



Hubbell Highlights



An International Baccalaureate World School
Mrs. Carrie Belt, Principal

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Unit 2 October 12-November 20, 2015

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NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL Mrs. Belt

We have enjoyed a terrific start to this school year! Your children are brightening our days and it has been a pleasure having them back and getting to know the students at Hubbell. A few items to help continue this great start:

Cultural Fair - Was a success thanks to the many parent volunteers, thank you for all your efforts to make it a celebration of our many cultures.

PTA Meetings - We meet the second Tuesday of the month in the library 6:00pm-7:00pm. We'd love to have your energy and ideas at the meetings.

International Baccalaureate -We are thrilled to be serving our students as Iowa's first IB school. Please engage with your child as they work on units of inquiry, develop learner profile traits, and become worldly citizens. Our units have begun in every grade level and much more detail will come home with your child.

Traffic Safety - Please adhere to our drop off and pick up procedures. The inside lane (closest to the sidewalk) is for drop off and pick-up only. In addition, I encourage you to walk, car pool, ride bikes, or use convenient locations like the Playhouse parking lot as an option to help with traffic congestion. We have adult crossing guards in place at Boulevard Sports, 42nd & Center, and Roosevelt Footbridge every day. Please consider utilizing these options, especially if your child is older and can easily walk safely to an off-campus location.

Attendance -

- School instructional hours are 8:15am - 3:00pm and 1:30pm dismissal on Wednesdays for all kindergarten through grade 5.
- Students are not to arrive before 7:50am. Breakfast will be served 7:50am - 8:10am.
- Non-breakfast students may enter the school at 8:00am
- Students will be marked tardy if they are not in the classroom by 8:15am in the morning.
- When your child will be absent please call the school at 242-8414 by 8:30 in the morning.
- Our doors lock at 8:20, if your student will be here after that, please be sure they know how to use the doorbell, or walk them in and show them so they are not left outside

In an attempt to improve the attendance at Hubbell we will be contacting families regularly to keep them updated on their absences. Families will begin to receive this communication next week. Below you will see the steps that will be used to communicate with families about both excused and unexcused absences. This is an attempt to keep families informed and we will work with you in providing the best services possible.

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General -

- Our office is very busy at the end of the day, please be sure your student's know their after school plan so they are not needing to wait, worry and make phone calls.
- Messages should be called into the office before 2:30, so they can be delivered to you student at the end of the day.
- Please check blue mail folders for important school information and notes

Volunteers -

Please complete a volunteer application online if you have not done so already. You must have this completed in order to volunteer in the classrooms and chaperone field trips. www.dmschools.org, then the Volunteer tab. If you have completed one in a previous year or at another DMPS school, you do not need to complete another one.

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October, November, and December Calendar

October

Every Wednesday 1:30 dismissal

23 **NO SCHOOL** Staff Development

November

Every Wednesday 1:30 dismissal

1	1:00 AM	Daylight Saving
5	7:30 AM	Reader Leaders -Library
10	6:00 PM	PTA meeting - library
12	7:30 AM	Book Buddies
13	afternoon	Fall Parties
25-27	NO SCHOOL	Thanksgiving Break

December

Every Wednesday 1:30 dismissal

3	7:30 AM	Reader Leaders -Library
8	6:00 PM	PTA meeting - library
10	7:30 AM	Book Buddies
23-Jan 1	NO SCHOOL	Winter Break

BUILDING ACCESS

The main entrance doors to our building lock at 8:20 every morning. If your student arrives after that time or you need to gain access to the building after 8:20 a.m., please ring the door bell to gain access. The doors remain locked during the school day. Once school dismisses at 3:00, the doors are unlocked until 6:00 pm for after school activities and Metro Kids Care access. When entering the building please be sure to stop in the office and sign in. Thank you.

Save a Tree

We've begun sending the Hubbell Highlights electronically. If you already receive your Highlights on line, that's great. If you have a change of email address or would like to begin participating in this paper-saving plan, please call us at 242-8414 or sign into your parent portal and update your email information so that you can start receiving the Highlights via email.

GETTING MESSAGES TO THE HUBBELL OFFICE

Please remember to contact the office if your child is going to be late or tardy. If you are calling the office for any other reason, please try to wait until after 9:00 as the office is very busy in the morning. If you have a message that needs to get to your child before the end of the day, please be sure to call the office before 2:30. The teachers check their mailboxes for the last time at 2:45.

KIDGRAMS

Parents, please make after school plans with students before they come to school. We do not disturb the classrooms for messages. All messages will be delivered to students at 2:45 p.m. If you absolutely have to leave a message for your student, please do it before 2:30 p.m. After 2:30 we will not be able to get a message to students as they are already preparing for the end of the day, returning from their last specials, and at lockers. Thank you for your help with this.

REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS:

Breakfast is served from 7:50 - 8:10 a.m. If you would like to have your child have breakfast, please have them here before 8:10. The breakfast line closes promptly at 8:10. If your student is not eating breakfast, they will wait outside until the 8:00 bell rings. Because of limited supervision, we ask that students not be dropped off early.

**ATTENDANCE POLICY REMINDERS
For elementary and middle school:**

Parents,
You have been previously provided with a copy of the revised Attendance Policy. There are a few key points we'd like to stress. Please remember that you must let your child's school know that he or she will be absent within 24 hours of the absence. Also, please carefully review the list of what are excused and unexcused absences. If you wish to take your child out of school for a vacation or non-related school event, the absence will be unexcused. You should also be aware that tardies and early withdrawals may accumulate toward a full day's absence. Attendance in school is critical to a child's education progress and the revised policy emphasizes this fact. If you have questions, please contact your building principal.

**TRANSPORTATION
Hubbell Office**

Parents, it would be helpful if you would notify the office if you are changing your child's regular after school transportation plans. Please send a note or call the office. If the school is not notified of changes your child will be sent on his/her regular mode of transportation. Thank you for your help with this matter. Just a reminder, you should have your child at their stop at least 5 minutes before the scheduled pickup time. Also, please remember that with the cold months and weather changes coming -that buses can be delayed by several minutes. Please be sure that your child is dressed for possible longer wait times.

LOST AND FOUND

Please be sure to check the lost and found bin for missing items. The lost and found bins are now located on the ground floor across from the kitchen by the restrooms. Items will be donated after the October conferences. Thank you.

**2016-2017 School Year
PATRON NOTIFICATION
Between District Open Enrollment
Iowa Administrative Code 281-17.3(2)**

Parents/Guardians considering the use of the open enrollment option to enroll their children in another public school district in the state of Iowa should be aware of the following dates:

DEADLINES:

March 1, 2016 is the last date for regular open enrollment requests for the 2016-2017 school year.

September 1, 2016 is the last date for open enrollment requests for entering kindergarten students and those students falling under the "good cause" definition for the 2016-2017 school year. To insure that the transfer of individual students does not adversely affect the diversity

plan of the District, certain limitations to open enrollment have been established. Parents of

kindergarten students are therefore encouraged to make application requests prior to

March 1, 2016.

APPEALS:

Within 30 days of a denial of an open enrollment request by the DMPS Board of Education, a parent/guardian may file an appeal with the state board of education only if the open enrollment request was based on repeated acts of harassment or a serious health condition of the student that the district cannot adequately address. All other denials must be appealed to the district

court in Polk County.

ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY:

In most cases, a high school student who open enrolls is ineligible for varsity athletic

competition during the student's first 90 consecutive school days of enrollment in the receiving

district. Some, but not all, exceptions to this general rule of ineligibility are as follows:

1. The sending district does not offer the sport in question.
2. The sending district was dissolved and merged with one or more other districts.
3. The sending district whole-grade shares with another district for the student's grade level.

TRANSPORTATION:

Parents/Guardians of students open enrolled from another school district are eligible for transportation assistance if the household income of the parent/guardian is at or below the federal poverty guidelines for household size. The two districts must be contiguous. Assistance may be in the form of actual transportation or in the form of a cash stipend. Information regarding transportation eligibility and a complete copy of the District's open enrollment policy and procedures may be obtained from the Open Enrollment Office, 1301 Second Ave., Des Moines, Iowa 50314

**Año Escolar de 2016-2017
NOTIFICACIÓN DE USUARIOS
Entre la inscripción abierta de distrito
Iowa Código administrativo 281-17.3(2)**

Padres/tutores teniendo en cuenta el uso de la opción de inscripción abierta para inscribir a sus hijos en otro distrito de la escuela pública en el estado de Iowa los padres o tutores deben ser conscientes de las siguientes fechas:

PLAZOS:

01 de Marzo de 2016 es el plazo para las solicitudes regulares de inscripción abierta para el año 2016-2017.

01 de Septiembre de 2016 es el plazo para las solicitudes de inscripción abierta

para estudiantes de Kinder y los estudiantes pertenecientes a la definición de

"buena causa" para el año 2016-2017. Para asegurar que la transferencia de

estudiantes individuales no afecta el plan de diversidad del distrito, se han

establecido ciertas limitaciones para abrir la inscripción. Los padres de los

estudiantes de Kinder por lo tanto animamos a realizar solicitudes de

aplicación antes de 01 de Marzo de 2016.

APELACIÓN:

Dentro de 30 días de una denegación de una solicitud de inscripción abierta por la

Junta de Educación de DMPS, un padre o tutor puede presentar una apelación

ante la Junta de Educación del Estado sólo si la solicitud de inscripción abierta se

basaba en repetidos actos de acoso o una condición de salud seria del estudiante

que el distrito no puede responder adecuadamente. Todos otros rechazos deben

apelarse ante el Tribunal de Distrito en el Condado de Polk

ELEGIBILIDAD ATLÉTICA:

En la mayoría de los casos, un estudiante de secundaria de inscripción abierta es

inelegible para competencias atléticas de varsity durante primeros 90 días

consecutivos de inscripción del estudiante en el distrito de recepción. Algunos,

pero no todos, excepciones a esta regla general de inelegibilidad son los

siguientes:

1. El distrito enviado no ofrece el deporte en cuestión.
2. El distrito enviado fue disuelta y se fusionó con uno o más distritos.

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3. Las acciones de grado conjunto Distrito envía con otro distrito para el grado del estudiante.

TRANSPORTE:

Los padres/tutores de estudiantes abiertos de otro distrito escolar son elegibles para asistencia de transporte si el ingreso de los padres/tutores es igual o por debajo de las pautas federales de pobreza para el tamaño de la familia. Los dos distritos deben ser contiguos. Asistencia puede ser en la forma de transporte real o en forma de un estipendio de efectivo. Puede obtenerse información sobre la elegibilidad de transporte y una copia completa de inscripción abierta política del distrito y los procedimientos de la oficina de inscripción abierta, 1301 Second Ave., Des Moines, Iowa 50314

FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Beebe

*****WE ASK THAT ALL PARENTS FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES*****

Parents, please keep your child at home when you notice any of these symptoms:

Vomiting/Diarrhea: Consult your doctor if it lasts over 48 hours or sooner if you have a concern.

Eyes: Drainage or matting in eyes may indicate conjunctivitis (pink eye). You should contact your doctor. Child must be on an antibiotic 24 hours before returning to school.

Fever: Oral temperature 100 or higher. Your child should stay home until temperature is below 100 for 24 hours without fever-reducing medicine.

Lice/Scabies: Child can return to school after the prescribed treatment has been started.

Rash: Undiagnosed rash or itching.

Chicken Pox: Child can return to school in approximately 7 days from the onset of the rash if all blisters are crusted over and dry.

Sore Throats: Look into your child's throat. If tonsils are swollen, very red and/or white patches

present, contact your doctor. If diagnosed with strep, your child must be on antibiotics 24 hours before returning to school.

*****PARENTS/GUARDIANS*****

Vision/height/weight/BMI screenings will begin soon. If you do not want your child to participate in any of these screenings, please contact the school nurse in writing. If we do not hear from you within a week from today, your consent is implied and we will include your child in the screening process.

HEARING SCREENINGS

Hearing screenings will be done on all children this fall. If you do not want your child to participate in the screening program, please notify the school nurse in writing. Parents/guardians will be notified only if the results are abnormal.

Temperatures are changing - please remember to dress your child appropriately. Hats, gloves, scarves, warm coats for the cold days, snow pants and boots must be worn if your child wants to play in the snow during recess. The school does not have an abundance of extra clothing or jackets. We go outside every day during the winter months as long as the wind chill is 15 and above, and the playground has been plowed. If your child does not have the proper attire for the weather, they will not be permitted to play in the snow. If you need any assistance with winter clothing, please contact the nurse or the counselor. Thank you for your help!

LIBRARY NEWS

Mrs. Hankenson

The Hubbell library is up and running once again and we are all looking forward to a wonderful year full of many reading adventures.

Your student has an assigned library day each week and has begun checking out books. There are a few policies that should be followed. The checkout period is for one week. Please encourage your child to return books on time so that other children can read them. Students may not check out new books until checked out books are returned or paid for (if lost or damaged). The charge for lost or damaged books is based on the cost and condition

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of the book. Your child is responsible for the care and return of the books. A backpack or book bag is a helpful way to transport books to and from school. When the book is at home, have that "special place" to keep the library book so it is kept away from pets, younger children, and the danger of damage from spills. It will be easier finding the book the night before library day if it is always returned to your child's backpack each night.

We want all our children to enjoy reading. Read to your child daily or listen to your child read to you. Discussing what you and your child have read can be so beneficial to your child in building a variety of skills. I hope you had a restful summer and enjoyed many happy hours reading together.

CREATIONS FROM THE ART ROOM

Mrs. Bash

Kindergarten has been busy learning about the elements of Art: Color, Line and Shape. They discovered Primary and Secondary colors and are exploring line and shape. We will be working on combining line, shape and color to create patterns and begin to explore texture.

1st graders have been exploring line and pattern. They are creating an animal full of patterns that they will paint.

2nd graders finished reviewing color relationships and learned what a pun is to create illustrations of birds or fish.

3rd graders connected with their unit, Where we are in Place and Time, by creating a vehicle drawing. This vehicle combined a natural and man-made object and showed the environment they would like to explore in order to discover new things.

4th graders studied the classical elements of air, fire, earth, and water. We connected these 4 elements to sources of energy. Each student created 4"x4" mixed media representations of the elements, using line, shape, and color.

5th graders created folders that show one or two principles of design using lines and shape. They are

creating a color wheel using Charles Demuth's painting *The Figure 5 in Gold* as inspiration.

NOTES FROM THE MUSIC ROOM

Mrs. Hunt

Grade-level Music Programs- please mark your calendars. All programs will be in the Hubbell gymnasium.

2nd Grade: Tuesday, December 15th at 6:00pm

3rd Grade: Tuesday, December 15th at 6:45pm

4th Grade: Tuesday, March 1st at 6:00pm

5th Grade: Tuesday, March 1st at 6:45pm

Kindergarten: Tuesday, April 5th at 6:00pm

1st Grade: Tuesday, April 5th at 6:45pm

At the end of each semester, students in grades 2nd - 5th will have the opportunity to perform a talent in class. Examples of performances include singing or playing a solo, choreographed dance alone or with a small group, several instrumentalists playing a song together. Start thinking about what your performance could be! (This is optional).

On November 5th, Mrs. Hunt will take 4th grade to the Civic Center to see the Soweto Gospel choir. In October, the 4th grade will prepare for this performance by studying gospel and spirituals.

On December 11th, Mrs. Hunt will take the 3rd grade to the annual Nutcracker Ballet showcase at the Civic Center.

Students in 4th & 5th grades may participate in **Hubbell Chorus** again this year, and information will be sent home in the coming months regarding choir. We will begin rehearsals on Monday, February 1st. This year, the choir will go on their performance tour in April (date TBD) and put on a short concert for family and friends. Rehearsals are in the music room and begin at 3:05 and end at 3:40. Students will be able to sign up for choir in the coming months.

P.E. AT HUBBELL

Mr. Bahe

I am getting to know the students at Hubbell Elementary and I am very excited to be teaching here. It is going to be a great year! All classes in P.E. are going over recess rules. In K-2nd, students are learning how to move at safe speeds and are working on soccer skills. In 3rd grade they are playing a soccer lead up game called sideline soccer and in 4th and 5th grade they are playing a game called Ultimate which is very similar to Ultimate Frisbee.

Please help remind your child to wear tennis shoes on the days they have P.E. class. Tennis shoes give the needed support, protection, and traction students need to be safe while moving in class. Thank you for your help on this.

SAFETY PATROL

Mr. Bahe

The fifth graders who are involved in patrol are off to good start. They are keeping students safe before and after school. Please remind your child to listen to the directions of the 5th grade safety patrol and to cross the corners safely. Thank you to all the parents who help out on the Chamberlain crosswalk, we couldn't do it without you. You are a big help to the 5th grade patrol and help keep our students safe.

K-5 COUNSELING

Ms. Bentley

As Hubbell's counselor, I will be meeting with every classroom once a week. I will be presenting lessons on Friendship and Cooperation, Study Skills, Careers, Personal Safety, Violence Prevention/Problem Solving, Understanding Diversity and Life Changes. Within the Study Skills unit students in third through fifth grades will have lessons to help prepare them for ITBS testing. Fifth graders will have a unit on Transition at the end of the year to help them prepare for middle school. Our very first series of lessons is called "Happy New Year" which helps students focus on useful skills needed for success in school. All of the elementary guidance lessons have been written using National counseling

standards and they are used by all of the counselors throughout the district.

As children get acclimated to a new school year please remember that we are here to help your child/children have happy, successful days at school. We can do this best when we are aware of stressors your child may be experiencing from time to time. Like many adults, children have more difficulty making good choices, listening or working when they are upset. Sharing such information (in person, in a note, or a phone call) helps us understand so we can help your child have a better day. Home and school together play an important role in helping children feel good about themselves, feel safe, and be successful.

If you wish to contact me, please call Hubbell (242-8414). Please leave your phone number and the best time to reach you.

Wishing you the best school year,
Ms. Bentley, Counselor

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Ms. Bentley

K-5 Counseling

We started the first three weeks of the year with our Happy New Year lessons during classroom guidance which helped students focus on useful skills needed for success in school. Now we are we discussing how to make and keep friends and explored qualities that are needed in a good friendship. Literature is usually a part of every lesson. Students are given the opportunity to express experiences, ideas, and new understandings by sharing in pairs, small and whole group or through writing.

We just finished our Personal Safety unit. For the primary unit this included stranger safety and ways to keep themselves safe in different situations. For the secondary unit, we discussed what to do if they're home alone, stranger safety, and how to be assertive and say no in different situations such as peer pressure.

The elementary guidance counselors in Des Moines are teaching their lessons in the same sequence so that children who move around the district will be studying the same unit when they arrive at their new school.

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RESPONSIVE CLASSROOM

As a school-wide initiative, Hubbell has implemented one component of Responsive Classroom this year. Each morning every classroom starts their day with a Morning Meeting! The students form a circle with their teacher, and other supporting teachers throughout the building, in their classroom. There are 4 components to Morning Meeting starting with a greeting, then a sharing, followed by an activity, and ending with a message to the students from their teacher. This is done every day the first 20 minutes of school. These meetings help to foster and build community among classrooms and also as a school. It has been exciting to see the enthusiasm the students are showing! A great home connection would be to ask your child about their Morning Meetings and something new they have learned about someone in their class. Encourage them to continue meeting new friends and learning new things about them.

HUBBELL PTA

Megan Brown, PTA President

Welcome back to another exciting school year here at Hubbell Elementary! We are excited to see familiar faces and meet new students and families!

Last year, PTA ratified a strategic plan -- a document that articulates short- and long-term goals for our organization and our school. People attending our October 16 meeting will have an opportunity to talk about their priorities for PTA in the coming months and years. Are you hoping that we can eventually refurbish our library? Are you wishing to see an improved playground? Maybe your main concern is that we continue to support teachers in the classroom, or families in need? We look forward to hearing your perspective.

If you cannot attend PTA meetings (second Tuesday of the month except in December, 6:00-7:00pm) you can still get involved as a volunteer and supporter. Our biggest fundraiser of the school year, Geography Challenge, is coming up in November -- please contact Suzy Coen (suzycoen@gmail.com) to help with any aspect of

the event, from administering tests to stuffing envelopes. We are also still looking for help with Silent Auction in the spring -- please let Suzy know if you would like to be a leader or just help out!

Also, please check out the Hubbell PTA website (<https://hubbellpta.wordpress.com/>) and our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/HubbellElementary.DSM>) for additional information on how to stay connected through special events, fundraising, and volunteer opportunities inside and outside the classroom. If you have questions, ideas, or concerns that you would like to share, I invite you to e-mail me at megan.brown@drake.edu. Thank you for everything you do to enrich our school!

SEX OFFENDER NOTICES

You can obtain information regarding sex offenders in the Hubbell neighborhood by accessing the following web site: <http://www.iowasexoffender.com>

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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CLASE DE ESPAÑOL / SPANISH CLASS

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

BODY PARTS

Head = La cabeza	Eyes = Los ojos
Shoulders = Los hombros	Ears = Los oídos
Knees = Las rodillas	Mouth = La boca
Hands = Las manos	Nose = La nariz
Arms = Los brazos	Hair = El pelo
Legs = Las piernas	Body = El cuerpo
Fingers/Toes = Los dedos	Feet = Los pies
Back = La espalda	Elbow = El codo
SENSES	Yo huelo = I smell
Yo escucho = I hear	Yo veo = I see
Yo saboreo = I taste	Yo toco = I touch

CHARACTERISTICS

Yo tengo = I have	Guapo(a) = handsome
Ella tiene = She has	Bonito(a) = Pretty
El tiene = He has	Feo(a) = Ugly
Yo soy = I am	Bajo(a) = Short
Ella es = She is	Alto(a) = Tall
El es = He is	Fuerte = Strong
Flaco(a) = Skinny	Debil = Weak
Gordo(a) = Fat	Mediano(a) = Medium

BUILDINGS

School = Escuela	Home = Casa
Hospital = Hospital	Park = Parque
Restaurant = Restaurante	Church = Iglesia
Airport = Aeropuerto	Bank = Banco
Supermarket = Supermercado	Station = Estación

IB Attitudes

apreciación = appreciation
compromiso = commitment
confianza = confidence
cooperación = cooperation
creatividad = creativity
curiosidad = curiosity
Empatía = empathy
entusiasmo = enthusiasm
independencia = independence
integridad = integrity
respeto = respect
tolerancia = tolerance

Personal Pronouns

Yo = I/me	Nosotros = We/Us
Tú = You (friend)	Vosotros = Y'all
Él = He/Him	Ellos = They/Them
Ella = She/Her	Ellas = They/Them (girls)
Usted = You (formal)	Ustedes = You (plural)

Kindergarten

The Kindergarten students will be learning body parts and senses to go along with their current IB unit. A fun way to practice at home is to have your student teach you the body parts. Then you can play a game of *Simon Says* in Spanish. “Simón dice toca **la cabeza**.” Muchas gracias for encouraging your child as they learn another language. Your support makes all of the difference.

First Grade

The first graders will be learning vocabulary to go along with their current IB unit. They will be able to describe themselves and others in Spanish using small sentences. They will also review body parts and colors to say things such as, “Yo tengo los ojos verdes.” (I have green eyes.) Remember to let your child know how proud of them you are when they share these Spanish sentences with you at home.

Second Grade

The second graders will be reviewing the roles of members in a community that they learned last year. They will also be learning words for buildings to go along with their current IB unit. One way to practice at home is to see how many buildings your child can identify in Spanish as you drive around town. ¡Gracias!

Third Grade

Third graders are learning the IB attitude vocabulary to go along with their IB unit. Encouraging them to tell you at home how they have demonstrated these attitudes themselves would be a great way to reinforce learning at home. ¡Gracias!

Fourth Grade

Fourth graders will be continuing to use the personal pronouns they've been trying so hard to memorize. They will even be putting them together with verbs to make full sentences! Please encourage your child to practice the pronouns at home until they can name all 10 of them in both English and Spanish. ¡Gracias!

Fifth Grade

Fifth grade will be learning vocabulary to go along with their IB unit. They will practice talking about money in Spanish and be practicing the vocabulary for buildings commonly used to supply services and exchange goods. Please encourage your child to work on the building vocabulary at home as well as numbers. ¡Gracias!

IB Update

Welcome to the 2015-2016 school year! This page of the Hubbell Highlights is a learning page for our community. Each newsletter, I will highlight a different aspect of the International Baccalaureate (IB) program and what it means for you and your child. Hubbell teachers put in an immense amount of extra effort and time to ensure your children have a well-rounded education that prepares them for the 21st century. Please feel free, at any time, to contact me with questions about IB and the Hubbell curriculum.

Hubbell mission statement: "Hubbell Elementary School empowers lifelong learners to meet the challenges of tomorrow's global world."

How will we achieve this?: One way is through teaching the learner profile. These are 10 traits we want all of our students to embody.

Inquirer: Be an INQUIRER by developing a natural curiosity and a love for learning.

Thinker: Be a THINKER by making decisions and solving problems carefully and creatively.

Knowledgeable: Be KNOWLEDGEABLE by exploring concepts, ideas, and issues to develop an understanding of the world.

Reflective: Be REFLECTIVE by considering how your learning and experiences help you grow as an individual.

Communicator: Be a COMMUNICATOR by respectfully sharing ideas and listening to others.

Open-Minded: Be OPEN-MINDED by appreciating perspectives, values, and traditions of yourself and others.

Caring: Be CARING by solving problems peacefully and keeping your hands, body, and objects to yourself.

Risk-Taker: Be a RISK-TAKER by exploring new things and defending your beliefs.

Balanced: Be BALANCED by getting involved mentally, physically, and emotionally throughout the day.

Principled: Be PRINCIPLED by following adult directions and taking responsibility for your words and actions.

If you have any questions about the Hubbell curriculum, please don't hesitate to contact me. Have a wonderful school year!

Jamie Page, IB Coordinator/Instructional Coach
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