



HEATHER HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Heather Hills Mustangs,

Heather Hills ES is participating in Prince George's County Growing Green on **Saturday October 30, 2021**. Growing Green is an annual countywide beautification initiative to beautify our communities. We will add mulch, pick up litter, and plant flowers in our school garden. Prince George's County will provide trash bags, litter pick up wands, and vests. Out of an abundance of caution, we ask volunteers to sign up for a specific time slot and area to work in during the event. Please bring your own gloves and hand tools (rake, shovel, hand shovel, etc.) This event is open to staff, parent and student volunteers. **A printed and signed Specialized Activity Permission Slip and Waiver form is required for all volunteers.** Thank you for doing your part to keep our school community beautiful! Contact Mr. Johnson at richar2.johnson@pgcps.org if you have any questions. Sign up here to volunteer: [Growing Green with Pride 2021 Sign Up Genius](#)

Heather Hills ES Quarantine Plan: Each school is required to prepare a plan for students who have to quarantine as a result of being in close contact with someone who tested positive for COVID 19 or who tested positive for COVID 19. For a student or group of students who need to quarantine, students will have access to asynchronous assignments that teachers will post in Google Classroom. **Only in cases where an entire class has to quarantine** would students have access to instruction/lessons in synchronous virtual learning (Zoom/Google Meet); as long as the teacher is able to teach the class or classes. As determined by the district, students who are quarantining, will not be added to concurrent classes to receive instruction. **Students who are at home because they are sick, unrelated to COVID such as allergies, cold, or stomach aches not be able to join concurrent classes.** **Students will have an opportunity to make up missed assignments when they return to school.** If students are well enough they can monitor Google Classroom to complete assignments posted during the day. Please visit the PGCPS website for more information on quarantine guidelines at [Quarantine and Testing Guidelines](#).

Publicity Release Form: Throughout the school year, activities will be conducted that may be publicized by local or national news media or used to promote our school and/or school system. Complete the [Publicity Release Form SY 21-22](#) so we can obtain permission to capture your student(s) name, voice, photographic likeness and student work to be used by the school and/or Board of Education. **You are able to select if you grant permission or do not grant permission.** Thank you to the **100** parents who already submitted the form! **Submit the form by October 15, 2021.**

Parent- Teacher Conferences: There is still time to schedule a parent -teacher conference with your child's teacher. Please send an email to your child's teacher and they will schedule a time for you to meet. Thank you to parents who met with teachers on Monday!

School Meals: Meals are provided to students for free this school year. Please visit the PGCPS website at [Food and Nutrition Services](#) to view menus.

On Wednesday, October 20, 2021, we **orange** to show our support for Unity Day. We stand united against bullying and promote respect, acceptance, and inclusion! Students and staff are encouraged to wear orange to school.

Red Ribbon Week is October 25- 29, 2021. Please check out the flyer and start planning what you will wear. This is always a fun week at school!

Let me know if you have any questions.

Principally Yours,

Nema Manuel

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Dates to Remember

10/15 No School for Students: Professional Development Day for Staff

10/18 Progress Reports Released Online to Parent

10/20 Unity Day: Wear ORANGE to show we stand united against bullying!