

# Hudson Happenings

Grace Hudson Language Academy - April 2021

## **Directora Blanco's Message- Returning to in person learning**

The return to in person learning in the Hybrid model at Grace Hudson has had it's challenges as we learn to navigate a new situation , but I believe that it has been overwhelmingly successful! As a school principal for the last 8 years and a teacher for 16 years previously, the best sight and sound one can see and hear is that of teaching and learning. It is such an amazing visual to walk down the hall and look into classrooms and see students engaged and having fun. This is evident even with their masks on and 6ft of distance! Students playing at recess, hearing their laughter and conversations, and calling their friend's name are pretty incredible to see, feel and hear as well.

I have missed our students on campus and am elated a little over 60% have returned! I am so grateful for the dedicated staff we have at Grace Hudson who are committed to doing their best to plan, adapt and create learning opportunities using many formats creatively. Our support staff, office staff, and custodial staff have made reopening possible! Students have learned to be resilient, independent, responsible, use technology , and express their knowledge in numerous ways. Families have had to balance, juggle and maneuver many schedules, due dates, learning platforms and technology. Parents have continued working while assisting with homework and classwork and gaining even more insight into the expectations and standards of their child's grade level/s and education. The demands on us all have been substantial and we have taken it day by day the last calendar year, but we are approaching "normalcy" and our loads suddenly feel a little lighter.

This last year was difficult for everyone and we have had to adapt , adjust and adapt again to each new situation. I understand and am appreciative of the amount of patience, perseverance and collaboration it has taken our families, students and staff to learn new ways to work and learn together. I just want to say thank you, thank you and thank you , it has created an even stronger Grace Hudson community and team. I look forward to the last couple of months of the 2020-2021 school and I hope to see more students on campus!



## Attendance is IMPORTANT!

Attendance counts when we are in-person learning/Hybrid Learning, Independent Learning and /or Distance Learning! Students are expected to follow the schedule, complete work that has been assigned, and be present for instruction and lessons that our amazing teachers have developed and prepared. Please be sure to look at the schedule carefully as many have drastically changed due to the Hybrid format. If students are ill, please call the office to report their absence whether it is distance, hybrid or independent learning and if you are having technology issues, please let the teacher and the office know (472-5460) and we will do our best to help your child get back on track! Thank you!

## Returning in Hybrid

If you are in Distance Learning and are considering having your child return to school in the Hybrid format, please contact Director Kara Blanco directly at 707-472-5460 or through an email - [kblanco@uusd.net](mailto:kblanco@uusd.net). You will be placed on the waiting list and will be contacted when your child can return. Time is running out and spaces are limited due to health guidelines. Thank you!

## Spirit Days @ Grace Hudson

We will have two Spirit Days in April and two in May! For April, we will have Crazy Hair #2 on Tuesday, April 13th and Sports Day on Tuesday, April 27th. Students who are in Distance Learning can participate too! Please send pictures to Lorena Evans - [levans@uusd.net](mailto:levans@uusd.net).

## Uniforms

Grace Hudson Language Academy is a uniform school. **All students** should be wearing uniforms which are khaki pants, shorts and skirts and white or dark forest green shirts. Shoes, jackets, leggings, and sweatshirts may be of your own choosing. If you need any uniforms, please contact the office, we have plenty of them! If you want to donate uniforms, we will take them if they are washed and in good shape!



## Stay involved!

Facebook

Grace Hudson has a website where you can find out information about our school. It is updated as often as possible. See below. Also, a Facebook page has been set up by our PTO, it is called Grace Hudson Parents. Please check it out!

251 Jefferson Lane, Ukiah, CA, ... [kblanco@uusd.net](mailto:kblanco@uusd.net)  
 707-472-5460 [gracehudson.uusd.net](http://gracehudson.uusd.net)

## Parent Portal

Thank you for keeping your information up to date in our Aeries Parent Portal. It is especially important during Distance Learning. Please log into AERIES to add or change information as needed. If you need assistance, please contact our Parent /Community Liaison, Lorena Evans @ 472-5481 to get additional help and support over the phone. You can also call our office @ 472-5460 and we can assist you in changing your information. Thank you!

## Vicente Duarte, Counselor

Please join Maestro Duarte, our School Counselor, for a parent support group on Wednesday, April 7th, 2021 and Wednesday, April 21st, 2021 from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm.

This hour will be dedicated to address some of the stressors that distance learning brings to our well being.

Where: <https://uusd.zoom.us/j/9383366567>

## Upcoming Dates @ Grace Hudson

March 29th, 2021- April 5th, 2021- Spring Break

April 7th, 2021- Student of the Month Ceremony @ 5:30m/ UUSD Youtube channel

April 7th 2021- Office Hours with Counselor Vicente Duarte @ 6pm via Zoom

April 13th, 2021- Spirit Day - Crazy Hair Day #2

April 13th, 2021- PTO Meeting @ 4pm via Zoom

April 21st, 2021-Office Hours with Counselor Vicente Duarte @ 6pm via Zoom

April 23rd, 2021- Golden Awards virtual assembly@ 8:30am

April 27th, 2021- Spirit Day- Sports Day

April 29th, 2021- School Site Council @ 2:30pm via Zoom

April 30th, 2021- Bravoletto Celebration

