

# Houghton Elementary School

## October 2019



### UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 4<sup>th</sup> PTO Spirit Wear Orders Due
- October 11<sup>th</sup> No School – Professional Development
- October 15<sup>th</sup> – Joey's Seafood Giveback Night/ PTO Meeting
- October 25<sup>th</sup> Copper Bowl/ Spirit Day (Wear Black and Orange)
- October 31<sup>st</sup> Halloween Parties and Parade
- November 1<sup>st</sup> End of First Marking Period
- November 7<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher Conferences Students Dismissed at 12:20
- November 8<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher Conferences Students Dismissed at 12:20

Doreen Kramer Superintendent  
Anders Hill, Principal

## WHAT IS TITLE I?

Title I is a federally funded program that provides academic support to students in our elementary school. This year our Title I staff will provide reading, math and English as a Second Language services to those students that are referred by their classroom teachers. Title I reading interventions are offered in small groups in the Title I classrooms. Math services are provided mainly in the regular classrooms, with limited pullout for homework assistance. This is a fluid program that allows us to provide the extra help students need. When students no longer need extra support they are exited from Title I.

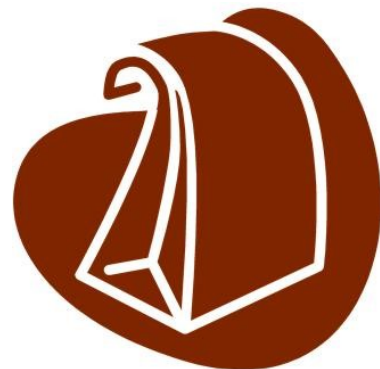
This year's annual Title I Parent Meeting will be held on November 5. Parents whose children have been referred for Title I support will receive a letter in the mail with more information about our program. Questions regarding Title I should be directed to Kriss Bosley at 482-0456 extension 3420 or [kbosley@hpts.us](mailto:kbosley@hpts.us)



## NEW FREE/ REDUCED LUNCH FORMS NEEDED

Special reminder to parents of students who receive free or reduced hot lunch and breakfast. New Free/ Reduced lunch forms must be filled out by all families by **October 15th**. Last years forms were only approved for the first

month of the year and must be updated and re-submitted every year. New forms are available in the main office to be picked up. Please call the main office if you have further questions.



# UNPREDICTABLE WEATHER – GET READY!

October can be a very unpredictable month when it comes to weather (70 degrees one day and 30 degrees the next). Please remember this when sending your child to school each morning. Please check those warm clothing supplies

and be sure your child has what he/she needs. Children who are appropriately dressed have a much better time at recess. On mornings when it is raining, all students will enter the building and go to their classrooms to play with

classroom games. Hopefully this won't be too often. Also, please remember to send students to school in closed toe shoes. We ask that students do not wear sandals on the playground.



## M-Step Scores

We are very proud of our students performance on last springs state tests. Our scores are a reflection of outstanding students and great teachers. We will use this data to help guide curriculum adjustments. Scores represent percent of students proficient or advanced. We added a comparison to state averages and the average score for local schools in the areas in the Copper Country ISD. The data represents the percentage of students who were “advanced” or “proficient” on the state assessments.

Grade/ Subject	Houghton Elementary 2019	State 2019	CCISD 2019
3rd Math	75.3	46.7	62.3
3rd ELA	64.9	45.1	58.9
4th Math	74.8	41.8	52.7
4th ELA	69.6	45.8	54.7
5th Math	77.4	34.8	45.6
5th ELA	66.7	46.2	49.8
5th Social Studies	42.9	17.4	30.8

## YEARBOOKS!

Now is the time to order your copy of the 2019-2020 Houghton Elementary School Yearbook. This year's yearbook will be in color, spiral bound and includes individual student photographs, group photos of school organizations, and fun candid snapshots. Yearbooks are \$15.00 and will be distributed in mid-May. **Order forms are due on Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>.** A limited quantity of extra yearbooks will be available in May. Reserve your copy today!







# HALLOWEEN CELEBRATIONS

Mark your calendar for Thursday October 31<sup>st</sup>, for our annual Halloween celebration. Parents are asked to view the parade **outside** the building on our playground. Students will march

starting at 1:45 pm and will use the blacktop path starting at the upper doors and ending near the basketball hoops.

Please **do not** send any toy weapons (plastic guns,

swords or knives) as part of costumes. Also, please do not send students in masks that are difficult to see out of. If it is raining, we will move our parade into the gym.

## TEAM Students



# SEPTEMBER TEAM STUDENTS

Every month we are recognizing a student in each class that exemplifies our schools TEAM goals:

- Take Responsibility**
- Earn Respect**
- Act Positively**
- Make it Safe**

These students will enjoy cookies and milk with the principal and receive a certificate. Our September hon-

orees are:

**Young 5's:** Griffin Cutsy

**K:** Ruth Shannon, Linsa Chaudhary, Nyssa Kelly, Maci Locatelli & Rachel Dowden

**1st :** Vivian Mattson, Josie Haataja, Emma Girard & Ellie Bates

**2nd:** Liam Merriman, Matthew Radigan, Wade Halonen, Julianna Carter & Romy Aldrich

**3rd:** Daisy Ferguson, Madeline Cooney, Henry Butler, Connor Ploe & Jacqueline DeForge

**4th:** Holly Cooke, Levi Matteson, Jorja Juntunen, Brooke Pietila

**5th:** Brayden Solka, Jonah Rauch, Davis Moyle, Duncan Will & Mason Joyal

CONGRATULATIONS!



**Have a safe and enjoyable Halloween!**

**We want to encourage all students to wear orange and black every Friday to show our school spirit.**



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## PICKING UP STUDENTS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

If you need to pick up your child while school is in session, please press the button located next to the front door. We have the entrance doors locked during the school day. We will then call your child out of class and he/she will meet you in the office. This procedure watches out for the safety of your child, allowing us to keep track of all children leaving the building and whom they are leaving with.

## PTO CORNER



**You Support PTO. PTO Supports Our School. Spirit Wear order forms are due Friday, October 4:** PTO is selling Gremlins Gear featuring the new designs for our Gremlins mascot. Merchandise includes apparel, water bottles, totes, hats, decals and blankets. Orders should be delivered in time for Copper Week!

**Dine at Joey's Seafood and Grill:** On Tuesday, October 15, Joey's will be donating **20%** of sales when you mention HES PTO. Dine in or carry out. Lunch or dinner.

### Coming Up:

- **PTO Meeting Tuesday, October 15 at 5:30 p.m.** in the School Library.
- **Scholastic Book Fair November 4-8.** It's a great opportunity for students to pick out their own books, or begin your holiday shopping.

**Support PTO:** Choose **Houghton Elementary School PTO** as your designated charity when you shop online at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com).

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