

# Heritage Middle School

## HMS Families-

Welcome back to all of our returning families and welcome aboard to all of our new incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade families! I hope that you've had a great summer.

It's time for us to begin sharing information and details about the upcoming school year. This newsletter is full of important dates and upcoming events to help you have a great start at HMS. In addition, you can keep updated in a variety of ways throughout the school year:

- Be sure to go to our website, [www.lps53.org/hms](http://www.lps53.org/hms) and sign up for our daily announcement email. You can find the link by scrolling down to the For Parents spot.
- Give us a call at 816-736-5380 if you have a quick question we can help with or to share information with us.
- Use our website for information such as our handbooks, links to PTSA and many other family resources.
- You can also follow us on Twitter using hashtag #heritagemhs. and visit our Facebook page at @heritageMSLPS.

If your child is going to be a 6<sup>th</sup> grader this year, I encourage you to sign them up for one of our half day transition clinics on Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> and our 6<sup>th</sup> Grade WEB Day on Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>. You can find the information about both of these events in the newsletter. These are great opportunities for your child to become familiar with our building in a fun way before everybody else shows up.

Our district has a few requirements that must be completed before school begins so that your child can start on time. These include:

- All 6<sup>th</sup> grade families need to complete a Residency Verification. This can be done from July 1-August 1. You can find more information and the necessary form in the Counseling Office section of this newsletter.
- All 8<sup>th</sup> graders must provide documentation of their T-dap and Meningococcal meningitis vaccines. Per state law, we are not allowed to let them begin without it. You can find more information on the Nurse's page of this newsletter.
- We also need all families to update their demographic information so we have accurate ways to communicate with you. When I send out mass emails or automated phone calls, the system uses the numbers and addresses listed in our Power School. You can do this beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>.

If you can get these done ahead of time, you will be able to sail through schedule pick up days.

Thanks so much for taking the time to read through this newsletter and I hope this helps answer all of your questions. If not, give us a call and we'll find the answer for you!

Enjoy the rest of your summer! See you soon.

Scott Carr



## HMS OFFICE INFORMATION

Heritage Middle School  
600 West Kansas St  
Liberty, MO 64068

**Attendance: 736-5382**  
Main Office: 736-5380  
Principals: 736-5383  
Counseling: 736-5389

School Office Hours:  
Monday-Friday  
7:30 am– 3:30 pm

## Start and Release Times for 2019-2020

Start Time: 7:45am  
Release Time: 2:50 pm  
Cafeteria Opens: 7:15 am  
Buses unload/ All Doors open for students: 7:30 am

### HMS Office Staff

Scott Carr, Principal  
Kerry Broyles, Assistant Principal  
Jennifer Selock, Assistant Principal  
Ryan Stegall, Athletic Director  
Tammy Whitaker, Attendance Secretary  
Lisa VanHouten, Building Secretary  
Tracey Rausenberger, School Nurse  
Kyle Hamline, School Resource Officer

### Counseling Department

Michelle Brown, Counselor  
Last Name A - K  
Kelli Gillespie, Counselor  
Last Name L- Z  
Joy O'Neal, Counseling Secretary

## News from the Counseling Office

**Parent Portal-PowerSchool:** The parent portal of our PowerSchool program is an online resource that allows parents and students to stay up to date with grades and attendance. <https://ps.liberty.k12.mo.us/public> this information can be accessed on any computer that has internet access. In order to sign up for Parent Portal, you must pick up your login and password information at HMS. You will need to show photo ID for security purposes.

**Residency Verification:** Beginning July 1-August 1 all 6<sup>th</sup> grade students must complete this <https://tinyurl.com/y5jdbc9k> and send or bring in lease/rental agreement and current utility bill or 2 current utility bills.

**Demographic/student information updates:** Beginning July 1, all student demographics must be completed. **We are asking that all parents/guardians who have students enrolled for the 2018-19 school year; please log on (see website below), review, revise as needed, and submit their student's information by the first day of school for the 2018-19 school year.**

As the primary contact parent/guardian, **please review, update, and submit information between the dates of July 1 - August 1, 2018.** Please make sure to verify the email address to receive important information from the school.

**IMPORTANT TO NOTE:** If you have multiple students, you will need to log in and review "each" student separately. Please scroll through each of the screens, entering/updating information as needed.)

- **Website:** <https://update.lps53.org/>

### **HMS Student Car Rider Drop-Off Instructions**

A detailed pick up and drop off map is located at this [LINK](#)

**Visitor parking** is also available on the east side of the building. This is the only entry point for parents to pick up their student during school hours.

**Athletes** should be picked up after practice on the west side by the football field. Some of our teams will practice at the SVMS site. Student athletes will be given this information at their first practice.

## 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Important Dates to Remember:

Schedule pick up:

Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> 9:00am – 5:00 pm

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Important Dates to Remember:

6<sup>th</sup> grade Transition Clinics:

August 1<sup>st</sup> at 8:00am – 11:00am or  
12:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Sign up with the link below:

<https://tinyurl.com/transition-clinic-sign-up>

6<sup>th</sup> grade Schedule pick up:

Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am – 5:00 pm (6<sup>th</sup> grade)

All 6<sup>th</sup> graders Web Day:

Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am – 11:30 am

## What to do at Schedule Pick up?

- Pick up class schedule
- Complete medical forms with nurse
- Add money to Lunch accounts
- Sign up for PTSA
- Purchase yearbook
- High School Activity Pass purchase
- Purchase Pay to Play 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade athletics only
- Put your school supplies in your locker
- Pick up laptop (If insurance is paid)



# School Pictures August 19

## **Yearbook Sales**

Don't forget to order your Yearbook. Order your yearbook for only \$15.00. Orders are due by **APRIL 5.**

Make checks payable to HMS or pay online at [Web Store.](#)

## **We do not order extras!**

Purchase yours at Schedule Pick up Day or send in a check to Mrs. VanHouten.



## SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

2018-2019

**\* All Grades Use the Same List\***

- 2 Inch, 3-Ring Binder with loose-leaf paper (The simpler, the better. Big fancy ones do not fit in the lockers.)
- Subject Dividers (We have 7 classes so a pack of 10 should work.)
- Spiral Notebook (70 sheet works great. Grab two while they are cheap)
- Pack of #2 Pencils
- Pack of Blue or Black Pens
- Pack of Colored Pencils (Basic colors for graphs and charts)
- Pack of Dry Erase Markers (Any brand will work. Basic colors.)
- Ear Bud Headphones (Do not send large over the ear headphones. They are too bulky.)
- Scientific Calculator (They have a few extra buttons than a basic, but do not get the big fancy ones.)
- 1 Box of Facial Tissue
- For Boys and Girls PE-
  - Athletic Shorts
  - Appropriate T-Shirt with your name written on the back
  - Tennis Shoes and Socks
  - String bag to take them home for washing (Please!)
  - No Leggings
- For 6th Grade Beginning Band Students- 1-1/2 inch 3-Ring View Binder with dividers.

**Students are welcome to bring their school supplies and leave them in their locker during schedule pick-up.**

All students will receive an agenda. Students are responsible for keeping it with them at all times. There is a \$5.00 replacement fee for any lost agendas.

## Laptop Pick-Up

Picking up your student's laptop will happen during schedule pickup. (You must have insurance paid to pick up your student's laptop.) If you do not have internet access at home, there will be computers available during schedule pick up to purchase the insurance. Students are encouraged to charge their laptop at home prior to school starting.

- Tuesday, August 6, for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades 9:00am – 5:00 pm
- Wednesday, August 7, for 6<sup>th</sup> grade 9:00am – 5:00 pm

**Free and Reduced Lunch Status:** PLEASE NOTE: For families that are eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program, you will not see the reduced insurance cost until the food service department has a signed copy of the waiver that allows information to be shared between programs. This form must be signed every year. You can obtain a copy of the form in the Parent Resource section of the LPS web site or a physical copy at your school. Once signed, the form does takes a few days to process to correct the amount showing.

**After Schedule Pick-up Date:** Students unable to come to the schedule pick up date; can come to the building from 8 to 3 after August 13th. Students will be able to get their laptop once school begins.

**Opting Out of Insurance:** If you choose **NOT** to purchase insurance, the device will remain at school. If the device is damaged at school or at home, your student will be responsible for **100%** of the repair cost as identified in Board Policy JN.

All Students must have insurance in order to be allowed to take their devices home. This must be purchased on a **yearly basis**. Please access [www.one2onerisk.com](http://www.one2onerisk.com) to acquire laptop insurance for your student. You may pay the insurance online with a Check or Credit Card. If your student has an outstanding claim, the device will need to stay at school until it is paid in full.



## HERITAGE MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS FALL 2019

### **FALL SPORTS, LOCATIONS, AND COACHES**

Cheer--SVMS (Jordin Sullivant, Erika Duggan)

Cross Country--HMS (Michael Kallal, Ali Baldwin, Preston Hickert)

Football--HMS (Ben Fiedler, Jamie Jacob, Jason Boldt, Andy Schneider)

Volleyball--HMS Michelle Castillo, Saree Morley)

### **FALL SPORTS PARENT/PLAYER MEETING**

Date: Tuesday, August 6th

Location: SVMS

Time: 6:00pm

### **CHEER TRYOUTS**

Date: 8/14, 8/15, 8/16

Location: HMS

Time: 3:00-4:30pm

### **FIRST OFFICIAL DAY OF PRACTICE**

Date: Monday, August 19th

Cross Country @ HMS 3:00-4:30pm

Volleyball @ HMS 3:00-5:00pm

Football @ HMS 3:00-5:00pm

### **PHYSICALS**

All athletes must have a physical on file in order to participate in practice/tryouts. These should be turned in before the season to Coach Stegall.

### **PAY TO PLAY**

There is a one time pay to play fee of \$50.

# Heritage Middle School 2019-2020

## Upcoming events:

### August:

- 1 – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Clinics (8:00 – 11:00 or 12:00 – 3:00)**
- 6 - Schedule pick up for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade (9am – 5pm)**
- 7 - Schedule pick up for 6<sup>th</sup> grade (9am – 5pm)**
- 13 - Web day for 6<sup>th</sup> Graders (8:30am – 12:00pm)**
- 14 - First day of school**
- 19 - Picture Day 8:00am**
- 20 - Back to School Night (6:30-8:00pm)**



### September:

- 2 - No School (Labor Day)**
- 19 - Early Release (Professional Development)**
- 20 - No School (Professional Development)**

### October:

- 18 - Early Release (Professional Development)**
- 21 - Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:00-8:00pm)**
- 22 - Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:00-8:00pm)**
- 24 - Early Release (Parent/Teacher Conferences)**
- 25 - No School (Parent/Teacher Conferences)**
- 25 & 26 - Haunted House**

### November:

- 7 - Fall Play Performance**
- 8 - Fall Play Performance**
- 9 - Fall Play Performance**
- 27-29 - Thanksgiving Break**

### December:

- 20 - End of First Semester (early release)**
- 23 - Winter Vacation (schools closed 12/23 – 1/3)**



## HMS DESIGN LAB

HMS started its own Design Lab. This is an area for students to tinker and invent on their own. Students get the chance to work with robotics, building unique creations, and to discover the inner workings of everyday devices. If you would like to help, I have included a list of random items that we would love to have in our lab. Many of these can be found around the house or in that closet you have avoided cleaning out. If you have items to donate, they can be dropped off at school during the summer each day from 8-3 or after we get back. Please make sure that all tools are in safe working condition.

### Tools-

- Various hand tools- drivers, socket sets, wrenches, jeweler screwdrivers, wire strippers, pliers- needle nose, wire cutters, lineman's plier, channel lock, measuring tape, levels, rubber mallets, etc.
- Cutting- hand saw, coping saw, hack saw, keyhole saw, tin snips, pipe cutters, all-purpose scissors
- Soldering Irons, solder
- Dremel tools and accessories
- Sanding- various grades, sanding blocks, sheets, orbital or palm sanders
- Glue guns and glue sticks
- Power drill/drivers, bits and accessories
- Electric wire cutter for styro-foam
- Sewing machines
- Tool box or rolling tool cart
- Small organizers for small pieces
- Table top drill press
- Volt meters

- Tape- electrical, masking, packing, duct tape- Lots of tape!
- Craft items- popsicle sticks, stickies, pipe cleaners, etc.
- Balsa wood scraps
- Dowel rods
- Small wood scraps- nothing longer than 2 feet.
- Fasteners-metal and wood screws, nuts and bolts, nails
- Scraps from remodels- hinges, handles, knobs, L-brackets
- Modeling clay
- Scrap PVC pipe- angles, connectors
- Gears- bicycle, small plastic
- Metal rods for small axels
- Small hobby electronics- resistors, electric motors, LED's, push buttons, switches, battery connectors, breadboards, etc.
- Any other creative items I haven't thought of.

### Materials and scraps -

- Styrofoam blocks
- Swatches of material- cloth, burlap, etc.
- Various shaped cardboard containers and tubes- oatmeal cans, toilet paper rolls, wrapping paper rolls, unused pizza style boxes, etc.
- Cardboard sheets
- Rolls of wire- various gauges

### Items to be taken apart and re-purposed-

- Small electronics- radios, laptops, remote control cars, electric motors, hair dryers, small kitchen appliances.

### Building sets (off-brands also)-

- Legos, K'NEX, Erector sets, etc.
- Science sets

## News from the Nurses Office

### Immunization Requirements:

The State of Missouri requires all incoming 8<sup>th</sup> graders to have a T-dap AND Meningococcal meningitis vaccine. These vaccines must be complete and proper documentation provided prior to the first day of school. Documentation should include, student's name, vaccine given and the date in which it was administered. Students without proper documentation will not be allowed to attend school per state requirements.

In order to expedite your wait time at schedule pickup; you may bring completed medical forms to school, send a fax, or scan and email to the nurse prior to schedule pick up. Medical information can be found on the HMS web page under the Nurse's Office link. <http://lps53.org/hms>

If you have any questions or concerns with medical forms or immunizations, please contact:

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[tracey.rausenberger@lps53.org](mailto:tracey.rausenberger@lps53.org)

Office phone 816-736-5396

Office fax 816-736-5384

\*Please note, I'm not in the office during summer break. I will be returning phone messages after August 10, 2018. Information may still be faxed or sent via email.

Have a great summer; see you at schedule pick up.