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Heights.edu Parent Dashboard

CONCEPT

Primary Sidebar Navigation

The purpose of using a fluid container is to find space for what was the proprietary top level navigation on the current parent page. The difficulty is the large number of navigation options present on the parents page.

The menu occupies one fifth of the page on a desktop computer or laptop. The menu stays when resized to the width of a small laptop, however, the announcement and news menu collapse to the main column. The wireframe depicts the menu options currently available on the current website. However, the menu as depicted here is only present on the parent dashboard.

On all child pages, a sidebar menu listing only the current child options for its parent page. At the iPad portrait breakpoint, the higher options become accordions, with the submenu options appearing upon expansion.

The menu can be easily modified using the WordPress menu editor in the backend (only accessible to those

who have appearance privileges).

Keep in mind, the menu is designed to be limited to only two levels, so attempts to add additional levels will result in improperly displayed menu items.

The red used for the top level options is the new "soft" red for backgrounds under text.

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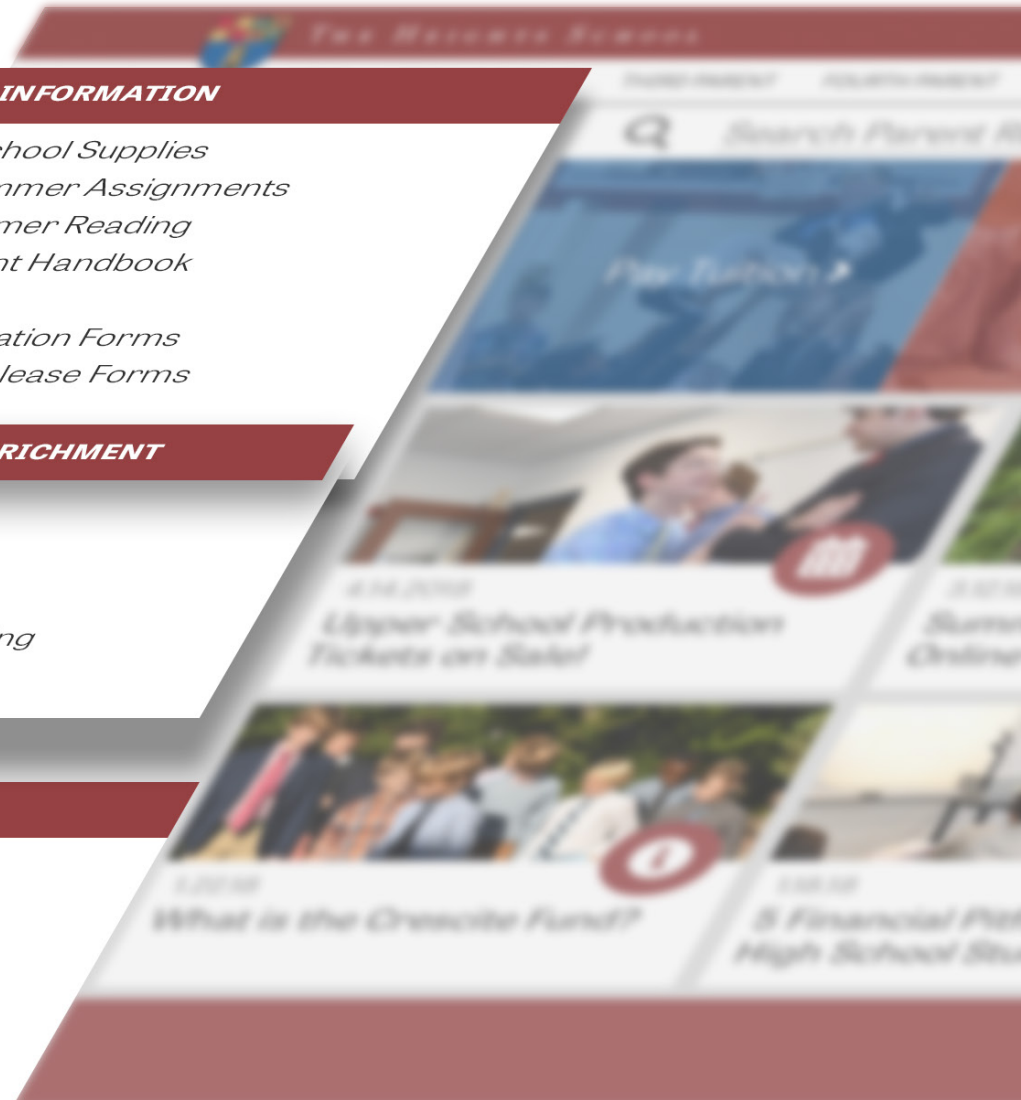
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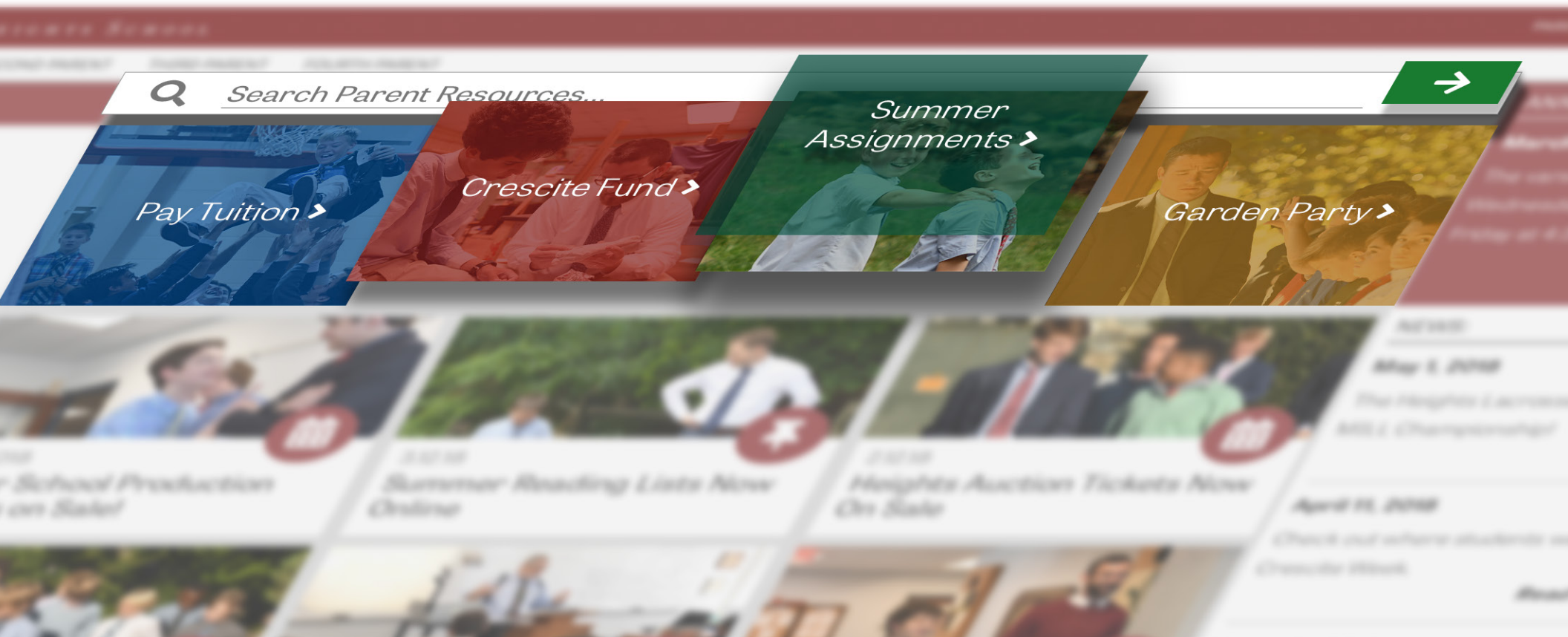
The idea behind the quick links is to take what would be popular destination links and put them immediately at the top of the page. The links shown in the wireframe are those that are currently buttons over the hero image of the current parent page.

The colors are taken from the colors of The Heights crest. While the colors are fixed (for stylistic reasons), the text, image, and destination of each

button can be customized easily via the proprietary, intuitive back-end page editor that will be built for the parents page. On smaller desktop or laptop screens, the buttons remain in a single row until the iPad portrait breakpoint. At that width, the single row becomes two rows with two columns, so that the buttons are 2x2. Alternatively, the buttons become four rows.

In an effort to best serve par-

ents, a search bar is at the top of the main column, which will query only for pages and posts that have any of the top level parent pages as parents. Thus, searching using the search box in the parent page will produce different results than if using the main search function.



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The right sidebar in the fluid container is a dedicated space for timely information. The top part of the sidebar is an "announcement" partition, which can contain immediate announcements to parents, such as a game being postponed, or school being cancelled. The announcement is not tied to any posts. Rather, it is updated using the custom page editor on the WordPress back-end. Since it is not tied to a post, the date is entered manually.

The news feed will draw from the same post-type as the news posts featured on the front page. However, news posts will have a custom taxonomy which will allow a single news post to be featured on the front page, or the parents page, or both. In doing this, the news post-type (WP Core posts) will be the source for all news on heights.edu.

Admissions will be able to publish news posts as normal, and whoever manages the parents page will be able to pull any of those posts onto the parents feed, and create news posts exclusively for the parents page. The "Read All News" button will direct to a page which features a loop of news posts that have the parents page taxonomy.



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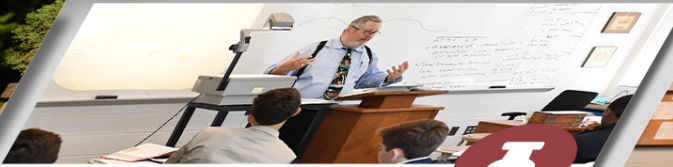
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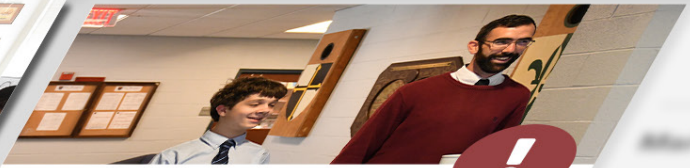
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The *Parent Dash* cards operate similarly to how they do on the current parent page. However, cards will now not use a WP Query object to loop through posts of any given type or taxonomy. Rather, cards will be manually created as needed for the page.

Cards will not be stored as post objects (to avoid the duplication of data), but will exist as post metadata with-

in the page itself, as custom fields. Card creation will be simple. Using the intuitive, custom page editor on the Parent Page backend, the editor will have the ability to add up to 12 cards to the dashboard.

The options presented for each card will be a featured image (scaled automatically using WordPress responsive images), a title, a date, a "card type," and a link or relational post.

The "card type" controls what icon shows up on the right side of the card. As I'm writing this, I realize this feature is pointless, and probably will not be implemented.

If the user specifies that the card should link to a post, he or she can select from any post (such as an event or article), or any page, for the card to link to. Alternatively, an outbound link can be used.

Parent Dash Cards