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December 5, 2019

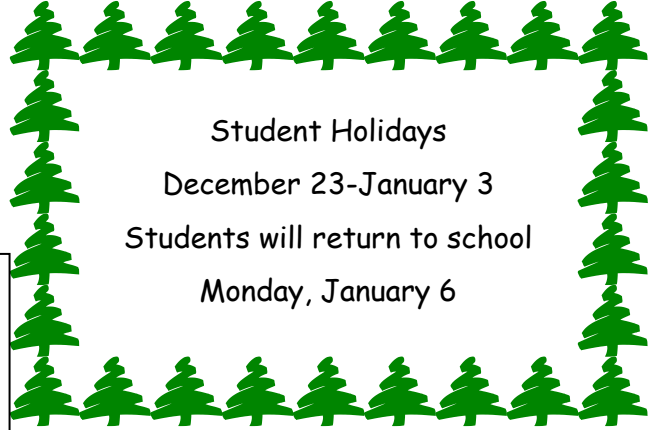
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5th Grade Spelling Bee

Monday, December



Student Holidays

December 23-January 3

Students will return to school

Monday, January 6

Parent Engagement:

Project Recycling Go Green!!

Parents please pick up recycling information as you attend the 4th Graders Winter Performance on Friday, December 13, 2019.

Parents,

With our federal nutrition guidelines, there are serious limitations to what will be allowed. Please pay careful attention to the information below and follow the guidelines appropriately.

1. Treat bags that contain food items will not be allowed. If they are sent, we will have to return them to you.
2. Cupcakes, cakes or candy will not be allowed due to the federal nutrition guidelines.
3. All food items served must meet the federal guidelines for nutrition. Please work with your child's teacher on party foods and only send what is requested from the teacher.
4. No food items may be served to the class in the cafeteria and classes may not skip the school lunch program to have a party.
5. Horry County Schools has developed a list of items that do meet the federal guidelines. Below you will find several examples.

-Multigrain Fruit Bars, Granola Bars, Ginger Snips, Cracker/Pretzel Mixes, Animal-shaped Cookies, Bear-shaped Graham Crackers, Graham Cracker Sticks

-Trail/Yogurt Mixes, Dried Fruit, Raisins, Cranberries, Figs, etc, Sunflower Seeds (without shells), Almonds

-Apples, Oranges, Bananas, Melons (Cantaloupe, Watermelon, etc.), Pears, Peaches, Grapes

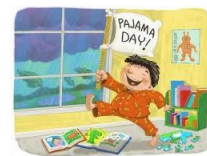
-Celery Sticks, Baby Carrots, Sliced Colored Bell Peppers, Broccoli Florets

We appreciate your help in following these guidelines and working towards healthy, happy children!

Melissa Graham, Principal

With alterations to the student calendar, the following dates will serve as make-up days.

- Thursday, January 16, 2020 (full day)
- Friday, January 17, 2020 (half day)
- Tuesday, February 18, 2020



Pajama Day December 20

You may wear your pajamas on December 20th! Please do not wear nightgowns. For each referral that a child gets from December 1st-December 19th, they lose 30 minutes off of Pajama Day activities. This will allow the vast majority of our students who always do the right thing to enjoy Pajama Day and not have their day tied to the choices of others.

Student Performance Schedule

Date	Grade	Performance	Time
December 13, 2019	4th grade	Holiday Harmony	8:45 AM
February 28, 2020	1st grade	Swamped Musical	8:15 AM
March 27, 2020	2nd grade	Music in Our Schools	8:15 AM
April 28, 2020	3rd grade	Recorder Concert	6:00 PM
May 5, 2020	5th grade	End of the Year	6:00 PM
May 24, 2020	Child Development	Nursery Rhymes	8:00 AM

Parents,

We feel it necessary to inform you of our policy for early sign outs for students. We have evaluated safety issues and instructional interruptions and have found it necessary not to allow early sign outs between 2:00-2:35. This time period is the busiest for our front office, and we are also working hard to conclude instruction for the day in classrooms. In the event you have an emergency and need an exception to this policy, you must meet with an administrator to gain approval. We appreciate your understanding as we work to maintain the highest level of safety while also preserving instructional time.

Sincerely,

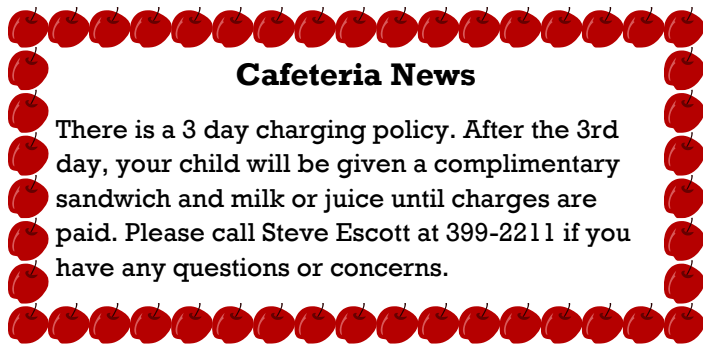
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Family Reading Night Schedule

Date	Theme	Time
January 9, 2020	STEM Night	5:30-7:00PM
February 13, 2020	Love/Kindness	5:30-7:00PM
March 12, 2020	Spring on the Farm	5:30-7:00PM
April 7, 2020	Ocean/Aquarium	5:30-7:00PM

Menu	
December 9-December 13	
Monday	
Breakfast Pizza or Cereal / Fruit / Juice / Milk	
Chicken Rice Bowl or Corn Dog / Steamed Broccoli / Corn / Pineapple / Orange Wedge	
Tuesday	
Pancakes w/ Sausage or Cereal / Fruit / Juice / Milk	
Turkey Chef Salad or Hot Dog / Chili / French Fries / Baked Beans / Squash & Zucchini Stir Fry / Sliced Peaches	
Wednesday	
Pillsbury Grape Crescent or Cereal / Fruit / Juice / Milk	
Cheddar Cheese Omelet or French Toast Sticks / Grits / Potato Rounds / Sausage Link / Carrot Sticks / Pineapple	
Thursday	
Poptart or Grilled Cheese or Cereal / Fruit / Juice / Milk	
Fried Chicken or BBQ Sandwich / Rice w/ Gravy / Potato Salad / Steamed Cabbage / Green Beans / Diced Peaches / Orange	
Friday	
Sausage Biscuit or Cereal / Fruit / Juice / Milk	
Cheese Pizza or Chicken Nuggets or Yogurt Lunchbox / Steamed Broccoli / Garden Salad / Corn /	

Menus subject to change without notice.



Cafeteria News

There is a 3 day charging policy. After the 3rd day, your child will be given a complimentary sandwich and milk or juice until charges are paid. Please call Steve Escott at 399-2211 if you have any questions or concerns.

5th Grade Washington Trip

Tuesday, May 19, 2020 thru Friday, May 22, 2020

- ◆ \$479 per person—All Inclusive Trip (all meals beginning with lunch on May 19)
- ◆ 3 Night Hotel Accommodations (4 people per room) All rooms will have one approved volunteer chaperone and 3 children
- ◆ Motor Coach Transportation
- ◆ Only one chaperone per 5th grade child
- ◆ Chaperones will be responsible for small groups

Attractions include: Lincoln Memorial, Korean Memorial, Vietnam Memorial, Iwo Jima Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, White House Viewing, Jefferson Memorial, World War II Memorial, FDR Memorial, Smithsonian Museum, Air Force Memorial, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Full Day DC Tour with Tour Guide, Capital Stop, Missing in Action Project, National Cathedral

Menu	
December 16-December 20	
Monday	
Grits w/ Sausage or Cereal / Fruit / Juice / Milk	
Chicken Bog or Turkey Chef Salad / Baked Sweet Potato / Collards / Corn / Fruit Cocktail / Apple Wedge	
Tuesday	
Pancakes w/ Sausage or Cereal / Fruit / Juice / Milk	
Chicken Nuggets or Grilled Cheese / French Fries / Broccoli w/ Ranch / Applesauce / Banana	
Wednesday	
Hawaiian Breakfast Sandwich or Cereal / Fruit / Juice / Milk	
Smashed Bowl or HB Steak / Mashed Potatoes / Garden Salad / Corn / Orange Wedge / Sliced Peaches / Roll	
Thursday	
Breakfast Pizza or Cereal / Fruit / Juice / Milk	
Seasoned Chicken or Beef Dippers / Pinto Beans / Rice w/ Gravy / Corn on Cob / Green Beans / Orange Wedge	
Friday	
Pancake Pups or Cereal / Fruit / Juice / Milk	
Cheese Pizza or Fish Nuggets / Garden Salad / Cole Slaw / Fried Okra / Pineapple	

Dear Parents,

Please note that parents may **not** volunteer at school or chaperone field trips without completing a volunteer application. All volunteer applications are online. Please visit the link below. While we understand that this may be inconvenient, this is a policy that ensures the safety of our children. If you choose not to complete the form, you will not be able to volunteer or chaperone a field trip. Thanks for your anticipated cooperation.

www.horrycountyschools.net

[Click on Families](#)

[Scroll down to Volunteer at HCS](#)

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Transportation Changes

Attention Parents

All transportation changes must be received at the school by 2:00 PM. If no written notification is received by 2:00 PM, your child will follow regular procedures for returning home.

Transportation changes must be submitted in writing, fax, or in person.

Phone call changes will not be accepted due to our safety procedures.

IMPORTANT DATES

December 16	5th Grade Spelling Bee
December 20	Pajama Day
December 23-January 3	School Closed

Title I

Waterway Elementary School receives federal funding through Title I. A copy of the Title I school wide project can be reviewed in our school's front office. Parents are encouraged to provide feedback with regards to school wide Title I initiatives.

Nondiscrimination Policy Statement- Spanish

Las escuelas del condadoHorry no discriminan por razones de raza, religión, color, nacionalidad, sexo, discapacidad, edad, estado migratorio, dominio del idioma inglés o ninguna otra característica protegida por la ley federal o la ley de Carolina del Sur aplicable en sus programas o actividades. Las siguientes personas han sido designadas para manejar las preguntas relacionadas con las políticas de no discriminación:

En relación con el Título IX dirijase a Paul Hickman, Director Especialista IV, Proyectos Especiales; para la Sección 504 o Ley de Americanos con Discapacidades contacte a Mollie Laut, Directora de Educación Especial y para cualquier otro asunto comuníquese con Bill Latham, Funcionario Principal de Asuntos de Políticas y Procedimientos. Puede llamar al 843-488-6700 o comunicarse con las Escuelas del Condado de Horry en 1605 Horry Street, Conway, SC 29527.

Nondiscrimination Policy Statement- English

Horry County Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, immigrant status, English-speaking status, or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal or S.C. law in its programs or activities.

The following people have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Title IX to Paul Hickman, Principal Specialist IV – Special Projects; for Section 504 or the Americans with Disabilities Act to Mollie Laut, Director of Special Education; and for all others contact Bill Latham, Chief Officer for Policy and Procedural Issues. You may call 843-488-6700 or contact Horry County Schools at 1605 Horry Street, Conway, SC 29527.