

Hassler Herald

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Attendance Counts at Hassler!

Attendance matters as early as kindergarten. Studies show children who miss too many days in kindergarten and first grade can struggle academically in later years. Students can suffer academically if they miss 10 percent of school days. This can be just one day every two weeks and can happen before you know it. Good attendance will help children do well in high school, college, and at work.

How can you help?

- Plan vacations during non-school days
- Schedule your child's medical and dental appointments at the end of the school day
- Make sure they come to school every day unless they are ill

**Remember, we take attendance at 9:45 every day. If your child is present in school at that time, he/she counts as present for the day. Our attendance rates are included as part of our state accountability.*

If your child must be absent, please send a note to the attendance office within 5 days of the absence.

Lost and Found

As the weather starts to cool down, students will start to wear sweaters, sweatshirts, and jackets to school. We recommend that parents label the inside of these articles of clothing with the student's name. It is also wise to label the inside of lunch boxes, backpacks, and folders. This way, if something gets misplaced, it is easier for us to find the rightful owner. Lost and Found items are stored on the rack in the cafeteria, so please check there if you are missing anything.

Box Tops for Education

Save those Box Tops!

Your child can turn them in to his/her teacher.
What a great way to raise money for our school!

Safety First at Arrival and Dismissal Times

Arrival:

- No children should be dropped off prior to 7:50. This is the time our staff is available to supervise your children.
- Refrain from cell phone use in the carpool line, even when traffic is stop and go.
- Students should be ready to exit vehicles as soon as their car comes to a stop. Be sure that backpacks and lunches are easily accessible.
- Staff members are on hand to facilitate arrival, but students should be able to exit their cars independently.
- For parking cars, families should only cross at the crosswalk with the help of one of our staff members. We only use the large crosswalk near the faculty lot.
- Walkers should always stay on the sidewalk, as close to the grassy area as possible.
- Bikers should walk their bikes as soon as they arrive on our school grounds.

Dismissal:

- Only children who are getting directly into a car should wait on the front porch. If a child will be picked up by a parent in a parked car, they should exit the back door with the walkers.
- Refrain from cell phone use in the carpool line, even when traffic is stop and go.
- Any transportation changes must be communicated to the front office by 2:30.
- Drivers who park in the lot should be especially vigilant when exiting spaces. There are lots of families and children in the area, and safety is always the top priority.

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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Nurtured Heart Approach at Hassler

As we continue to implement the Nurtured Heart Approach, we wanted to make sure parents had a strong understanding of our strategies. We focus on 3 Stands, as explained here.

- Absolutely No! I refuse to give my time, energy, and relationship to negative behavior.
- Absolutely Yes! I will consistently recognize the success and achievement children are displaying.
- Absolutely Clear! I will have clear and consistent consequences for children when a rule has been broken.

We are so pleased with the positive energy that has been flowing through the building based on these 3 simple stands. We love recognizing all of the greatness we see within your children!

Upcoming Events

Hassler Fall Fundraiser begins this week, culminating with our T.E.A.M. Hassler Trot on Friday, October 21st. Pledges and direct donations will be collected through October 28th. Lots of great classroom incentives to be earned this year!

Fall Bookfair will take place from October 24-28, with an evening event on Thursday, October 27 from 5:00-8:00. Support our library AND find some great new books!

Red Ribbon Week will take place October 24-28. In addition to the themed dress-up days, our students will participate in lessons that will lead to a safe and healthy lifestyle.

Monday– We are Red-dy to Say No to Drugs! (wear red)

Tuesday– Let’s Sock it to Drugs! (wear crazy socks)

Wednesday– We are Tutu Smart to Get Tied Up with Drugs! (wear tutus and/or ties)

Thursday– There are a Minion Reasons to be Drug Free! (dress in yellow or like a Minion)

Friday– Let’s Team Up against Drugs! (wear your favorite team gear)

Parent Conference Day is Tuesday, November 8. Be sure to schedule a time to meet with your child’s teacher.

October 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3	4 Fall Fundraiser begins	5	6	7	8
9	10 Columbus Day School is in session	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Spirit Night at Pei Wei	21 T.E.A.M. Hassler Trot today!	22
23 Red Ribbon Week! Fall Bookfair in session all week!	24 YOLO! We are Red-dy to Say No to Drugs!	25 YOLO! Let’s Sock It to Drugs!	26 YOLO! We are Tutu Smart to Get Tied Up with Drugs!	27 YOLO! There are a Minion Reasons to be Drug Free! Fall Bookfair Night from 5:00-8:00!	28 YOLO! Team Up against Drugs! Fall Fundraiser money due	29
30	31 Halloween (no costumes at school please)	Nov. 1	2 PTO General Meeting at 2:30	3	4	5