



Hudson High School

Quarterly Attendance Newsletter- Quarter 2 2016-17

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# Good Attendance in School Matters!

What you can do to support your students.



## Why Chronic Absenteeism Matters for Parents and Families:

“Your child’s daily, on-time attendance, in school is critical to his or her success in school and in life. It is understandable that some challenges to your child’s school attendance are unavoidable, such as an illness or a family emergency. However, it is important to understand the impact of absences from school, especially if they become frequent. **Chronic absenteeism**, typically defined as missing **10 percent (18 days) or more of a school year** – as few as a couple of days per month – can cause your child to fall behind in school. Absences can add up and impact your child’s reading, writing, and math skills, which will have a negative effect on his or her future”.

<http://www2.ed.gov/about/inits/ed/chronicabsenteeism/toolkit.pdf>

**HSHS Community Schools representatives are here to help!**



Community Schools at HSHS provides transportation, mentoring, and acts as a liaison between HSHS families and the school; please contact:

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Nicole's Bio: My name is Nicole Ramirez and I was born in Brooklyn N.Y. I moved to Hudson in the summer of 1999 and attended Hudson High School as well as Questar III for Law Enforcement. Prior to working as a Community Schools Coordinator, I worked in the nursing field for fourteen years, but I have always had a passion for working with kids and their families. I can relate to many of the struggles families face everyday, and I enjoy being a part of a team that seeks to help kids handle their lives more productively. "It takes a village" to raise a child, and as a Community Schools Coordinator, I hope to help bridge the gap between school life and home life.

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## Did you know that as a part of the HCSD PBIS Initiative, the High School rewards students for being on time to class?

- Every week we pick 2 names per grade from a list of students that were on time to ALL OF THEIR CLASSES THAT WEEK.
- Those students are then called to Mr. Hernandez's room to choose their prize.
- Prizes vary, but recently we have been giving away t-shirts, gift cards and coming soon movie tickets!
- See the HSHS PBIS Page for more of our initiatives:

<http://www.hudsoncityschooldistrict.com/PBIS/PBIS-SHS/index.php>

### Important dates coming up:

#### **FEBRUARY (15 Pupil Days)**

20 Presidents' Day  
21-24 Winter Recess

#### **MARCH (22 Pupil Days)**

17\* Supt. Conference Day  
28-30 ELA Testing

#### **APRIL (14 Pupil Days)**

14 Good Friday  
17-21 Spring Recess

#### **MAY (22 Pupil Days)**

2-4 Math Testing  
16 1/2 day Supt. Conference  
29 Memorial Day

\*In the event that we use up all of our snow days, the HCSD lists the **Emergency Closing Make-Up Days** in the order that they will be used: **April 21st, April 20th, April 19th.**



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