

# The Hound's Howl



HALLS  
ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL

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**Today it's up to me to be the BEST that I can be!**

## Yearbook Art Contest

Watch for information to come home about entering original artwork for the yearbook art contest. A 5th grader will be featured on the cover, and we will have students' artwork throughout the pages of the yearbook.

We can't wait to see the beautiful submissions!

## School Wide Reading Initiative

This year, it is a school wide expectation for our students to read (or be read to) four out of seven nights each week. Your teachers will be sharing more about specifics and how this will be tracked.

Benefits of Reading for 20 minutes a day:

- \*Builds Vocabulary
- \*Builds Early Literacy Skills
- \*Enhances Listening and Comprehension Skills
- \*Improves Academic Performance
- \*Builds Confidence
- \*Reading Aloud To Your Child And Discussing The Text Can Build Relationships

***Let's Go Hound Dogs!***

## SCHOOL MESSENGER

Sign up to receive important text, email, and phone updates from school by signing up for *School Messenger* at the "For Families" tab at [www.knoxschools.org](http://www.knoxschools.org)

## Dates to Remember

August 12th: 2nd and 3rd Parent Night @6:00  
August 13th: 5th Parent Night @6:00  
August 20th: 1st and 4th Parent Night @6:00  
August 22nd: K Parent Night @6:00  
August 27th: No School -Teacher Inservice  
September 2nd: No School - Labor Day Holiday

## Encore Rotations

Week 2: August 12-16  
Week 3: August 19-23  
Week 4: August 26-30  
Week 5: September 2-6  
Week 6: September 9-13  
Week 1: September 16-20

\*\*All Parent Nights Begin at 6pm - Teachers Begin Their Presentations At 6pm

## Morning Student Drop-off

Please remember that kindergarten students will be starting school full time on Monday, August 19. This means that morning drop-off will be more congested. Please try to allow a few extra minutes to get to school. Between 7:20 and 7:30 is a great time for less congested traffic.

Also, as we did last year, if you need to park after 7:30, you will not be permitted to proceed straight to the parking lot at the tennis courts. Those who arrive after 7:30 will need to follow the traffic flow around the front of the building.

**If you need to park, be sure to arrive between 7:00 and 7:30 so you do not have to follow the morning traffic pattern.**

## Our Newly Painted Restrooms

We want to send a huge thank you to PTO co-president and HES mother, Natalie King, for coordinating our painted restroom project.

With some help from parent volunteers, HES Staff, and the Halls High School Art Club, our student restrooms have undergone an amazing transformation.



**GIRLS' CAFETERIA RESTROOM**

### **SIMPLE WAYS TO BUILD A READING FOUNDATION FOR YOUR CHILD**

Label things in the home such as table, refrigerator, doors, etc. Collect the labels and have your child put them back on the correct objects.

While in the car, walking, or riding the bus, have the child look for and read familiar signs.

Talk to children about what they like to do—their favorite games, pastimes, and books.

Listen to your child's stories, accounts of events, and ideas.

Encourage your child to ask questions. Show how some questions can be answered by looking for information in books.

Source: [nea.org](http://nea.org)

*Paw Pride Expectations*

*Be Respectful Be Responsible Be Safe Be Ready to Learn*

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