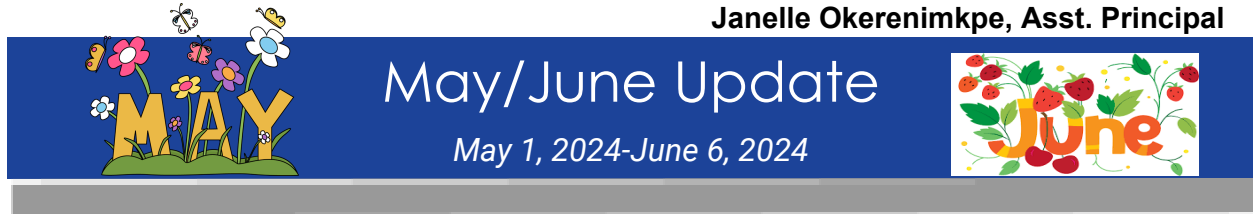




Teresa Chrobak-Prince, Principal
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Dear Hearst Families!

We are in the final stretch as we approach the end of the school year! The school year has really flown by quickly. Please remind your child that now is not the time to slow down the pace. It is now time to run on to the final sprint! In just a few short weeks summer will be upon us. Continue to speak to your child about the importance of having a cumulative average of a C in all subjects. We need your help in getting our attendance up to 92%. Students will be invited to our Sneaker Ball if they meet the attendance criteria for May. Please commit to getting your child to school EVERY DAY!

Mrs. Chrobak

Please see below for exciting news, updates, and information...

TESTING

We will begin End of Year testing on May 6th. It is important that students are present and prepared for the assessment. As a parent or guardian, you play an important role in the testing process by encouraging your child to do his/her best. General tips for success: As always, ensure the following:

- Full night's rest
- Healthy breakfast
- No sugar, caffeine, or spicy food (hot chips) the morning of the test
- Be on time for school
- Be in attendance so your child isn't forced to take the make-up with a different teacher they may not know well.

Warm Weather Reminders

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Just a reminder with the warmer weather upon us, students will be outdoors during the mornings and for daily recess. Please dress your child appropriately. Flip flops are not allowed because they can be a safety hazard when students are running. Open toe shoes are discouraged for safety reasons. **Shorts are not allowed until June 1st and ONLY when the temperature is above 80°F**

Citywide Preschool Applications Open Through May 10th!

For more information, check out this flier, visit chicagoearlylearning.org, or call the Chicago Early Learning Hotline at 312-229-1690.



Kindergarten Registration

Families can register their children for kindergarten beginning April 17th. Registration will take place by appointment only. Please visit our [website](#) for more information.

Health Requirements

Our fifth graders need to have their immunization and health examination up to date by May 31, 2024. Please make sure to make required appointments so that they start sixth grade with all records on file and up to date.

Early Dismissals

Taking your child out of school early is a disruption to the educational process and leads to loss of learning and growth. Early dismissals are not granted after 3:30pm.

If you MUST take your child out of school for an early dismissal for a legitimate reason, please remember to come to the Main Office to sign them out. ALL early dismissals must be approved by the Main Office staff. Parents will NOT be allowed to pick up students from Pre-K unless they have signed their child out in the Main office. We appreciate your help and understanding in keeping our Hearst students safe!

****Good attendance includes arriving to school ON TIME! Hearst has been experiencing EXCESSIVE daily tardies! School begins at 8:45 daily. The tardy bell rings at 8:52. Students arriving after 8:52 are considered tardy and this is reflected on their permanent record. Please make sure your child is at school by 8:45! Excessive tardies may result in disciplinary action in the form of detention.**

Medical Compliance

Medical Compliance Information 5th Grade & 1st Grade

All entering students must have proof of immunization and a medical form completed by a licensed physician.

Dental & Vision exams are also required of students new to Illinois at certain grade levels. Students who are currently in 5th grade will be required to have new physical and dental exams before entering 6th grade. Students currently in 1st grade will be required to get a new dental examination before entering 2nd grade. We need all parents to work with us in our efforts to have ALL medical compliance at 100%! If you need assistance please call the Main Office and ask to speak to the nurse, or Mr. Felix.

Save The Date!

May 9th - After-School Programs Ends
May 23rd- Sneaker Ball Attendance Incentive
May 27th- Memorial Day ~NO SCHOOL
May 31st- 8th grade graduation 9:00am

Important Links

- [SY23/24 CPS Calendar](#)
- [Hearst School Website](#)
- [Hearst School Registration](#)
- [Hearst MAY CALENDAR](#)

Upcoming Dates:

- May 31: 8th Grade Graduation
- June 5: End of Year Awards Assembly
- June 6: **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**