

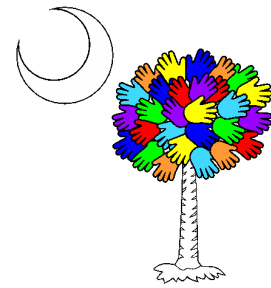
NORMAN'S NOTES



Hello Harbison West Families,

Good evening. I hope everyone had a fun and safe Labor Day weekend. We will start MAP testing this week to assess each student (1st-5th grades) in English Language Arts and Math. English Language Arts was today, September 9th and Math will be next Tuesday, September 14th. We will begin testing at approximately 8:15am in the morning so make sure our heroes are on time and ready to go. This data will provide us a starting point for each student's instructional growth this school year. I know our Heroes will do their best.

I know we are experiencing some challenging times in our community but if we continue to focus on taking care of each other and **Protecting** our heroes we will persevere. We know that quarantines can be stressful on families and I can assure you that is the last thing we want to happen. We will do all we can to keep our heroes in the classrooms. At the end of the day we need to **Provide** our heroes with safety. We will continue to support our Harbison families anyway we can. "We are family."



Harbison West
Elementary School

IMPORTANT DATES

September

14 MAP Testing Math (1st–5th grades)

20 Curriculum Night—
****This event has been changed to a Virtual Event**** - Information will be emailed out to families

21 Fall Pictures

23 Early Release at **11:40am** (3K students DO NOT attend)

24 Interims Go Home (3rd–5th grades only)

October

4 Teacher Workday—**NO SCHOOL** for students

13 Early Release at **11:40am** (3K & 4K students DO NOT attend)

21 End of 1st nine weeks

FROM THE NURSE:



A message from the
SCHOOL NURSE

Parents,

We kindly ask you to contact the school nurse (803-476-3809) about all positive Covid-19 tests and close contacts. This includes positives within the household and a student being within 3 feet of a positive case for a cumulative of 15 minutes outside the home.

If your student experiences shortness of breath, a new or worsening cough, or loss of taste/smell in absence of a known condition like asthma, we recommend you to follow up with their physician for a Covid-19 test or differential diagnosis. In addition, if your child is experiencing multiple symptoms such as fever, headache, sore throat, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, stuffy/runny nose, chills/body aches or fatigue, we likewise need you to follow up with a physician and ask that you contact the school to notify us of the symptoms. As always, students with a temperature over 100°F, vomiting or diarrhea, should remain home for 24 hours after symptoms have ended.

Thank you for helping to keep our Heroes safe & healthy!

Quick Links:

Chromebook Repair Request
<http://bit.ly/2MuXqUQ>

Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/HarbisonWestElem>

Twitter
<https://twitter.com/HarbisonWestEl>

Website
<https://www.lexrich5.org/hwes>

STUDENT QUICK PAY ACCOUNT

Please make every effort to set up an account for your child in the district's Student Quick Pay (Rycor) system if you have not already done so. This secure system is the preferred method of payment for student fees, yearbooks, t-shirts, overdue library books, lost textbooks, field trips, etc. You will be able to use the same account through middle and high school as long as your student remains in School District 5. To sign up, click this [link](#) or scan the QR code below.



SCAN ME

REMINDERS

- **Student/Parent Handbook:** Each student received a paper copy of the 2021-2022 Student/Parent Handbook. Please familiarize yourself with our policies and procedures outlined. Each student's parent/guardian will need to digitally sign to affirm you have read the handbook. Use the QR code to the right to access the form. You may also use this link: [Handbook Google Form](#)
- **Early Release Days:** There are six early release days for elementary students throughout the school year. The first one is scheduled for Thursday, September 23rd. All 4K - 5th grade students will be dismissed at 11:40am on this day. Our 3K students do not attend on early release days. All early release dates are listed on our website calendar which can be accessed through this link - <https://www.lexrich5.org/Page/18#calendar16614/20210908/month>



SCAN ME

HEALTH ROOM REMINDERS

For the 2021-2022 school year, the health room will require each student to have a health card. We have transitioned to a digital format to complete the health card. Please scan the QR code to the right or use this link to complete the digital health card [Health Card 21-22 Link](#).

SCAN ME



If your child will need medication administered by the nurse during the school day, please visit the nurse to obtain the "Permission for School Administration of Medication" form. This form can also be downloaded and printed through this link: [Health Form](#)

YEARBOOKS

You can order your yearbooks for the 2021-2022 school year. Each yearbook is \$18. You will pay for the yearbook through the Student Quick Pay (Rycor) system. If you have not already set this account up for your student, the instructions are to the left.



Harbison West Elementary School
School Improvement Council
Nominations for Parent Representatives
Fall 2021



The HWES School Improvement Council (SIC) is an advisory council to the principal that is focused on school improvement issues. It is composed of representatives of parents, teachers, and community members. The principal serves as an ex-officio member. The SIC meeting times and dates will be determined after the first meeting.

HWES parent representatives are nominated and elected by their fellow HWES parents. Any parent/guardian of at least one child enrolled in HWES is eligible to place his/her own name or the name of another parent in nomination.

Parent representatives are elected to a term of two years. If a parent has a child enrolled in the 5th grade at HWES for the current school year and will not have any child enrolled the following year, that parent is elected to a term of one year only.

A representative of the SIC will contact all individuals whose names are submitted into nomination prior to the election to confirm acceptance of the nomination. Nominees will be invited to submit a brief statement about themselves and why they want to serve on the SIC. All statements received will be printed on the opposite side of the ballot so that voters will have a chance to get to know each of the candidates.

You can submit your nomination to the HWES school office in person or by mail. **Nomination forms must be received no later than September 10, 2021 at 3pm.**

If you would like to nominate yourself or another individual for a parent representative position on the HWES SIC, please fill out the following form: <https://forms.gle/QFxzZx16puJhPdr17>