at 4:30 pm.

Students may purchase tickets for \$3 in advance or \$5 at the door. Additionally, there will be a gift basket raffles (donated by PTO and teachers), 50/50 drawing, concessions, and a free throw contest. Students may purchase game tickets and raffle basket tickets during lunches on March 29th and March 30th.

If attending the game, students will need to be picked up by a family member immediately after the game. We will begin student pick-up at 4:45 pm at the cafeteria entrance in the back of the school. We will enact the normal pick-up procedures that we have during the school day. Please hold up your student's name as you enter onto the campus to ensure a swift pick-up.

Summer Camps at Beattie

The Summer Camps at Beattie are open to any student entering 6th grade through entering 9th grade. Please click on the link below to view the offerings.

[2023 Summer Camp Registration is Open - A.W. Beattie Career Center \(beattietech.com\)](https://beattietech.com)

Library Newsletter

Please click on the link below to access the Winter edition of our Library Newsletter, created by Mrs. Januck.
[Library Newsletter Winter Edition](#)

Join our PTO!

First, we would like to thank our amazing PTO for all of the wonderful work that they do for our students and for our school. We are so grateful to have such a dedicated and hardworking group of parents who spend countless hours working to create special opportunities for our students. We would like to encourage you and ask you to consider joining our PTO! We will have several PTO board vacancies next year, and many opportunities to help. If you are interested in joining, please contact Mr. Rice or Dr. Lux, and we will direct you to a PTO representative.

After-School Activity Pickup

A friendly reminder to please be sure to arrive on-time to pick up your students from after-school activities. Sponsors for after-school activities are not always able to stay later after the event has ended, so it is important to retrieve your child on-time.

PSSAs/Keystones

Please note that PSSAs and Keystone Exams will occur during the last week of April and first week of May. Specifically, all students in grades 6-8 will take the ELA PSSAs on April 24, 25 and 26. Math PSSAs for all grades will occur on May 1-2, and Science PSSAs for grade 8 only will take place on May 3-4. Students who are currently enrolled in Honors Algebra I will take the Algebra I Keystone exam on May 16-17. Unfortunately, we cannot approve student trips on days that our students will be testing.

Upcoming Reminders:

- **NO SCHOOL** - Friday, 3/17
- **Advisory** - Thursday, 3/23
- **End of 3rd Quarter** - Friday, 3/24
- **Jon Pritikin Motivational Assembly** - Thursday, 3/30
- **Faculty / Student Basketball Game** - Thursday, 3/30, 2:40 - 4:30 pm (students attending the game can simply stay after school)

- **NO SCHOOL - Spring Break** - Thursday, 4/6 thru Monday, 4/10 - return to school Tuesday, 4/11
- **Report Cards Available** - Wednesday, 4/12
- **Advisory** - Thursday, 4/13
- **Reality Fair, 8th grade Career Awareness** - Monday, 4/17
- **End of 4th Rotation** - Tuesday, 4/18
- **Beginning of 5th Rotation** - Wednesday, 4/19
- **PSSA ELA Testing** - Monday, 4/24 through Wednesday, 4/26

Club Meetings for March:

- **Creative Writing Club** - Monday, 3/20, 2:45 - 3:45 pm, room H804
- **Stock Market Club** - Monday, 3/20, 2:45-3:15 pm, room F608
- **Helping Hands** - Tuesday, 3/21, 2:45-3:30 pm, room G708
- **Talbot STEAM girls** - Tuesday, 3/21, during tutorial
- **Fun and Fellowship Club** - Wednesday, 3/22, 7:25-7:45 am, back room of library
- **American Sign Language Club (ASL)** - Wednesday, 3/22, 2:45-3:55, room F609