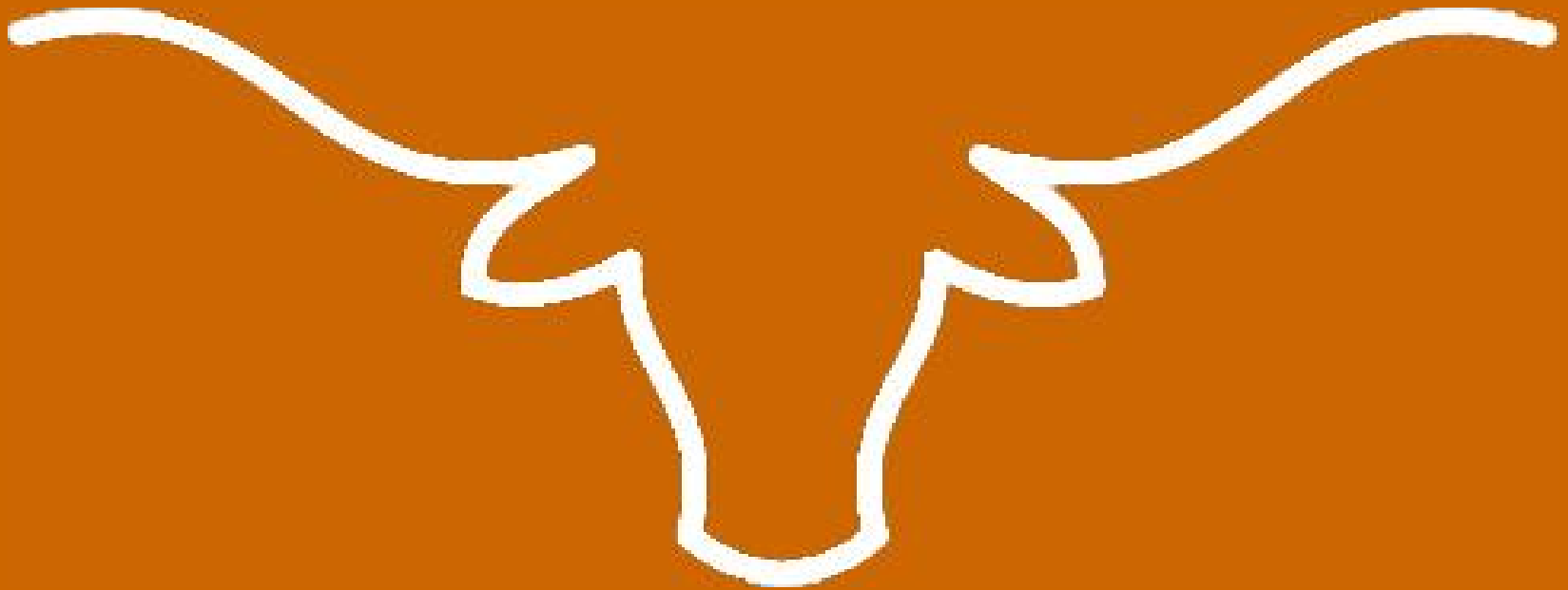


Welcome to Harpool Middle School



Home of the Longhorns!

Your Administrators.....



Jeff Smith
Principal



Summer Vasquez
Assistant Principal
7th grade
6th grade A-L



Matt Willoughby
Assistant Principal
8th grade
6th grade M-Z



Tammy Allen
AP Intern

Your Counselors.....



Mrs. Turner
Student Assistance
Counselor

Ms. Price
Grade Level
Counselor
6th grade A-L
7th grade

Mrs. Thweatt
Grade Level
Counselor
6th grade M-Z
8th grade

Resources for Success

- These are people you or your students can go to if you need extra help or assistance. The teachers are wonderful helpers, but sometimes you may need one of these other resources to provide extra support.



Officer Wilkinson
Student Resource Officer
(SRO)

Verification vs Registration

Registration:

Registration is for new students only. If your student is currently enrolled in DISD, they are already registered.

Verification:

- Will occur during the summer via Info Snap (you will need a current email address)
- Go to Denton ISD homepage. Click the Parent tab and it will take you to the information page.
 - ***Verification is a two step process.***
 1. Complete the information as a RETURNING STUDENT (print verification page when completed)
 2. When you come up for schedule pick up, you will need to have a copy of your proof of residency, drivers license, and the verification sheet from Info Snap.

Our School



TIME

Classes start at 8:15 sharp!



8 periods a day & each are
47 minutes long except
3rd period which is 53
minutes

School ends at 3:35!

Parent Drop Off and Pick Up
is in the back of the school
by the covered awning.



Making the Transition to “Middle School”

Team Concept



- * What are Teams?
- * Why are they a good idea?

6th Grade Teams

6-1



6-2



Did you know...?

- Each teacher has a website.
- Many teachers list their daily assignments and sometimes attach homework assignments.
- Go to www.dentonisd.org
- Choose Harpool at the top of the page.
- Choose the team and then the teacher
- This is a great tool to use if your student is absent! If it's not listed, be sure to have them **ASK THEIR TEACHER!!!**



6th grade hallway....your color of the year is GREEN!



6th Grade Required Courses

What your student has to take.

- English
- Reading/Expo
- Math
- Science
- Contemporary World Societies
- PE/Wellness
- Advisory
- There are no enhanced classes at 6th grade level.



Physical Education

Uniforms will only be sold online. Check out the Harpool website for more information starting in April.

There will be two opportunities to purchase uniforms – once during the spring and once during the summer. During the summer, dri-fit and mesh shorts are not available.



Remember, PE clothes must be appropriate length according to school dress code requirements.

Write student's name on uniforms.

Students must dress out everyday. Grade is based on 70% participation and 30% dressing out.

Elective Choices

What your student can choose to take.

- Beginning Band
- Choir (G=girls) & (B=boys)
- Beginning Strings or Continuing Orchestra
- Elective Wheel



What is the Elective Wheel?

It is a combination of a fine arts class and a career/technology class

There are two parts to the wheel:

Part I

Students will be in *one* of the following courses for one semester:

*Art

*Theatre Arts



Elective Wheel continued....




Part II

Students will rotate through NINE weeks of the following:

- *Technology Education
- *Career Investigation

Course Request Sheets

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- They will need to be signed by you AND your child.
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**6th Grade
Course Request Sheet**

Last Name _____
 First Name _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone #(_____) _____
 ID# _____ Male _____ Female _____
 Email _____
 Elementary _____

REQUIRED COURSES

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<u>REQUIRED COURSES</u>		<u>Units</u>
English 6	10600	1
Reading/Expo	20600	1
Math 6	30600	1
Science 6	40600	1
C. World Societies 6	50600	1
PE/WELLNESS 6	80600	1
Advisory	99010	1

Student Signature

Parent Signature

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____ Continuing Cello/Viola		
____ Beginning Strings (60630)		
____ Choir 6 girls	60652	1
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____ Elective Wheel*	90000	1

*For one semester the Elective Wheel students will rotate through each of the following courses for nine weeks each:

Technology Education
Career Investigation

AND

Elective wheel students must also pick one of the following which will last for one semester. Place a checkmark on the line of the class you prefer.

____ Art 616103 ____ Theatre Arts 606603

Big Changes Are Coming...

The only thing constant in lifeIs change.

- Emotional
 - I won't be able to find my classes.
 - I won't be with my friends.
- Disorganized
 - I'll have 8 classes to keep up with.
- Forgetful
 - I'll forget which class to go to next.
 - I won't be able to get my locker open.



WEB

Where Everybody Belongs!



- WEB is a middle school transition program that welcomes 6th graders and makes them feel comfortable throughout the first year of their middle school experience.
- From 8:30 – 10:00, counselors will host a parent meeting to discuss common middle school issues and concerns.

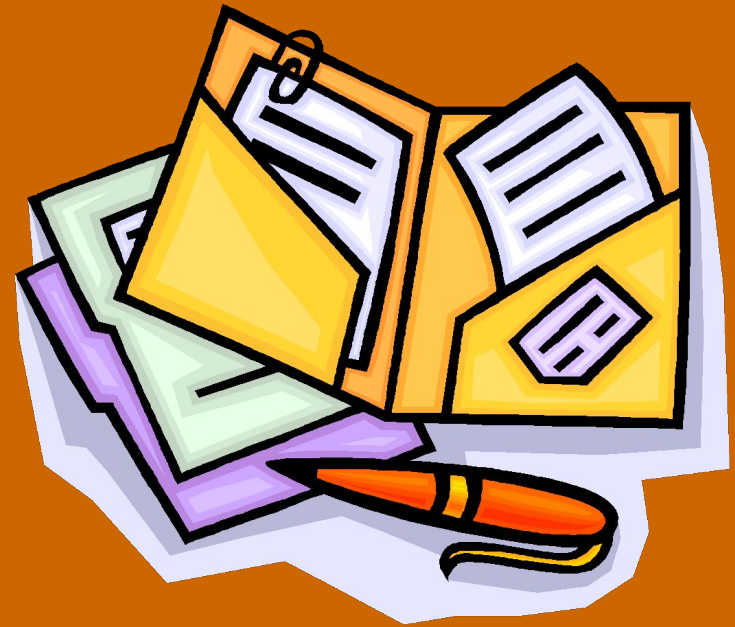
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8:00-12:00

To be successful in Middle School.....

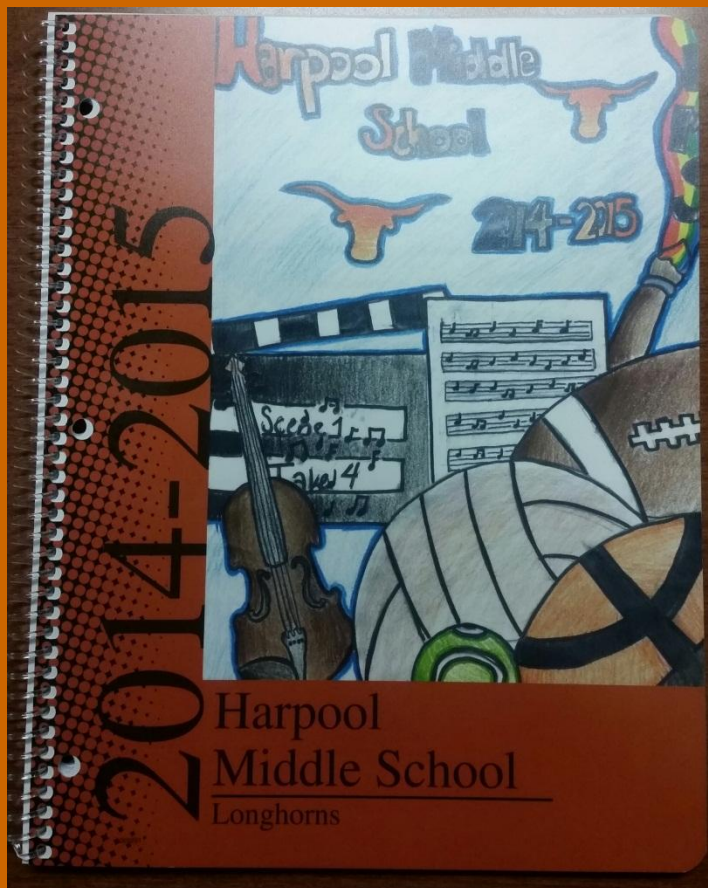
Organization
is VERY
important!

If your child struggles with organization and would benefit from a group please let us know. 😊



The 6th Grade Agenda

2016-2017 Agenda



- 6th grade students are required to take their agenda everywhere.
- It is their hall pass and it helps to keep them organized.
- CHECK it every night AND discuss it with your child!
- Tickets are stapled to the back of the agenda.

School Wide Discipline Policy

Tickets.....

- Writing detention after losing the 6th ticket.
- Writing detention after losing the 12th ticket.
- Office referral on 13th (not ticket sheet as teacher has taken up)
- Office referral is issued if the ticket sheet is lost.

Once a student has lost all tickets and served two detentions, they will be referred to the office. If student behavior is severe, it could result in an office referral on the first offence.

Longhorn Tickets	6 th Grade Reason: _____ Math _____ Writing _____ Advisory _____ Reading _____ Inclusion _____ History _____ Elective _____ Science _____ Date: _____	Longhorn Tickets	6 th Grade Reason: _____ Math _____ Writing _____ Advisory _____ Reading _____ Inclusion _____ History _____ Elective _____ Science _____ Date: _____	
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Parent Signature for loss of 6 th ticket _____		Parent Signature for loss of last ticket _____		
1 st Detention	Date: _____ Reason: _____ Parent Signature: _____	2 nd Detention	Date: _____ Reason: _____ Parent Signature: _____	

Do we get a locker?



- Everyone gets a hall locker with a combination lock on it.
- Students should NOT share their combination or locker with ANYONE!
- Students should cover their lock when putting in the combination.
- Students should keep lockers closed and locked when they aren't getting something out or putting something in. This helps to keep their stuff **SAFE!**

Do we have to wear an ID?

- YES, it must be attached and visible at all times while at school.
- Students will get their picture made for their ID at schedule pickup or the first week of school.
- ID's are REQUIRED for lunch and the library
- Students can leave it in their locker overnight so they don't leave it at home!



We want to “Brand” you.....



DISCIPLINE



- We have a principal and two assistant principals. These administrators, along with all the teachers and staff, expect students to act appropriately at all times while here at school.
- Students will have more freedom than they had in elementary school, and along with the freedom comes more responsibility.

Dress Code

- Skirts and shorts must be at least finger tip length- even on “Special Event Days”
- Shirts must be long enough to raise your arms and not show skin.
- Tank tops need to come to the shoulder.
- Pants need to be pulled up ...no sagging!
- No holes in jeans, shorts or skirts
- No flip –flops or athletic slides!
- No leggings, jeggings, or yoga pants!



Attendance



- In middle school, all absent notes go to the Attendance Clerk's office which is located at the front of the office.
- Notes have to be turned in within 72 hours, or three days, after the absence or it will be considered unexcused. School excuses may now be submitted by email as a convenient option, hmsnotes@dentonisd.org.
- If you have any questions concerning attendance, please call the Attendance Clerk at: 369-1707.

Attendance Policies



- What is an excused absence, per the state law?
- *medical illness
- *board approved extracurricular activities
- *medical appointments
- *death or serious illness of immediate family member (with documentation)
- *religious holy days
- *family emergencies (approved by admin)
- *weather and road conditions that make traveling dangerous
- All other absences, unless excused by admin, will be unexcused. Failure to turn in notes within 72 hours will result in an unverified absence. Unexcused absences will most likely not be addressed unless they exceed **3 in 4 weeks** or **10 in 6 months**.

Different from Elementary?



- *Attendance is taken EVERY period—8 times a day.
- *Harpool permits 6 parent notes per YEAR. All other absences will need medical documentation.
- *As always, communication is KEY!

Can we bring a cell phone to school?



- Students CAN bring one to school.
- From 8:15 am to 3:35 pm it is teacher discretion when it can be used – BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) – for classroom instruction.
- If heard or seen, can be taken up and \$15 fee to get it back.
- We have phones at school for students to use 😊

4-1 Grading vs Percent Grading

Elementary Grading:

- Standards Based on a 4-1 Grading measure.
- Looking for Mastery of the Content

Percent Grading:

- Standards Based on a 100-1 % Grading measure.
- Looking for Mastery of the Content

For example, a 3 in elementary might be equivalent to a 70-85 in middle school. This is only an example and not meant to be exact. These numbers will slide on a scale depending on the assignment, content, etc.

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Class	Current Average	Monday 02/13 Day: M	Tuesday 02/14 Day: T	Wednesday 02/15 Day: W	Thursday 02/16 Day: R	Friday 02/17 Day: F
Science 6 (409002 - 8) Per: 1 Cooper, Emily	91.98					
Choir 6 Girls (609522 - 1) Per: 2 Ice, Alaina	100.00					
English 6 (109002 - 7) Per: 3 Leatherwood, Aar	86.90	Extra Book	90/100			
Theater Arts 6 (609603 - 4) Per: 4 Bark, Erin	100.00					
Contemporary World Societies 6 (509002 - 8) Per: 5 Hanson, Chris	98.00				WORLD RELIGIONS QUIZ	
Math 6 (309002 - 10) Per: 6 Qualls, Matt	88.60					

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Assignment Information

Course: 306002-10 Math 6
 Assignment: Unit 3B - Part Two Test
 Category: Major Summative
 Date Assigned: 02/01/2017
 Date Due: 02/01/2017
 Points: 100.00
 Weight: 1.00
 Score: 85.00
 Extra Credit: No

The score received for this assignment will be applied in full to the following competencies:

Competency

compare two rules verbally, numerically, graphic ally, and symbolically in the form of $y = ax$ or $y = x + a$ in order to differentiate between additive and multiplicative relationships;
 identify independent and dependent quantities from tables and graphs;
 write an equation that represents the relationship between independent and dependent quantities from a table; and
 represent a given situation using verbal descriptions, tables, graphs, and equations in the form $y = kx$ or $y = x + b$.

Classwork Schedule

Date Due	Date Assigned	Assignment
01/17/2017	01/12/2017	Alphibio letter C
01/06/2017	01/06/2017	HOOT ch 1 & 2 quiz
01/03/2017	01/03/2017	HOOT pre reading activity

306002 - 10 Math 6 (Last Updated: 2/15/2017)

Date Due	Date Assigned	Assignment
02/10/2017	02/10/2017	Minor 3-4: Ratios & Proportions
02/01/2017	02/01/2017	Unit 3B - Part Two Test*
01/27/2017	01/27/2017	Minor 3-3: Representing Relationships*
01/19/2017	01/19/2017	Unit 3B Part One Test: Equations and Inequalities*
01/11/2017	01/11/2017	Minor 3-2: Write/Solve Equations - Part 2*
01/06/2017	01/06/2017	Minor 3-1: Write/Solve Equations - Part 1*

406002 - 6 Science 6 (Last Updated: 2/9/2017)

Date Due	Date Assigned	Assignment	Category	Score	Total Points
02/07/2017	02/07/2017	Forces	Minor Summative	86.00	100.00
01/24/2017	01/24/2017	Unit 4 Test*	Major Summative	92.30	100.00
01/20/2017	01/20/2017	Energy Conversions Quiz*	Minor Summative	80.00	100.00
01/13/2017	01/13/2017	Heat Travels Quiz*	Minor Summative	100.00	100.00
01/06/2017	01/06/2017	Thermal Equilibrium Lab*	Minor Summative	100.00	100.00

506002 - 8 Contemporary World Societies 6 (Last Updated: 2/8/2017)

Date Due	Date Assigned	Assignment	Category	Score	Total Points
02/16/2017	02/16/2017	WORLD RELIGIONS QUIZ	Minor Summative		100.00
02/07/2017	02/07/2017	Southwest Asia Vocabulary	Minor Summative	90.00	100.00

9 wk average 98.00%

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HMS Grading Policy

*The Practice- 40% of final grade
(**Formative Assessment**—quizzes, daily work, independent practice, etc)
Homework is assigned but not a grade.
Ticket taken if not complete.

*The Game- 60% of final grade
(**Summative Assessment**—tests, essays, projects, etc)



Reassessment Policy

- Students have the opportunity to reassess within 10 days of receiving feedback
- All **MAJOR** summative grades below a 70 **MUST** be reassessed if the student is failing
- Students must complete all required components of the reassessment process:
 - *all formative assessments related to work must be completed
 - *student engages in additional learning opportunities as designated by teacher
 - *teacher selects the time for reassessment

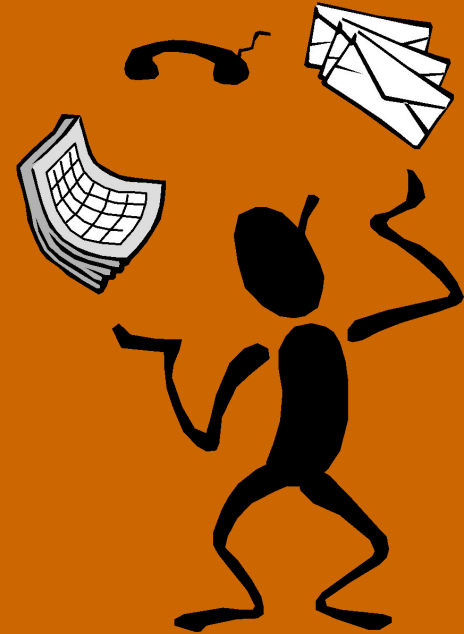
Discipline



- Students receiving a **69 or below** on a major assessment will be **required** to reassess if they are failing. They will have to follow all teacher guidelines (tutorials, extra practice, etc.) to be able to reassess.
- Students who do not reassess within the given time frame (10 day maximum) will be assigned a discipline consequence.


Remember

- Don't worry too much.
- It's okay to be nervous.
- Solutions for Students
 - Practice using a combination lock.
 - Come to WEB day, August 11th.
 - Get involved & make friends!
 - Ask questions.
 - Ask for help when you need it.
 - Bring supplies to class.
 - **Get organized and stay organized!**



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Harpool Middle School PTA

www.facebook.com/Harpool-Middle-School-PTA-113914122039836/

www.dentonisd.org/Domain3914

Upcoming meetings:

Tuesday, April 11th, at 8:30am

Thursday, May 18th, at 6:00pm

both in the cafeteria.

Harpool Middle School PTA Gifting Report 2016-2017

- Welcome Back Faculty Luncheon
- Assisted HMS in coordinating cookie donations for the Howdy Dance
- Consistent Communication support of HMS through social media
- Renaissance (aka STAR STORE) – A/B Honor Roll celebration held every 9 weeks
- Five Contour Booths from Seating Experts for HMS cafeteria
- Longhorn Day
- Winter Social
- Gala Basket donation for the Denton Public School Foundation Auction
- Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week
- The purchase of vinyl wraps/signage throughout Harpool Middle School

Harpool Middle School PTA

Open Volunteer Positions for 2017-2018:

Spirit Wear

Volunteer Coordinator

Renaissance Coordinator

Reflections

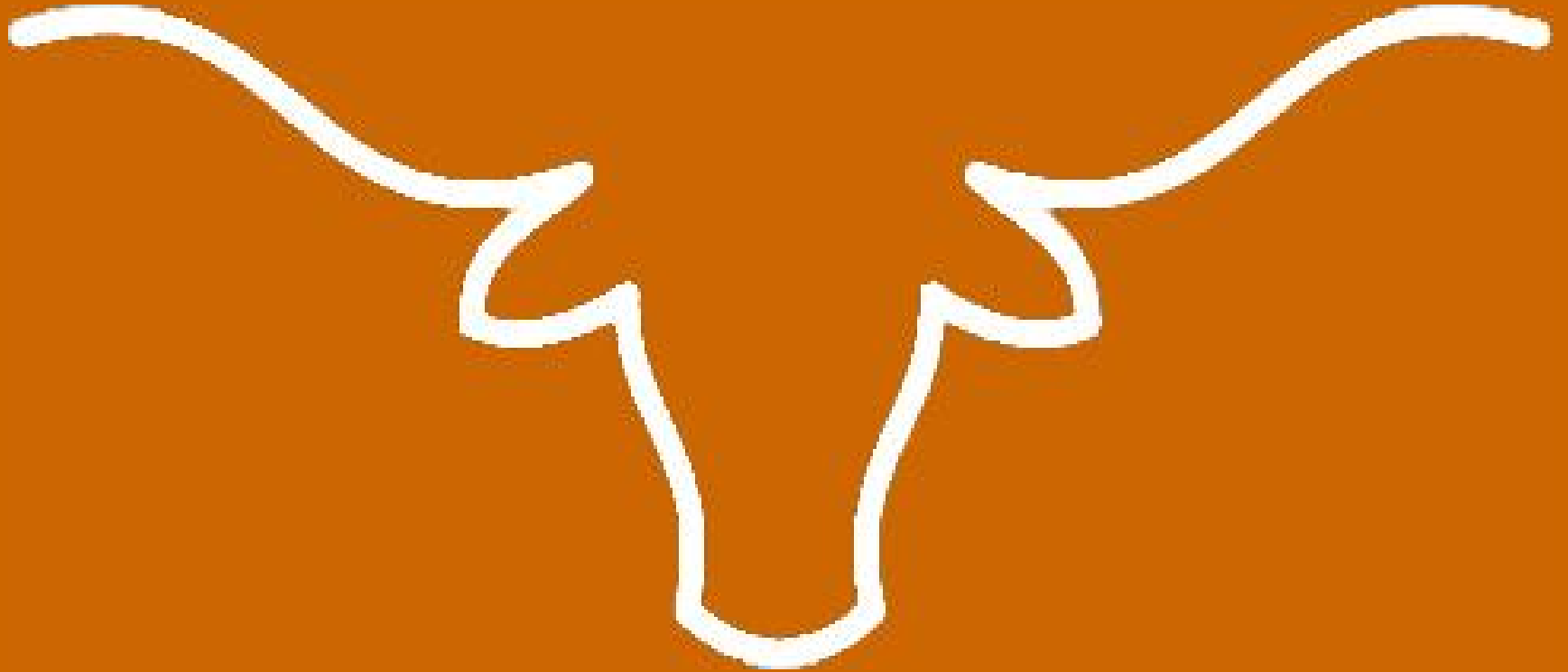
Rewards Programs

Winter Social

School Dining Nights

Online Auction

We are looking forward to
seeing you next year at



HARPOOL MIDDLE SCHOOL!