



# The Buzz

## Hoover Weekly Newsletter #5

9-28-17

Hoover School  
3259 Saint Anne Dr.  
Dubuque, IA 52001  
Phone: (563)552-3700  
Fax: (563)552-3701  
Weather: (563)552-3035

### Calendar Notes

**September 29, Friday - ONE-HOUR LATE START, SCHOOL BEGINS AT 9:35 A.M.**

5-H Brown Bag Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**October 3, Tuesday-** Hoover Community Council (Parent Group) Meeting, Hoover School, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

**October 5, Thursday -** Hoover Site Council Meeting, 3:40-5:00 p.m. Please see below.

**October 6, Friday - ONE-HOUR LATE START, SCHOOL BEGINS AT 9:35 A.M.**

**October 13, Friday- ONE-HOUR LATE START, SCHOOL BEGINS AT 9:35 A.M.**

**October 18, Wednesday- Conferences and Book Fair, Hoover School, 4-8 p.m.**

**October 19, Thursday- NO SCHOOL, Conferences and Book Fair, Hoover School, 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.**

**October 20, Friday- NO SCHOOL**

### Hoover School News

**A Note from Mrs. Haas:** Wow...it seems like just yesterday students were walking in our doors for the first day of school, I can hardly believe that Parent-Teacher Conferences are just around the corner! I know that each of you and your families are very busy, but I do want to stress to you the importance of attending conferences. Conferences are an opportunity for students, parents and teachers to discuss each child's individual progress, celebrate individual achievements and identify areas for continued improvement. Conferences provide the opportunity for a personalized, face to face conversation that helps build success for each student and relationships between families and school. We enjoy partnering with you in your child's education and we look forward to meeting with each of you, and your child(ren) in a few weeks! ~Mrs. Haas

**Hoover School Site Council:** The purpose of the Hoover School Site Council is to support the achievement of Hoover Elementary Students, by focusing on issues related to the quality of the instructional programs, supporting the comprehensive school plan, as well as, giving appropriate suggestions/directions to the instructional process, and ensuring that all educational programming leads to higher student achievement. This group consists of school and district staff, parents, and community members. We meet on the third Thursday of each month in the Hoover School lounge; however, the October meeting (first meeting) will be held on October 5. **We are looking for 3 parent representatives for our Hoover School Site Council for the 2017-2018 school year. If you are interested, please contact the Hoover School Office at 563-552-3700.**

**Conference Scheduling:** We will be scheduling fall conferences online, just as we did for orientation conferences in August. There will be a link on the Hoover website and you may schedule conferences beginning Thursday, October 5, at 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 12. Please contact the office if you have any questions or need assistance.

- The only conferences that have been pre-scheduled are those that involve multiple staff members and you should be notified prior to October 5<sup>th</sup> (please call with any questions).
- ALL families must log in to the online system to schedule conferences. For families with multiple children, it will be important to log in early in the window to access conference times for your students on the same days and in the same time blocks.
- In order to ensure effective communication among all parents/guardians and teachers, we ask that all families communicate and schedule only one conference per student.
- There are no online schedules for our band or orchestra teachers. If you have a child that participates in band or orchestra, you will be receiving an individual communication from the instrumental music teacher giving you specific information about how to schedule individual conferences.
- Due to the number of students/grade levels they serve, there are no online schedules for Mr. Foxen, Mrs. Scheirer or Mr. VanVleck. However, they are available for both "drop in" and individual scheduled conferences. If you would like to schedule an individual conference with one of Hoover's Specialist Teachers, please contact the office directly.

**Kids Expo:** Children and their families are invited to attend this free event on Saturday, October 7, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Grand River Center, 500 Bell Street, Dubuque, Iowa. A variety of businesses and organizations that provide programs or services will be at the Expo to share their services and answer questions. In addition, children and families can enjoy hands-on games, activities, entertainment and more...all free of charge! For additional information, please visit [www.dcearlychild.org](http://www.dcearlychild.org) or check out the Facebook page "Kids Expo-Dubuque County 2017".

**Notes from our Nurse:** Some friendly DCSD policy reminders...**Cough Drop Policy:** Students are allowed to use cough drops during the school day. Please write a note with the cough drops you send from home giving your child permission or call the health office to give verbal permission. **Medication Policy:** Students taking any medication at school are required to have a "Request for Medication to be Given at School" form signed by the doctor and parent. The doctor offices can fax the consent to 563-552-3701.

**Instrumental Music:** Before/After School lessons will begin the week of October 2<sup>nd</sup>.