

THE HOWLER

"KEEP MOVING, NEVER STOP IMPROVING."

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Huskies,

We have come up to the Fall Break! As I look at the students, teachers, staff, and even parents, we are already for a week off to relax and unwind. Then we start again on October 16! We do have a little business to tend to tomorrow with our Softball Team and the Football Team Championships.

Besides this break being a time of needed rest, it allows all of us to recharge and reset our expectations. When we return on the 16th, we will have to reset the expectations of excellence in learning, classroom behavior, and what it means to be a Howard Husky. The staff here plans excellent lessons and tries diligently to teach every day. Occasionally, we have some opportunities and challenges. The reset allows us to do just that!

I hope our students were able to complete the asynchronous work today! Our staff spent the day planning for those excellent lessons after the break! Spending that time added to the fun week we had at HMS. We had a mini-spirit week, a PBIS Celebration and in between, a lot of learning and teaching.

We are in the middle of a progress report cycle and I saw where only 84% of our parents have a Parent Portal Account. If you are one of the 16% it is easy to get one and there are different items posted in the parent account than in the student account. If you need an account, want to reset your password on your account, or check to see you if you have an account; go to <https://www.bcsdk12.net/parents/parentportal>.

We are proud of our corporate partners and one group we have partnered with for the past several years is the Macon Mayhem. We are planning the first of a couple Howard Middle School nights. If you are interested in attending and checking out professional hockey in Macon, we have a block of seats reserved and you may purchase them at this link: <https://fevo-enterprise.com/s/other/Howardmiddle?puurl=85f84003f8dc>. The team is planning to support our students in the classroom and around the school this year, I hope we can have a big crowd supporting them on October 28. If you have any questions, Mr. Layfield our Marketing Teacher is the point of contact for HMS.

I am going to keep this message short. Enjoy the week, find some quality time this week and be ready for the next phase of our school year when we return. I look forward to having the Husky Pack back together in a week!

-TONY JONES
PRINCIPAL



Break time

October 9-13

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UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 5- PBIS EVENT

OCTOBER 6- ASYNCHRONOUS DAY

OCTOBER 9-13 FALL BREAK

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SPORTS AND MORE

SPOTLIGHT

**BOTH OUR FOOTBALL
TEAM AND SOFTBALL
TEAM HAVE ADVANCED
TO THE CHAMPIONSHIP
THIS WEEKEND!!!**



FOOTBALL

**10/7- 10 am
Thompson Stadium**



SCHEDULES

SOFTBALL

**10/7- 10 am
Ed Defore**



3 TEACHER & STAFF

This one goes to our excellent teachers. They work so hard that they help us with every problem or situation and don't expect anything in return. They care so much and they're one in a million! Shoutout to all our Howard Husky Teachers!



WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT HMS?
"THERE ARE SOME GREAT PEOPLE HERE, BOTH STUDENTS (WHO ARE SMART AND SO EXCITED TO LEARN AND ACHIEVE MORE), AND COLLEAGUES, WHO ARE HELPFUL AND KIND."

WHAT DO YOU CONSIDER TO BE YOUR LIFE'S PURPOSE?
"THAT'S A DEEP QUESTION, AND I'M NOT REALLY SURE, HONESTLY. I THINK I FIND THE GREATEST SATISFACTION WHEN I SET AND ACHIEVE MY PERSONAL GOALS, WHICH GENERALLY IMPROVE MY OWN LIFE AND THOSE OF MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS."

WHAT'S YOUR PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT?
"I AM PROUD OF MY ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS. MY FAMILY STRUGGLED FINANCIALLY GROWING UP, AND I WAS THE FIRST TO GRADUATE FROM COLLEGE. I HAVE SINCE COMPLETED FURTHER DEGREES AND WORKED IN EUROPE ON EU-FUNDED EDUCATION PROJECTS, WHICH ALLOWED ME TO TRAVEL THE WORLD AND EXPERIENCE OTHER CULTURES AT NO COST TO ME."



WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT HMS?
"AS A TEACHER AT HOWARD MIDDLE SCHOOL, ONE OF THE ASPECTS I HOLD DEAR ABOUT OUR INSTITUTION IS THE UNWAVERING COMMITMENT OF OUR STUDENTS TO LEARNING, AS WELL AS THEIR ENTHUSIASM FOR EMBRACING AND ADAPTING TO NEW CHALLENGES. WITNESSING THEIR PASSION, DEDICATION, AND DAILY ZEAL IN EMBODYING OUR PACK VALUES IS TRULY INSPIRING."

WHAT DO YOU CONSIDER TO BE YOUR LIFE'S PURPOSE?
"UNDOUBTEDLY, MY LIFE'S PURPOSE IS TO LEAD, MOTIVATE, INSPIRE, AND PROFOUNDLY IMPACT THE YOUNG MINDS WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. MY MISSION REVOLVES AROUND HELPING STUDENTS DISCOVER THEIR UNTAPPED POTENTIAL AND ENSURING THAT THEY FEEL LOVED, CONFIDENT, INTELLIGENT, UNIQUE, AND IMPORTANT. IT IS A MISSION THAT BRINGS ME IMMENSE FULFILLMENT."

WHAT'S YOUR PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT?
"MY PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT UNFOLDS DAILY AS I TEACH HERE AT HOWARD MIDDLE SCHOOL. OBSERVING THE GROWTH OF MY STUDENTS AND WITNESSING THEM CONQUER OBSTACLES TO ACHIEVE THEIR GOALS FILLS ME WITH A DEEP SENSE OF PRIDE AND ACCOMPLISHMENT THAT WORDS CAN HARDLY EXPRESS."

Ms. Kerber
8th grade Math

You'RE AMAZING



Mrs. Reaves
Principal's SAM



WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT HMS?
"MY FAVORITE THING ABOUT HMS IS THE FAMILY FEEL. I SINCERELY ENJOY SHOWING UP EVERY DAY TO BE AMONGST A PACK OF HUSKIES WHO SHARE THE SAME PASSION FOR EDUCATION."

WHAT DO YOU CONSIDER TO BE YOUR LIFE'S PURPOSE?
"I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT MY LIFE'S PURPOSE IS TO HELP OTHERS REACH THEIR MAXIMUM POTENTIAL. THIS IS ESPECIALLY TRUE FOR THE YOUTH IN MY COMMUNITY."

WHAT IS YOUR PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT? YOUR PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT?
"KNOWING THAT I HAVE MADE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE LIVES OF OUR STUDENTS WILL ALWAYS BE MY PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT. I LIVE BY THE WORDS OF THE LATE GREAT MAYA ANGELOU - "EVERY DAY MAY NOT BE GOOD, BUT THERE IS GOOD IN EVERY DAY"

Mr. Gardner
7th Grade Teacher

4 STORY TIME

SHIRTS AND HOODIES ARE STILL ON SALE!



HMS T-SHIRT & HOODIE PRE-SALE

HMS and SkillsUSA have partnered to sale HMS Gear!!!
(More designs to come)

T-SHIRTS \$12.00
HOODIES 25.00



This week's story goes out to our HMS Pep Band and its members! These students practice during SLED time everyday and also take time after school to make sure they are ready for football and any upcoming basketball games.

They are led by Mr. Bailey and they sound AMAZING!

Join them this Friday for Middle School night as they play with the high school during halftime.



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