

Dunloggin Middle School

Dragon Tales

April 16, 2021

Quarter 3 Report Cards

Your child's Quarter 3 Report Card will be accessible via [HCPSS Connect](#) on Thursday, April 22 at 4:00 p.m.

Parents/guardians may view/download report cards by taking the following steps:

1. Log in to [HCPSS Connect](#) using your parent email and password
2. Select More Options from the left panel
3. Select Report Cards from the middle
4. Select the report card you wish to access

Lifetouch Pictures - DATES: May 3, 2021 & May 7, 2021

Lifetouch will be photographing our hybrid students during the school day and will also offer time after school for our virtual students.

If you are fully virtual ONLY, Please, click this [link](#) and sign up for a time to have your picture taken in person.

- You must wear a protective face mask and comply with social distancing guidelines. We have scheduled 12 students per camera every 15 minutes (2 cameras = 24 students per 15 minutes).
- Order Your School Picture Today on - mylifetouch.com using your Picture Day ID - EVTF3SJ38

The DMS yearbook is almost ready for publication and we want to have every child pictured in the yearbook. **That means we still need your portrait if you have not submitted one yourself or used Lifetouch to photograph your child.** See the link below for instructions and a link to upload your portrait so your child can be represented in the yearbook. If you have not submitted a candid picture yet, please consider uploading pictures of your child using this [Link](#) so these can be included as well. To purchase a yearbook online, go to jostensyearbooks.com. **Email Mrs. Girma with any questions.** Meron_girma@hcpss.org

If you are not comfortable entering the school for your school picture you may upload a portrait:

How to submit your portrait in 3 easy steps:

1. Take a selfie (**see requirements)
2. Save it as a jpg or png file with your name and grade (ex. Smith_Mary_6.jpg)
3. Upload it to <https://images.jostens.com/416174393> ([Links to an external site.](#))

**Requirements

1. Head and shoulders up (no hats or sunglasses, no hand gestures)
2. Only the student
3. Centered in middle of the frame
4. Natural background (no odd shadows)
5. Good lighting and focused (no filters and no black and white)

Digital Education Center Information Sessions

HCPSS is planning for a virtual school option for students in grades K-12 who wish to remain virtual for the 2021-2022 (upcoming) school year. For more information, virtual information sessions specific to the school level will be offered April 20-22. Learn more: [HCPSS Digital Education Center Level Specific Virtual Sessions](#).

Summer Programs Registration Reopens - April 15

The window for [online enrollment requests](#) will reopen from Thursday, April 15 through Thursday, April 29 for currently enrolled HCPSS students for the BSAP Summer Institute, Gifted and Talented Summer Institutes for Talent Development, Innovative Pathways High School (Math and Science only), and STARTALK Chinese Language Summer Camp.

Optional Pronoun Settings in Canvas

Students are now able to identify the pronouns they wish to have used to refer to themselves in various Canvas pages, including discussion posts, inbox messages, and gradebooks. See [Optional Pronoun Settings in Canvas](#) for details.

HCPSS/The Council of Elders (TCOE) Financial Education Series Budget Basics Workshop

This virtual workshop session will be on Saturday, April 17 from 9:00-10:30 a.m. Grades 3-12 students and their families are invited to learn about electronic and virtual financial transactions and key financial principles. Topics include financial goal setting, balancing a bank account, and understanding interest rates. The session information and online registration link can be found [here](#). Please share with your school community as soon as possible.

Important Message for Car Riders

This is a reminder to parents: in the morning, students should be dropped off at the stop sign at the beginning of the middle school parking lot, across from Northfield Elementary. Parents are

not allowed to drive onto the parking lot when the buses are lined up; you must wait for the buses to leave the campus before you can proceed.

Thank You,
DMS Bus/Car Pool Team

Health Room Updates

Parents/guardians, please remember to perform a symptom check daily, prior to your child's departure from home. Please reference the [Health Room Updates](#) Google doc for details.

Mobile COVID-19 Testing Site - Normandy Shopping Center

Great news! There will be a mobile testing site on Wednesdays at the Normandy Shopping Center. See attached flyer for details: [Mobile COVID-19 Testing Site](#).

Oriole Advocates Collection Drive – Extended to April 23

DMS 6th and 8th grade students will be participating in the Oriole Advocates Cardboard to Leather collection drive, which has been extended through April 23rd. This collection drive is part of their student service-learning project for this year. The Oriole Advocates collect new/gently used baseball and softball equipment which is then shipped to underprivileged children around the world to promote the game of baseball. Please check your garages, basements, attics, etc. for any equipment that can still be used by children around the globe! Collection bins will be placed in the DMS lobby during the drive. For more information about the Oriole Advocates Charitable Foundation, please use the following link: <http://www.orileadvocates.org/cardboard-to-leather.html>

Community Messages

Second HoCo VIRTUAL Rainbow Conference

Please join us virtually to learn more about how to be a better advocate for the LGBTQ+ Community at our second HoCo Rainbow Conference. With over 24 concurrent sessions and local as well as national speakers, we have a full day of fun and learning lined up for **Saturday, May 15, 2021**. Session speakers include Jane Clementi and Joshua Patel of the Tyler Clementi Foundation, Rae Sweet of the It Gets Better Project, Maryland House Majority Leader Eric Luedtke, Kevin Naff of The Washington Blade, Ying Matties, and Robyn Page of Community Allies of Rainbow Youth (CARY), and many more! Registration for this FREE conference is now open! To register, please visit our website at bit.ly/HCPSSRainbow and click the "Register Now" button or link at the top of the page. To learn more about the sessions and view the conference schedule click [here](#). Not only will you learn a lot, but you'll also have the chance to win prizes sponsored by our breakout sponsors - E.C. Pops and Shake Shack. A big shout-out to our Platinum Sponsor - PFLAG Columbia-Howard County and to our Gold Sponsors - The Baltimore

Wisdom Project and the LGBT Health Resource Center of Chase Brexton Healthcare. We hope many of you will join us for this wonderful day!

Upcoming Events

- **April 22:** Report cards issued
- **May 13:** Schools closed for students, Professional Learning Day

New HCPSS Community News and Programs Site

In response to community requests for resources, HCPSS' new [Community News and Programs \(Links to an external site\)](#) website makes it easy for families to find educational and recreational resources, events, and after-school programs beyond the school day by non-profit organizations.

Community organizations requesting their announcements be shared in school newsletters should visit community-programs.hcpss.org for more information. Questions should be directed to the Public Information Office at publicinfo@hcpss.org.

For other Community News visit our website www.dms.hcpss.org