

HICKMAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2020

TODAY IS AN "A" DAY

Is it possible that one of the most enduring things to come out of the current health crisis may be our reawakened appreciation for the everyday acts of kindness and extraordinary selflessness of others?

Gratitude is such a powerful thing and something that is solidly in our control during a time when so much feels out of our control.

Whether it is the brave health care workers on the front lines of this battle, the clerks who are stocking shelves so we can continue to buy groceries, the neighbor who calls at noon each day just to check in on us, or the friend who sends us a thoughtful care package, this challenging moment in the world provides an incredible opportunity for all of us to say, Thank You!

These are just a few of the ways you might consider sharing your appreciation of others in the days ahead:

- *Today is National Doctors Day, a great opportunity to say thank you to your own doctor and other health care workers*
- *Send a virtual cup of coffee to a valued co-worker*
- *Express your gratitude for your local heroes who are keeping us safe by sharing their story with us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) and using #LocalHero*
- *Leave an I appreciate you note on the door for the mailman or delivery person*
- *Some families have started a daily group text in which each person lists five things that they are grateful for. The lists range from heartwarming to hilarious and are a great way to feel connected each day.*

Expressing gratitude not only makes us feel great, but it contributes to our health and well-being is something that is more important than ever for all of us.

*Stay well and stay connected,
From your Hickman family*

The following link is invaluable in letting you know what is happening as we go forward with online learning. The site is full of information that you may need to make the following weeks less stressful.

The Hickman COVID link found on the front page of the [Hickman website](#) will be your greatest source of information for teacher contact and distance learning questions.

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER – week of 3/30/20 -

<https://www.smores.com/jyqpmv>

HERE IS THE INFORMATION IF YOU DON'T FEEL COMFORTABLE CLICKING ON THE LINK, MINUS THE GRAPHICS:

ONLINE LEARNING FROM HOME EDITION

Activities for this week - suggested by Team LMC!

ALL WEEK - Hickman's FIRST Virtual Spirit Week - [CLICK](#) for the flyer!

EVERY MORNING starting Monday - Author Kwame Alexander will read from his book, *The Crossover*, live on Instagram at 9:30 AM - <https://www.instagram.com/kwamealexander/>

Tuesday - Hickman Virtual Book Club - Let's meet together on Zoom and share what books we are reading or plan to read - **4:00-5:00 PM** - <https://cpsk12.zoom.us/j/801040200>

Wednesday - April is **NATIONAL POETRY MONTH!** Explore this great poetry podcast - **POETRY UNBOUND** - <https://onbeing.org/series/poetry-unbound/>

Thursday - check out this [Hogwarts Digital Escape Room!](#)

Friday - Submit your guess in our Jelly Bean Jar contest! Only one submission per student (you must be logged in to your school Google account). Winner will be announced in next week's "News from the LMC" email. Click [HERE](#) for a picture and to guess!

We are here for you!

During the closure of CPS related to the COVID-19 Pandemic, Hickman's Library Media Specialists will be answering emails within a 24-hour time frame.

Our office hours:

Mr. Kome - Monday-Friday, 9AM-11AM (jkome@cpsk12.org)

Mrs. Foley - Monday-Friday, 11AM-1PM (tfoley@cpsk12.org)

- During these hours, we are available for a quick email reply or other form of communication if deemed necessary.
- If you need immediate technology assistance outside of these hours, please contact the CPS Helpdesk at 573-214-3333.

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Please stay safe and thank you for your patience during this time.

Also, follow us on social media!

[Instagram](#) - hickman_lmc

[Twitter](#) - HickmanLMC

Make sure you have access to the Schoology course called "2019-2020 Hickman Students" as helpful hints, instructions, and information will be posted there as needed.

If you do not see this course, follow the instructions below at add yourself:

- Open Schoology from the CPS Portal
- Go to "My Courses-->Join a Course"
- Enter the appropriate Access Code to receive grade level announcements
 - 9th grade: QDZS-733G-QDVRC
 - 10th grade: R85G-2C3M-F779K
 - 11th grade: FXN7-3VR4-5886N
 - 12th grade: SN89-SC8N-9CV3Z

Resources to assist in online learning

[Using Online Databases for Research](#)

[Check out ebooks & audiobooks with Sora](#)

[Two minute troubleshooting](#)

**TEAM
LMC**

If these announcements are helpful and you would like to receive them on a regular schedule, please let me know. Also, let me know what you would like to see in the announcements.

**TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE WEATHER AND SPEND
SOME TIME OUTSIDE TODAY!**