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From The Principal's Desk



Dear HHS Parents, Students and Community:

I often am asked what the administration and other staff do over the summer if they are working and there are no students present. Well, there are many things that are done which help us to prepare for the upcoming school year.

- One of the main tasks is to complete the student master schedule and verify student schedules prior to the start of school in August.
- We also complete the hiring of new staff and meet with our new teachers to discuss their schedules and get them teaching materials so that they are ready for the first day of school. This fall we will have 13 new teachers on staff here at HHS.
- Additionally, we receive all of the results from this past April's testing cycle, including ACT and PSAT tests. We analyze these results and modify our school improvement plan to create activities and strategies to help improve student achievement.
- We order all materials necessary for the start of school and make sure they are received, paid for, and distributed to the proper departments for use at the start of school.
- We run an onsite registration process (read more about it later in this newsletter) and plan for our Freshman Orientation in late August for our new students.
- We accommodate transfer, transcript, and records requests, meet with families new to the community, and host a plethora of teacher inservice activities for all D300 teachers.
- We run a Summer Transition Program for Freshmen focusing on prerequisite knowledge and skills needed for high school language arts and math.
- Finally, we complete all summer cleaning and projects that cannot be done when students are in session. The big project this summer is creating a second foods lab, which will complement the original lab and allow for twice as many sections of foods classes in the long-term.

As always, if you have any questions or items that need attention, contact me at school or email me at chuck.bumbales@d300.org.

FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

The freshman orientation program will be held on Monday, August 24th, from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. This gathering will allow students to meet one another, be introduced to teachers and administrators, get a tour of the building, hear about programs and clubs, match their schedules to their actual classrooms, and locate their locker and work their lock combination.

ONSITE REGISTRATION

Please pay special attention to the purple page that is a part of this mailing. If you have not completed the registration process for this upcoming school year you will have two opportunities coming up later this month. One day is normal business hours and one of them ends at 8:00 p.m. Please be sure to complete this process in July. The onsite option also allows for the payment of sports fees and parking permits.

Nurse's Notes



Parents of all incoming Freshmen: All students must be compliant with the State of Illinois **Physical Examination and Immunization requirements prior to the first day of school.** Students that do not meet these requirements **will not be allowed to attend school until these requirements have been met.** A sports physical is not a substitute for the 9th grade

Physical. The state **requires the parent to complete and sign the health history portion of the exam form.** An incomplete form will result in exclusion on the first day of school.

If your child needs to have prescription and/or over the counter (OTC) medications at school, please review the procedure in the district handbook or on-line prior to the start of school. Please remember that all medications to be taken during

school hours will be kept in the nurse's office. Forms are available on line.

I will be in and out of the office over the summer. Please feel free to leave me a message or send me an email; I will get back to you accordingly.

Have a good summer and be safe!

From the Art Department



Look for the Hampshire High School Fine Arts Calendar coming this summer. Each month will feature artwork from Hampshire High School students along with all important District 300 dates and the dates of all choral events, band and orchestra concerts and art shows for Hamp-

shire High School. This calendar is a must have to stay organized for the coming school year. Calendars will be on sale in the main office this summer for \$10.00.



Yearbook

Yearbook purchases for next year: We have an exciting update for Hampshire High School. In the fall, we will introduce purchasing of yearbooks online directly with the Yearbook company. Additionally, submission of senior ads and senior baby pictures

will be online. Details for you in the September newsletter. The Yearbook Staff truly appreciates your support throughout the 2008-2009 year!



HHS ATHLETICS

We hope you are enjoying a safe active summer. Our athletes and coaches have been working hard to prepare for the 2009-2010 seasons. Just a

reminder all fall sports begin Wednesday, August 12. Here are their tryout times and locations:

Girls and boys golf will have tryouts at Genoa Oaks Golf Course, tee and bus times from the high school TBA.

Football will pick up equipment on Tuesday, August 11, varsity at 8:30 a.m. and frosh/soph at 9:30 a.m. Practices will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday the 12th.

Varsity volleyball players will report to the main gym

at 7 a.m. and frosh/soph at 8 a.m. in the fieldhouse.

Girls cross country will meet by the concession stand at 3 p.m. and the boys will begin at 8 a.m.

The first **girls tennis** practice will begin on the tennis court at 8 a.m.

Boys soccer will also meet at 8 a.m. on their field.

And finally, **poms and cheers** will meet from 8-10 a.m. in the commons.

Athletic registration will be at school registration on July 22 and 23 and August 3 through August 7 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the athletic office. All athletes must have a valid physical completed within the last year as well as release forms, waivers, and their athletic fee of \$150.

Hope you enjoy the rest of your summer. See you soon!

ALL UNPAID SPORTS FEES FROM PREVIOUS AND CURRENT SEASONS MUST BE PAID BEFORE BEING ABLE TO PRACTICE OR TRYOUT FOR UPCOMING SEASON.

Girls Cross-Country is Up and Running!

ANY YOUNG LADIES INTERESTED OR HAVE QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT COACH NHELLS AT 847-792-3647 OR contact via email to patricia.nihells@d300.org for information on summer workouts, summer conditioning camp, our SUMMER FIELD TRIPS and our cross-

country schedule.

THE TEAM AND I WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN OUR "FAMILY" WHETHER YOU HAVE EVER RUN A STEP OR NOT – A SPORT OF PROGRESSIONS

