

HERRON HIGH SCHOOL

THE INDIANAPOLIS CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 2009-2010

DECEMBER 4, 2009

Dear Students, Parents/Guardians,


Many of you have been asking about the H1N1 vaccine. The Marion County Health Department has announced they will soon be providing H1N1 vaccinations to Herron High School students. On Monday we will be distributing packets of information on the H1N1 vaccination program to all students. Please watch for these packets - there will be a consent form that must be completed and signed if you wish for your child to receive the vaccine. These packets will also be available for download on our website. There is no charge for the vaccine.

The consent form must be returned to school no later than Wednesday, December 9th. Your child will not receive the vaccination if they do not have their consent form turned in by Wednesday. We expect the vaccinations to take place before winter break but we do not yet have the date.

We are required to follow the above Health Department guidelines and we are told there will be no exceptions. If a student does not return the vaccination form on Tuesday or Wednesday, Dec 8 or Dec 9, the student will not be able to receive the vaccination. I have spoken with health care workers. The belief is that we had a wave of the flu hit the area at the beginning of the school year. Herron High School has had only seven confirmed cases. The health care workers believe that the second and third wave will come later this winter. The bottom line is that no one knows for certain how hard the flu will strike, but this is an opportunity for you student to receive the protection the vaccination provides at no cost to your family.

Beginning in January, the Leadership Team will be hosting the first **Herron High School Lyceum**. It will be a time when the leadership team can take questions from parents and guardians and Herron High School stakeholders, and also a time in which that we can share the vision of our school and discuss important initiatives. These meetings will be held bi-monthly and will provide an opportunity for our families to become more engaged with the life of the school. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. The date for this first meeting is Tuesday, January 26 from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

Sincerely,



Janet H. McNeal
Principal

I.S.S.M.A. SOLO AND ENSEMBLE CONTEST

All Piano, Vocal, and Instrumental students who wish to participate in the I.S.S.M.A. Solo and Ensemble contest are reminded to bring your contest fees to Mr. Krantz by tomorrow, Friday December 4. The Wind and String contest is on Saturday, January 30th, and the Piano and Vocal contest is on Saturday, February 6. The fees are \$12 for solos and \$6 per person for ensembles. Please contact Mr. Krantz or Mr. Harris with questions.

GENEALOGY AND FAMILY HISTORY CLUB

The Genealogy and Family History Club will have its first meeting this coming Tuesday, December 8 from 4:10 to 4:45. Please contact Mr. Krantz with questions.

WINTER COATS & CANNED GOODS

If any student is in need of a winter coat, the student or the family should contact Ms Knop or Mr. Wedges. Also, let them know if there is a family who is in need of canned food and other non perishables.

PTO MEETING NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 8, 6:00 PM.

The PTO meets in the Herron High School Library

ADVANCED ORCHESTRA AND JAZZ ENSEMBLE PERFORMANCES

The Herron High School Advanced Orchestra will perform with the Herron High School Choir at their **Tuesday, December 15th Winter Holiday concert, which will be held at the Indianapolis-Marion County Central Public Library at 6:30 p.m.** The separate instrumental music concert was planned due to time and space constraints for the Choir Concert.

The Advanced Orchestra and Jazz Ensemble will perform a family-friendly **Instrumental Holiday Concert** on **Thursday, December 17th at 6:30 p.m. in the Herron High School Gallery.** Light refreshments will be served. Members of the Herron High School Jazz Ensemble will also perform at the home men's and women's basketball games. Currently two games are scheduled in December: Friday, December 18th and Saturday, December 19th.

LATIN TUTORING AVAILABLE

Mr. Gilchrist is offering individualized Latin assistance for all first year Latin students **Monday afternoon from 4:15 to 5:00, and Tuesday morning from 8:15 to 8:45.** All students are welcome whether Mr. Gilchrist is their regular Latin teacher or not so please feel free to stop by. The successful first year Latin student must build strong understanding of core concepts of the language, so please encourage your student to come if there is any confusion whatsoever. A few mornings of one-on-one explanation can make all the difference in the world.

STUDENT ART ON DISPLAY AT SCHEETZ CENTURY 21 ON MASS AVE.

Herron High School student artwork will be on display at Century 21 Scheetz on the Avenue, 643 Mass Ave., for the entire month of November. There will be a new display at Scheetz Century 21 for the December 4 First Friday art walk.

FREE HOMEWORK HELP AVAILABLE AT WWW.IMCPL.ORG!

All students can find free homework help all year on the Library's website, imcpl.org. By visiting the website and using their IMCPL Library Card barcode, students can connect to a professional tutor and get help with math, science, social studies and English homework from 2-10 p.m. daily.

BOARD MEETINGS

Herron High School's Board of Directors meets regularly on the third Tuesday of every month. These meetings are open to the public. The next regular meeting will take place at the Indiana Humanities Council, 1500 N. Delaware, on December 15th at 7:30 a.m.



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