

# Hiteon Highlights

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**District Goal (2010-2015):** All students will show continuous progress toward their personal learning goals, developed in collaboration with teachers and parents, and will be prepared for post-secondary education and career success.

## Principal's Message:

I hope everyone is having a great new year! Many great things are happening at Hiteon!

The Beaverton School District has received nearly \$3 million more in local option revenue than the original projected amount of \$15 million. This is due to the actual tax collections received from November to mid-December 2013, an improving economy and property values. The purpose of the local option levy was to prevent teacher cuts, restore some previously cut teaching positions and address some extreme class sizes. The local option revenue does not restore multiple years of budget reductions (\$142 million), but it does change the trajectory in a positive way.

Over the last few weeks, we have worked collaboratively with principals to identify teaching areas to be addressed with these additional local option funds. The funds will be targeted to reduce larger class sizes and increase student achievement. The process involved reviewing current class size and achievement data. Every school benefited from these additional funds.

This is another opportunity for all schools to prepare students to be college and career ready, and to meet the different needs of our students. We are grateful to our supportive and generous community as **WE** work together to help every student succeed.

At Hiteon, we will be using these local option resources to provide additional teacher support in Kindergarten through fifth grade in the areas of math and reading. These resources are available to us for the second half of the year. Thank you again for your generous support of our students.

## Statewide Assessments

Statewide assessments will begin next month. Parents should be reminded to have their students get plenty of rest and eat a healthy breakfast. Students in third, fourth, and fifth grades will be taking the statewide multiple-choice tests. They will all be tested in reading and math. Fifth graders will also take a science test. The testing window is from now until May. Please encourage your students to do their best and give their all. I am sure our students will shine.

## Upcoming Events

### January 2014

- 17th Newsletter
- 20th **Holiday-School Closed**
- 23rd **Passport Check Day**
- 24th Writing Celebration w/Principal  
Popcorn Sales
- 27th **Staff Development**  
**No Students**

- 31st Newsletter

### February 2014

- 14th Valentine Parties  
Hawk Squawk  
Newsletter
- 17th **President's Day School Closed**
- 19th 6:30pm PTC General Meeting  
6:30pm District Listening  
Session
- 20th Passport
- 21st Writing Celebration w/Principal  
Popcorn Sales
- 28th Bingo Night  
Newsletter

### March 2014

#### Read Across America Week

- 3rd All School Read In
- 5th Dress like a Character in  
a book day
- 6th Kindergarten Orientation  
9:00am
- 7th Book Gallery Favorite Book  
outside classroom
- 9th Daylight Savings
- 10th **Budget Reduction Day**  
**No School**
- 14th **Grading Day No Students**
- 19th 9:00am PTC General  
Meeting
- 20th Passport Check Day
- 21st Writing Celebration w/Principal  
Popcorn Sales  
Report Cards Go Home
- 24-28 Spring Break - School Closed

## **PBIS Expectations**

Our staff is a Positive Behavior Intervention Support school. We will continue to update you with information and common language that will help you talk with your child at home. The three common rules are: Be Safe, Be Responsible, and Be Respectful.

Positive Behavior Support continues to be taught in the classrooms. Students have had lessons that teach expectations in all areas of the building. Students are doing an excellent job with their behavior. We have had lots of High Fives for students doing the right behaviors. Each month we have a drawing and students are chosen from each class. They are recognized and rewarded at lunch in our cafeteria. Please continue to encourage positive behavior at school.

## **Kindergarten Parents**

Do you have, or know of, a child who will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2014? If so, please contact our front office, so that we can put you, or your friend on our mailing list to receive information outlining Kindergarten Orientation, March 6, 9:00am and the fall enrollment process.

Additionally, if you want your child to be enrolled in our Full day Kindergarten next year, please come to our office ASAP to fill out the enrollment forms and the necessary paperwork. All paperwork for Full day Kindergarten is due no later than March 6th. If we have more students than anticipated signing up for the full-day session, a lottery will take place.

## **Science Fair Information**

Hello Hiteon Parents,

It's that time of year again. Time for the Hiteon Science Fair! The fair is on Thursday, March 13th, from 6:30-8pm in the gym. Project setup is from 5-6:30pm. Each project receives a free project board.

Entry forms and other Science Fair information are available from Hiteon's web site:

<http://hiteonptc.org/our-enrichment-programs/science-fair/>

An entry form is also attached to this email. Entry forms may be turned in to your student's classroom and are due by Thursday, February 13. Project boards will be distributed soon thereafter.

This year's theme is "Have Fun with Science!"

Best regards,

Frank Braun

Science Fair co-chair

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