



Thunder Hill Elementary 2022-2023

September 9, 2022

2022-2023

SCHOOL HOURS

9:25 a.m. – 3:55 a.m.

Note: Doors open at 9:15 a.m.

Arrival ends at 9:23 a.m.

Students are expected in their classes at 9:25 a.m.

#WeSOARtogether

Important Dates:

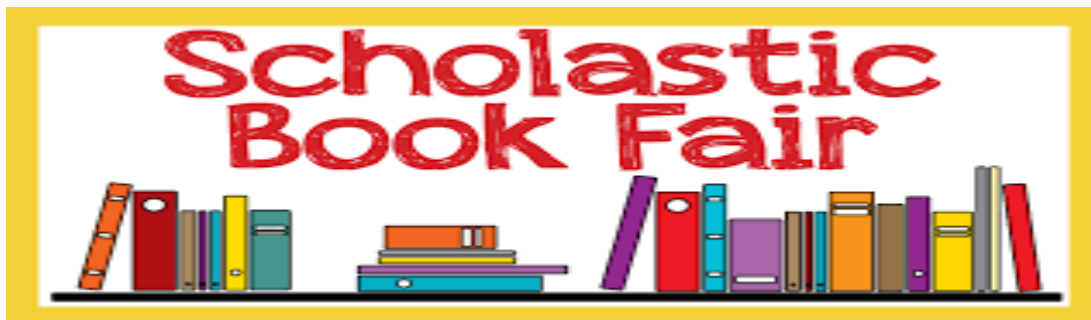
September

- 12-16 Scholastic Book Fair-Media Center-Information listed below
- 13 PTA General Meeting 5:30-6:00
- 13 Back to School Night 6:00-7:00 (Grades K-2)
- 14 Gifted and Talented Information Night 5:30-6:00
- 14 Back to School Night 6:00-7:00 (Grades 3-5)
- 19-Oct 14 MAP Testing Grades 1-5
- 20 Individual School Pictures
- 26 Rosh Hashanah Schools.Offices Closed
- 30 In House Assembly-HCC presents Miss Electricity

School Spirit Thursday's

Starting next week, we will begin celebrating THUNDEROUS THURSDAY every week!! Please show your **THUNDERBIRD PRIDE** on Thursdays by wearing yellow and/or blue!

New Information



Scholastic Media Center Book Fair

The Scholastic Media Center Book Fair starts Monday at Thunder Hill!!!!

Look for an information sheet with lots of details about the Book Fair to come home with your student(s) in their take-home folder on Friday, September 9th.

Below you will find the dates & hours for the Book Fair so you can put them on your calendar!

Note that the Book Fair will be open on the two upcoming Back-to-School Nights.

Monday, September 12th
8:45-9:15am & 4:10-5:30pm

Tuesday, September 13th (Back-to-School Night for Grades K-2)
4:10-6:30pm

Wednesday, September 14th (Back-to-School Night for Grades 3-5)
4:10-6:30pm

Thursday, September 15th
8:45-9:15am & 4:10-5:30pm

Friday, September 16th
8:45-9:15am

IMPORTANT NOTE!

Volunteers are needed to help set-up, work during, and pack-up the Book Fair! Please consider helping out, and contact Mrs. McIlvain - leah_mcilvain@hcpss.org if you are available and willing to be a very important part of making the Book Fair happen!

Thank you in advance!!!

School Pictures

Individual school pictures will be taken on September 20th. Picture order forms/envelopes will be sent home with students on Monday September 12th. This year pictures will be taken by Strawbridge.

Parent Volunteer Procedures at THES

We value our volunteers and the contributions they make to our students and schools. Parents who wish to volunteer must complete a brief training course online and submit a certificate of completion to their school. This also includes anyone who chaperones a field trip.

Details are available on HCPSS [website](#).

Fare-Free Bus Rides

Public buses are fare-free to start the school year, no passes needed. This applies to students and families.

Repeated Information

Are you interested in working at Thunder Hill this school year?

Thunder Hill is looking for dedicated, friendly staff to join our amazing learning community. Positions include:

Daily Substitute Teachers:

- Start Date: 8/29/22 through the duration of the school year
- Hours: 8:55 am - 4:05 pm
- Daily Pay Rate:
 - Retired Substitute Teacher \$169.00
 - Degreed Substitute Teacher \$169.00
 - Non-degreed Substitute Teacher \$157.00
 - (must have at least 60 approved college credits)

Substitute Lunch and Recess Monitors

- Start Date: 8/29/22 through the duration of the school year
- Hours: 10:40 am - 1:40 pm
- Hourly Pay Rate: \$14.00

Temporary Employee (close adult supervision for students requiring extra support)

- Start Date: 8/29/22 through the duration of the school year
- Hours: 9:25 am - 3:55 pm
- Hourly Pay Rate: \$15.00
 - For the close adult support position, you would apply through an outside agency that staffs these positions in our schools.
 - We also frequently need subs for this role, as well.
 - Click here to learn more & apply:
<https://www.socialserviceconsultants.com/prospective-employees>

If interested, please email Kimberly Dillard (kimberly_dillard@hcpss.org) or call us at Thunder Hill 410-313-6922 for more information!

Family File Information:

Currently we have 60% of our Family Files completed. Come on Thunderbirds, let's get to 100%. If you are having trouble completing your Family File, please contact the office at 410-313-6922.

Every year HCPSS parents must complete a Family File (electronic emergency card) for each child. HCPSS utilizes Family File for parents/guardians to complete emergency information. The Family File for this year is now available. Parents/guardians must verify and/or update information for each child, and can do so by logging in to [HCPSS Connect](#) and selecting the "More Options" tab on the left and then clicking on "Family File" from the list. If your child was in an HCPSS school in previous years, you only need to update any changes. ***Please update/provide the info ASAP. Thank you!!!***

Once logged in, you will be asked to update or provide the following information:

- Student Information
- Parent/Guardian Contact
- Emergency Contacts
- Medical Information
- Arrival/Dismissal Procedures
- Photo Approval
- Data Confidentiality
- PTA/PTSA Directory

Student Absences

Just a reminder that parents/guardians must turn in a note if the child is absent. The note should include the student's name, date absent, reason for absence, and parent/guardian signature. We also accept these notes through an email address. Please email THESabsence@hcpss.org with the same information if you prefer this format. Please submit notes within two days of your child returning to school.

Release of Students During School Hours

Parents must report to the front office when picking up their child for an early dismissal. Students will be called to the school office for dismissal upon the parent's arrival. If someone other than the parent/guardian is picking up a child for an early dismissal, the person must be granted permission as indicated on the emergency card or by providing a note from the parent/guardian. Early release of students close to the regular dismissal time is discouraged. Please note: In order to not disrupt dismissal procedures, the office staff will not be able to call

individual students down for parent pick up after 3:30 p.m. Please bring a drivers license or ID when picking up a student for early dismissal.

HCPSS Calendars

There will be no printed 2022-2023 calendars. Staff, students, and families may add our online calendar to their own mobile/online calendar by

1. Going to <https://www.hcpss.org/calendar/>
2. Scrolling down to Subscribing to a Calendar
3. Right-clicking on the calendar you wish to subscribe to
4. Selecting Copy Link Location/Address/Shortcut
5. Adding to your calendar of choice (See your calendar for specifics on adding a new calendar)

You also may view and/or download printable PDFs of the [full calendar](#) and/or important [dates only](#). Updates to the PDFs will be noted on the [HCPSS calendar page](#).

PLEASE NOTE! The calendar is subject to change. The online calendar reflects the most recent version.

Calendars in Spanish, Chinese, and Korean
[Calendario en español](#)

[西班牙语日历](#)

[스페인어로 된 달력](#)

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September holidays and other dates of interest National Hispanic Heritage Month (9/15-10/15) 26 Yearning (10 days) - 10:00 a.m. 28 Yearning (2 days) - 10:00 a.m. 29 Yearning (2 days) - 10:00 a.m. *Signs current or previous day						
				B First day of school for Pre-K/RECC	1 A	2
4		5 B	6 A	7 B SCE Attendance Area Adjustment Public Hearing 1 7 pm	8 A	9
	Labor Day Schools and offices closed (State-mandated holiday)	CAC Meeting 7 pm		SCE Meeting 4 pm Presentation of FY24 Capital Budget & FY25-26 Capital Impasse Prop. 7 pm		10
	11 B	12 A	13 B SCE Attendance Area Adjustment Public Hearing 5 pm	14 A	15 B	16
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18 A	19 B	20 A	21 B SCE Attendance Area Adjustment Public Hearing 4 pm	22 A SCE Meeting 4 pm Public Hearing, FY24 Budget & Adoption of FY24 Capital Budget & FY25-26 Capital Impasse Prop. 7 pm	23	24
25	26 B Schools and offices closed	27 A SCE Attendance Area Adjustment Public Hearing 4 pm	28 B	29 A	30	

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Water Bottles & Filling Station

Students are permitted to bring a water bottle or refillable containers to school. No other beverage is permitted in the classroom. *No glass containers allowed.

This summer, we installed a new water bottle filling station in the Cafeteria. Students are welcome to refill their water bottle there.

Please be sure you write your child's name on the water bottle or container.

PTA News

Join the THES PTA!

One of the best ways you can help the PTA this year is to simply become a member.

Memberships provide the PTA with crucial funding, and it also shows us the members of our school community care about the mission of the PTA. Becoming a PTA member does not commit you to attending meetings or volunteering (though you are welcome to both.)

Memberships can be purchased online at <https://1thes.memberhub.com/store>

Please follow us on our Facebook page for important announcements and updates.

<https://www.facebook.com/thunderhillpta>

Click [here](#) to read more information about Memberhub.

Community News

OMHS Food Pantry

The OMHS Food Pantry is open the last Wednesday of the month unless otherwise noted, from 3:00 - 5:00pm. You will need to bring a photo ID. Please do not arrive prior to 2:30pm to allow for student dismissal. Also, please remain in your car and a volunteer will come to your vehicle.

More info can be found at the link below:

<https://omhs.hcpss.org/student-services/food-pantry>

The Food Pantry will be open on the following dates:

- August 31, 2022
- September 28, 2022
- October 26, 2022

- November 16, 2022
- December 21, 2022
- January 25, 2023
- February 22, 2023
- March 29, 2023
- April 26, 2023
- May 31, 2023
- June 23, 2023
- July 26, 2023

