



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

May

4-8	Teacher Appreciation Week
6	National School Nurse's Day
11	7:00 p.m. 5 th Grade Band Program @ Roosevelt High School
12	6:00 p.m. PTA meeting. - Library
21	Maguire Relays- A.M. K-2 nd grade P.M. 3-5 th grade
22	Maguire Relays Rain date
25	No School Memorial Day
26	3:00 p.m. Piano Recital
28	5:30 p.m. 5 th Grade Promotion @ Roosevelt High School
29	1:15 p.m. Hubbell's Got Talent

June

1	12:00 p.m. Last Day of School
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Kindergarten Round-Up

Did you miss our round-up in March? Well you can still come in and register for Kindergarten 2015-2016. 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./driver's license

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

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 through your parent portal account.

LAST CHANCE TO CLAIM LOST ITEMS!

PLEASE make time to check the bins located outside the school cafeteria near the restrooms. All unclaimed items will be donated. Thanks!

HUBBELL REGISTRATION 2015 - 2016

Online registration will open up on July 1st. All registrations will be done online this year. If you do not have a computer or need help with this process, you will be able to come into the schools the week of July 27th and use the computer lab and receive help with registration. You will also be receiving a registration packet from the school with some additional paperwork that is not included in the online process. Please complete those and send them back with your student to the school office. In order to use the online registration you must have a login username and password which most of you have. If you have forgotten your password please call the office to reset it. If you have further questions please call the office at 242-8414.

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 brief 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 21st 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 22nd. 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 11:35.

The afternoon part of the relays will start up at 12:00. This will feature 3rd-5th graders who have selected their own fun events in which to participate.

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Please remember that students leaving with parents before dismissal time must be signed out in the office just like any other school day. Also, we have been asked to remind parents to leave your pets at home if you will be attending the Relays.

HUBBELL STUDENTS AT THE DRAKE RELAYS

Mr. Swanson

Hubbell Elementary entered a team of 5th graders in the 106th annual Drake Relays recently. Willem Lindstrom, Julia Smith, Zach Wood, and Ben Jones represented Hubbell as they competed against other area schools in the 240 yard elementary school shuttle. Congratulations to these students on making the Hubbell team and representing us well!

LIBRARY NEWS

Mrs. Hankenson

The state recently announced the winners of the Iowa Association of School Librarians book contests. At Hubbell, we participated in the Iowa Children's Choice award contest. We had 116 voters (that's a lot of books read!). Student voters must have read at least two titles of the books for the contest which they are participating. Our winner for the ICC book was **Athlete vs. Mathlete** by W.C. Mack.

The State Winners were:

Goldfinch - **Creepy Carrots** by Aaron Reynolds
Iowa Children's Choice - **The Ghost of Greylock**
by Dan Poblocki

Iowa Teen - **The Lost Hero** by Rick Riordan
Iowa High School Book Award - **Eleanor & Park** by Rainbow Rowell.

Twenty new ICC award-winning books and twenty-one Goldfinch 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 2015-2016 award winning books will be on the shelves next fall.

Thanks so much to the Hubbell PTA for purchasing books for our last semi-annual book give-away which was held April 14th through the 18^h during National Library Week. The students were so excited to get a brand new paperback book. The students and staff appreciate your generosity over the years.

The end of the school year is quickly approaching. Please help your student locate or pay for any overdue library books. The cost of books is based on the age and condition of the book. I will send notices home for any lost/overdue books with the title and cost listed. All hard-back books are due back in the library on Friday, May 15. All other books are due on Friday, May 22.

Please plan to 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

Rebecca Hunt

Hawk Choir

4th and 5th graders in Hubbell's Hawk Choir performed at Wesley Acres and Calvin Community on Thursday, April 9th. The choir did a fantastic job and the residents were grateful for our performances. The choir also had a pizza party to celebrate the choir season, then performed for the last time for family in the music room on Monday, April 13th.

Honor Chorus

Eight 5th graders have been chosen to participate in the DMPS District Honor Choir Festival, held on May 9th, 2:00pm at Central Campus. These singers have been rehearsing with Mrs. Hunt every Tuesday after school in preparation for the concert. This is a special honor! Congratulations Eliza Tutty, Mia Prosperi, Carolina Crescencio-Martinez, Norah Egge, Levi Hankenson, Nick Jackson, Hayden McCormac, and Jamison Stone for being selected!

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PIANO NOTES

Mrs. Holthaus

Mrs. Holthaus' piano students will present their SPRING PIANO RECITAL on Tuesday May 26th at 3:00 p.m. in the Hubbell cafeteria.

EXPRESSIONS FROM THE ART ROOM

Mrs. Bash

As our year comes to an end students will be working on some exciting things in the Art room.

Kindergarten will be making and decorating paper bag kites and creating chalk from plaster of paris. We will spend a day outside flying our kites and creating murals on the playground.

1st grade will also be making sidewalk chalk from plaster of paris and creating murals on the playground. Currently we are drawing sunflowers in the style of Van Gogh from silk flower arrangements.

2nd grade will be doing rainforest watercolors. They will be inspired by the artist Henri Rousseau. Students will hide rainforest animals within their paintings.

3rd grade is doing a multi-media drawing and collage based on themselves. We will close the year creating Drawings of African masks.

4th graders will go to the Des Moines Art Center and PapaJohn Sculpture Park on Tuesday May 26th. This will connect with their How We Express Ourselves unit. The Art Center is free to the public. I encourage students to go back with their family and explore it some more.

5th graders are currently creating a pop up environment of an ecosystem of their choice to tie in with their Sharing the Planet unit. We will be tie-dying T-shirts to celebrate the end of their Elementary school days.

PATROL NEWS

Mr. Swanson

Please continue walking bikes to the corners when on school property to avoid problems with walkers on the sidewalk. Also be extra alert as students enjoy the nice weather outside. A big thank you goes out to all of our safety patrols this year. They have faithfully covered the corners this year to keep Hubbell students safe. Thanks also to the adults who helped on the Chamberlain crosswalk this year. During the latter part of May we will begin training 4th graders to take over safety patrol duties for next year.

NOTES FROM HUBBELL PTA

Megan Brown

First, I would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to all of our volunteers this school year. Maybe you ran a game at Fun Night, sold books at the Scholastic Book Fair, picked up donations for Silent Auction, or brought meals to teachers during conferences. Maybe you investigated grants and wrote applications for funding, organized a committee, or gathered Box Tops to our yearly collection. Maybe you helped our students to plant seedlings in the garden, assisted them as they crossed Chamberlain before or after school, or helped your child's teacher in the classroom or on a field trip. Your help, support, energy, and enthusiasm make Hubbell a great school and a welcoming, wonderful community!

This year, the PTA wrote and ratified a strategic plan, and I look forward to seeing our efforts toward realizing our ambitions and dreams in 2015-2016. Many people have contacted me about starting to work on initiatives this summer and about volunteering in the fall. If you're eager to contribute to planning and laying some groundwork for 2015-16 while school is out for summer break, please contact me at megan.brown@drake.edu or Suzy Coen at suzycoen@gmail.com. We would love to hear from you!

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.

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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

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

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

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

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 with an IB education!

High School and IB

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!

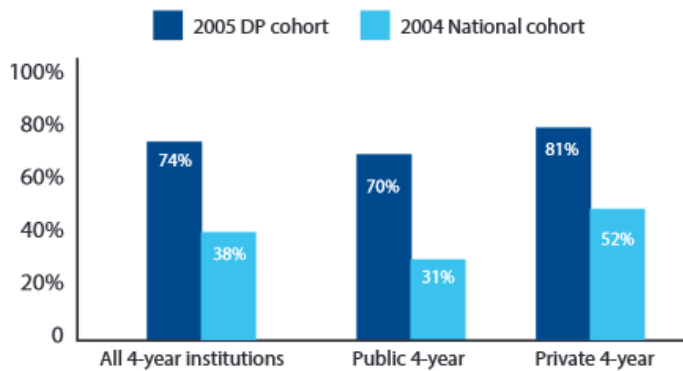


Figure 4. 4-year graduation rates

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 participate in a challenging and demanding program. For more information on this program, contact Kisha Barnes (kisha.barnes@dmschools.org).

Enjoy the rest of the school year!
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