



# HAWK HEADLINES

October 27, 2023

## Principal's Message

Dear Hutton Hawk Families,

As we bid farewell to the month of October, I wanted to take a moment to celebrate the incredible after-school activities that have been flourishing at our amazing school. These activities not only add an extra layer of enrichment to our students' lives but also embody the spirit of community and collaboration that makes Hutton Elementary special.

Our 4th & 5th Grade Choir, under the guidance of our talented Music teacher, Mrs. Conte, has been hitting all the right notes. Their dedication and passion for music have been truly inspiring to witness. Through their harmonious voices, they not only develop their musical talents but also learn the values of teamwork and discipline. It's heartwarming to see how these young voices come together to create beautiful melodies.

Additionally, our World Languages program has been a tremendous success. Our students are not just learning new languages like Chinese, Korean, Spanish, and Japanese; they are also opening their minds to diverse cultures and perspectives. This program wouldn't have been possible without the dedication of our amazing parent volunteers who have generously contributed their time and expertise to provide this enriching experience to our students.

At Hutton Elementary, we strongly believe in the importance of student engagement in extra-curricular activities. These activities help our students grow, not just academically, but as well-rounded individuals. They build confidence, foster creativity, and create lasting friendships. I encourage all parents to continue supporting their children's participation in these activities and explore even more opportunities for them to thrive.

## Upcoming Events

**October 31**

**November 7 & 14**  
World Languages  
Chinese & Korean

**November 1, 8, 15**  
World Languages  
Spanish

**November 2, 9, 16**  
World Languages  
French & Japanese

**November 6, 13, 20 &  
27**  
4/5 Choir Practice

**November 9**  
Individual Picture  
Retakes

**November 10**  
No School  
Veterans Day Observed

**November 17**  
Fall Harvest Parties

**November 22-24**  
No School  
Thanksgiving Break

**November 28**  
PTG Meeting  
Library

Thank you for being an essential part of our vibrant Hutton Elementary community. Together, we are nurturing the talents and potential of our students, and I am confident that our school will continue to thrive and grow with your support and partnership.

Warm Regards,  
**LaTonya Simmons**  
Principal

*Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that we are on the unceded lands of the Spokane Tribe. The Spokane people shared this place with other tribes through their relations, resources, history, trade, and ceremony. We thank the caretakers of this land, who lived, and continue to live here Since Time Immemorial. This land holds the knowledge, culture, and spirit of "The People of the River."*

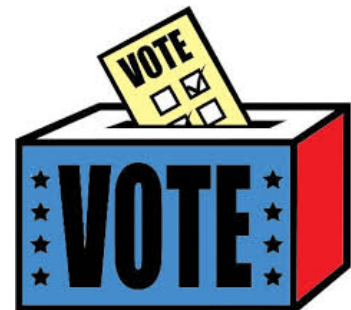


## National Native American Heritage Month November 1-30

As we enter November, we embrace National Native American Heritage Month with great reverence at Hutton Elementary. This is a time for all members of our school community - parents, staff, and students - to come together and honor the rich and diverse cultures, histories, and contributions of Native Americans. Spokane, with its deep Native American history, serves as a unique backdrop for this observance. Throughout the year, we will engage in educational activities that deepen our understanding of Indigenous traditions, art, and the enduring wisdom they bring to our world. Let us join hands in fostering an environment of respect, inclusion, and unity as we recognize and appreciate the invaluable heritage of Native Americans.

## Remember to Vote by Nov. 7

If you are registered to vote in Spokane County, you should have received your Local Voters' pamphlet and ballot for the Tuesday, Nov. 7 election in the mail. Completed ballots can be returned by mail (must be postmarked by Nov. 7) or in a Ballot Drop Box by 8 p.m. on Nov. 7.



[Drop Box Locations](#)

## Dr. Swinyard Visits Hutton



On Friday, October 27th, Dr. Swinyard came to visit Hutton and our Newcomer Center, grades 3-5, with Mrs. Gurash. It was so fun to watch him read to the students and observe their engagement in the reading. Thank you, Dr. Swinyard!

## Our Amazing Students

# Citizen of the Month

Congratulations to the following students who earned Citizen of the Month for October! The exemplified **Responsibility** in their classroom.



**Kindergarten**

Talon Boutelle  
 Ellis Boysen  
 Hudon Hershey  
 Vera Marsteller  
 Frankie Piscopo  
 Caroline Rittenbach  
 Riley Stenersen  
 Luke Voelzke

**K/1**

Holly Blankenberg  
 Evaly Campbell

**First Grade**

Isla Buchanan  
 Astrid Grambo  
 Hadley Hostetler  
 Sydney Moraski  
 Shea Rogers  
 Ellie Stewart

**Second Grade**

Blaine Binger  
 Gabriel Connery  
 Aisling Cunningham  
 Kathryn Derrick  
 Myla Griffus  
 Cooper Malcolm  
 Kyla Manske  
 Henry Ophardt  
 Maisy Snider  
 Nora Stiger

**Third Grade**

Leyden Cairns  
 Gianna Campanella  
 Willow Metzger  
 Nolan O'Doherty  
 Lexi Olson  
 Metta Olson  
 Ethan Taylor  
 Monroe Young

**Newcomer Center**

Nimir Abdoulaye

**Fourth Grade**

Jaxon DeMaderios  
 Cora Downey  
 Ryan Flaherty  
 Katherine Gordon  
 Alexis Malcolm  
 Maddie McFarland

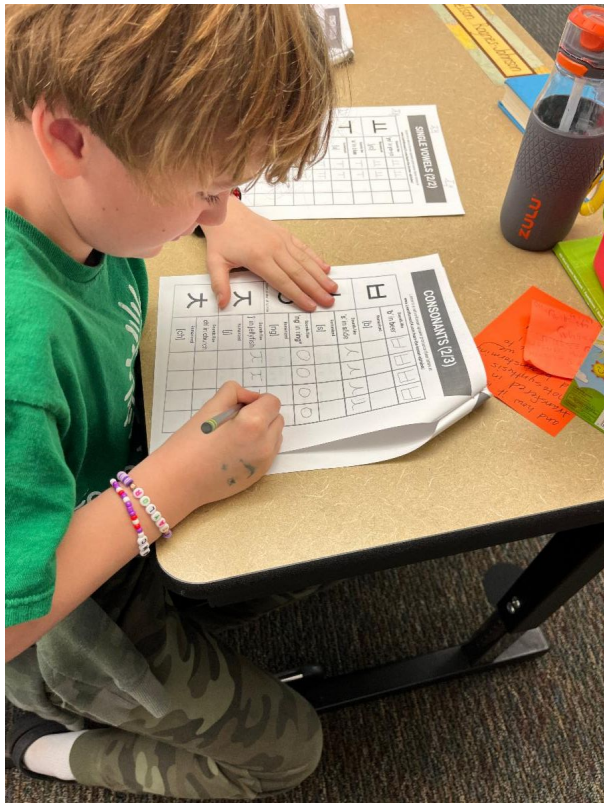
**Fifth Grade**

Hadley Beyreuther  
 Ailise Buchanan  
 Fiona Grace Czeszynski  
 Hailey Gustafson  
 Izzy Parker  
 Andrs Swigart

## Hutton Happenings



**Our Kinders visited Walter's Fruit Ranch on Tuesday,  
October 24th. They had such a great time!**



**□□, Bonjour, □□□□□, □□□□□, Hola!**

**Our amazing PTG has brought World Languages back to  
Hutton! Our students are learning Chinese, French,  
Japanese, Korean and Spanish.**

# Veterans Day Pictures

Hutton will be celebrating Veterans Day with a special assembly in November. We would like to present a video with pictures depicting the veterans our students appreciate in their own lives. Many students have relatives or close family friends who have served in the military. If you would like to submit a picture of a beloved veteran for our slideshow, please follow the instructions below to email your photo.

Photos do not need to be formal uniform photos. If you don't have a digital copy of your photo, one solution is to take a picture of it with your phone.

*Please do not send in hard copies of photos.*

**EMAIL pictures to Mrs. Conte at  
erinde@spokaneschools.org**

**Please email your pictures by Friday, October 27th.**



Be sure to include all the information below in your email:

1. NAME OF STUDENT(s)
2. HOMEROOM(s)
3. NAME OF VETERAN (including rank)
4. BRANCH OF SERVICE  
(Army Navy Air Force Marines Coast Guard Space Force)
5. RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT(s)

*If you submitted a photo last year, you do not need to re-submit it.*



## ***Hutton Hawks Running***



The Cross Country All-City Meet took place on Tuesday, October 24th. We had 56 students that made it to All-City and 51 ran! Everyone ran faster than they ever have and finished strong!

**Reese Anderson took first place for the 2nd grade girls and Henry Betts took first place for 5th grade boys. Way to go Hawks!**

Your Coaches,

Michelle Neill  
Jennifer Anderson  
Stephanie Heaton  
Katie McCarthy  
Amanda Roggenbauer



## Important School Information

# HUTTON



## ELEMENTARY

### PARENT HANDBOOK

*Home of the Hawks*



#### ***Morning Arrival, Breakfast and More!***

**Students who are not eating breakfast at school are allowed on campus beginning at 8:15 AM.** Students line up in their designated line up spot (See MAP Below) and are picked up by their teachers and walked into the building. Dismissal doors at the end of the day

are the same; EXCEPT FOR... Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Lipsker, Mrs. Pedersen, and Mrs. Dhaenens. These four classrooms dismiss to the parent loop through the SW door.

Students wishing to eat breakfast may arrive on campus to eat after 8:00 AM. Breakfast eaters will enter into the cafeteria through the blacktop doors and eat inside the cafeteria. \*Mondays are professional collaboration days and school does not start until 9:30 AM, so breakfast would begin at 9:00 AM. Breakfast is made available to all students up to 10:00 AM.

**Students need to head directly home after school as the playground is open only to students in Express.**



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Parents, please remember that we are a **Single Point of Entry**. **ALL visitors need to report to the office** to enter the school building. **Please do not enter the school with your child for breakfast through the MPR doors on the black top.**



Please be aware of the daily forecast and remember to send your child to school with the appropriate clothing.



## Lost and Found

Is your child missing their jacket, hat, gloves or water bottle? Our Lost and Found is overflowing! If you are missing an item, please come and check to see if our closet has your item.

## Dogs

Even the friendliest dog can cause problems on a playground full of children. In compliance with our district wide policy, **DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON SCHOOL PREMISES**. Only service animals are allowed inside the school without advanced written permission of school administration.



## Lunch and Recess

Do you need to know what time your child is going to recess and eating lunch? Please [click here](#) for the Lunch/Recess Schedule.

## Ala Carte Lunch Items

Parents can deposit money for ala carte items into your student's meal account quickly and easily at [myschoolbucks.com](http://myschoolbucks.com). You can also view your child's meal account information and get low balance reminders even if you do not make a deposit online.

**Super (extra entrée)- \$2**

**Capri Suns - \$1**

**Fruit Snacks - \$0.50**

**Milk for cold lunch students - \$1**

Cash may also be sent to school with your student, but it **must be received in the office each morning**. Students **may not bring cash to be accepted during lunch** to pay for ala carte items.



## Not Receiving Hutton Text Messages?

Text the word "START" to 98900. This will opt you back in to receive Hutton text messages. Any staff member or parents who opted out in the past, whether it was through Blackboard Messenger or Thrillshare, remains opted out.

**-Hutton Office**

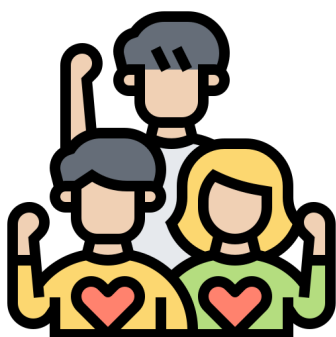
## WE ARE HIRING!!

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR CROSSING GUARDS  
AND NOON SUPERVISION FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL  
YEAR!!!

Hutton is now accepting applications for the 2023-2024 school year to serve as morning and afternoon crossing patrol guards, as well as for the lunchroom and playground supervision during the noon hour. Even if you only have 2 or 3 days per week of availability, consider applying. If you know a neighbor or friend who might be interested, please encourage them to apply as well.



**The hourly wage for these positions is \$16.24.** It is a great way to get outdoors, interact with students and become more involved in the school that your child or children attend. For more information, please stop by the office or call 354-3030 between the hours of 7:30AM- 8:00AM.



## Volunteering at Hutton

Parents, if you would like to help out for field trips or in the classroom, all volunteers must have **DISTRICT CLEARANCE**. Please [click here for an application](#). The process for clearance takes about 1.5 weeks so please plan accordingly. If you have been cleared in previous years, please disregard. Thank you!

## From the Nurse

As cold and flu season is upon us, please consider these health guidelines before you send your child to school.

[When to Keep Your Student Home From School](#)



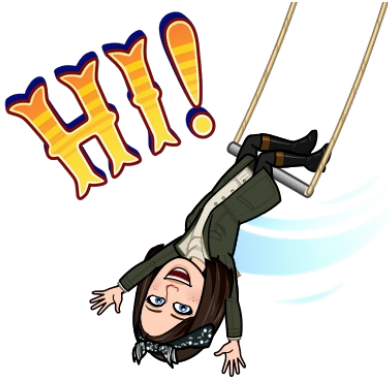
Earning Money for Hutton is Easy!



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It's as easy as scanning your receipts!

## Counselor's Corner



### ***From Mrs. Snider***

Want to be "in the know" about the happenings at Hutton? Check out my Counselor's Corner. I will have all the *things* about SEL, what is happening in the classroom with my lessons, school-wide activities, ideas for home and more.

[Mrs. Snider's Counseling Corner](#)

## The PTG Scoop



## HUTTON HAWKS

### WHAT IS THE PTG?

Congrats, you're in! Every parent, guardian, teacher, and administrator is a member of the PTG. Our purpose is to support Hutton through volunteer and financial support, offer fun and educational experiences, and foster closer relationships among students, families, and teachers.

### 2023-2024 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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**\*Hutton PTG meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30PM. You can join us in person in the library or via zoom!**

**2023-2024**

## Parent Teacher Group Activities & Event Calendar

### AUGUST

21: Kindergarten Round Up  
31: Day 1 Launch Conferences

### SEPTEMBER

1: Day 2 Launch Conferences  
5: First Day of School, Grades 1-5  
6: First Day of Kindergarten, A/B Rotation  
12: Kindergarten Parent Welcome Coffee  
26: Hutton Social, 5:00-6:30  
PTG Meeting, 6:30-7:30, Library/Zoom

### FEBRUARY

5: After School Arts (Runs 6 weeks)  
14: Teacher Appreciation Coffee Truck

### MARCH

Yearbook Sales

### APRIL

8: Green Club (Runs 4 weeks)

### MAY

6-10: Teacher Appreciation Week  
17: Spring Fling

### JUNE

4: Hawk Walk  
10-14: Yearbook Distribution  
14: 5th Grade Grand Celebration

### OCTOBER

\*Kick off Junior Achievement  
9-27: Student Mini Grants  
18: World Languages (Runs 6 weeks. Grades 1-5)  
27: Monster Mash

### NOVEMBER

17: Harvest Parties  
27: Book Fair (11/27-12/1)

### DECEMBER

4-9: Missoula Children's Theater

### JANUARY

8: Inland Chess Club (Runs 8 weeks)  
22: Staff Appreciation Lunch  
24: Books and Bingo

Dates are subject to change. Additional school district activities will also be available.

For more information on PTG events, please follow us on Instagram and use the QR code to sign up for our emails!



Hutton PTG



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## Help us with Junior Achievement!

Junior Achievement is a non-profit dedicated to teaching young people about financial literacy and entrepreneurship.

**We need your help! We need 1-2 volunteers per participating classroom to deliver**



the lessons. Please sign up by Wednesday, November 8th.

This is an excellent way to volunteer in the classroom. No prior training or experience is needed. Junior Achievement provides all the materials. The lessons usually consist of reading stories, facilitating games, or other activities. It's a lot of fun!

[Click here to view the Sign-Up Genius and volunteer!](#)

The timing of the lessons is up to you and the teacher. Most teachers opt to start in the spring.

*This program is optional for all teachers this year. If you do not see your teacher listed, that could mean that they opted out of the program or have not requested volunteers.*

If you have any questions, please contact Denise Downey at [denisedowney4@gmail.com](mailto:denisedowney4@gmail.com) or Anna Seaton at [alittleteapot0@gmail.com](mailto:alittleteapot0@gmail.com).



## Mini Grants

Our Student Mini Grant Program is coming **October 2nd**! Mini Grants is a chance for students to submit ideas for programs, supplies, and activities that will help their class and school. The PTG will fund these ideas up to \$250 if selected! This program runs all year long, but the first due date is **November 21st**. [Please complete the application here.](#)

[Hutton PTG Website](#)

[Hutton PTG on Facebook](#)

[Hutton PTG on Instagram](#)

[Hutton PTG Meeting Zoom Link](#)

Email for more information at [huttonptg@gmail.com](mailto:huttonptg@gmail.com).

## District News

### ONE Spokane Stadium Parking Pass

This **parking pass** allows users to park for free this **fall 2023 only** in designated lots for **SPS events only**.

ONE Spokane Stadium will offer a voucher program for stadium event attendees who do not have credit or debit cards at the cashless concessions stands. Please see [Know-Before-You-Go](#) before you head to the Stadium for events.





The **Greater Spokane League (GSL)** provides quality events in interscholastic high school athletics, music, dance/drill teams and forensics. Participation in GSL events helps students learn time management, communication, advocacy, sportsmanship and teamwork skills that shape and mold better citizens. [Click here](#) for information on game passes and more.

# SPOKANE PUBLIC SCHOOLS CALENDAR 2023-24

## AUGUST

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### SIGNIFICANT DATES

August 28 - 30..... Teacher Work Day / Prof. Learn. Imp. Day  
 August 31 - September 1 ..... K-12 Launch Conferences  
 September 4 ..... Labor Day  
 September 5 ..... First Day of Classes (1st through 12th)  
 September 6 ..... First Day of Kindergarten (A/B Rotation)  
 September 12.....First Day of All Kindergarten Together  
 September 25 ..... First Day for School Day Preschool (PK)  
 September 26 ..... First Day for AM/PM & CIP PK  
 October 13.....Prof. Learn. Imp. Day / Non Student Day  
 November 10 ..... Veterans Day  
 November 22-24 ..... Thanksgiving Break  
 December 25 - January 5..... Winter Break  
 January 15 ..... MLK Day  
 January 25-26.... Elem. Progress Conf. / Elem. Non Student Day  
 February 2 ..... Semester Break-Day / Non Student Day  
 February 19..... President's Day  
 February 20 ..... Prof. Learn. Imp. Day / Non Student Day  
 March 15 ..... Weather Make Up Day / Non Student Day  
 April 1-5..... Spring Break  
 May 27 ..... Memorial Day  
 June 7 ..... Last Day for AM/PM & CIP PK  
 June 11 ..... Last Day for School Day PK  
 June 14 ..... Last Day of School  
 June 17, 18..... Weather Make Up Days (if needed)  
 June 19 ..... Juneteenth

### Elementary Grading Periods

February 1 ..... End of First Semester  
 June 14 ..... End of Second Semester

### Elementary Reporting

#### First Grading Period

February 16 ..... Report Cards

#### Second Grading Period

June 14 ..... Report Cards

### Secondary Grading Periods

November 7 ..... End of First Quarter  
 February 1 ..... End of First Semester  
 April 12 ..... End of Third Quarter  
 June 14 ..... End of Second Semester

### Secondary Reporting

November 15 ..... First Quarter Report Cards  
 February 9 ..... First Semester Report Cards  
 April 19 ..... Third Quarter Report Cards  
 June 17 ..... Second Semester Report Cards

## FEBRUARY

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## JUNE

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### LEGEND

- First/Last day of School
- Late Start/Collaboration
- Holiday
- No School/School Break Day
- Conferences
- ♦ Teacher Workday/Prof. Learn. Imp. Day
- ★ Weather/Emergency Makeup Day





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