



# HAYMARKET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Creative Unique Brilliant Students  
**September 2018**  
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## Welcome Back!

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! We know we speak for our teachers when we say we are very excited about what this year will bring for your child(ren). During this important time of



relationship building, our teachers have done a phenomenal job is creating opportunities to get to know each and every student at a deeper level. We encourage all parents to get involved with their child's education. Our PTO is always looking for new members and our classroom teachers have opportunities for volunteers. We are also looking for parents who would be interested in being Advisory Council members as well. These are both important involvement/ engagement opportunities for you all, so we can strengthen our partnership for the sake of our students. This year we will continue with the Watch D.O.G.S, program to help get more dads, grandpas, etc. involved and visible in the building during the day. Please plan to attend your child's Back to School Night to learn about all the exciting ways our students are learning and ways you can help support our important work here at school. We look forward to an excellent year!

Mr. Baldwin and Mrs. Gazda

### Dates to Remember:

September 21<sup>st</sup> – Family Night BBQ 6:00pm  
September 25<sup>th</sup> - K-1 Back to School night 7:00pm  
September 26<sup>th</sup> - 2-3 Back to School Night 7:00pm  
September 27<sup>th</sup> – 4-5 Back to School Night 7:00pm



**P**arent  
**T**eacher  
**O**rganization

Get involved with Haymarket Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization!

The PTO is dedicated to providing quality opportunities to enhance and maximize the education of every student. Through multicultural events, outside-the-school-day learning opportunities, current technology and more, the HES PTO helps provide our children with the best educational experience possible.

### **HES PTO hosts events to:**

- Build the sense of community among all Haymarket Cub families.
  - Raise funds for the school, which go towards agreed upon items that will directly support student learning.
- Volunteers in every capacity are always welcome. There are no fees to join. HES PTO is a success because of our fabulous volunteers! Join us for monthly meetings and learn more about ways you can help that fit into your schedule.

Upcoming dates:

Before- and after-school enrichment program: Registration through Sept. 17 at [EnrichmentMatters.com/haymarket](http://EnrichmentMatters.com/haymarket)  
Friday, Sept. 21: Family Night Outdoor BBQ 6:00pm

For more information on anything PTO related, please contact them at [haymarket.pto@gmail.com](mailto:haymarket.pto@gmail.com).

## Advisory Council Members Needed!

In order to provide our students with a world-class education, we need your help. The Advisory Council is open to all parents. Throughout the course of this year, the Advisory Council meets monthly to review the School Improvement Plan and open the lines of communication between the community and school for the sake of our students. If you are interested in participating in the Advisory Council, or you want some more information, please don't hesitate to call to set up a time to talk with Mr. Baldwin.

## Important Car Rider Reminders

This year we have more car riders due to our increased enrollment. Here are a few important reminders to help ensure the safety of all students and adults during morning arrival and afternoon dismissal. Our goal to make sure all students and adults are safe at all times and that our car rider line will begin to move more quickly.



- For afternoon pick up, please make sure your number is displayed in a window for easy viewing.
- Please do not exit the car at any time. Students need to unload and load on the sidewalk side, never from the driver's side of the car.
- Move forward as necessary to keep the line moving quickly.
- Be careful when passing other cars that are waiting.
- Try to limit cell phone use when in the car line. Our attention needs to be on students at all times!

## How to keep informed about Haymarket Happenings

We will be utilizing social media and our website a lot this year to get the word out about happenings and events here at Haymarket ES! Please follow us on Facebook and Twitter (@haymarketcubs) to stay abreast of all the great things going on that support a high level of learning!



## Fall 2018 Enrichment Program

The Haymarket PTO is excited to offer before & after school classes for Haymarket Elementary students. Whether you are looking for technology, engineering, science, sports, music, arts and crafts, or hobbies, there's something for everyone!



Find all the program information, class descriptions, schedule and **REGISTER ONLINE** at <https://em-haymarket.jumbula.com> (click on the Fall 2018 tab). **Online registration opens on September 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00am and ends on September 17<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm.** Classes will be held October 2<sup>nd</sup> – December 7<sup>th</sup>. There will also be a spring session that will start in late February and run through early May.

For more information, questions, or if you have suggestions for the program, please contact the Haymarket Elementary Enrichment Program Coordinators (Maridith Fitts) at [haymarket.clubs@gmail.com](mailto:haymarket.clubs@gmail.com).

## Please help Welcome Our new teachers to Haymarket Elementary!

- ❖ Rebecca Battiata, Music
- ❖ Ryan Bartruff, Special Education (Autism)
- ❖ Aimee Chadwick, 1<sup>st</sup> grade
- ❖ Brian Cloven, Head Custodian
- ❖ Alixandra Collins, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade
- ❖ Elizabeth Gruber, 4<sup>th</sup> grade

- ❖ Carey Detweiler, Special Education (LD)
- ❖ Erin Ebeck, Reading Specialist
- ❖ Alison Eliassen, PE teacher
- ❖ Crystal Lord, 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- ❖ Joseph Salzberg, Strings
- ❖ Jessica Slusher, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

## Free and Reduced Price Meals

Free and reduced price meals are available to students whose households qualify under federal standards. Reduced price is \$0.30 for breakfast and \$0.40 for lunch. You can apply for free or reduced price meals online. Complete and submit the application at [www.pwcsnutrition.com](http://www.pwcsnutrition.com). If you wish to complete a traditional paper application, you can obtain a copy from your child's school office, or from the School Food and Nutrition Services Office (703.791.7319). You will be notified by US mail or e-mail of your child's status. Until you are notified, you must provide your child with meals or money for meals. If you submitted an online application, you can access your electronic eligibility letter by visiting [www.school lunchstatus.com](http://www.school lunchstatus.com) and entering your confirmation number. Your child's application from last year is only good for that school year, plus the first few weeks of this school year through October 9, 2018. Contact School Food and Nutrition Services at 703.791.7319 or 703.791.8142 with questions, or visit our website, [www.pwcsnutrition.com](http://www.pwcsnutrition.com), for more information.

## Birthday Reminders

We all love celebrating birthdays, especially those of our little ones as they get such tremendous joy out of celebrating with their friends at school. We do ask that you be mindful of the multitude of allergies that we have here at Haymarket. In order to ensure that everyone is safe at all times, we are asking you all to follow a couple simple guidelines:

- Celebrations with food will only take place in the cafeteria.
- Please give your child's teacher at least a 3-day notice if you plan to come in to celebrate during lunch.
- We prefer non-food items when possible so that everyone can enjoy celebrating as a group.

## Haymarket Drive Detour

Please be on the lookout for detour signs that may be posted on both sides of Haymarket Drive in the coming month.

Development of the Virginia Crossing project, otherwise known as the Currie Farm and Haymarket Landing projects will begin very shortly. The development of the Haymarket By-Pass road will take approximately 12 months. Given that information, those coming and going from Haymarket Elementary School will need to use Mercury Ave once the detour is official. Please be mindful that this road is 25 mph and that with increased traffic holding our most precious stakeholders, our children, it is imperative that we all follow the speed limit.