



Scottie News

2018-2019

New School Year

The first day of school is right around the corner! Students will be back to school on Tuesday, August 28th. Be on the lookout for a welcome back newsletter in your mail. It will have all the need-to-know information for the upcoming school year. Beginning tomorrow August 16th, our office will be open to the public from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Feel free to stop by with any questions or needs you may have. School supply lists will be available in the office and on our [HMS website](#). School bus routes have been updated on the KSD website for the new school year. You will also be able to find these bus routes in the Tri-City Herald the Sunday before school starts, August 26th.

Open House

You are invited to our Open House event on Thursday, August 23rd from 5:00-7:00 p.m. This will be an informal opportunity to meet our staff, check out school activities and see the changes in the building. A barbeque dinner will be provided for all Highlands students, free of charge. Families may purchase a meal for \$3.50.

The Scottie Shop will be open if you choose to purchase PE clothes, yearbooks, ASB/sports user fees and more.

Students who are accompanied by an adult will be able to pick up their class schedules. This will be a great opportunity for students to find their classrooms and lockers, meet their teachers, and prepare for the first day of school.

Sports

With another school year beginning, student sports will be starting. Fall sports include football, soccer, volleyball and cross country. All 7th and 8th grade students may participate and are encouraged to! All first practice dates can be found on our website, along with names of coaches and prices of fees to participate.

To be eligible for practice, all students must have a current physical on file in the office. All other necessary clearance forms must be completed online through PowerSchool at KSD.org. Sport physical forms and directions for the online sports clearance process can be found on our website and through the following link: [Sports Clearance](#).

We will be offering two sports clearance nights, to assist with this new online process: Monday, August 20th 3:00-5:00 p.m. and Tuesday, August 21st

5:30-7:30 p.m in the Library. This is a great opportunity to stop by if you still need to create a PowerSchool account and complete the clearance forms. Our Athletic Director, Mr. Frentzen and ASB/Athletics Secretary, Ms. Rivas will be available to assist you and answer any questions you may have.

***If you are in need of a sports physical, all Tri-Cities Community Health centers will be offering \$10.00 physicals for the entire month of August. A current sports physical is required by the first day of practice.**

What's New at Highlands

We will be on an 8 period day schedule starting this 18/19 school year. This will allow almost every student to have PE, exploratory and a rigorous academic experience. The school day will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 2:35 p.m. every day.

At Highlands, we work every day to make our school a safe place for students and visitors. Beginning this 18/19 school year, we will be welcoming Officer Harris as our Student Resource Officer. Officer Harris will be housed here at Highlands and will work closely with our administrative team to continue creating the safest environment possible.

Students at HMS will continue to be rewarded using HERO for being positive, always doing their best, working and playing respectfully and acting safely. Students and parents can track these rewards and the students' points can be used for rewards throughout the year. More information will be available about how to log in to the app at the beginning of the school year.

Reminders

Schedules: Students must be accompanied by an adult to pick up their class schedule at open house.

Lunch/Breakfast: All HMS students will continue to receive free breakfast and lunch through the program called Community Eligibility Provision (CEP).

Immunizations: The 6th grade immunization requirement is for all students to receive their TDap. This needs to be completed prior to starting school. 6th grade students must have their immunizations complete prior to receiving their class schedule.

Online Purchases: Scottie gear, user fees and yearbooks are available through our online store at: payments.ksd.org

Upcoming Events

August 20

Sports Clearance Night
3:00-5:00 p.m.

August 21

Sports Clearance Night
5:30-7:30 p.m.

August 21

Football - First Practice
3:00 p.m.

August 23

Open House
5:00-7:00 p.m.

August 27

6th Grade and New Student
Orientation
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

August 28

First Day of School

August 31

Student Picture Day
*Retakes - October 11

September 3

NO SCHOOL
Labor Day

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