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Dear Heritage Family:

Earlier this week, we sent out our schedule for Monday night's Meet the Teacher/Curriculum Night here at Heritage. We've attached the schedule again and hope that our Coyote families have marked their calendars for this event. It's a chance for our Coyote families to not only 'meet the teacher' but find out the best means of communication with teachers as well as a quick overview of curriculum for each individual class.

Carter Blood Center will be here with their mobile units for our fall blood drive on Wednesday, September 26th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This blood drive is for Juniors and Seniors, and students interested in donating should stop by the HOSA table at lunch or see Mrs. Lark before or after school in G119 to pick up necessary forms. Completed forms should be turned in to HOSA during lunch in order to sign up for a donation time. HOSA will have a table set up during all lunches starting on September 10th to answer questions and assign donation times. Deadline to sign up to donate is Tuesday, September 25, 2018 at 4:25 p.m. The forms are attached below.

Please note the 'Blood Drive Permission Forms' attachment includes both the donor form and the Zika permission form (in English and Spanish). 16 year old Juniors must complete the 16 year old form, the Zika Permission form and the teacher's permission form. 17 and 18 year old Juniors and Seniors must complete the teacher's permission for only. These forms can also be found on the Heritage website.

Please see our weekly Safety and Security section below. This is where we keep our Coyote families current on policies, procedures, calendar events (such as regularly scheduled drills) and safety tips. To make sure our families don't miss this information, this section will be highlighted so it's hard to miss. As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to Heritage if you have any questions or concerns.

~ Safety and Security ~

This week, administrators and teachers from Heritage High School attended continued training for the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program. This program is designed for <u>all</u> students, and is both preventative and responsive. It focuses on changing norms and restructuring the school setting. It is a research-based program and involves systematic efforts over time to impact bullying incidents on our campus.

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Students that park on campus are required by FISD to obtain a parking permit. The cost to purchase one is \$50.00 for the school year and \$30.00 for the spring semester. Forms are available in the front office and parking permits are sold in the front office before school and during lunches each day. It's important to note that beginning Tuesday, September 4th, warnings will be issued to students that park on campus without the required permit. Per FISD parking guidelines, fees can be assessed beginning with the first warning. Please ensure that your student has followed district policy by obtaining a parking permit. We encourage our Coyote families to call the front office with guestions.

As a reminder, varsity football tickets will be on sale in the front office before school and during lunches. Be sure to buy early, though, because ticket sales cut off at 2:30 p.m. the day **before** a varsity game in order to submit the required reconciliation paperwork to district. For all the latest on athletic news, be sure to check out the Heritage Athletic website at <a href="https://www.heritagecoyotesathletics.com">www.heritagecoyotesathletics.com</a>. You can also keep up with all the latest news on the Heritage Athletics Twitter account @coyotes\_ath and Facebook page Frisco Heritage Coyotes Athletics.

In order to maximize your student's class time and make this year a success, please note the following information:

ATTENDANCE: Information regarding absence reporting for your student can be found on the Heritage website.

DELIVERIES: Students need to remember to bring all necessary items with them to school in the morning. It is important to minimize classroom disruptions, so please remember to send lunch money, lunches, clothing, books and supplies with your child in the morning rather than deliver it during the day.

LUNCH: Please remember that FISD schools are closed campuses. That means students are to remain on campus during lunch periods. Parents are welcome to bring lunch to their child, and eat with them in the cafeteria.

SIGNING OUT: We are happy to call your student to the front office to be checked out once you are in the office, but do not call students in advance. This will help keep our students in the classroom as much as possible. Thank you in advance for your help in this matter.

VERIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT: There is a 24 hour turn-around time to receive a Verification of Enrollment (VOE) for your trip to the DMV. Students that sign up for a VOE in the office can return the next morning to pick it up. Please note that we do not e-mail or fax a VOE. It must be picked up in person.

We have some important dates for you to make note of in the weeks ahead.

| 9/24/2018  | New Student Luncheon                                        |
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| 9/24/2018  | HHS Meet the Teacher Night                                  |
| 9/26/2018  | Carter Blood Drive at HHS                                   |
| 10/4/2018  | Pink Out Pep Rally and Football game                        |
| 10/5/2018  | FISD Professional Development – No Classes                  |
| 10/8/2018  | Columbus Day Holiday – No Classes                           |
| 10/10/2018 | PSAT Testing for 10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup> Grades |
|            | FISD Flu Clinic                                             |
| 10/17/2018 | HHS Homecoming Community Pep Rally                          |
| 10/18/2018 | Homecoming Football game                                    |
| 10/20/2018 | Homecoming Dance at Heritage                                |

Have a good weekend!