



## Weekly Parent Newsletter

June 3, 2022

### **\*\*IMPORTANT REMINDERS\*\***

**No pets are allowed on DCPS property. Please do not bring them to drop off or pickup.**

### ***Important Date Reminders***

Coffee with the Principal June 10 – Join Principal Lam for school updates in person at 8:45 am.

PTO Playdate at Walter Pierce Park June 12th: Come meet fellow Cooke parents and PTO representatives.

Juneteenth Day June 20 – School closed in observance of Juneteenth Holiday.

Move Up Days June 6-17 – We are inviting families to move-up day to come visit the classroom and meet the grade level teachers. See below for dates.

Kids Ride Free SmarTrip cards – Cards are now available for the new school year. If you need one, please contact the main office to request one (202-939-5390) or email [jacqueline.alvarado@k12.dc.gov](mailto:jacqueline.alvarado@k12.dc.gov).

### **Move-up Dates**

Come visit the classrooms and meet the next school year grade level teachers.

1<sup>st</sup> Grade – June 6, 2:30 pm

4<sup>th</sup> Grade – June 7, 2:30 pm

Prek-4 – June 9, 8:30 am

Prek-3 – June 10, 8:30 am

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – June 14, 9 am

Kinder – June 15, 8:45 am

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – June 16, 8:45 am

5<sup>th</sup> Grade – June 17 – Promotion Ceremony, 10 am

### **Pride Month Spirit Week**

In a continued effort to help broaden our collective knowledge and appreciation for the great diversity within H.D. Cooke Elementary School, our community, and our world, this June we are highlighting the significant progress we as a nation have made and continue to strive for by celebrating Pride Month. We will have Spirit week June 6<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Monday** – Pajama Day – wear your most colorful pajamas

**Tuesday** – Rainbow Day – wear rainbow colors or lots of rainbows to brighten our day

**Wednesday** – Friendship Day – Write an appreciation note to your class as a whole

**Thursday** – Mix-Match Day – Mix-up your clothes and colors and patterns

**Friday** – HD Cooke Pride – Wear your Cooke shirts to show your school pride

### ***Vaccinations and Booster COVID vaccinations for children 5 to 17 years old***

At the District's COVID Centers, individuals will have access to vaccinations, boosters, and take-home rapid antigen tests as well as a new walk-up testing opportunity which will allow residents to administer and register a PCR test themselves. For more information visit <https://coronavirus.dc.gov/covidcenters>.

Children, ages 5 to 17, as well as adults can receive vaccinations and boosters at any COVID Center.

Register SAME-DAY for your COVID PCR test at [coronavirus.dc.gov/register](https://coronavirus.dc.gov/register) or go to your nearest COVID Center to register on-site, no appointment necessary.

### ***PARCC Testing Starts for Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>***

PARCC testing continues for 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Please make sure that students arrive at school promptly at 8:30 am to be ready for testing to start on time.

### ***Asymptomatic Testing***

DCPS is now testing 10% of student population for asymptomatic COVID-19 testing. We tested students on Wednesday, June 1. We tested 46 students, and 1 sample came back positive. All affected students and staff have been contacted.

Watch this video to learn more about how student testing happens at school with ST3 ([English](#) and [Spanish](#)).

Please [click here](#) to access the Testing Patient Portal where you can see test results for your student (if/when they are tested).

If you are having trouble accessing your students' test results, please contact the ST3 Support Line at 833-762-0762 or please email them at [DCPSCOVIDTesting@dc.gov](mailto:DCPSCOVIDTesting@dc.gov).

### ***Enrollment for School year 2022-2023***

Re-enrollment for next school year has begun. All students are required to re-enroll. Please make sure to re-enroll your student for next school year NOW. You can complete the enrollment forms online or in person. Make sure you submit your proof of address. Forms CANNOT be returned with students. Please call the main office if you have any questions: 202-939-5390.

We are at 90% enrolled for next school year! Come by the office if you have not re-enrolled yet.

Enrollments forms will also be available on the DCPS website: <https://enrolldcps.dc.gov>

### ***Early Dismissal***

Reminder that if you need to pick up your student early from school, you must notify the main office by 2:45 pm. Students will not be dismissed after 2:45 pm.

### ***Visiting the School***

Anyone needing to come to school to talk to someone in main office must have a scheduled appointment. Visitors are not allowed at school without an appointment at this time. All visitors will be asked the health questions before entering the building. To make an appointment, please contact your students teacher or the main office at 202-939-5390 or you can send an email to Ms. Emma Amaya ([emma.amaya@k12.dc.gov](mailto:emma.amaya@k12.dc.gov)) or Ms. Jackie ([Jacqueline.alvarado@k12.dc.gov](mailto:Jacqueline.alvarado@k12.dc.gov)).

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