



PTA NEWSLETTER

HMS PTA Website: www.hammondmiddlepta.org

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PTA Meeting & Elections: Thursday May 9 6:30pm
in the Media Center

Come **vote** for 2019-2020 PTA Board and Committee Chairs!

8th Grade Celebration: Cruising into High School!



Do you or someone you know own a business? We are looking for **businesses to sponsor our 8th grade dance**. If a donation is made, we will add the business name to our **sponsorship banner**. Thank you for your support! Please direct all inquiries to Rebecca Paskill at rpaskill@gmail.com.



CALLING ALL 6th & 7th Grade Families!

HMS needs your support during the 8th grade Showcase! Donate **30 minutes of your time** so that the 8th grade families can enjoy the celebration! Hand out programs, help with seating and help hand out certificates to students. **June 20th at Atholton High School**. Approximate shift times are: 1:30-2:00 & 3:45-4:15.

Please contact [Mrs. Steinberg](#), 8th grade team leader, if you can help!

Attention ADOPT A STAFF families!

Please remember your adopted staff members as we head down the home stretch of 4th Quarter. May is typically a very busy month for staff, so I'm sure they will appreciate a snack kit or a funny card. Don't forget to reveal your identity however you choose, anytime in June.

Upcoming Events

May 6 -10

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 7

Restaurant Night Jerry's Subs &
Pizza

May 9

PTA Meeting & Elections, 6:30pm

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PTA Guest Speaker: Sleep for
Success

Free STEM Open House Event: May 19 3-5pm

For 2 hours, your kids will have the opportunity to try out activities from ten different tech camps that we are offering this summer! In addition, there will be a raffle where you will get the chance to win a free week of camp, lots of fun activities for kids, snacks, and flash deals for sign-ups.

You can also check out more information about Code Ninjas [here](#), and you can head to our [Facebook page](#) to learn more about the event.

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Read the April PTA Minutes: [Here](#)

Next PTA Meeting: June 13 at 6:30pm in media center



**PTA ELECTIONS! ALL WELCOME!
May 9th 6:30pm in Media Center
COME VOTE!**

Thank you to the following people who have accepted nominations!

Executive Board Nominees:

- Nicole Alston- President
- Karen Caron- 1st Vice President
- Donna Boudreau- 2nd Vice President

Committee Chairs:

- Greta Richard - Shopping Benefits
- Amy D'Domenicus- Membership
- Pam Sneddon- Color Run
- Shelley Monsolillo- Box Tops
- Leah Taffetani- Student Directory
- Vicki Bokhari - Fall Fling
- Terumi McKenna - Spirit Wear Co-Chair
- Leigh String- Staff Appreciation Co-Chair

We are still in search of chair persons for the Adopt a Staff Program. Please contact [Tara Terry](#) for more info!

All are welcome to join our meeting on May 9th to vote in our nominated members to the 2019-2020 HMS PTA!

Sleep For Success
Start School Times Later

When:	Quick Info session May 9th @ 6.30pm
Where:	Hammond Middle School - Media Centre 8100, Aladdin Drive. Laurel, 20723
Why:	Chronic sleep deprivation is impacting our students' mental & physical wellbeing, as well as their academic & athletic performance. Learn more about H.S start times in HoCo & the 2017 BOE proposal to change H.S start times.

**Suicide Prevention,
QPR TRAINING**

Question. Persuade. Refer Training

In collaboration with Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center, Horizon Foundation is offering **FREE TRAINING** for the community on how to identify key warning signs of suicide, how to get help for yourself or learn more about preventing suicide, how to get help for someone in crisis. Register [HERE!](#)

May 16th 5-7 Grassroots
6700 Freetown Rd,
Columbia, MD 21044

May 17th Non Profit Collaborative
9770 Patuxent Woods Dr.,
Columbia, Md 21046

UPDATE: Screenagers

What a fantastic turn out! **Over 100 people** in attendance! A big **thank you** to **Leigh String** for her efforts to obtain the Horizon grant to fund this event! Thank you Leigh String for your time in organizing this event with both schools!

Thank you to all the families that attended. More information coming about a student viewing.