

There is a lot happening here at Hendricks Middle School! We want to communicate to our community efficiently and effectively, so our plan for this is the following:

1. Our website is our first line of communication and is updated frequently. Many parents do not have social media and platform use is inconsistent, so the school website is where you can find dependable school information.
 - Each department maintains their own page. For example, parents can find their students' sports practice and game schedules on the athletic pages.
 - Events such as parent nights, conference days, and picture days can be found on the front page of our website under "School News" and "Upcoming Events".
 - Student News/Announcements contain things like club meeting days/times, spirit day information and other student interests can be found on the front page of our website under the "Quick Links" and "School News" sections as well as our students' ClassLink page.
2. As a second method of communication, as much information as possible will be pushed out through social media. Please refer back to our website if you are looking for more information on a social media post. Most social media posts are simply highlighting information that exists on our website. If our website doesn't answer your questions about a social media post, please email the contact given in the post or our administration. We don't always see questions asked on social media or in direct messages.
3. Our third line of communication will be regular newsletters. These newsletters will be placed on our website and posted on social media as well.
4. Critical or last minute safety information will also be sent via Parent Portal/IC Messenger.

Communicating with our students is important to us as well. Many times your student will have information about upcoming events or other items of interest at Hendricks. Here are the ways we communicate with them:

1. All students are enrolled in our itslearning student course titled "HMS Student Information Course". This course contains announcements and links that may need to be accessed throughout the year for surveys, tutorials, or events.
2. Announcements scroll all day on digital signage around our school. These announcements are also posted in our students' Classlink, Student Information course in itslearning, and our website.
3. Video announcements air every day. These are also made available in Classlink, HMS Student Information Course in itslearning, and our website.

We hope that this plan will help our community stay on top of necessary and important information from HMS. We deeply appreciate your support!