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Headliner Newsletter

September 27, 2019



Note from the Principal's Desk

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This year Capitol Hill students are being sent to the office more frequently – but it's for doing good! Each day teachers can recommend students for the Good News Call of the Day. Students earn these by going above and beyond in class or being caught doing something great for others. When a student earns a Good News Call of the Day they come down to the office to get a certificate, a congratulations, and a positive phone call home to let their families know how great they are doing! The word has been spreading about these calls amongst students, so much so that students have started asking me, "Mr. Hodges, call my mom and tell her I'm doing good too!" These meetings with students and phone calls are one of the best parts of the day, and we can't wait until that phone call is placed to YOU!

Cougar Pride,

Andrew Hodges

Upcoming Events/Important Dates at Capitol Hill

We're so glad you're part of our school community and hope to see you at an upcoming event.

- Friday, October 4, 10:00-12:00 - Grandparent's Day and Book Fair
- Friday, October 11 - School Picture Day
- Friday, October 11 - Movie Night; Flu Vaccine Clinic
- Oct 17, 18 - NO SCHOOL; MEA
- October 25 - NO SCHOOL

Get Involved with the CH Community!

Thank you to all of the families who came out to our first PTO meeting of the year! In case you missed it, you can find the meeting minutes on [here our PTO website](#).

We talked a lot about how to build an amazing school community, and now we need everyone's help to continue the great progress we've started! There are two key ways you can get involved:

1. Sign up to be a Grade Level Parent representative. We're still looking for parents to support grades 5, 7 & 8. Rochelle will reach out to all parents who have signed up to get the ball rolling soon! You can sign up to be a grade level parent rep on [this spreadsheet](#).
2. Sign up to carry forward another idea you are passionate about. We brainstormed a LOT of great ways to build our school community at the meeting earlier this month. A few that stood out were making Capitol Hill PTO meetings and events more accessible, creating a standard newsletter for each grade, family mentoring, creating professional learning opportunities, and building neighborhood bridges. [Sign up here](#) to help with these ideas or share another that you would really like to make

happen! The PTO board will reach out in early October to talk about ways to bring these ideas to life.

The Capitol Hill PTO invites you to:

FALL FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT




October 11, 2019 • 5:30–8:30 pm
Movie starts at 6 p.m. in the big gym.

The movie is **FREE**. Pizza (full pizza or by the slice), popcorn, soda, and candy for sale.
Bring a chair or blanket!

Flu vaccine clinic on site 5:30–7:30. If you have insurance, please bring your card with you.

Thank you to all who either updated their information or joined the directory this year. We've just approved the first batch of directory entries! As part of our commitment to safety, we always make sure those who submit information are also registered for school.

Haven't either joined or updated your information? Now is a great time to do it!
If you are new to Capitol Hill, please use the link and access code below:

<https://www.join.myschoolanywhere.com>

access code: CapitolHillDirectory

A returning family can update their record in the directory using the link below:

<https://www.myschoolanywhere.com/login.a5w>

SUPPORT STAFF UPDATES

October, 2019

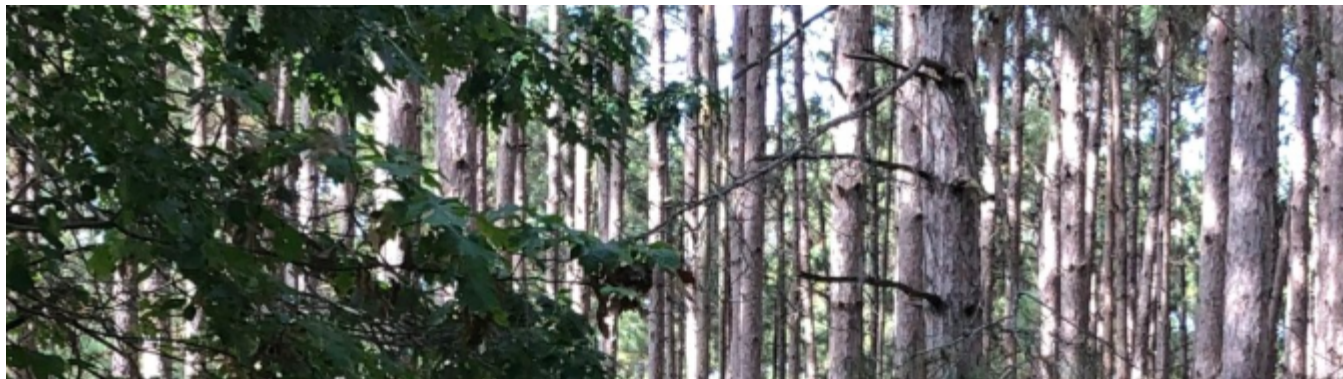
WHAT'S HAPPENING SCHOOL-WIDE WITH SEL THIS MONTH?

October is National Bullying Prevention Month, and in honor of that, Capitol Hill will be participating in Unity Day on October 23. We encourage students and staff to wear orange that day to show support for students who have experienced bullying. Students will also be working on a project that will be displayed in the hallways to focus on how we can be kind to one another and stand up for ourselves as well as others.

Learn More From Us

Check out the [Support Staff Newsletter](#) on our website.

Third graders had exceptionally beautiful days at Belwin last week enjoying the weather and learning about science first hand. Ms. Simmer and Ms. Lang's classes visited the ponds, found evidence of many animals, and observed nature first hand. Thank you to all the parents who joined us on the field trip!





GLEAM

Girls Learning and Exploring Applications of Mathematics

GIRLS in GRADES 6 - 8

You're invited to join us for a year of explorations in math! Explore fun applications of math topics that you may not have ever known existed. You'll get to visit the University of Minnesota, and meet mathematicians and other people who use math every day.

[Click here for more information](#)

News from the Band Room

The Greater Twin Cities Youth Symphony (GTCYS) is looking for middle school aged brass and percussion students to join their Symphonia East group. This group meets on Thursdays from 7:00-8:30 at Gustavus Adolphus Lutheran Church in St. Paul. GTCYS has a number of youth orchestras for all levels of students and they perform several concerts throughout the Twin Cities area. This is an excellent opportunity for students to do play with other students from around the metro area.

The director of the Symphonia East, Ernesto Estigarribia visited Capitol Hill last year to conduct our concert and varsity bands. He will be coming out again this year to do the same. In addition, he has volunteered to come to Capitol Hill to audition any interested brass and percussion students. Auditions consist of playing a few scales, a short student chosen excerpt, and sight reading. If you are

interested in taking advantage of this fantastic experience, please have your child speak with Mr. Fulton or contact Jeff Fulton at jeff.fulton@spps.org to get the audition materials.

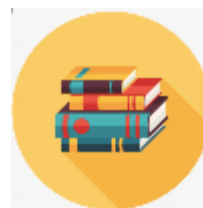
The Capitol Hill Library could use your help!

Julia Wittman, our new Library TA is seeking volunteers to help with re-shelving books.

Flexible times/days to meet your schedule.

Interested? Please email Julia: julia.wittman@spps.org

Thank you!



Grandparent's Day Book Fair

Friday, October 4th, 2019

9:30am-1:00pm

at Capitol Hill Gifted and
Talented Magnet

All purchases directly benefit our
classrooms.

Volunteers needed.

Sign up at:

<https://signup.com/go/aJHRRjQ>

Middle School Athletics

- You can view the district athletic website at [SPPS.ORG](https://spps.org) and the Capitol Hill Athletic Website at capitolhillmagnet.rschooleams.com

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