



Hixson Middle School
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HMS WILDCAT NEWS

February 2018

DOES NOT REJOICE IN UNRIGHTEOUSNESS
REJOICES WITH THE TRUTH
IS PATIENT
IS NOT JEALOUS
IS KIND
DOES NOT BRAG
IS NOT ARROGANT
DOES NOT ACT UNBECOMINGLY
DOES NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT A WRONG
SUFFER

LOVE

BEARS ALL THINGS, BELIEVES ALL THINGS,
HOPES ALL THINGS, ENDURES ALL THINGS.

Love never fails
design Eric Novak

HMS **PTSA**[®]

everychild. one voice.[®]



Volunteers

***If you would like to help with any food/hospitality opportunities and haven't received an email or seen the Sign up Genius, please contact Amanda Shackleford @ 423-322-1389**

2017-2018 PTSA Board

President - Schkira Woodall
VP - Stacy Alexander
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7th Grade Rep - Sheila Rector
8th Grade Rep - Shanelle Collins
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Communications - Angel Gilkey
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Principal - Dr. LeAngela Rogers
Teacher Rep - Teachers Take Turns to Meetings

Mark Your Calendar

STEM Night

Tuesday, March 6, 2018

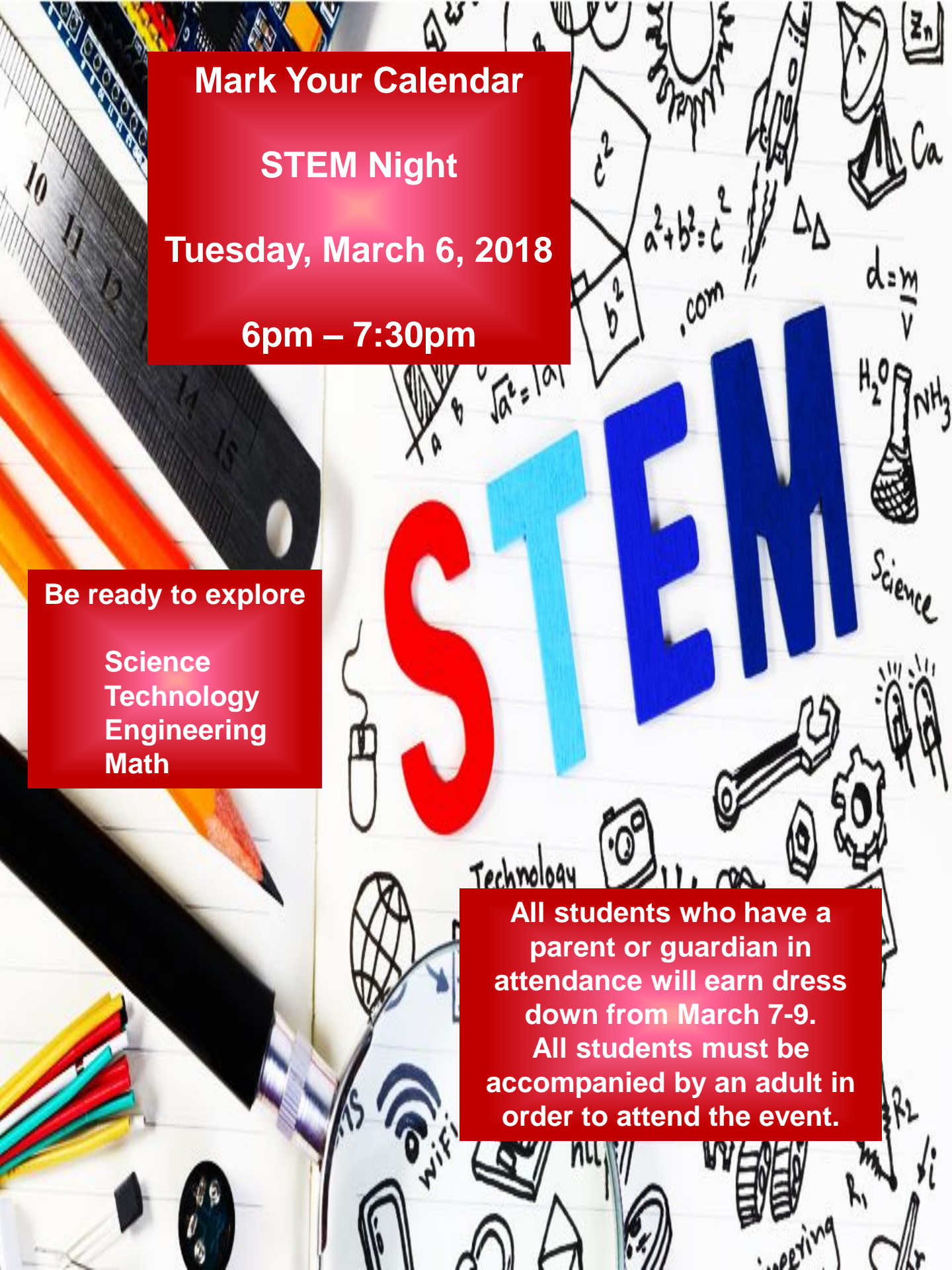
6pm – 7:30pm

Be ready to explore

**Science
Technology
Engineering
Math**

All students who have a parent or guardian in attendance will earn dress down from March 7-9. All students must be accompanied by an adult in order to attend the event.

STEM



LET'S DANCE



DRESS UP, GRAB YOUR DANCING SHOES &
JOIN US FOR A VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE!

FRIDAY Feb. 16th 2018
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

\$5 pre sale tickets/ \$6 at the door

**Enjoy a live DJ, Great Music, Tons of Fun,
Pizza, Drinks, Sweet Treats, and More!**

**FUN PHOTO BOOTH WITH PROPS WILL BE
AVAILABLE FOR YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS!**

*DONATIONS EXCEPTED



ALL REFRESHMENTS WILL BE \$1 EACH

HOSTED BY HIXSON MIDDLE SOFTBALL TEAM

2018 Hixson Middle School Spelling Bee Winners

5th place Connor Jennings
4th place Nalin Losey
3rd place LaDaishannae Perkins
2nd place Meera Patel
1st place Timothy Barron

These five students advanced to the Zone
spelling bee at Clear Creek Church of Christ on
January 30th at 1:00 p.m.



2018 Zone Spelling Bee Winners

Hixson Middle wins 1st and 2nd Place

Timothy Barron 1st place

Meera Patel 2nd place



FCA Field Trip

Leadership Breakfast at Ridgedale
Baptist Church



East Tennessee Band & Orchestra Association Jr. Band Clinic Honors

Addison Holritz, flute (1st chair overall in the 7th grade band)

Freedom Herrick, clarinet

Alyssa Griffith, clarinet

Zaida Burson, trumpet

Maddox Gilkey, tuba

Timothy Barron, percussion (1st chair in the 8th/9th grade band)

These students tried out against other students from all over lower East-Tennessee.

This is an outstanding showing for our band program!!

Peace Poster Winner

**Congratulations to Dante Keoke 8th Grade.
Dante's drawing was picked by the Lion's Club for
this year's Peace Poster contest. Great Job !!!**

**We're starting off to a great year in Art class.
We welcome you to visit our classroom, just email
Mr. Weger weger_m@hcde.org and set up a time
to share your skills.**





February is love month! Candy Grams will go on sell February 5 - 9 for \$1 for 4! Send your friend a heart with candy for Valentines Day to show them that you care! You will need to know your friend's homeroom teacher to send!



The Beta Club will be showing our Valentine's love for HMS teachers and staff by staying after on February 12 to help with cleaning and organizing classrooms. Students will meet in Mrs. Powell's classroom at 2:30 and be given their assignment.

Students are asked to bring food items, and Mrs. Powell will bring drinks and paper goods. This is an optional activity, but you will receive 1.5 hours of volunteer time for staying. See you then!

The faculty winning streak came to an end at the Hoops for Heart Basketball Game benefiting the American Heart Association.

Way to go Wildcat students!!



Academics

6th Grade Math Ms. Ellis & Mrs. Little

The sixth grade math students have been writing and evaluating expressions in preparation for our study of one-step equations. Students are learning to write equations with variables representing word problems. They are also solving the problems using inverse operations to isolate the variable. On February 5, students will receive instructions for their next project. They will make an instructional video from a variety of math topics. Working with a partner, small group, or independently will be the student's choice. All project information and other math resources are posted on Google Classroom.

Homework continues to be assigned on Mondays and Wednesdays, with a Friday due date. Tutoring sign-up lists are posted on the teachers' doors. We begin at 2:30 and end promptly at 3:30. Thank you for making transportation plans in advance.

If you have questions or concerns, the best way to communicate with us is by e-mail.

Ms. Ellis: ellis_jennifer@hcde.org

Mrs. Little: little_j@hcde.org

Academics

6th Grade Social Studies

During this third quarter, 6th grade has traveled through the history of Israel and laid the foundation of monotheistic religions.

Classes will be moving into the study the Ancient Greece. We will visit the geography and its contribution to the creation of independent city-states, as well as, the lack of unity which eventually weakened Greece.

Other topics to be covered include: The rivalry of city-states: Sparta and Athens; Persia and its powerful dominance; and major developments subsequent to the Persian wars.

We will also be practicing writing strategies to prepare us for the upcoming TN Ready test later this year.



Academics

7th Grade Language Arts Mrs. Birch & Mrs. Howard

Beginning this month, students will investigate the thematic concept of choice. People make choices every day. Some of those choices have a short-term impact (like what to have for lunch), while others have a greater impact (like whether to study in school or to goof off). Using a variety of genres to investigate this theme, students will examine texts that present characters who, for personal or cultural reasons, have made choices about the way they live their lives.

Don't forget that Google Classroom is a great resource for students and parents! We keep notes and other class information there. Look at page 13 in your student's agenda for their login information. We also use the Remind website and app to send important information home.

To sign up for the Remind Service, text the following codes to 81010.

Birch's Class: @birch7207 Howard's Class: @howardrla

Academics

8th Grade Math

Working with math in all its unique ways is our calling! This entire quarter we will be graphing equations and systems among other wonderful math content. It is essential that students learn the 8th grade content so that they can be successful in high school! This includes being prepared for class, doing the homework, reviewing the notes, and doing test corrections!

On February 9th, students will be given their Pi Project Rubric.

This will be due on Pi Day (March 14)!

Staff Birthdays

February

2nd – Debbie Garland
13th – Natalie Ainslie
15th – Lisa Cline

February

19th – Diane Ulmer
20th – Lori Thacker
21st – Hayley Little
23rd – Jayme Miller

March

2nd – Jacob Cash
8th – Michael Pala
18th – Jann Little



February Events

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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 *PTSA Board Meeting 6pm *VB at Signal Mtn – JV 5pm, V 6pm *Golf Meeting 6pm	13 *Wrestling at East Hamilton 6pm *Band All-County Tryouts at East Hamilton *PTSA Spirit Day *Student Council 6:45am	14 Valentine's Day	15 *VB vs. Red Bank at Hixson – JV 4pm, V 5pm *HMS Cheerleading Meeting 6:30pm	16 *Valentine's Day Dance 6pm-8pm	17
18	19 No School Presidents Day	20 *VB at Soddy – JV 4pm, V 5pm *Superintendent's Listening & Planning Session at Hixson High 6pm	21	22 *Wrestling Dual Championships *Parent Teacher Conferences 3pm *VB at East Hamilton – JV 4pm, V 5pm *All County Band Practice at East Hamilton 5pm *Teacher Food Day sponsored by PTSA	23 *VB vs. Loftis at Hixson – JV 4pm, V 5pm *All County Band Performance at East Hamilton 6pm *Box Top Dress Down Day	24
25	26 *VB Tournament at Soddy Daisy High *Chorus Black History Concert 6:30pm	27 *VB Tournament at Soddy Daisy High	28	March 1	2 *Wrestling Tournament at Soddy	3 *Wrestling Tournament at Soddy