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Good morning Parkwood Hill family,

This week, we close the month of April and complete state testing for the 2023-2024 school year. ***Our fifth graders will take the Math STAAR on Tuesday, and our sixth graders will take the Math STAAR on Wednesday.*** All staff members will be engaged in supporting our kids during testing on these days, so ***we kindly ask that you do not call or visit our campus unless it is an emergency.***

On Friday, everyone is invited to join our Charger Nation bands for a spring concert at Hillwood Middle School. Our sixth grade beginning band will perform, starting at 6:00 p.m., followed by our Hillwood bands. Please come and enjoy an evening of music, and celebrate the progress our kids have made this year!

Thank you again for ensuring our kids sleep well, eat a healthy breakfast, and give their very best during the final round of state testing this week, and as always, I hope you have a fantastic week ahead!

Giving you my “Charger Best, Never Less,”

Brad Tyler, Principal

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## CURRENT HOUSE POINTS LEADER



## **Congratulations Amistad!**

Our muster of peacocks is on the march! Students in the House of Friendship will pick a reward from the Prize Cart this week!

### **SAVE THE DATE**

#### **April**

**30 – STAAR Testing Date – 5th Grade Math – Campus Closed to All Visitors**

#### **May**

**1 – STAAR Testing Date – 6th Grade Math – Campus Closed to All Visitors**

1 – College Spirit Day! Wear Your Favorite College Gear!

2 – STAAR Testing Date – Math Make-up Testing

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3 – Theatre Field Trip – “Grease” the Musical at Central High School

3 – Band Spring Concert, 6:00 p.m. at Hillwood Middle School

**6-10 – Teacher Appreciation Week! Let’s celebrate our amazing teachers!**

6 – Lone Star Elementary 4th Grade Student Tours (Closed, School-Day Event)

6 – Choir Spring Concert, 7:00 p.m. at Parkwood Hill Cafeteria

7 – Freedom Elementary 4th Grade Student Tours (Closed, School-Day Event)

7 – Orchestra Instrument Rental Night, 6:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria

8 – Friendship Elementary 4th Grade Student Tours (Closed, School-Day Event)

- 9 – Park Glen Elementary 4th Grade Student Tours (Closed, School-Day Event)
- 9 – Whitley Road Elementary 4th Grade Student Tours (Closed, School-Day Event)
- 9 – Fourth Grade Parent Orientation Night, 6:00 p.m. at Parkwood Hill Cafeteria
- 9 – Orchestra Spring Concert, 7:00 p.m. at Central HS Fine Arts Center
- 10 – Fifth Grade Play ~ “Charlotte’s Web,” 6:30 p.m. at PHIS
- 10 – PHIS Choir Night at NRH2O Family Water Park
- 14 – Orchestra Field Trip – NRH2O Music Festival at NRH2O Family Water Park
- 15 – 6th Grade Cardboard Boat Race Day! (Baldwin, Reynolds, Vadnais, & Wilson)
- 16 – 6th Grade Cardboard Boat Race Day! (Brown, Connors, Hieger, & Rodriguez)
- 16 – 5th Grade End-of-Year Award Ceremonies (Eligible Students; Invitation Only)
- 16 – Fourth Grade Parent Orientation Night, 6:00 p.m. at Parkwood Hill Cafeteria
- 17 – Parkwood Hill Field Day 2024!
- 16 – Student Immunization Clinic, Keller ISD Education Center, 3:00-6:00 p.m.  
([Details Here](#))
- 18 – Keller ISD Out of the Darkness Suicide Prevention Walk, Central HS, 11:00 a.m.-  
1:00 p.m. ([Registration & Details Here](#))
- 21 – 6th Grade End-of-Year Award Ceremonies (Eligible Students; Invitation Only)
- 23 – End-of-Year Class Parties
- 23 – Early Release Day – Intermediate Students Dismissed by 12:00 p.m.
- 23 – End of 4th, Nine-week Grading Period
- 23 – Last Day of School
- 27 – Central High School Graduation Day ~ Congratulations Seniors!

## **LOOK AT THE WEEK AHEAD**

### **Daily**

**Join PTA!** – Basic Membership is only \$10. [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up today!

### **Tuesday, April 30**

**5th Grade Math STAAR** – Fifth grade students will take the math portion of the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR). Please ensure your child arrives at school on time and remains present until 3:15 p.m. Testing students are encouraged to bring a sack lunch; however, our cafeteria will have sack lunches available for sale. For more details, please [CLICK HERE](#).

### **Wednesday, May 1**

**6th Grade Math STAAR** – Sixth grade students will take the math portion of the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR). Please ensure your child arrives at school on time and remains present until 3:15 p.m. Testing students are encouraged to bring a sack lunch; however, our cafeteria will have sack lunches available for sale. For more details, please [CLICK HERE](#).

**College Spirit Day** – All students and staff are encouraged to dress in their favorite college attire!

### **Friday, May 3**

**Spring Band Concert, 6:00 p.m. at Hillwood Middle School Gymnasium** – Our Charger Nation bands from Parkwood Hill and Hillwood will perform their spring concert this Friday evening. Join us to celebrate the progress our beginning band students have made, and enjoy the sound of our talented Charger musicians!

## **KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE**

**IMPORTANT Severe Weather Season is Here** – With the arrival of Spring, thunderstorms are likely to affect our afternoon dismissal, and we want all families, students, and staff to be weather aware. As you know, the safety of our students is our top priority; therefore, if lightning or other adverse conditions are present, all outdoor activities will cease, including the loading of buses and the release of students.

During a “Severe Weather Dismissal,” all students are held in their homeroom class except those whose parents have signed a severe weather waiver. Throughout the duration of the weather event, non-waiver students remain in their homeroom class unless they are checked out by a parent. Once the severe weather subsides, students will once again be allowed to exit the building independently. If you are interested in more information about Keller ISD’s severe weather policy, [please click here](#).

**Complete Required Spring Immunizations (6th Graders)** – Texas state law requires students entering 7th grade have the following immunizations: Tdap booster and Meningitis vaccination. Please make sure your sixth grader is up to date on these required shots.

**After-Hours Contact** – On school days, our campus office hours are 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. If you need to reach someone on our staff, and you are calling outside of business hours, please leave a voicemail message at (817) 744-4000, and we will contact you the next business day. If you have an emergency involving a missing student, and it is outside of our campus office hours above, you may call (817) 744-1206 from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, or 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. on Friday. If you are calling outside of the business hours above, and it involves a missing student, please call 911.

## **GET INVOLVED**

**NEW! Prepare for Teacher Appreciation Week** – Teacher Appreciation Week is coming next week, May 6-10, and we want to shower our educators with gratitude. Please consider how you might celebrate and honor your child’s teachers. A small gift of appreciation, a card, and/or words of kindness can make a world of difference.

**Monitor Your Child’s Grades** – The success of our Chargers is a partnership between parents and teachers. As we enter the second half of the grading period, please continue to check your child’s grades on a regular basis. Final grades should never be a surprise when published at the end of the grading period.

**Donate New Boys Underwear and/or New & Gently Used Pants/Shirts** – Our nurse’s clinic needs brand new, unopened packages of boys’ underwear, as well as new or gently-used pants and shorts for boys and girls. If you have items of clothing you’re willing to donate, we would love to receive them in our campus office, care of Nurse Liz. If you have questions, please email [Elizabeth.Leong@KellerISD.net](mailto:Elizabeth.Leong@KellerISD.net), or call (817) 744-4020. Thank you for giving!

**“Save the Dates” for STAAR Testing** – The following dates are the remaining state testing dates for our students at Parkwood Hill. We want our kids to have the best opportunity to shine while demonstrating the academic growth they’ve made this year, so please ensure your child is especially encouraged, well rested, and has had a healthy breakfast on the following days:

**APRIL 30 – 5th Grade Math STAAR**

**MAY 1 – 6th Grade Math STAAR**

**Register to Volunteer** - If you plan to volunteer on our campus this year, or to serve as a field trip chaperone, you must successfully completed a [2023-2024 KISD Volunteer Application](#). This application and background check must be completed each year, and when successful, will cover all Keller ISD campuses. Please apply at least 2 weeks before you are scheduled to volunteer on our campus.

**CONNECT WITH US**

**Campus Flyers** – Campus flyers are posted to “Peachjar.” Visit our website at [www.KellerISD.net/PHIS](http://www.KellerISD.net/PHIS) and click on “Peachjar eFlyers” under the Quick Links section.

**Online Resources** – Campus information is always available online!

Campus Website: [www.KellerISD.net/PHIS](http://www.KellerISD.net/PHIS)

Campus Counselor Website: <https://bit.ly/3Z84iIV>

Campus “X” (formerly Twitter) Account: [www.x.com/ParkwoodHill](http://www.x.com/ParkwoodHill)

Campus Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/ParkwoodHill](http://www.facebook.com/ParkwoodHill)

PTA Website: [www.PHISPTA.org](http://www.PHISPTA.org)

PTA Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/phispta](http://www.facebook.com/phispta)

## **“PROSPECT-IVE” SOLUTIONS**

If you have any solutions, concerns, or praise that can serve to make Parkwood Hill a better place for our kiddos, please fill out a brief, online feedback form by clicking [here](#). When using the form, you can choose to share your name, or to remain anonymous.

Thank you for staying informed, active, and involved in the education of our  
Chargers!

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