

# Huppertz Elementary

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Happy 2020 Huppertz Parents/Guardians!

I can hardly believe we are halfway done with this school year and we are now embarking on the journey of a new decade. Boy, how time flies! A new year always brings about so much excitement of things to look forward to with new aspirations and personal goals. Here at Huppertz we are maintaining our focus on our school goal of attaining a TEA campus rating of a "B" and getting out of our current Improvement Required status. In order to do this there is still SO MUCH learning that needs to take place and your help is needed!

A couple of changes are now in place in order to provide your child/ren with rich learning opportunities that will transform your child/ren into becoming an independent, thoughtful problem solver. *Effective immediately, every student in Grades K-5 is now required to complete homework every day from Mondays-Thursdays. EVERY child needs to be reading daily*, in a designated location at home and uninterrupted for the following times: Kinder/1<sup>st</sup> Grade=15 minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade=20 minutes and 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade=25 minutes. This means that as the parent/guardian we are asking for you to **please sign the daily reading log**; your signature acknowledges that your child completed the daily reading requirement. Just like athletes have to practice to perform consistently at the top of their game, our students can only improve reading by practicing reading every day.

Furthermore, your child/children is also required to complete **daily Math homework from Mondays-Thursdays**. Simple Math facts like addition/subtraction and multiplication/division are skills that the overwhelming majority of our Huppertz students are lacking; practice is needed, especially with the Math facts

## Upcoming Events

**1/7 Students return to school: FREE DRESS DAY & CLASS Pictures!**

**1/10 PBIS Pep Rally 2:45 pm in the gym**

**1/11 Experience SAISD @ Freeman Coliseum: ALL FAMILIES invited!**

**1/14 School Choice Meeting 5:30 pm in the library**

**1/18 Saturday School (Grades 3-5)**

**1/20 NO SCHOOL MLK, Jr. Holiday**

**1/25 Saturday School (Grades 3-5)**

**1/28 CLT Meeting 3:45pm**

**Our Family And Community Engagement Specialist, Ms. Speed, works diligently to build relationships in our community. If you have your own business, or know of someone in our neighborhood that provides an excellent service, please inform Ms. Speed so she can bridge the relationship.**  
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**THANK YOU!**

out of order! **Please be on the lookout for your child's daily communications folder which will contain their reading log as well as their Math homework.** You are encouraged to use this folder to communicate with the classroom teacher on a daily basis.

Also, the Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (**PBIS**) team is happy to announce that this Friday we will have a pep rally in the gym to introduce the different ways students are now being rewarded for making positive choices. Every Cougar cub has a plethora of opportunities to earn Cougar Cash for demonstrating positive behaviors. The Cougar Cash is then redeemed on Fridays & Mondays at the PBIS Store, which contains a large variety of prizes. Please talk about this with your child/dren and let's see who our top winners will be!

Another very important change which involves our staff is that our Dyslexia specialist, Ms. Stack, has resigned from SAISD effective December 20<sup>th</sup>. The search for a qualified replacement is underway and as soon as a new hire is secured, I will let you know. Also, Mr. Laurel has decided to separate from SAISD effective February 5<sup>th</sup>. He is still on personal leave and due to the right to privacy laws, this is all I know. This means that Huppertz Elementary has an official vacancy for the Assistant Principal position and will soon be interviewing qualified candidates. If you would like to suggest specific qualities for the hiring committee to consider for the Assistant Principal position, please let me know via email [lriosgarcia@saisd.net](mailto:lriosgarcia@saisd.net) I will keep you informed as to when we hire an Assistant Principal.

In conclusion, I want to thank you for your continued support this school year and I look forward to continuing to build positive relationships with you in the best interest of your child/ren. Together, we have **Power In Unity**.

With a warm heart,

Ms. Rios-Garcia  
Principal



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