

Principal Messages (9/21/07)

1) HTH Students Achieving Standards in the Community

Students are on the move! Many of our students are engaged in contextual projects, thanks to our many business partners. Some of the current activities include:

a) Thursday, 9/20/07 Misty Thomas was recognized by "Spirit of Youth" public broadcasting network that showcases students around Alaska who have gone beyond the norm and excelled in a service project. Misty is instrumental for helping create, produce, present, and disseminates FAS/FAE materials around Alaska. Ashley Shipley has also been recognized for her work on this 2-year project with the ASD's STEP Center next door to HTH.

b) Wednesday, 9/26/07 Brenden Turney and Mason Smales will be conducting a job shadow with Paul Brooks from Aero-Metric, Inc. in engineering.

c) Monday, 10/1/07 Bridget Lee and Jessica Bailey will begin work with C.J. Stiegele, Highland Tech former principal, to compile and present "Women of Achievement" at the Egan Center in December. They will be representing HTH and women of Anchorage everywhere.

d) Leah Cabrido is working as an intern for ASD's Training and Professional Development office next door to HTH. This is the first step for HTH to get to know our neighbors in a way that shows off our awesome students and what we can do to help next door. Thanks, also, to Sini Aho, for volunteering at ASD with Leah.

e)) Friday 9/27/07 Lisa Wagner will be conducting a job shadow in broadcasting with David Molletti, from Channel 14 (ASD's broadcasting channel).

2) Lego's and Robotics are up and running! Thanks to our many parents who have stepped forward to help out, we enjoyed a presentation from Gordon Scott, and his two sons, John and Christopher, at our school this past week. Bringing in a game board, they got our team excited about the upcoming build that we will be competing in January! Ayme Johnson, our lead science teacher, will be the LEGOs coach, along with Denis Dewane, one of our parents. The robotics and LEGOs teams are getting set to make presentations to business partners around the area. Thanks to the many parents who are contributing their time twice a month to provide input and direction!

7th/8th Graders: LEGO-ROBOTICS: We are geared up for an energetic year for Lego-robotics. We're amped up for our research project and for our table competition. For more information, email Ms. A. Johnson: johnson_amelia@asdk12.org

3) Our 2007/2008 Yearbook is on sale now! \$50 until December 31, and \$65 after that. Don't wait! You can order it on-line, directly from the link on the front of our web site: www.highlandtech.org. We are currently selling ads for anyone who would like to "sponsor" a page (\$20) all the way up to a full-page ad for businesses (\$400). For more information, please contact: Vanessa Stucky, yearbook editor, or Roxy Kohler, teacher.

4) HTH will be conducting a blood drive on Monday, Oct. 1, 2007 from 8am - noon. Thanks to the leadership of Scarlett Rednall and our business partner, Tristan Fackler. Please consider donating blood, or helping with the school-wide service project. For more information, please contact: kohler_roxy@asdk12.org

5) U-MED Fest at Goose Lake Park was a big success! Thanks to our business partner, State Representative,

Sharon Cissna, HTH was able to help plan and conduct this all-day fun, games, and health information event. Creating a public service announcement for television, planning game events, volunteering with other schools (KCC, East HS, Dimond HS, UAA, APU) our students provided lots of assistance to vendors at the Park. Many of our students also came and participated in the many events, such as the climbing wall, volleyball, stretching exercises, 1-mile run, etc. Several HTH students are working on a presentation for the evaluation / refinement for next year's event that will be delivered to Representative Cissna. Way to go, HTH students!!

6) Father Michael Oleksa has been assisting HTH students, once again, with their research projects on cross-cultural communications. In return, HTH students are completing his web site: www.fatheroleksa.org. Any comments, suggestions are welcome. Please contact: kohler_roxy@asdk12.org.

7) Alaska Scientists of the Future Project

We just returned from a fun and _safe trip to Denali National Park. Rachel McKenna and Jerry Coulter _proudly represented Highland Tech High as they asked questions, _collected data, updated daily blogs and created a movie based on _their experiences. Please visit our website: www.futurescientists.org. We will continue this amazing science _program while focusing on our local project this year. For more _information, email Ms. A. Johnson: johnson_amelia@asdk12.org

8) Upcoming Events (you can check school calendar all the time at our website)

Information Nights
7:00-8:00 PM

September 25 & 27

(new applications) 7:00-8:00 PM	October 2nd
Stakeholder Meeting 6:30-8:00 PM	September 26th
HSGQE (re-takes) Mornings	October 2-4th
APC (Board Meeting) 6:00-7:30 PM	October 10th

If you have any questions, please call Ms. Jan, Administrative Assistant, at 742-1700 OR check out our website at www.highlandtech.org for downloads of calendars, schedules, previous Principal Messages, and/or eDucate.

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