



## HEP TX Monthly News Blast

### January/February 2024

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Welcome to 2024 and our Spring Semester!

We hope each of you enjoyed your holidays and you are ready to jump into our Spring Semester with both feet. Please see below for important dates and information.

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### **Safety & Security for HEP TX**

**Parking Lot Safety & Logistics** – Please watch out for students walking between vehicles. During busy times we try to help watch, but it is not possible to always have eyes in all places and at all times. Also, when you are backing out of parking places use extra caution. Please leave room for a vehicle to pass you in the driving zone. Our parking lot has a lot of little ones crossing and we do not want to have an accident.



We have a marked handicapped parking spot (to the right of the sidewalk), so please DO NOT park in this place unless you are handicapped. We have a sign, but it is not directly in front of the handicapped space.

We hope to mark the parking in front of the sidewalk with yellow stripes. This will allow a wider area for people to walk to the sidewalk instead of walking between the cars. So, until marked, please do not park in front of the sidewalk or in the handicapped parking place unless handicapped.

# IMPORTANT SECURITY UPDATE!!!!

**Security Card Checkup** – Last summer, many parents expressed concerns about building safety. We listened to you and implemented an expensive security system at the front entrance to the school. Coupled with our security cameras, employee training, and the security identification system, we have met your concerns about school security. **Now, we need your help as many students are not taking the SECURITY CARDS seriously.** These cards are a key to the building. If lost, they leave the school vulnerable. Therefore, we ask that all parents talk with their students and reiterate the serious breach of security that is created when a card is lost or stolen.

Please check with your students who received a security card to make sure they still have them. Since these cards allow access to our building, all lost cards need to be deactivated immediately and the student issued a new card. A \$25.00 fee will be charged for replacements. Some students are not bringing their cards and are ringing the doorbell.



This next week we will have a security card check to see if students still have possession of their cards. All students should wear the security card on a lanyard (available from Mrs. Henry) around their necks so that we can quickly see them. As students enter the building, we will note if they have their cards. If they do not have their cards, we will mark the card as lost and the card will be deactivated for safety reasons. If the student forgot his card, he will be allowed to bring the card to the office when he comes on campus again. We will then reactivate it. If students do NOT have their cards, and do not bring them to the office for the security check, the family will be billed \$25.00 for a replacement. Please understand we implemented this system for safety reasons. We need to make sure everyone's cards are accounted for. We will deactivate lost ones and issue new ones.

Parents and other visitors need to ring the doorbell for entry without a keycard. We ask all parents/visitors to check in at the front counter BEFORE GOING TO CLASSROOMS.

**WORK INTERRUPTION:** Please use the security cards as they save our office workers from being constantly interrupted while working. Can you imagine our staff having to answer the doorbell 40-50 times a day? This is how many students are NOT using their security cards.

**We are serious about safety at HEP TX!**



## Handy Reminders:

- Students should not arrive prior to 8:40 a.m. for a 9 a.m. class. The SECURITY cards do not work until 8:40 am.
- Please do not ring the doorbell. Bring your security card. This is another layer of security as the card shows you are present on campus.
- There is no microwave available for heating lunches.
- Students should remember to bring their own napkins and eating utensils.
- The Great Room is for all to enjoy. Please remind your students to clean up after themselves. There are cleaning wipes provided to wipe down their tables, and food, etc. should not be left after they have returned to class.
- Students should print papers at home. This service is no longer available.
- Jr. High and High School students should use their security cards to enter the building even when leaving for lunch, etc. This helps us monitor students on campus.



### **Please remember that HEP and our families are partners in education.**

In order for students to be successful in their classes, parents must work with their students at home. Check the weekly assignment sheet and help your student plan a study/homework schedule. Check the student's work. Proof-read papers. Make sure the student has the backpack ready the night before class.

Parents, you are the keys to making sure the students are successful! Don't let your student homeschool himself. This does NOT work.

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## **FACEBOOK – FAMILIES OF HEP**

Join today to keep up with the latest breaking news and connect with new friends!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/406491823373423>





## Registration for Spring 2024

Our new location is proving to be extremely popular as many new students have registered over the past several months. We will continue registration until classes are full. We currently have a couple of spots in PreK, K, Monday 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>, and on Tuesdays and Thursdays for both 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.

**NEW CLASSES THIS SPRING:** Logic 1 and 2, Quilting, Sewing, and Adult Sewing. Anna Fuqua, the sewing teacher, will teach beginner sewing and will be adding an adult sewing class on Fridays. Check the fall schedule online at [heptx.com](http://heptx.com) for more information.

**Watch for Courses & Registration for the 2024-2025 School Year in future emails.**



### Calendar of Upcoming Events

- January 8 – 32-week classes begin.
- January 15 – 24-week classes begin (except Sewing/Quilting)
- January 26 – Sewing and Quilting begin.
- January 25 – 2025 Scotland/Ireland Trip @ 3:30 p.m.
- January 25 – Graduation Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
- February 1 – 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School
- March 4-7 – Dr. Suess Week
- March 11-15 – Spring BREAK!
- April 11 – Prom – Fantasea (tickets on sale soon!)
- May 11 – Graduation @ Hope Lutheran Church
- May 14 & 15 – IOWA Testing



### Spring Lunch Fundraiser

Sign Up NOW for our Spring Lunches. We will be ordering from Savannah’s Bakery or Chick Fil A this Spring. See the sign-up sheet in the digital lockers. First lunch, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>.

# Trip to Spain and Morocco



Our trip to Spain and Morocco is fast approaching, and I am excited to announce that there are still open spots for you and your student(s). Spain, the second most visited country in the world, is known for its rich history, culture, and beauty. Join us on this tour and create memories that will last a lifetime.

We are very excited about this trip and would like you to join us.

**TRAVEL WITH SRA. ALEJANDRA GUERRA-MOXEY TO SPAIN.**

**DATES: MARCH 8-16, 2024**

**TO REGISTER, VISIT**

**[WWW.EXPLORICA.COM/GUERRA-4070](http://WWW.EXPLORICA.COM/GUERRA-4070)**

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## SUMMER 24 AND FALL SCHEDULES 24-25

HEP TX is hiring new teachers for both the summer camps and next fall. If you have an idea for a class, please let me know. We are always looking for new and clever ideas for workshops, camps, and classes.

We will add JTT 7, Latin 1, Accounting, and Aviation Year 2 next year. The schedule will be like this year's as this schedule has worked out well for using the building.

We need new teachers for the following areas: English, Geography, Classical School History, Accounting, and Aviation. Please advertise these openings to friends and family. Send resumes to [jjuren@heptx.com](mailto:jjuren@heptx.com).



# School Newspaper

In case you missed what our **AWESOME Journalism class** completed last fall....  
here is a link. Enjoy!

<https://hepinsider.my.canva.site/journalism?fbclid=IwAR1aMKU9ThQBjnVekMDsoNuR6Gh1jEVAzb2sdDOAtPJaWcoXF1jiTTQo8gg>

## Way to go Mrs. Hannah Jones & Class!

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### Chess Club Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Each Month

We had a couple of dedicated chess players come play on Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>, so our next meeting will be on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>. Just a reminder: if you would like to play during the lunch period or during other “break” times, we have two chess sets available in the office.

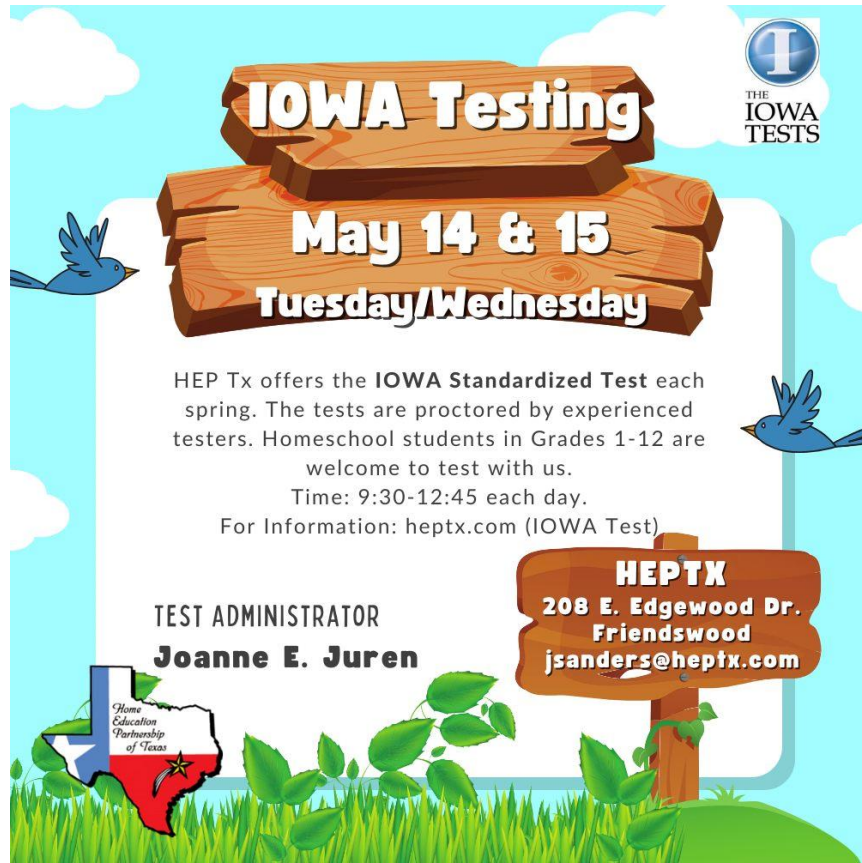
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In case of bad weather and school is cancelled, we will notify you via the TEACHEREASE system.

We will often follow the lead of area school systems.

I will let you know on Sunday evening, 1/14, if we are cancelling school on Monday. If we have school on Monday, I will let you know Monday night or early Tuesday morning if school is cancelled. Always remember, if you do not feel safe, **STAY HOME.**



**IOWA Testing**  
**May 14 & 15**  
**Tuesday/Wednesday**

HEP Tx offers the **IOWA Standardized Test** each spring. The tests are proctored by experienced testers. Homeschool students in Grades 1-12 are welcome to test with us.  
Time: 9:30-12:45 each day.  
For Information: [heptx.com](http://heptx.com) (IOWA Test)

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Home Education Partnership of Texas

The poster features a light blue background with white clouds, two blue birds, and a green grassy field at the bottom. The text is presented on wooden signposts. In the top right corner, there is a logo for 'THE IOWA TESTS' consisting of a blue circle with a white 'I' and the text 'THE IOWA TESTS' below it.



Save the date for a fun night of cruising,  
dinner, dancing, and fun.



**Fantasea Prom**  
April 11, 2024

Home Education Partnership of Texas

The poster has a dark blue background. It features a stylized logo of a blue cruise ship with a white wake, sailing towards a bright orange sun with rays. Three white birds are flying above the ship. The text is in white and light blue. In the bottom right corner, there is a small logo for the Home Education Partnership of Texas, which is a white outline of the state of Texas with a red star and the text 'Home Education Partnership of Texas' inside.

**Tickets on sale SOON!!**