



THE NEWS

Upcoming Events:

October 16th-19th- Washington D.C. Trip for 8th graders

October 20th- No School for Students- COI Day

Important Contact Information:

In the event of an emergency, it is so important that we have accurate contact information! Please take a couple of minutes to review & update the contacts and phone numbers listed on Home Access. When reviewing your contact information, make especially certain that each guardian has an updated email address and correct phone numbers and there is at least one additional emergency contact.

While updating your information, please also view the Documents section to access the new handbooks for the 2017/18 school year. Please acknowledge that you have received the handbook.

There is an instructional video at <http://www.hilliardschools.org/time-to-update-contact-information/> or step by step instructions at <http://www.hilliardschools.org/wp-content/uploads/Home-Access-How-to-Update-Student-Information.pdf>.

If you have any questions, please call Sandy Hartman at (614) 921-7512.

Athletic Information:

Students interested in Heritage Winter Sports. All athletes must have a "CURRENT" Physical on file before your student can participate in tryouts for Winter Sports. Physicals are good for one calendar year. Please see the Heritage Website, under Athletics, for updated information. _Any 7th/8th grader girl interested in basketball there will be 2 open gym dates on Monday-October 23 & Wednesday-October 25, at the Heritage main gym, after school from 3:00-4:30. You must have an updated physical to participate. Team tryouts begin October 30. See Mr. Dameron if you have questions.

On October 22 at 2 p.m. on Darby's TURF FIELD at the Stadium there is a Darby new player clinic. The Hilliard Darby coaching staff will be hosting a youth clinic for all players in grades 3-9. The clinic is designed to enhance ability at all level of play but with special emphasis on those who are fairly new to the game of lacrosse. Participants will be separated by current aptitude and work with seasoned coaches and Hilliard Darby student athletes to build their individual skill sets and teach the fundamentals of the game of lacrosse. Current players need to bring all gear to participate. Due to limited supply, if you are bringing a friend, please bring an extra stick. If you register alone the cost is \$20 BUT if you register with a friend that has not played lacrosse at Heritage before then it is FREE for both of you! Sign up with the link below. <http://events.eventzilla.net/e/hilliard-darby-girls-lacrosse-clinic-beginnerintermediate-2138925585>

Panther Ambassadors

Please don't forget to sign up to help with the Orchestra Concert this coming Tuesday, Oct. 3. Report time for us is 6:00 pm. We also need volunteers to sign up and help at the Cardboard Challenge. Sat. Oct 7 9:00 –noon. See Mrs. Reasinger in room 151.

MATH COUNTS

MathCounts practice will begin on Oct. 30th from 2:45-4:30 with Mrs. Tornes and Mr. Kelch in room 215. MathCounts is a national math competition which presents challenging math problems from students in grades 6-8.

NJHS

Attention 8th graders. If you are interested in applying to the National Junior Honor Society, the application for 2017-2018 is now available on the Heritage webpage. The application is due by Friday, January 5th 2018. Please see Mrs. Geoit or Ms Jasper if you have questions.

Media Center Notes

The pumpkins are here! This year's lineup includes Nemo, Jack Skellington, Mickey Mouse and Olaf. Students can vote for their favorite pumpkin by scanning the QR code on the window outside the media center. Anyone who votes is automatically entered into a contest to win one of the orange vegetables.

Down the road....We will once again rent the AMC Columbus 10 theater on Friday, November 17th for the grand opening of Wonder. The movie is based on the book by the same name written by R.J. Palacio. WONDER tells the inspiring story of August (Auggie) Pullman, a boy with facial differences who enters fifth grade, attending a mainstream school for the first time. The running time of this PG film is just short of two hours. Look for more details to come as the debut draws closer.

This year's book fair will be held Friday, December 8th at the Barnes and Noble Bookstore at 3685 Dublin-Grandview Rd. (just off Sawmill Rd.) Supporters of the book fair must present a valid B&N voucher at the register for their purchases to count towards the in-store book fair profits. The following transactions will NOT be included in our school's total: gift cards, B&N membership fees and purchases made at the in-store café.

If you are unable to join us in person at Barnes & Noble that day, you can place an order online by using the book fair event ID number on the payment page during check out. Pre-orders for 2018 new release titles will not contribute to our bottom line.

Please mark your calendar for this special event! At the store that afternoon/evening, we will be holding a raffle, scavenger hunt and book talks for anyone affiliated with Heritage Middle School. This would be a perfect opportunity to do some Christmas shopping!

PTO NEWS:

1. Thanks to all who participated in the Chick Fil A night. We are still waiting on numbers, but I am sure it was very successful.
2. Thank you to everyone who donated or helped with the conference meal for the teachers. As always we cannot pull those meal off without your generous donations. Thanks again. There will be a holiday lunch in December, please watch for the sign up.
3. The Halloween dance is quickly approaching. It will be Friday October 27 from 6-8 pm. There will be a sign up out soon. We need several volunteers to pull off our great haunted hallway. If you love Halloween and are interested in helping,

please email me (jspence71@columbus.rr.com) and let me know. Otherwise, keep watching for the sign up.

We still have some spirit wear in stock. If you are interested please email me at jspence71@columbus.rr.com and we will see what we can do for you.

The PTO is going to do a shoe collection for the less fortunate. This will also be a fundraiser for the PTO. We are looking for slightly used shoes that are in good shape. You are welcome to send those into the office anytime. The big push will be in January. Please keep us in mind if you have shoes that you no longer need. This is an easy fundraiser. Also, we are collecting Tyson food labels (chicken). This is also an easy fundraiser. Please go to www.projectaplus.tyson.com to see what products are eligible. We receive \$.24 a label, that is free money. If we are successful with these fundraisers, then we don't have to ask you to sell or buy anything to raise money.

We as a PTO do not have a large budget. If we can make these fundraisers successful without having to buy or sell products, that makes us happy. We have a goal to give back to the students (like the solar glasses we purchased) and provide for the staff when needed.

Please help us make this a successful year.

YEARBOOK:

If anyone is interested in taking pictures for the yearbook. See Mr Martin in room 167.

Watch the Heritage News:

Did you know you can watch the Heritage announcements each and every day? Just click the. "Watch Announcements" tab on the webpage. HBN News is on the World Wide Web.

State of the Schools :

Please make plans to attend the 2017 [State of the Schools](#) address on Thursday, October 26. This year we will host the event at the Makoy Center in Hilliard in partnership with the Hilliard Area Chamber of Commerce. We are grateful to our sponsors of the evening, Credit Union of Ohio, Elford and Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. We will have light appetizers and music from a Hilliard High School Quartet beginning at 6pm. The presentation will begin at 6:30pm.

Working with Apple:

Over the past several years, Hilliard District officials have worked closely with Apple on charting a path for our One2One roll out. In this week's [Ready for Tomorrow Blog](#), Superintendent John Marschhausen writes about this relationship and how it has strengthened the work we do to prepare our students to be Ready for Tomorrow in the global world.

Meet the School Board Candidates:

The ISPTO would like to invite you to a 'Meet the Candidates' night on Tuesday, October 24. This event will take place at 7pm at Bradley High School. This will be your opportunity to meet the people running for three open School Board seats this November.

Ready for Tomorrow Video Series:

This month, we are releasing a video series that features our students, teachers, alumni and parents talking about what Ready for Tomorrow means to them. [This week we focus on our Academics](#). You can also watch [this first video](#), to hear the vision behind Ready for Tomorrow from our superintendent, Dr. John Marschhausen.

Understanding Anxiety, a Parent Workshop

We know anxiety affects our students. We also know parents want tools to help them teach their children how to better manage life's stress. Please join us on Wednesday, October 25 at 6:30 pm in the Heritage Middle School Media Center for a [parent workshop](#).