



Hubbell Highlights



An International Baccalaureate World School
Mrs. Carrie Belt, Principal

I.B. Unit 6
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Hubbell Elementary School empowers lifelong learners to meet the challenges of tomorrow's global world.

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL Mrs. Carrie Belt

We don't want ANYONE injured!

Greetings Hubbell Families-

The heading says it all! I'm talking about arrival and dismissal drivers in our parking lot. I am pleading with people to follow the guidelines established during arrival and dismissal times when our parking lot is the busiest. We need EVERYONE to follow the guidelines at all times in order to create the safest routines we can. PLEASE:

- Stay in your vehicle if you're in the line of cars picking students up at the curb.
- Do not park on Center St. in the bus loading zone.
- If you need to come into the building, please use a designated parking spot.
- Be alert for students at all times!

BIKE SAFETY: According to the Des Moines Public Schools Family Handbook students must be in fourth or fifth grades to ride bicycles to school. The only exception to this rule will be if parents are riding to and from school with a student younger than fourth grade. Bicycles are to be placed in the bicycle racks and locked until dismissal. The school is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged bicycles. We strongly encourage students to wear helmets if they ride bikes to school.

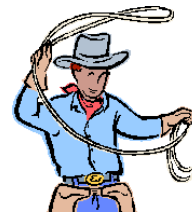
Finally, I want to thank the Hubbell Community for all of the support you give your school. It's a shame every school in Des Moines does not have

the parent, student and community support that Hubbell has. I am truly enjoying my experiences with your children and you.

THANKS!!

MAY AND JUNE CALENDAR

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| May | | |
| 26 | No School | Memorial Day |
| 27 | 3:15 p.m. | Piano Recital |
| 29 | 5:00 | 5 th Grade Promotion At DM Playhouse |
| June | | |
| 2 | 12:00 p.m. | Last Day of School |



KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

Did you miss our round-up in March? Well you can still come in and register for Kindergarten 2014-2015. Just stop in our office anytime between 9:00 - 2:00 Monday - Friday.

- Bring a copy of birth certificate
- Bring a copy of child's immunizations
- Proof of Address
- Your i.d.

If you have any questions - please call the office 242-8414.

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LUNCH MONEY

Please make sure your child has lunch/lunch money for the last week of school and that all lunch loans are repaid. If you are unsure about the amount of loans, you may call the lunchroom at 242-8414. If money is left in your account, it will carry over to the next school year. You can also pay lunch accounts on line now. Just go to the DMPS web page, go to Departments, Food & Nutrition and follow the links. You will need your child's student i.d. number. You can find that on the top right hand side of a report card, on your Infinite Campus page, or call the office and Sherrie can look it up for you.

LAST CHANCE TO CLAIM LOST ITEMS!

PLEASE make time to check the bins outside the office. All unclaimed items will be donated. Thanks!

HUBBELL REGISTRATION 2014 - 2015

Watch your child's Monday Mail folder in the month of May for the pre-registration packet. Once you receive it, please complete and return to school. There will be a summer district wide registration date of July 24th, 2014 from 1:00 - 7:00 pm. You only need to attend that registration if you do not complete the pre-registration paperwork. We look forward to your return to Hubbell Elementary.

MESSAGE ABOUT MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL!

Michelle Beebe

Please pick up any over-the-counter and prescription medications that your child has at school prior to the last day of classes. Any medicine that remains at school after the children are dismissed on the last day will be disposed of by the nurse. If you prefer to have your child's medicine sent home with them, please call the nurse and make arrangements to do so. Thank you.

Human Growth and Development

Michelle Beebe

This spring, 4th and 5th grade students will participate in the human growth and development curriculum. The 4th grade girls will be given information on the physical and emotional changes that occur during puberty. The 5th grade boys and girls will be given information on changes to expect during puberty along with a presentation on HIV/AIDS. Materials for these classes can be reviewed at any time by contacting the school nurse or your child's teacher. A student can be excused from this instruction with a written request from the parent or guardian. Students will participate unless specifically requested not to participate.

MAGUIRE RELAYS

Mr. Swanson

Thursday, May 15th is the date of Hubbell School's annual Maguire Relays, named after longtime PE teacher Charlie Maguire. The rain date for the Relays is Friday, May 16th. This all-school field day will include races, relays, and fun games for all the students. Kindergarten through second grade events will be held in the morning from 9-11. The students will rotate from station to station, enjoying non-competitive games and activities.

A lunch/picnic time for all the students and their families will be held outside over the lunch hour. Students may order a school sack lunch or bring their own from home. The K-2 picnic will be held after their morning relays starting at approximately 11:10. Our 3rd-5th graders will follow with their picnic at 11:40.

The afternoon part of the relays will start up at 12:05. This will feature 3rd -5th graders who have selected their own fun events in which to participate.

Please remember that students leaving with parents before dismissal time must be signed out in the office just like any other school day.

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HUBBELL STUDENTS AT THE DRAKE RELAYS

Mr. Swanson

Hubbell Elementary entered a team of 5th graders at the recent 105th Drake Relays. Zander Lindstrom, Cooper Kissell, Jaden Koger, and Aaron Smith represented Hubbell as they competed in the 240 yard elementary school shuttle. Our runners took home 4th place as they competed against 20 other area elementary schools. Congratulations to these students on representing Hubbell so well!

LIBRARY NEWS

Mrs. Hankenson

The state has recently announced that **Because of Mr. Terupt** by **Rob Buyea** has won the **2013-2014 Iowa Children's Choice Award**. Seventeen new ICC award-winning books have been purchased for Hubbell by the Des Moines Public School Library Support Group, a group of local businesses who are committed to assuring that library facilities, collections and staffing in the Des Moines public elementary school libraries are of a high level that enables all students to read and communicate with the best in the country. The 2014-2015 award winning books will be on the shelves next fall.

Thanks so much to the Hubbell PTA for purchasing books for the semi-annual book give-away which was held April 14th through the 18^h during National Library Week. The students are always so excited to get a brand new paperback book.

Thanks to Will Chasse, Keegan Denahey, Reece Denahey, Awel Ngor, Xzaver Scott, Sam Pugh, Vanessa Diaz Ruiz, Arlene Riemer, Brylie Moeder, Makenna Dempsey, and Harmony Miller for donating books to the Hubbell Library.

The end of the school year is quickly approaching. Please help your student locate or pay for any overdue library books. If a book is paid for and then found, your money will be refunded. The fine for lost paperback books is \$2.00. The cost of hardback books is based on the age and condition of the book. I will send notices home for any overdue books with the title and cost listed.

Please visit your local Des Moines Public Library this summer and join in the Summer Reading Program. Check out the fun activities offered throughout the summer online at <http://dmpl.org/>

MUSIC NEWS

Kim Glynn

Spring Program



First graders and Kindergarteners performed their music program on Monday, April 14th in the Maguire gym. Students did a fine job of memorizing music and words and all the actions that went with them.

Honor Chorus



Four Hubbell students won auditions to participate in the DMPS Honor Chorus Festival that took place May 3 at Central Campus. Andrew Ellingson was the guest director. Those representing us were Forrest Landis, Cassie Copeland, Sierra Pilate and Aldo Grevillius. Congratulations Hubbell Singers!

PIANO NOTES

Mrs. Holthaus

Mrs. Holthaus' piano students will present their SPRING PIANO RECITAL on Tuesday May 27th at 3:15 p.m. in the Hubbell cafeteria.

EXPRESSIONS FROM THE ART ROOM

Mrs. Ethington

Kindergarten is learning about the artist Eric Carle. They are doing tissue paper collages of a watermelon.

1st grade. In connection with their plant unit they will be learning about the artist Georgia O'Keefe and doing large flower drawings.

2nd grade will be doing rainforest watercolors. They will be inspired by the artist Henri Rousseau. Students will draw from live plants in the art room and hide life cycles within their paintings.

3rd graders are choosing an environment they want to explore and creating their own exploration vehicle. These creative drawings will be done in oil pastel.

4th graders went to the Des Moines Art Center on Wednesday April 30th. This will connect with their How We Express Ourselves unit. The Art Center is free to the public and open Tuesday-Sunday. I encourage students to go back with their family and explore it some more.

5th graders will be creating a pop up environment of a biome of their choice.

PATROL NEWS

Mr. Swanson

Continue walking bikes to the corners to avoid problems with walkers on the sidewalk. Also be extra alert as students enjoy the nice weather outside. We want to keep our great safety record at the patrol corners.

A big thank you goes out to all the safety patrols. They faithfully covered the corners this year to keep Hubbell students safe. Thanks also to the adults who helped on the corners to make the students cross safely!

During the end of May we will begin training 4th graders to begin taking over student patrol duties for next year. We appreciate your support!!

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Mrs. Hope Bentley

All grade levels just finished a unit on "Anti-bias". They learned about how all people can be alike and different. We discussed how to treat people, despite differences, with respect, caring, and fairness. The fifth graders will now be starting a unit on transitioning into middle school and discussing schedules, tips for success, and their apprehensions or questions. The rest of the school will be starting a unit on "Careers" and looking at various post-secondary opportunities. We will also learn about what it takes to have a successful, fulfilling future, and how decisions we make and our actions now can affect that.

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NOTES from the Hubbell PTA

Kevin Saunders

The Hubbell PTA mixed past success with some new things this year. We continued several successful events like the Cultural Fest, Geography Challenge, Fun Night, Silent Auction, Garden Club, and Reflections. We changed our monthly meetings to focus on specific topics (e.g., Health and Nutrition, Building Safety, IB Developments). Thank you to everyone for your help, your support, and your passion for Hubbell Elementary and our students.

I am excited to introduce next year's officers. The Hubbell PTA tradition of excellence will continue in their capable hands.

Megan Brown - President

Suzy Coen - Vice President (Volunteerism)

Melissa Watson - Treasurer

Sarah Miller - Secretary (Communications)

Here are two ways that you can continue to connect with Hubbell:

- If you are interested in volunteering for PTA events next year, please contact Megan Brown (brown0627@me.com)

- Save July 12th for the Jazz in July Concert at Waveland Golf Course

ACCESSIBILITY NOTICE

Persons with disabilities who need information about accessibility or who need sign or language interpreters, please contact the Director of Student and Family Services, (515) 242-7714.

The Des Moines Independent Community School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, disability, religion, creed, age (for employment), marital status (for programs), sexual orientation, gender identity and socioeconomic status (for programs) in its educational programs and its employment practices. There is a grievance procedure for processing complaints of discrimination. If you have questions or a grievance related to this policy, please contact the district's Equity Coordinator Patricia Lantz, General Counsel, 901 Walnut Street, Des Moines, IA 50309; phone: 515.242.7837; email: patricia.lantz@dmschools.org

SEX OFFENDER NOTICES

You can obtain information regarding sex offenders in the Hubbell neighborhood by accessing the following web site:

www.iowasexoffender.com

CLASE DE ESPAÑOL / SPANISH CLASS

Please check out our website <http://hubbellspanish.weebly.com/>

Summer break is coming and your student will need your help at home to reinforce their Spanish skills. There are many fun ways your child can practice over break. A very simple way is to check the Languages option on your DVDs, TVs, and videogames. It is common for most of these to have an audio option to listen in Spanish while the subtitles are in English. Along with hearing Spanish, your child will be using their English reading skills. There are also many free apps available for download such as Duolingo, LearnSpanish, FetchSpanish, SpanishCards, FlashSpanish2 and many others. Another great place to find Spanish materials is at the library. All branches of the Des Moines Public Library have Spanish children sections with Spanish books, bilingual books, books on tape/CD, and music in Spanish. There are also many fun websites with Spanish activities such as <http://hubbellspanish.weebly.com/>. Please also encourage your child to practice the vocabulary found in this newsletter. A good way to start is to read over the words together and ask them what games, songs, activities, etc they remember using to practice each set of words. Then it will be easy to find ways to incorporate these games into your own daily summer routine. MUCHAS GRACIAS. ☺

LAS EMOCIONES

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|-----------------------|--------------------|
| bien=good | cansado(a)=tired |
| emocionado(a)=excited | enfermo(a)=sick |
| enojado(a)=angry | mal=bad |
| más o menos=fine | muy bien=very good |
| triste=sad | |

To show respect to adults, children should ask, "How are you?" by saying, "¿Cómo está usted?" If they are asking another child, they could ask, "¿Cómo estás?" They would then respond by saying, "Yo **estoy** _____," if talking about how they are doing. If they are saying how another person is feeling they could say, "Jose **está** enfermo."

LOS COLORES

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| Yellow = Amarillo | Green = Verde |
| Orange = Anaranjado | White = Blanco |
| Red = Rojo | Grey = Gris |
| Pink = Rosado | Black = Negro |
| Purple = Morado | Brown = Café |
| Blue = Azul | Cream = Crema |

A fun story and game can be found at <http://www.storyplace.org/sp/preschool/activities/colorstory.asp>.

PARTES DEL CUERPO

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| Head = La cabeza | Eyes = Los ojos |
| Shoulders=Los hombros | Ears = Los oídos |
| Knees = Las rodillas | Mouth = La boca |
| Feet = Los pies | Nose = La nariz |
| Arms = Los brazos | Hair = El pelo |
| Legs = Las piernas | Body = El cuerpo |
| Fingers/Toes=Los dedos | Hands=Las manos |

You can hear these correct pronunciations at http://www.123teachme.com/learn_spanish/spanish_for_children_2

LOS NÚMEROS

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| 0 = cero | 16 = dieciséis |
| 1 = uno | 17 = diecisiete |
| 2 = dos | 18 = dieciocho |
| 3 = tres | 19 = diecinueve |
| 4 = cuatro | 20 = veinte |
| 5 = cinco | 30 = treinta |
| 6 = seis | 40 = cuarenta |
| 7 = siete | 50 = cincuenta |
| 8 = ocho | 60 = sesenta |
| 9 = nueve | 70 = setenta |
| 10 = diez | 80 = ochenta |
| 11 = once | 90 = noventa |
| 12 = doce | 100 = cien |
| 13 = trece | 200 = doscientos |
| 14 = catorce | 1,000 = un mil |
| 15 = quince | 2,000 = dos mil |

IB Update

Summer is almost here! It is astounding to consider how much learning has taken place within the walls of our classrooms this year. Our thoughts now drift to summer – sun (we hope!), swimming, biking, vacations.... Inevitably, that leads us to think about next school year. No matter what grade your child will be entering into this August, I would like you to take some time to consider middle and high school. I know this seems so far away, but, then again, it seems like just yesterday this school year began.

Middle School

All Hubbell students are able to attend Merrill Middle school, which offers the IB Middle Years Program (MYP). If your family does not live within the school boundaries of Merrill Middle School, you will need to complete open enrollment papers. However, Hubbell students are placed at the top of the open enrollment list for Merrill. It is an awesome way for your children to continue working with higher level thinking skills, working in collaborative groups, researching, questioning – all those skills that apply to the real world.

Is your child IB bound?

Many more students are entering college than ever before. It is a fact that more and more jobs require a college degree. But did you know that currently over 50% of those that enter college drop out before receiving a degree? It is an alarming fact that many of our nation’s students are not prepared to take on the challenges and expectations of college. This is why, as a Hubbell *parent*, the following research means so much to me. The first bar represents the percentage of students from an IB diploma high school program that graduate from a 4-year college. The second bar represents the percentage of students from non-IB high schools that graduate from a 4-year college. This is great affirmation that what students are learning at IB schools is preparing them well!

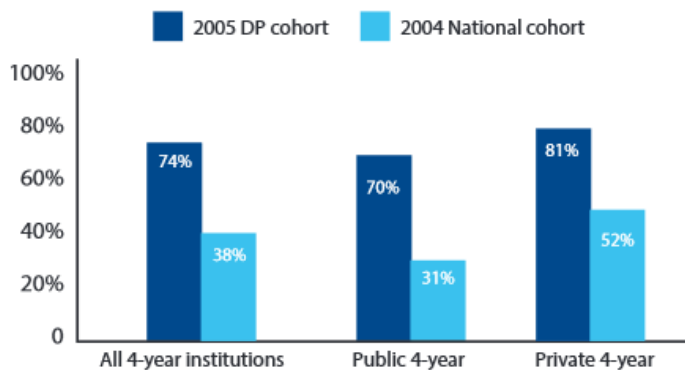


Figure 4. 4-year graduation rates

IB's Diploma Program is designed for students in their junior and senior year of high school. Currently, the Diploma Program is taught at Central Academy. There is no defined criteria a student must meet to be accepted into the Diploma Program; students must demonstrate a willingness to accept the rigors of this challenging program. If you feel that your student is "**Diploma Bound**" you should consider having your child participate in the Diploma Bound Program, offered to all current 5th through 9th graders in the Des Moines Public schools. The goal of this program is to offer students additional support prior to entering the Diploma Program. For more information on this program, contact Dr. Simone Alekno (simone.alekno@dmschools.org).

Jamie Page, Hubbell PYP coordinator

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