

# THE HOWLER

"KEEP MOVING, NEVER STOP IMPROVING."



#HMSTOGETHER

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

HUSKIES,

HAPPY FRIDAY! TIME FLIES BY EACH WEEK. WITH THAT A LOT OF GREAT OR EXCITING THINGS HAPPEN AT HMS EVERY WEEK. I LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING THEM WITH YOU THROUGH THIS NEWSLETTER.

ONE OF THOSE GREAT THINGS I HOPE YOU SAW IN LAST WEEK'S EDITION: WE ARE PREPARING A FOOD PANTRY. WE ARE VERY EXCITED TO PARTNER WITH ONE OF OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO ASSIST HUSKIES IN NEED. THE DORM PARENTS HAVE PROVIDED US WITH PERISHABLE AND NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS. MY LEADERSHIP TEAM AND I ARE WORKING THROUGH A PLAN OF IDENTIFYING AND DISTRIBUTING THE ITEMS MONTHLY. PLEASE LOOK FOR INFORMATION SOON AS WE ARE STILL IN THE PROCESS OF RECEIVING AND STOCKING THE PANTRY AND WE WANT TO HAVE A PROPER OPENING CEREMONY.

ANOTHER OF EXCITING ITEM IS THE CONSTRUCTION OF OUR SCHOOL STORE IS ALMOST COMPLETE. MR. LAYFIELD'S MARKETING CLASSES WILL HAVE A REAL STORE WITH DISPLAY CAPABILITIES. THIS STORE IS EXCITING BECAUSE OUR STUDENTS WILL BE RUNNING IT AND SERVING OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY. ONCE COMPLETE, WE WILL HAVE A PROPER OPENING CEREMONY THERE AS WELL.

WE ALSO HAD OUR FOURTH PARENT NIGHT TUESDAY. WE HAD A TRADITIONAL OPEN HOUSE. WE HAD MORE FAMILIES THAN WE EXPECTED! THANK YOU TO THOSE COMING TO VISIT TEACHERS. WE KNOW THE REPUTATION OF MIDDLE SCHOOL IS LESS THAN INVITING TO PARENTS, BUT IF WE ARE GOING TO COME TOGETHER AND SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS, WE NEED TO HAVE MORE OPPORTUNITIES AND SIX PARENT NIGHTS THIS YEAR IS A GREAT STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

FINALLY, HMS HAD SEVERAL COMPETITIONS. OUR ACADEMIC TEAM WAS A SEMI-FINALIST IN THE HISTORY COMPETITION LAST WEEKEND LOSING TO THE TWO-TIME REIGNING NATIONAL CHAMPIONS. IT WAS A CLOSE COMPETITION AND HMS IS MAKING A TERRIFIC NAME IN THE ACADEMIC TEAM COMMUNITY! OUR DECA ORGANIZATION WILL COMPETE THIS WEEKEND AT STATE IN ATLANTA. OUR BOYS BASKETBALL WILL FINISH FOR THE YEAR SATURDAY WITH THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP. BOTH OF OUR TEAMS PLAYED WEDNESDAY IN THE SEMI-FINALS. OUR SPRING SPORTS WILL BE STARTING SOON! PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT OUR AMAZING STUDENTS!

PRINCIPAL JONES



UPCOMING  
EVENTS

- **FEBRUARY 19-20- HOLIDAY NO SCHOOL**
- **FEBRUARY 21- PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY/NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**
- **MARCH 29- PBIS EVENT URBAN AIR**

# Athletics



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**COMING  
SOON**



TRACK TRYOUTS- TBA



SOCCER TRYOUTS- TBA



03/26-03/28

CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS



## HOWARD MIDDLE SCHOOL



HMS will hold their  
Cheerleading tryouts on  
March 26-28.

Please make sure  
Dragonfly Accounts are  
up to day.

More information in the  
coming weeks!

# CHEER TRYOUTS

26-28 MARCH  
2024

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**MUST HAVE A PHYSICAL  
IN DRAGONFLY TO TRY  
OUT**



# teachers



**DR. HARRIS**  
**MEDIA SPECIALIST**

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT HMS?  
"THE JOKES THE STUDENTS TELL ME MAKE ME LAUGH. ALSO, WHEN THEY TURN IN THEIR OVERDUE BOOKS."

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE TV SHOW/MOVIE?  
"THE SHAW SHANK REDEMPTION"

IF YOU COULD VISIT ANY COUNTRY WHICH ONE WOULD YOU GO TO?  
"URUGUAY"

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT HMS?  
"THE KIDS.  
SOME OF THEM ARE GREAT OTHERS ARE A CHALLENGE, BUT I STILL LOVE THEM ALL EQUALLY"

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE TV SHOW/MOVIE?  
"EQUALIZER 3"

IF YOU COULD VISIT ANY COUNTRY WHICH ONE WOULD YOU GO TO?  
"TANZANIA"



**MR. MATTHEWS**  
**7TH GRADE**



**TEACHING IS A  
WORK OF HEART**



# THE DAWG HOUSE HMS SCHOOL STORE



EXTRA!  
EXTRA!  
READ ALL ABOUT IT!!!

The school store is ran by Mr. Layfield and his Marketing Class! The store is currently under some new renovations and we are very excited to see the finished product.



The school store is ran during certain hours of the day and students can purchase snacks and drinks along with some other treats.



**YEARBOOK**

**YEARBOOKS  
ARE STILL  
FOR SALE  
\$40.00**

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