

Orca Spout Out Newsletter



Updated Elementary Schedule

The updated daily learning schedules for elementary is below. This includes the revisions to the Wednesday schedule that was shared last week.

- [Elementary Learning Schedule \(English\)](#)
- [Elementary Learning Schedule \(Spanish\)](#)

On Wednesdays, the asynchronous time will include the following.

- Time for students to finish work that has not been completed
- Time for students to practice skills (e.g., independent reading, writing journal, handwriting practice, play). Time to engage in Library, PE, or Music lessons from across the week.
- Teachers will share with students the choices to consider and work to be completed.
- There will be no new lessons during that time.

Support Program Services (LAP, MLL, Resource Room) can happen during synchronous and asynchronous time blocks. Support Program Staff will communicate directly with families if a student will attend a small group during the asynchronous time block.

Black Voices: A Community Opportunity

As part of our commitment to creating a community of inclusion and partnership, I wanted to highlight opportunities that are being coordinated for our Shoreline Community.

Black Voices is a series of events that seeks to center Black voices, as well as celebrate and affirm our Black students and their families. We recognize that when the lights go off in our buildings, we still live, work and socialize together throughout our community. We learn best when we learn alongside one another, and recognize the wealth of knowledge those within our communities offer. As a community, we affirm our commitment to learn from and look out for our neighbors, including those whose voices have been underrepresented in our current systems.

As outlined in our [Race and Equity policy](#), our school district aspires for all students to thrive in an environment that notices, acknowledges, and values who they are and contributes to their academic achievement. Black Voices aspires to provide respectful and relevant learning environments that leverage diversity and create schools where students, families, community members and employees feel welcomed and supported.

To learn more about the **Black Voices: A Community Opportunities**, click [here](#).

Black Voices Presents: An Evening with Jewell Parker Rhodes

- Join the Black Voices team as we welcome national author Jewell Parker Rhodes, author of *Black Brother, Black Brother*, discuss her book with Shoreline students.
- November 17, 2020 at 6:30 PM
- Register to attend www.bit.ly/BlackVoicesJPR

About Dr. Jewell Parker Rhodes: *Dr. Jewell Parker Rhodes currently serves as the Piper Endowed Chair and founding artistic director of the Virginia G. Piper Center for Creative Writing at Arizona State University. Her most recent novel, GHOST BOYS, quickly became a New York Times Best Seller and has garnered over 25 awards and honors, including The Walter Award, the Indies Choice/EB White Read-Aloud Award, and the Jane Addams Children's Book Award for Older Readers. Jewell is also the author of TOWERS FALLING, winner of the 2017 Notable Books for a Global Society, and the celebrated Louisiana Girls' Trilogy: NINTH WARD, a winner of a Coretta Scott King Honor Award; SUGAR, a Junior Library Guild selection, and BAYOU MAGIC, a We Need Diverse Books Educational Selection. Her newest middle grade novel, BLACK BROTHER, BLACK BROTHER was published on March 3, 2020. Jewell has written numerous children's and adult books hoping to inspire social justice, equality, and environmental stewardship. She enjoys teaching, walking her Toy Aussie Sheepdogs, theater, dancing, and music.*

Please reach out if you have any questions or ideas. We value hearing your perspectives and thinking.

Sincerely,

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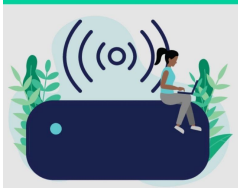
ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Thank you to the families contacting the attendance office. Reminder that schools must take attendance during remote learning.

Similar to in person attendance, if your child will be absent, I must speak to or receive an email from a parent or guardian with the reason for the absence. A student's parent/guardian can excuse an absence by calling or emailing within five (5) days of the absence.

If your child(ren) will be absent send an email to ht.attendance@shorelineschools.org or call the attendance line (206) 393.4342 available 24 hours. In your email or message please include the date, student name, teacher or room number and the reason for the absence.

If your family is planning to extend your Thanksgiving Break and your child(ren) will be absent before November 26th or after we return November 30th please let the Attendance Secretary know.



DISTRICT ISSUED HOT SPOTS

Do you have a district issued Hot Spot that you are not using? Hot Spots are needed for families who do not have internet access and do not qualify for the state plans. Please contact Amy Gourde amy.gourde@shorelineschools.org

FROM OUR PTA

SOCKTOBER

I am so proud to be a part of this wonderful thoughtful community. Thank you so much for all of your donations. Highland Terrace had outstanding results in the Socktober Community Drive!!! Thank you all so very, very, much!!!



The final count for Socktober district-wide is... **10,170!!! 9,494 socks + 676 underwear**

Here are the top three in this friendly, school v. school tally:

Highland Terrace: 2,728 (400 pairs underwear)

Lake Forest Park: 1,631

Einstein: 1,112

Read more at <http://www.shorelinepta.org/socktober.html>

Thank you, Highland Terrace Community!!! Kristie Timss, HT PTA Family Services Chair

GIFT CARD & DONATION DRIVE

Hello Highland Terrace Families. You have been so generous this year with all of your donations benefitting our local community and fellow Shoreline families. We know during the Holiday season you may have opportunities to donate to many charitable organizations but we wanted to let you know about another upcoming opportunity to benefit our local families in need.



This year we will not be collecting food for the Holiday Baskets. Instead please consider donating here: <https://tinyurl.com/DonateHB2020>.

Visit our PTA page for details: <https://highlandterracepta.org/2020/10/27/gift-card-donation-drive/> If you have any questions please contact me at timssfamly@gmail.com.



HOLIDAY SHOP VIA AMAZON SMILE

[Amazon Smile](#) is an automatic way for you to support our school every time you shop on Amazon. Highland Terrace PTA will receive a portion of every dollar spent on eligible items.

ROOM PARENTS NEEDED

While the 'rooms' may be virtual, there are still a variety of ways we can support our students and teachers in class and throughout the year. Read more about the role:



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Visit this form to get signed up!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1_9jV5RlpNtS8oRm5ZtMcoI7qRurQfVWHB2SoZOzeVQ/edit?ts=5f7b70f5



SHARE YOUR FALL COLORS!

Post your pictures, share your art! It's a small thing to bring us all together in a creative and colorful way. Show us your October spirit on our **HT 2020 Fall Wall Padlet!** <https://padlet.com/highlandterracepta/2020FallWall>

HT PTA BOARD MEETING

November 17th, 2020 @ 630pm (Zoom). All are welcome!

Please email highlandterracepta@gmail.com to let us know if you plan to attend.

