

# Hiteon Highlights

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## Hiteon Mission Statement

*Hiteon is a community dedicated to providing an educational experience in which everyone can reach their full potential and make positive societal contributions. We strive to enhance personal, community, and global identities while developing life-long learners.*



## Principal's Message:

Dear Hiteon Families,

It was wonderful to see so many of our families attend Parent Teacher Conferences this week. One strong predictor of student success is the level of parent involvement in their child's education. We encourage and enjoy parent, teacher, and school collaboration, because together, we can make a difference for children. Thank you for showing your support for your child and greater Hiteon by attending conferences.

The 2015-2016 School and District report cards were made public this week. You may access a copy of the state-provided school and school district performance report at <http://www.ode.state.or.us/data/reportcard/reports.aspx>. It is through the lens of the BSD pillar of Excellence that we are pleased to announce our progress, especially in the area of English Language Arts, where we saw tremendous growth. Math also continues to be well above the state performance percentage and that of other like school averages.

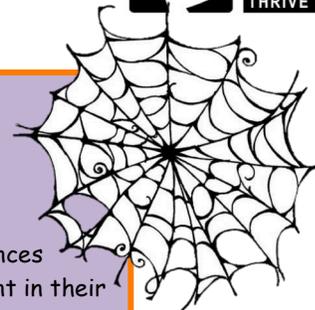
While we are proud of our efforts reflected in the Report Card, we are constantly striving to ensure all students are making academic growth. To help with this effort, this past week our Special Education, English Language Development, and Intervention Teams came together to collaborate around one of our action items, which is Curriculum Mapping. Our target is to increase consistency for our learners by ensuring all teachers know students' Power Words as determined by the IRLA reading assessment and utilize grade-level PYP themes and vocabulary words within writing and student interactions. We are also having rich discussions on how teams can differentiate their math instruction to ensure students are all receiving instruction that is at their level. We will continue to share the areas that we are focused on this year in our upcoming Newsletters. You may also find out more by attending one of our future Coffee Chats or PTC meetings.

A little side note from Principal Warren;

I'll be taking a 3 month maternity leave beginning mid-January. In my absence, Monica Arbow, Hiteon's current Assistant Principal, will be the acting Principal. Please help me congratulate and support her in this role. I am confident that Hiteon will be in great hands under her leadership and guidance. Also, a former Beaverton Administrator, Peter Clark will join Hiteon as Interim Assistant Principal. He will be supporting Monica, our staff, students, and community. As January gets closer Peter will be visiting Hiteon and meeting our large Hiteon family!

Warm regards, Meghan Warren

Meghan Warren and Monica Arbow



## Upcoming Events

### October 2016

24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> Book Fair  
26<sup>th</sup> Passport Check  
27<sup>th</sup> Passport Check  
31<sup>st</sup> Halloween

### November 2016

2<sup>nd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Options School  
Parent Night 6:00-7:00pm  
2<sup>nd</sup> PTC General Meeting 7:00pm  
9<sup>th</sup> Art Lit Training - Cafeteria  
8:30 - 10:15am  
School Assembly  
10<sup>th</sup> Staff Development Day -  
No Students  
11<sup>th</sup> Veteran's Day - No Students  
16<sup>th</sup> Passport Check  
17<sup>th</sup> Passport Check  
Picture Re-Take Day  
18<sup>th</sup> Popcorn Friday  
23-25<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Holiday -  
School Closed  
28<sup>th</sup> Grading Day - No Students



## Christine's Counselor Corner

Each month I'll have announcements or tidbits here for our wider Hiteon community. It is such an honor and privilege to be part of such a wonderful group of families.

### Fifth Grade Parents: Middle School Options & Your Child Hiteon Parent Night on November 2nd, 6:00-7:00pm

As your children have just started fifth grade, it seems too early to start talking about middle school, doesn't it?!! However, open houses for the various option schools begin in November, so here we are talking about middle school and it's only October!

The option school applications open on October 24th and close on January 4th. There is no advantage in applying early, so if you're interested in learning more about the middle school options and process, please plan to attend Hiteon's Fifth Grade Parent Night and/or individual option school open houses before sending in the application.

With a wide array of choices for middle school, including our excellent neighborhood Conestoga Middle School, it can sometimes be a challenge to select the one that best fits your child's learning style and interests. With that in mind, please join us at Hiteon on Wednesday, November 2nd, from 6:00-7:00 pm, for a special Fifth Grade Parent Night on Middle School Options and Your Child. We'll have information about each of the schools and the open houses. We'll explain the application process, as well as what happens if your child's name isn't selected in the lottery, and how second consideration works.

It can sometimes be a daunting task to navigate this process, so we want to make it as informative and easy as possible! This is a great opportunity to bring your questions. Hope to see many of you on the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Please note that this evening is for parents only. Your children will receive information on the middle school options and process during classroom guidance lessons.

For more information on middle school options, please check the Beaverton School District website: <https://www.beaverton.k12.or.us/depts/tchlrn/opts/Pages/default.aspx>

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## NUTRITION SERVICES

Nutrition Services has revisited the meal charging and emergency meal policy. Students can charge up to three meals and after the third charge, they receive an emergency meal. An emergency meal is unlimited salad bar and a milk.

Your child's meal account works the same as a debit account. Money is deposited into the account and as purchases are made, money is deducted. Once a child's account does not have enough money to cover a purchase of a meal, then the account is "charged."

School Cafe is a great tool to use to stay updated as to the status of your child's account. <https://www.schoolcafe.com/initial>. For a small fee, you can pay online using a debit or credit card. You can also manage your child's account to receive notifications once the account reaches a certain balance (no fee).

If there is a change in a family's financial situation, parents can apply for meal benefits up to the last day of school. <https://mealapplications.beaverton.k12.or.us/Register.aspx>

## **2015-16 School and District Report Cards**

School and district report cards for the 2015-16 school year are available at: <http://www.ode.state.or.us/data/reportcard/reports.aspx>. (Select Beaverton in the District Selection drop-down menu). I welcome the opportunity to share this information with you on the progress we are making to improve academic achievement for **each** student in the District. We are making progress.

State report cards began fifteen years ago when the 1999 Oregon Legislature passed a law requiring every public school and district to receive a report from the Oregon Department of Education about how they are performing overall. Given the recent passage of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and the expiration of Oregon's ESEA flexibility waiver on August 1, 2016, the State of Oregon will not assign an overall rating to schools for the 2015-16 school year. Our school ratings in the areas of student achievement and student growth on state assessments and graduation rates are available in our Report Card Rating Detail Sheet at the link above.

At Hiteon WE are committed to using this information to help tailor our school improvement plans and academic programs to meet the needs of **every** student. During the year I will communicate with you frequently about student achievement and programs in place at our school to foster student learning and success.

If you have questions about our report card, please contact me. You may also have suggestions for improvements. Please share them! Thank you!

El reporte de desempeño de las escuelas y del distrito del año escolar 2015-16 están disponibles en: <http://www.ode.state.or.us/data/reportcard/reports.aspx>. (En el menú de opciones de la selección del Distrito, escoja Beaverton). Me complace el tener la oportunidad de compartir esta información con usted sobre el progreso que estamos logrando para mejorar el aprovechamiento académico de **cada** estudiante en el Distrito. Nosotros estamos progresando.

El reporte de desempeño de las escuelas y distritos escolares de todo el estado empezaron hace quince años cuando la legislatura de Oregon en 1999 aprobó una ley que requiere que todas las escuelas públicas y del distrito reciban un reporte del Departamento de Educación de Oregon acerca de cómo les va en general. Dada la reciente aprobación de la Ley Cada Estudiante Triunfa (Every Student Succeeds Act, ESSA) y el vencimiento de la dispensa de flexibilidad ESEA de Oregon el 1° de agosto de 2016, el Estado de Oregon no asignará una calificación en general a las escuelas para el año escolar 2015-16. Usted encontrará las calificaciones escolares en las áreas de aprovechamiento, mejoramiento y graduación estudiantil de las pruebas estatales en la Guía para Calificaciones en el enlace mencionado arriba.

TODOS NOSOTROS en Hiteon nos comprometemos a usar esta información para acoplarnos a los planes de mejoramiento y a los programas académicos de la escuela para satisfacer, de esta manera, las necesidades de **cada** estudiante. Durante este año, yo me comunicaré frecuentemente con usted acerca de los programas y aprovechamiento estudiantil de nuestra escuela para fomentar el aprendizaje y el éxito.

Si usted tiene alguna pregunta acerca de nuestro reporte de desempeño, por favor póngase en contacto conmigo. Usted también puede darnos sus sugerencias para mejorar. ¡Por favor compártalas! ¡Muchas Gracias!

## SPECIALIZED PROGRAM CLASSES AT HITEON

Hiteon is home to two Specialized Program Classes called the Emotional Growth Center (EGC). At Hiteon we believe all students can be successful and embrace the diversity of student learning inherent in our community.

### About the EGC

The Beaverton School District's *Emotional Growth Centers* are specialized programs that serve students with emotional and behavioral needs. These students may have a variety of different eligibilities, diagnoses, and behaviors.

The EGC serves provides several important functions. These are;

- A. Specially Designed Instruction
- B. Emotional & Behavioral Accommodations
- C. Mainstreaming Support

### The EGC Philosophy

**THE EGC IS AN ACADEMIC PROGRAM:** The EGC is set up so that students can access as much of their mainstream education as possible while making both academic and social progress. It is the primary intention that the EGC will provide the supports necessary so students can progress academically. The district expectation is that it looks and functions as much like a regular classroom as possible.

**THE EGC IS AN INCLUSION PROGRAM:** EGC students are mainstreamed into regular classes as much as possible. Students do not *earn* the right to access the mainstream, they access it as much as their behavior will allow. Students attend special programs, and (in middle and high school) transition between classes. We provide a number of supports to help students in this environment, sometimes including staff support in classes.

### THE EGC IS USES A POSITIVE AND PROACTIVE APPROACH TO MANAGING BEHAVIOR

EGC programs utilize a positive approach towards encouraging appropriate behavior and teaching relevant social and emotional skills. Our approach towards classroom management is positive, proactive and collaborative.

**WE TEACH SKILLS:** The EGC is a program which helps students develop social and emotional skills. EGCs teach curriculums of skills based on their student's needs and abilities to help students develop more adaptive skills.

**WE BELIEVE IN RELATIONSHIPS:** The EGC is a place where students can develop healthy relationships with educational staff. The small student-teacher ratio and the support of instructional assistants helps students develop relationships and get individualized assistance. We believe that having a good rapport with our students is a precondition to their success. We also believe in having ongoing communication with parents and regular education teachers in our building. Our ability to liaison with teachers is a major factor in helping our students be successful in mainstream.

**WE ARE A TEAM:** The EGC is not just a teacher, but a team consisting of the teacher, paraprofessionals, school psychologists, facilitators, administrators and other specialists. EGC teachers receive and incorporate consultation from a variety of places. Our programs are not islands: they are integrated with the rest of the building and with district. Program consultation is designed to build healthy programs that serve the needs of students and create effective learning environments. Our consultation model helps create programs that are grounded in best practice principles. Consultation helps maintain the integrity of our program over time, and through changes in staff, students and administration. Programs receive consultation from many different sources.



## Sports Youth Development Programs

*Students who play on high school Youth Development Program (YDP) athletic teams need to participate based on the current 2016-17 boundaries.*

*At this time, students are not to attend tryouts for a school they will be attending in the fall of 2017 or in later years based on the new high school boundaries.*

## OCTOBER VOLUNTEERING!

Please remember that when volunteering, any little ones you have must stay home.

This is Hiteon's policy on volunteering.



### Volunteers Needed for the following Events

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10/9	10/10	10/11	10/12	10/13	10/14	10/15
10/16	10/17	10/18	10/19	10/20	10/21	10/22
10/23	10/24 - Book Fair	10/25 - Book Fair	10/26 - Book Fair & Passport Check	10/27 - Book Fair & Passport Check	10/28 - Book Fair	10/29
10/30	10/31					

These activities and more can be found under the opportunities at

[WWW.MYVOLUNTEERPAGE.COM](http://WWW.MYVOLUNTEERPAGE.COM)

If you have any questions please email [Volcoord@HiteonPTC.org](mailto:Volcoord@HiteonPTC.org)



PASSPORT CHECK IS  
OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup> & 27<sup>TH</sup>

## HITEON BOOK FAIR

Ahoy, mates! The Hiteon Book Fair will be October 24 – 28 in the library! Our theme this year is “Bookaneers! Where Books are the Treasure!” The Book Fair will be open until 3:00 p.m. every day. Parents are encouraged to come and do their shopping after school. We do, however, ask that parents who have not yet done a background check through the district not come during school hours.

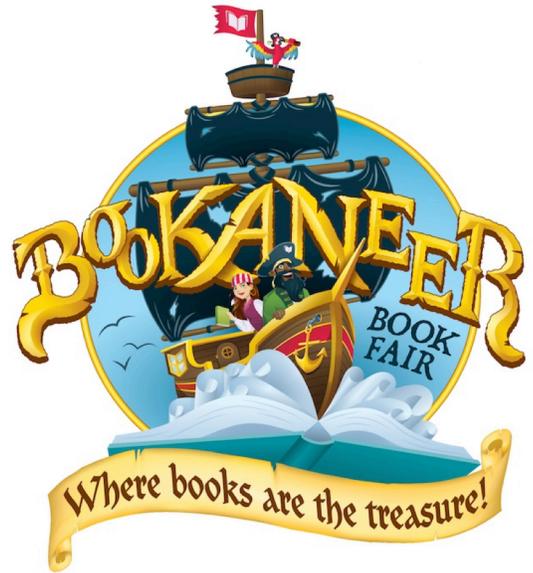
Book Fair flyers went out this week with the day and time your student(s) will be at the Fair. Students without money on the day of the fair will still be encouraged to make a wish list. They can then return to the fair later in the week to purchase books, or books can be purchased online. The online Book Fair, as well, will run through November 4, 2016. You can order online here: <http://www.scholastic.com/bf/hiteon>

If you are ordering holiday gifts from students' wish lists, please notate that in the comments section, and we will wrap the books when they arrive to keep the surprise.

Up to 50% of the purchase price will go to purchase books and supplies for the Hiteon Library.

We are also looking for volunteers to help kids find their new favorite book! Two-hour shifts are available now on MyVolunteerPage (if you need a shorter schedule, don't hesitate to ask). Volunteers get 10% off their purchases!

**R.M. Strong**  
**Book Fair Coordinator**



### COMMUNITY FLYERS

For fun Fall activities, sports, camps and community events, please copy this link in your browser [Beaverton School District's Approved Flyers Page](#).

You will find a complete list of all the flyers that have been approved by the District for distribution. Due to administrative and cost limitations we are unable to provide hard copies of flyers.

If you are interested in having a flyer reviewed for approval you will find the review process on this same link. Once flyers are approved, you are welcome to bring copies for the Community Shelf located in Hiteon's Main Office.