



Teresa Chrobak-Prince, Principal

May Update

May 2, 2022

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%. Please commit to getting your child to school EVERY DAY! Students with perfect attendance in May will be celebrated at our a-MAYzing sundae party.

Mrs. Chrobak

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

TESTING

We will begin STAR 360 testing on May 17th. 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 flyer, 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 18th . Registration will take place by appointment only. Please visit our [website](#) for more information.

Early Dismissals

Taking your child out of school early is a disruption to the educational process and leads to loss of learning and growth.

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.**

Health Requirements

Our fifth graders need to have their immunization and health examination up to date by May 31, 2022. Please make sure to make required appointments so that they start sixth grade with all records on file and up to date.

Progress Reports Progress Reports for the 35th week of school will go home on May 13th.

Parents are encouraged to carefully review their child's progress and discuss celebrations and areas for improvement. If you have concerns about your child's progress, please make an appointment to speak with the teacher.

Hearst's Attendance – Ice-Cream Sundae Party

Hearst is challenging each of our students to a perfect month of May! This is how it works and how you can help.

Please support your child and your school community by committing to a perfect month of May! The great news is we're not looking at previous attendance, just the month of May. May has 22 days of attendance—22 very important days of learning for your child and your school. Students with perfect attendance in May will be celebrated with an a-MAY-zing Ice-Cream Sundae party on May 31st. Thank you for supporting your child's attendance and academic success.

Important Links

- [**SY21/22 CPS Calendar**](#)
- [**Hearst School Website**](#)
- [**Hearst School Registration**](#)
- [**Hearst May CALENDAR**](#)

Upcoming Dates:

- June 6-10: 8th Grade Spirit Week
- June 10: 8th Grade Graduation
- June 14: Kindergarten Recognition Ceremony
- June 14: Field Day
- **June 14: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!!!**