



Hindi Class Guidelines

Sundays from 11:15 to 12:15

Venue: KC Temple's classroom

Pre requisitions: Parents have to be a member of the Temple

Mission statement: Our mission is to foster a desire to learn Hindi as a language and to provide cultural and ethnic experience to the younger generation.

- Introduction of Hindi classes is a voluntary activity organized by the Hindu Temple. By learning Hindi and other languages, our children will be in a better position to be successful in today's world.
- Learning Hindi as a second language requires the same degree of commitment and effort as one would to learn any other language, like Spanish, French etc.
- Hindi class does not encourage competition but allows every student to learn at their own pace giving their best. We do not encourage or discourage any students for the academic performance by giving any awards. The only awards we give them are for Regular Homework completion and Attendance in order to encourage parents and kids to come to the class.
- Success of these efforts will however depend on active involvement of all concerned: volunteer staff, students and their parents. Support of parents will play an important role towards supplementing the efforts of the volunteer staff. Primarily, this support should involve (i) ensuring punctuality and regularity of the students in attending classes (ii) speaking Hindi (as much as possible) with children at home (iii) helping students in timely completion of learning-assignments (iv) providing volunteer support as needed (v) Homework will be given every Sunday. It is the parents' responsibility to encourage their children to complete their homework on time. A reward will be given for on-time submission of homework.
- No parents would be allowed to attend the class with their child unless the child is under 6 years.
- Class will start at 11.15 sharp. Children and Parents will check in for attendance with their assigned QR code and responsible for scanning their presence. (Please refer to Attendance Guidelines for additional details.) When the student has been on time for 5 consecutive Sundays, they will receive a gift for their punctuality. Any child arriving after 11:20 will be marked tardy and will not be entitled for an on-time reward on 5th Sunday, but will be considered for the Annual perfect attendance award at the end of the school year. Class begins by reciting Prathna .

- Class is divided in Four groups. **Beginners:** with minimum knowledge of Hindi, **Lower Intermediate:** can read and write Hindi consonants and vowels, **Upper Intermediate** and **Advanced:** can read and write and have some knowledge of basic Hindi grammar.
- There will be no class on long weekends and holidays.
- There is a **\$125** fee plus **\$25** temple membership (for the entire year) per child to be paid in full at the beginning of the first class session. This is a donation to the temple for using its facilities and for Hindi class expenses. Child's name will be added to the attendance sheet only after payment.
- **For on-line payment**---On HTCC website under online resources > forms > online membership ... After submitting the form comes link to pay for membership using paypal. Pay Hindi class fee+ membership (\$125+25) and on comments, write for Hindi class. Show us the receipt on the first day of school.
- Hindi Class participates in Holi, Diwali and Republic Day events at the temple. Parents are required to volunteer at least one of the event. Sign -up sheet for the events will be available first day of the Hindi Class.
- Hindi Class students are encouraged to participate at Passport to India event at Nelson Atkins Museum of Art, that provides the opportunity to showcase their Hindi knowledge and Indian culture.
- Annual Day is held at the end of the school year and is a celebration of successful completion of the year and not for academic achievements of the year. Trophies are given for the 1. Perfect attendance, 2. Missing just one day 3. Missing two days and for the regular completion of HW. Every student gets a gift on this day for attending Hindi class.
- Parents of new students must subscribe to the Hindi Class group by clicking this link

Hindi_learners-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

All communication will be done through this group email.

- **Materials to bring every Sunday to the class:**
Three hole binder: to keep all the handouts for future reference, a notebook, pencil, homework/reading log folder and eraser. (Please make sure pencil is sharpened.)

Thank you for enrolling your child in Hindi-class.