



HIDDEN HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HOME OF THE HAWKS



HAWK NEWS ALERT November 12, 2021

Important Dates

Nov 19	Friday Fitness @ 7:15am
Nov 22 - 26	Thanksgiving Break (No School)
Dec 6-10	Assessment Days (1st-3rd grade)
Dec 23 - Jan 07	Winter Holiday Break (No School)
Jan 10	Staff Work Day (No School)
Jan 11	School Reopens

UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

No School Days

Dec 23 - Jan 7th - Winter Holiday Break

Jan 10th - Staff Work Day

December Assessment Days
6th through 10th - 1st to 3rd Grades only
8am to 1:50pm (No SlipAM/PM Schedule)

Congratulations, Soaring Hawks!

TK - Shiven

Kinder - Arohi, Savannah, Cameron

First - Hannah, Manogyna, Makai'o, Eva,

Second - Hudson, Micah, Heela

Third - Shreyas, Farah

Fourth - Eric, Aditya, Jordan, Nallammai, Skyler

Fifth - Valentina, Ivan, Tae Joon, Ahmad, Anushka

Soaring Hawks are caught being good for:
**Citizenship, Empathy, Fairness, Respect,
Responsibility, Trustworthiness**



COVID Vaccinations:

Some pharmacies are directing parents to check with their school district about vaccination sites within the district. At this time, SRVUSD is NOT a vaccination site.

Families can contact their medical provider or refer to the [county website](#). A flyer about vaccine locations is also attached.

TK/Kinder Enrollment 2022-2023

November 15th 2021
to
December 17th 2021

[Link to flyer](#)

CogAT Testing on Jan 29th, 2022

SRVUSD will be offering the CogAT exam for all students new to the district who have never taken it and for 3rd and 4th grade students who have taken it once previously and would like another try. The CogAT exam is used for Gate identification and ATP eligibility. Register from **October 19 to November 12** on the [Gate Testing page](#) of the district website. *Late registrations will not be accepted.* All families in grades 3-7 should have also received [this email](#) from the District with additional information.

**TK and Kinder Parent
Information Nights:**
tentatively scheduled for January

**TK- January 13, 2022
Kinder- January 20, 2022**

They will be held virtually via
webinar.

Independent Study Request for Pre-Determined Absences

An Independent study request can be made for minimum of 5 days and a maximum of 14 days. **Students requesting 5 to 10 days of planned absence shall give 3 to 5 days notice prior to absence. Students requesting more than 10 days of planned absence shall contact the principal 5 to 10 days before the leave request initiates.**

Please contact your teacher or the school office to initiate a Independent Study Request.

“No student is entitled to a short-term independent study contract in excess of fourteen (14) instructional school days in a school year.”

COVID Testing

COVID testing is available at the SRVUSD Education Center **Monday to Friday 11:30am to 5:30pm and Saturday 8am to 12pm.**

➤ [SRVUSD Education Center, 699 Old Orchard Drive, Danville](#)
(outside on the grass)

To sign up, please follow the instructions posted on the district [website](#).
(Pre-registration is required)

- There is no cost for this test.
- Tests area PCR nasal swab.
- Test samples are sent overnight to the lab.
- Results are available within 24 to 48 hours.
- Results will be sent via email or you can check the status via the GVP app or website.



PRE-ORDERED THROUGH REGISTRATION?

Sign in to Treering and update your child's teacher (login -> My Kids -> Kid Settings -> Edit the 2021-2022 info)

UPLOAD PICTURES

Upload pictures of 1st Day of School, school friends, and Hidden Hills siblings!
Please only share school related photos. All others will be removed.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Dec. 15th** - 5th grade baby pictures due (see flyer)
- Jan. 15th** - Halloween and Winter Celebration pictures due
- Apr. 15th** - Personalized pages due

Additional COVID Testing Options

For an additional testing option, Contra Costa County is providing testing without an appointment at their drive thru location in Bishop Ranch.

Address: 2600 Camino Ramon, San Ramon
Testing hours: Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Walk-ins without appointment accepted until 11:30 a.m. You can also schedule [online](#).

[More County Testing Centers](#)



Update

[Instrumental Music](#)

We have a few more holidays and days off coming up, so it's a good idea for the students to get into a good practice routine. All 5th grade students have received folders with possible concert music, and 4th grade students have several songs assigned to practice. Thank you and feel free to contact me.

– Mr. Ehling. ahling@srvusd.net

FITNESS FRIDAY

Join us for Fitness Friday! Start your day with exercises and fun!

Nov 19th @ 7:15 AM-7:45 AM.

We will meet on the blacktop every other Friday.

Please Register and fill out the Student Waiver in the flyer below.



Please DO NOT send your child to school if they present the following symptoms

Fever, cough, shortness of breath, fatigue/weakness, headache, body/muscle aches, sore throat, stuffy or runny nose, new loss of taste and smell, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea. [Symptom Infographic](#)

If your child is sick and stays home or is sent home due to illness from school, please do one of the following in order [to return back to school.](#)

Parent Volunteers needed during lunch time to help supervise students and to distribute lunch.

(must be approved and registered with

[Be A Mentor](#)

[Volunteer Management System](#))

[Signup Genius Link](#)

Vaccine Status is MANDATORY by October 15th. Please upload a picture of your vaccine card to Be A Mentor.

Please contact HH Office for more details.

HH Library Volunteers Needed

Our school librarian, Mrs. Czerwinski, is looking for parent volunteers to shelve books! All volunteers must be cleared through [Be A Mentor](#) and have proof of vaccination uploaded. **When you arrive on campus, please wear a mask and check in at the school office before heading to the library.** Please feel free to [sign up](#) for the entire day if you are available. Mondays have shorter time slots than Wednesdays and Fridays.

Thank you for your help!

Vaccination Status Update

The deadline to upload your vaccination status to Be A Mentor was **Friday, October 15th.**

If you haven't uploaded your proof of vaccination, you will not be able to volunteer at school.



October is National Walk/Bike Month, and Street Smarts is having a Poster Contest! Street Smarts is inviting all elementary school age students to enter the "Walk and Roll with Street Smarts" Poster Contest to win great prizes! The two top winning posters in each grade level (K-2 nd) (3 rd -5 th) will be displayed on Street Smarts Banners throughout the community and marking materials.

Visit: street-smarts.com "2021/2022 Contests" for more information. PLEASE FOLLOW CONTEST GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS LISTED AT [Street Smarts Poster Contest.](#)

Attendance News

*Please call the attendance line @
925-479-3898*

Please do all you can to minimize absences and reduce being tardy. Plan around school holidays and breaks to reduce missing school days.

Research shows that tardiness and school attendance are a major factor for school success. It is important to be in school on time and ready to learn!

[SRVUSD Attendance Awareness](#)

Making an Amazon Purchase?
Log into [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) and make your purchase. A small portion of purchase will be donated back to Hidden Hills Education Fund.

Every small amount counts.

Don't forget to choose Hidden Hills Hawks Education Fund at checkout.

Remember to always start at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) to support our school every time you shop!



FORGOTTEN LUNCHES!

If you have a forgotten lunch, please drop it in the office NO LATER than 10:45am. Please clearly identify the lunch with **first & last name, grade, and teacher** before dropping it off.

Please remember this is only for the occasional emergency forgotten lunch and this courtesy is not meant for regular delivery. Students should bring their lunch with them each morning unless they plan to take the district lunch being offered in the MPR. Thank you.

Please follow the Law and all posted signs when turning into our parking lot.



There is NO left turn into the Hidden Hills Loop from Harcourt Way

School Parking Lot Reminder

Only Hidden Hills staff members and auction winners may park in the front parking lot at arrival and dismissal times. Please allow enough time to park on the street during pick up and drop off. There are only two areas for pick up/drop off for Grades 1 - 5: carpool and blacktop. Only Kinder and TK students are allowed to be dropped off and picked up in the back parking lot along the curb. **Back lot parking spaces are for parents heading to the Growing Room only.** Thank you in advance for complying with our school rules.

**Please like and follow
PTA Facebook Page
for updates and current events in school.**

[https://www.facebook.com/
HHElementaryPTA](https://www.facebook.com/HHElementaryPTA)

Important Information and Resources

[SRVUSD Instructional Calendar 2021-2022](#)

[Elementary School Lunch Menu - November 2021](#)



News from the Library

Lightbox is a new subscription, with digital books and great resources! No username or password needed to have access to the AV2/Lightbox subscription.

[AV2/LIGHTBOX eBOOKS
SUBSCRIPTION](#)

Counselor's CORNER

NOVEMBER 2021

Ms. Hassay

Counseling Monthly Focus:

This month we are focusing on our *Superhero Strengths!*

Recognizing we all have strengths is crucial, but recognizing our weaknesses are important as well! We will work on using our strengths to overcome our weaknesses...just like Superheroes!

For Parents:

- Recommended books for identifying strengths:
- *Even Superheroes Have Bad Days*
- *Giraffes Can't Dance*
- *Mia Mayhem is a Superhero*
- *Wonder*

Let's CONNECT!

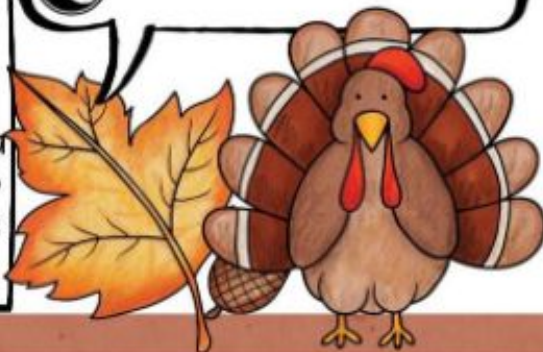


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Happy, Healthy Kids TIP:

How does your child cope with BIG emotions? Taking a walk, [breathing exercises](#), a hug from a loved one, and talking it out are all ways to help your child get to Green Zone. The Green Zone is feeling happy, calm, and ready to learn!



SO MANY PLACES TO GET COVID-19 VACCINES



COVID-19 vaccines are **free, safe, effective** and available throughout Contra Costa County

HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

Patients at these health systems can schedule vaccine appointments

- Contra Costa Regional Medical Center & Health Centers (<https://bit.ly/312dbcR>)
- John Muir Health (<https://bit.ly/2ZFo1VQ>)
- Kaiser Permanente (<https://k-p.li/3pKatTS>)
- Sutter Health (<https://bit.ly/3GsRDGy>)

PHARMACIES

- Costco (<https://bit.ly/3Gwsl4U>)
- CVS (<https://bit.ly/3pYxUsP>)
- Rite Aid (<https://bit.ly/3Ekorji>)
- Sam's Club (<https://bit.ly/3GtZi7B>)
- Safeway (<https://bit.ly/3nCOv4g>)
- Walgreens (<https://bit.ly/3nzVBEN>)
- Walmart (<https://bit.ly/312drIR>)

PUBLIC & COMMUNITY CLINICS

- Contra Costa Health Services (<https://bit.ly/3tx2vvG>)
- La Clínica (<https://bit.ly/3GueDF5>)
- LifeLong Medical (<https://bit.ly/2ZtlNYN>)
- [MyTurn.Ca.Gov](https://myturn.ca.gov)

Don't see what you're looking for?

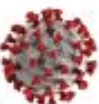
Find more vaccination sites near you at myturn.ca.gov or vaccines.gov
or call Contra Costa Health Services: 1-833-829-2626

Questions about the vaccines?

Talk to your healthcare provider for more information

RESPONSE
Coronavirus (COVID-19)

CONTRA COSTA
HEALTH SERVICES





TK & Kindergarten Enrollment

We look forward to enrolling your child in our Transitional Kindergarten or Kindergarten program for the 2022-23 school year.

= Registration Dates =

Enrollment Window Opens
Mon., November 15, 2021

Enrollment Window Closes*
Fri., December 17, 2021

* Completed online enrollment applications must be submitted by December 17 to be included in the first round of confirmation of space at the resident school site. Online enrollment applications submitted after December 17 are received on a first come-first served basis for space.

= Age Guidelines =

To be eligible for TK for 2022-23

Your child must turn 5 years of age
on or between

September 2, 2022 to February 2, 2023

To be eligible for KINDERGARTEN for 2022-23

Your child must turn 5 years of age
on or before

September 1, 2022

First day of instruction: August 9, 2022

2022-23 information

TK and Kindergarten Information Videos

Will be posted
Wednesday, Nov. 10
on the TK/Kinder
Webpage

[Transitional
Kindergarten FAQ](#)

[TK/Kinder
Webpage](#)

[Kindergarten
Readiness
Information](#)

[TK/Kinder
Enrollment Process
Quick Reference](#)

Social Justice - 4-Part Education Series

For some parents, talking about race to a child can be unnerving. For others, it's a natural and necessary conversation from the beginning. Children begin to notice race as early as 6 months and begin to develop biases as young as 3. Parents must realize that when nothing is said about race, a lot is actually still being communicated. An important first step in teaching our children about how to be "color conscious" rather than "color blind" is to continue to deepen our own personal knowledge about race and to develop the skills to engage with them as well as others, in an effective way.

*This series is for parents who want to talk about race and are interested in learning tools. This is not for those who want to debate whether racism exists or not.

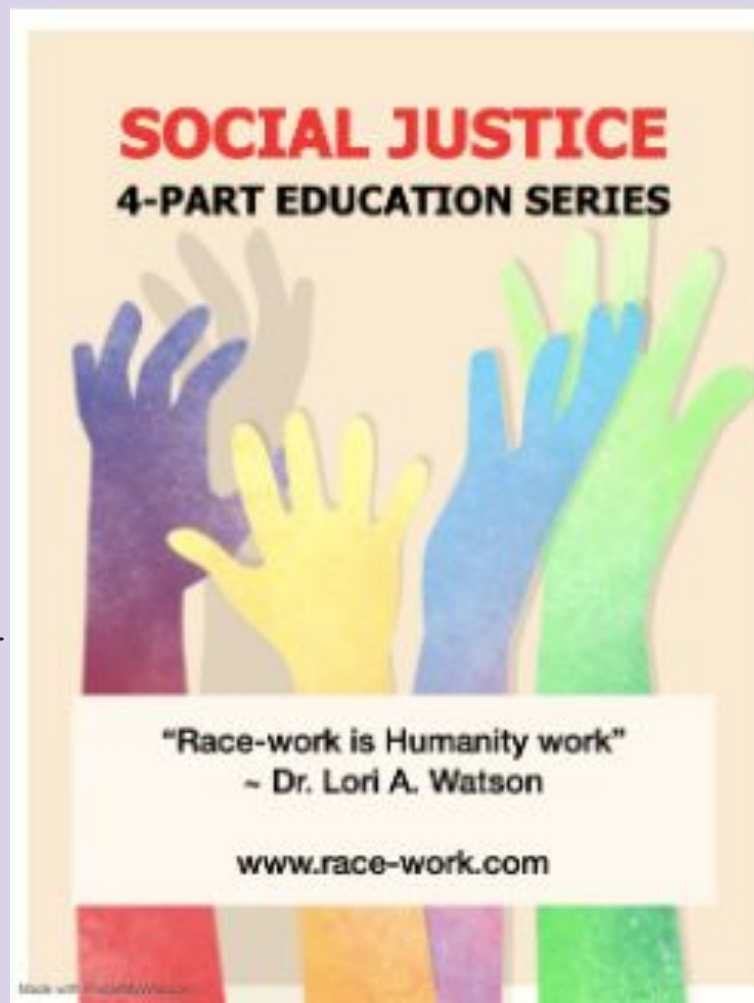
Join us for the impactful and in-depth 4-part educational series facilitated by Dr. Lori Watson.

**DATES: December 9,
February 7, April 26**

TIME: 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

Either zoom or in-person information will be provided closer to each date. You do not have to attend all sessions.

Here is the [link](#) to sign up.



The No Place For Hate[®] Promise

1

I PROMISE to do my best
to treat everyone fairly.

2

I PROMISE to do my best to be kind
to everyone — even if they are not like me.

3

IF I SEE someone being hurt or bullied,
I will tell a teacher.

4

EVERYONE should be able to feel
safe and happy in school.

5

I WANT OUR SCHOOL to be No Place For Hate[®].

Have You Signed the No Place For Hate[®] Promise Yet?
Find out how from your school's No Place For Hate[®] committee.

ADL
Anti-Defamation League[®]





FITNESS FRIDAY

Join us for Fitness Friday! Start your day with exercises led by our PTA chairperson, Dinesh Kumar!

Nov 19th @ 7:15 AM - 7:45 AM

We will meet on the blacktop every other Friday.

In order to limit any possible COVID exposure and to assist with contact tracing, we must enforce the following guidelines this year:

- **All students who wish to participate MUST complete the registration form and waiver. Walk-ins will not be accepted.**
- **Parents and non-Hidden Hills siblings may not participate at this time. Please do not enter the blacktop with your student.**
- **Students may join this program at any time throughout the year as long as the registration form and waiver have been signed prior to the participation date (no later than the night before).**

*All other students who will not be joining Fitness Friday must wait outside of the gate until the staff monitor arrives at 7:45.

Fitness Friday student registration and waiver:

<https://forms.gle/vftaMphe2nhCnqHr6>

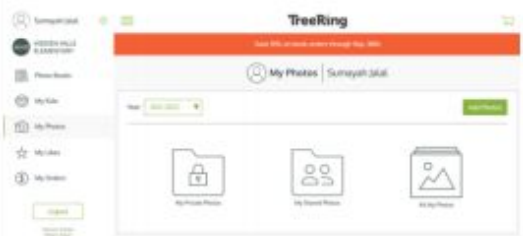
Thank you for your understanding. Hope to see you there!

Sincerely,
Hillary Wong
Hidden Hills Elementary PTA President

TREERING PICTURE UPLOADING INSTRUCTIONS

STEP 1: Add Photo

- Click on 'My Photos'
- Click on 'Add Photos'



STEP 2: To Share or Not to Share

- **Selecting 'Yes – I want to share'** enables them to be considered for the main shared yearbook pages *
- **Select 'No – Keep 'em private'** to use for your own personalized pages

**Only upload school related pictures for sharing. All non-school related pictures will be removed from the shared folder.*



STEP 3: Add to Class Folder

- Select your class folder
- Select 'Add Photo'



STEP 4: Add Child's Name & Tag Activity

- Add your child's name by clicking on the people icon
- Tag the activity. (standardized tags are: 1stday, classroom, siblings, halloween, boosterthon, funrun, blockparty, carnival, elac, wordsmatter, fieldtrip, music, pe, art, friends, project, crazyhair)



STEP 5: Save Click 'Done'

Calling all 5th Graders!



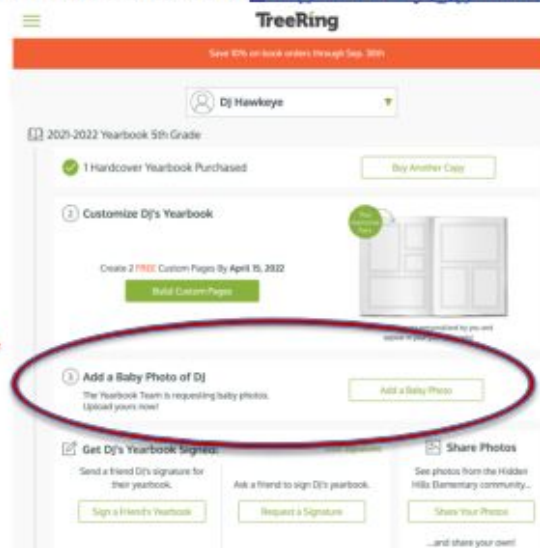
5th Grade Baby Photos Submission

Deadline for submission December 15, 2021

Dear 5th Grade Parents - We would love to feature every 5th grade student at Hidden Hills on our very popular 5th grade baby photo pages! Also, please consider purchasing a yearbook as a keepsake for their last year at Elementary School. With customization features and personalized pages, it'll be one to remember!

HOW TO SUBMIT A BABY PHOTO OF YOUR 5TH GRADE CHILD.

1. Login to Treering or go to www.treering.com/validate (school code 1016019833804511) to setup an account.
2. Use step 1 to Order your yearbook (not required)
3. Use step 2 to Customize your yearbook (not required)
4. **Use step 3 to upload your child's baby picture**
 - a) Only post **ONE** baby picture
 - b) Use a high resolution jpeg
 - c) The child should preferably be 1 year or younger in the picture
 - d) Digital images should be at least 300 pixels on the shorter dimension, but larger files (1000+ pixels) will print better.
 - e) Deadline for submission is by Wednesday, **December 15, 2021**.
 - f) Any questions? Contact us at hh5gradebaby@gmail.com



From, Your Yearbook Team

News from CHILD NUTRITION



Meal Application Form: For the benefit of the entire district, please complete the annual Meal Application Form by 10/25.

Why is this form needed now that meals are free for all?

More LCFF Funds for SRVUSD - for every qualifying family who submits a form - SRVUSD's LCFF is increased. Further, families receive benefits beyond school meals, such as discounts on SAT testing, internet services, & many other benefits. Please use the graphic here to send/post as well as the links to the online, translated versions below.

The annual form is now available online and in four languages.

- [English Meal \(Income\) Application](#)
- [Español Spanish \(Income\) Application](#)
- [中国人 Chinese Meal \(Income\) Application](#)
- [हिंदी Hindi Meal \(Income\) Application](#)

[Child Nutrition Fall 2021 FAQ's](#)