

April 2021



May 2021

# Twin Hills Elementary School

*“Students Today; Leaders Tomorrow!”*

**“You and I– Back together again!”** ~Roberta Flack & Donny Hathaway

One year and one month later, we are returning to in-person instruction. We all felt the distance. The loss of connection was expressed by many students who repeatedly asked, “When can I come back to school?” Little did they know that deep down I wanted to know the same thing!

The students returning to the school building is one step toward a sense of familiarity, but it does not negate many of the new ways of living that are still very much our reality. Remaining together will be based on our maintaining health protocols designed to keep us all safe. I have no doubt that our Superstar families and students will adhere to every safety expectations. To families who thought it best to continue distanced learning, our virtual students remain just as valuable to our school community. There are intentional efforts being made to provide equally fulfilling learning experiences for all students, whether they remain online or are physically present in class.

Deep gratitude is extended to the men of the Nu Nu Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., WPD Officer Landry, and WFD Deputy Chief Friddell for welcoming our students with smiles and cheers on their first day. Knowing how dedicated the staff is to our students makes me all the more confident we will finish this school year healthy and strong, doing what Superstars do– ***Shine Brightly!*** ~Dr. Nock

Principal's Message...



## Help Twin Hills to Help the Earth!

Student Council will be selling flower seeds as an Earth Day fundraiser. The proceeds of the fundraiser will go towards an organization that is replanting trees in the rainforest. Students will also be permitted to plant their seeds at school to beautify Twin Hills.

- **Cost:** Seed packets are \$1.50 each
- **Dates:** April 22nd (Thurs), April 23rd (Fri), April 26th (Mon), and April 27th (Tues).
- **Where:** Twin Hills (at classes during lunch)

**Ms. Senior has also devised a special Earth Day project for the art classes!**

## Career Explorations

It is never too early for students to begin thinking about how they one day want to professionally contribute to the world around them. In keeping with that sentiment, Twin Hills is hosting our annual Career Day on Wednesday, May 12th. All students will learn about different jobs and careers with hopes of igniting interest for their futures.



## TH Honor Society- Alpha Chapter

Twin Hills National Elementary Honor Society candidates are hard at work earning service hours needed to for full induction. Under the direction of this year's advisors, Ms. Senior and Mr. Cossabone, candidates have done the following:

- Created an [NEHS Reading Room](#), containing reading videos made by the candidates for their younger peers to enjoy
- Raised \$835 for the [Leukemia and Lymphoma Society](#), exceeding the goal by \$335. Thank you to all who joined our Hero Squad to make a difference!

## Partnering for Endangered Species

The pandemic did not stop Twin Hills' 6-year partnership with the Philadelphia Zoo to save an endangered species. Classes have annually undertaken the daunting, but necessary, task of changing the world- one endangered species at a time. Please see Mrs. Snyder and Mrs. Grimes [Unless Campaign Bitmoji Room](#) to learn how they worked this year to save The Golden Lion Tamarind.

Students engaged in the year-long project rooted in cross-curricular learning, community service, and environmental responsibility experiences.

**“Building the future begins today!”**

## Reopening Reminders!

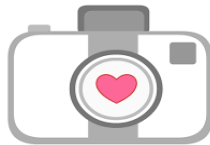
**Option 1- Hybrid Instruction:** We are excited to announce that we have successfully transitioned our school will be transitioning to hybrid instruction. The following information will support students that have returned to in-person instruction:

- **Parking Lot Safety**
  - Visitors are not permitted to drive or park in the bus/emergency lanes.
  - Follow the directions posted on the parking lot signs and be on alert for students.
- **In-Person Student Schedule**
  - Students' in-person assignment days can be found in Genesis.
  - A Days- Monday & Tuesday
  - B Days- Thursday & Friday
  - C Days- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday
  - Wednesday is a synchronous day. All student instruction will be virtual. They will follow the concurrent instructional model.
- **School Times**
  - Student Arrival- 8:30-8:50
  - Student Dismissal- 1:20
- **Uniforms**
  - The uniform policy will be relaxed for the remainder of the school year. Uniforms are recommended but will not be enforced.
- **Masks**
  - Students must wear masks at all times.
  - The school will issue all students two masks each month. The masks are washable.
  - Students will only be permitted to wear district-issued masks, surgical masks, or school/district logos.
- **Breakfast/Lunch**
  - Breakfast will be Grab-and-Go. Students will eat breakfast in the classrooms.
  - All students are eligible for a free breakfast and lunch and are not permitted to share food or personal items.
  - Lunches will be delivered to the classrooms. Students will eat in their class. Students are permitted to bring lunch. Teachers can take students outside their classrooms for recess if weather permits. However, they are not permitted to go to the playground at this time.

### Spring Picture Day

Please view the [Instructional Video](#) for ordering instructions.

- Picture Day Dates:
  - **A & C Day: May 4th**
  - **B & C Day: May 6th**
  - **D Day:** Parents are permitted to bring virtual students to the Library Door Entrance between 1:45 and 2:45 pm on both days. Parents must wait outside to take them home.
- Picture Day ID: **EVTW8FQ8R**



### Guidance Words of the Month

**April: Persistence:** is the ability to stick with something.

**May: Trustworthiness:** is the ability to keep promises, to be honest, reliable and principled while never inappropriately betraying a confidence

### Quarter 1 & 2 Honor Roll

**Darius Nelson– Grade 1– Ms. Onyango**



## April 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Good Friday School Closed	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>Spring Break-School Closed</b>						
11	12 School Board Mtg.	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 End of 3rd Quarter	21	22	23	24
25	26 School Board Mtg	27	28	29 Report Cards Available @ 4pm	30	



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9	10 School Board Mtg.	11	12	13	14	15
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23	24 School Board Mtg Memorial Day	25 Progress Reports	26	27	28	29
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