September 2020

Dear Highgrove Parents and Guardians,
In this new era of education, we are all challenged to learn new ways of teaching, learning, and communicating. Our scholars (students), teachers, support staff, and YOU are on an amazing journey of education. We will continue our No Excuses University commitment with an unrelenting focus on the Six Exceptional Systems:

- Culture of Universal Achievement
- Collaboration
- Standard alignment
- Assessments
- Data Driven
- Interventions

A scholar’s attendance is a significant factor to his/her academic success. We ask that you make a conscious effort to ensure that your child attends his/her Virtual Google class every day so absences do not add up to academic struggles. **Please communicate with us as soon as possible when your child is absent** at (951) 788-7296.

NEU Character Counts -
We take pride in how well our scholars demonstrate strong character every day. This month of September we are focusing on Respect and Responsibility. **Please share with your child the many ways they can demonstrate RESPECT AND RESPONSIBILITY at home and at school/ GOOGLE classroom.** You can find resources at [https://www.corevirtues.net/september.html](https://www.corevirtues.net/september.html).

Technology Needs: If your scholar is experiencing difficulty with his/her Chromebook device, please call the technology line at (951) 208-7185 or Highgrove Elementary.

Parent Involvement - School Site Council and ELAC:
Highgrove is preparing its annual School Plan for Student Achievement and will be presenting the draft to our ELAC and School Site Council for input and review. We will soon send out information to invite parents to participate, your input is necessary and welcome.

School Schedules – Please visit our School website for our scholars’ school schedule. [http://highgrove.riversideunified.org/](http://highgrove.riversideunified.org/)

COVID 19 Updates: Please visit our RUSD Website to receive COVID 19 school related updates. [http://www.riversideunified.org/](http://www.riversideunified.org/)

Upcoming Events – Mark your calendar for the following events:

- **Mondays** wear your NEU shirt.
- **Thursdays** are college days, **wear your college gear.**
- **Fridays** wear our Husky colors, blue and gray
- **Tuesdays and Thursdays** – Lunch distribution 11:15 to 12:45 at the front of the school
- **Week of September 28** – Virtual Awards Celebrations – Teachers will provide more information

Thank you for your continuous support, we are Highgrove RESILIENT and always BeUnified RUSD.

**Advancing Despite Adversity**

*Carolina Michel, Principal*

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