

HERRON HIGH SCHOOL

AN INDIANAPOLIS CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 2009-2010

AUGUST 28, 2009

Dear Students, Parents/Guardians,

I am so proud of the first two weeks of school. I have had numerous parents email, stop by, and call me to tell me how pleased they are with the start of the school year.

I know that the students' workload is picking up as well. Please be aware that students should have some homework each evening. I would urge each family to take an hour or so this weekend to make certain that their student has a quiet, adequate place to do homework. It certainly doesn't have to be fancy. All students really need is a table or a desk where supplies and books can be stored and a lamp. One of the best study tools you can purchase for your student is a big stack of note cards and a container that can keep the cards organized. I also urge you to make certain that there is a quiet atmosphere for your student to study. Our world is full of noise and chaos, and it is important that students have an opportunity to think clearly. Helping your child organize this study space also sends him/her the message that you care about how he/she performs in school and that you are supportive.

On a completely different subject, I want to update you about what Herron High School is doing to protect students from the H1N1 virus. Starting Monday, we will ask students help in cleaning the desks and chairs twice a day. We will make certain that we talk with students about the importance of washing their hands thoroughly and often. Our health and science teachers warn against an overuse of hand sanitizer. Like most scientists, they are very concerned that excessive use of hand sanitizers will help create the 'super bug.' Consequently, we will use soap and water when at all possible, and we will limit our usage of hand sanitizers. If your child is sick with flu-like symptoms, please keep him/her home and seek medical attention. Please notify Mrs. Knop, Student Services Coordinator (rknop@herronhighschool.org or 231-0010 ext.3), if your child is diagnosed with the H1N1 virus. Of course, all information will be kept in the strictest confidence, but it is important that we are informed. Please keep your student home for 24 hours AFTER the symptoms have disappeared.

If your child is absent for two or more days, please contact your child's academic advisor. The academic advisor for the 9th and 10th graders is Mr. Hinkle (lhinkle@herronhighschool.org) and Mr. Abels (babels@herronhighschool.org) is the academic/college advisor for the 11th and 12th graders. The advisor will coordinate gathering your student's homework from all his/her teachers. Please have a safe and restful weekend. I hope to see many of you for Meet the Teacher Night this coming Thursday, Sept. 3, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.



Janet H. McNeal
Principal

EARLY DISMISSALS AND HOLIDAY NEXT WEEK

All classes will be dismissed at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 3, and Friday September 4. Thursday will be a B day and Friday will be a C day, as usual. There will be no fifth period on either of these days, and school will begin at 9 a.m. on Thursday and 10 a.m. on Friday, as usual. The school will be closed on Monday, September 7, for the Labor Day Holiday; Tuesday, Sept. 8 will be an A Day, Wednesday, Sept. 9 will be a B day; Thursday, Sept. 10 will be an A day, and Friday, Sept. 11 will be a B day.

SEPTEMBER SCHOOL LUNCHES

Tuesday, Sept. 1	Hot Dog, Green Beans, Banana
Wednesday, Sept. 2	Cheese Pizza, Cooked Carrots, Peaches
Thursday, Sept. 3	Chicken Patty, Broccoli, Orange Halves
Friday, Sept. 4	Sack Lunches
Monday, Sept. 7	No School!
Tuesday, Sept. 8	Fish Sandwich, Broccoli & Cheese, Fruit Cocktail
Wednesday, Sept. 9	Pepperoni Pizza, Peas, Banana
Thursday, Sept. 10	Chicken nuggets, Corn, Grapes
Friday, Sept. 11	Sack Lunches
Monday, Sept. 14	Crispito, Green Beans, Pears
Tuesday, Sept. 15	Corn Dog, Baked Beans, Orange Halves
Wednesday, Sept. 16	Sausage Pizza, Broccoli, Pineapple
Thursday, Sept. 17	Tacos, Corn, Apple
Friday, Sept. 18	Sack Lunches
Monday, Sept. 21	Crispito, Corn, Pears
Tuesday, Sept. 22	Coney Dog, Broccoli & Cheese, Mandarin Oranges
Wednesday, Sept. 23	Assorted Pizza, California Blend, Tropical Fruit
Thursday, Sept. 24	Chicken Patty, Carrots, Applesauce
Friday, Sept. 25	Sack Lunches
Monday, Sept. 28	Pork Fritter, Green Beans, Pineapple
Tuesday, Sept. 29	Meatball Sub, Carrots, Grapes
Wednesday, Sept. 30	Cheese Pizza, Peas, Peaches

SCHOOL HOURS AND MONITORED PERIODS

School hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday. Students are allowed to arrive on campus as early as 8 a.m. Monday through Thursday; and at 9:00 on Fridays. Early arriving students must report to the Gallery or seminar rooms for supervision until it is time to report to class. If your child must be dropped off prior to the above entry times, you must notify Dr. Cooney immediately by emailing her at dcooney@herronhighschool.org.

Fifth Period

Fifth Period refers to an after school supervised session for students whose parent/guardian is unable to pick them up at dismissal time. Any student who remains in the school building or on school grounds after 4:10 p.m. must report to Fifth Period. Students may use this time to study or may talk quietly until a parent or guardian arrives. Parents must come into the building to release their student. Unless students are involved in an after-school activity that is supervised by a Herron High School employee or volunteer, all students must be out of the building no later than 5:00 p.m. each evening.

Please check the school calendar, near the end of this newsletter, to be aware of days when there will be no fifth period.

THEATRE CLUB CALLOUT MEETING AUDITIONS FOR 40'S MUSICAL REVUE

There will be a Theatre Club Callout Meeting for all students who are interested in participating. The meeting is set for Tuesday, September 1, during 5th Period in Room 111. Everyone is Welcome to attend! In other theatre news, auditions for the 40's musical revue are on Wednesday during 5th period.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

The faculty and students in the music department would like to thank those who so generously donated their pianos to the school. More pianos were offered than could be accepted, and we appreciate the offers. Thanks also go to the faculty and students who helped move the pianos over the last two weekends.

The music department has also discovered a need for the following band instruments: a flute, a clarinet, and a tenor (or alto) saxophone. If you have one of these instruments gathering dust in an attic that you would be willing to donate for a tax deduction or to loan the school, please contact Mr. Krantz at dkrantz@herronhighschool.org or call the school at 317-231-0010.

PTO CORNER

We would like to welcome the new families that have joined Herron High School. The PTO is dedicated to the enrichment of our children's educational experience. If your child attends Herron High School, you can become a PTO member for only \$5.00. Do you want to get involved but don't have a lot of time? Don't fret! We have many opportunities for you to be involved without taking a lot of time out of your schedule. The first step is to attend a PTO meeting. We will meet once a month in the Gallery (2nd Tuesday of the month). Come to meet the PTO members and find out what is happening at the school. This is the best place to receive knowledge about PTO activities. Volunteering your time and energy ensures the success of our students, school events, and services sponsored by the PTO, such as welcome events for new students and their families, fundraisers, and other events. A special thanks goes out to all the families who have already become a PTO member volunteer. You are making a real difference! If you have any questions, please call Teresa Law, at 750-4139 or e-mail her at adjlaw@comcast.net. First Meeting: September 8th 2009 at 6 p.m.

STUDENT HANDBOOKS

All students are assigned one free student handbook at the beginning of the school year. The student handbook is a very helpful tool for organizing schedules, assignments, and activities, as well as containing rules and regulations regarding attendance, uniform policy, and other such frequently asked questions. If your students have not picked up their handbooks, please encourage them to stop by Admissions and sign for their copies. Lost copies may be replaced for \$5.

RETURNING STUDENT FORMS

Returning students must update several important forms for our records. If your student has not yet brought these forms home for completion, they will receive a packet on Monday, August 24. Please fill out these forms and return them to Ms. Guerrettaz or Ms. Knop by Friday, August 28, 2009.

PARKING AT HHS

This is a reminder that the parking spaces next to the modular units should not be used. Students, families, and visitors may park in the north lot, adjacent to faculty parking on the north side of the building. Thank you for your cooperation!

HERRON FILM CLUB — DONATIONS REQUESTED!

Have you upgraded your family video equipment lately?

The crew of the Herron Film Club is eager to begin filming student scripts (we just wrote our first one!) and recording Herron's community events, but we are in need of video cameras (any format) to use and store on school grounds. If you or anyone you know are able to donate any video equipment, including cameras, tripods, and other accessories, please e-mail the club sponsor, Mr. Moxey: smoxey@herronhighschool.org. Proof of this donation will be available for tax purposes.

CURRENT SPORTS PRACTICE AND GAME SCHEDULES

Cross Country Schedule

For more information, contact Coach Rachel Smith at rsmith@herronhighschool.org or Coach Atticus Westerfeld at awesterfeld@herronhighschool.org.

Practice Schedule:

Cross Country will meet every school day at 4:15 except on days of meets.

Boys Cross Country Meets

Guerin Catholic October 6th 5:00 p.m. @ Guerin Catholic

Girls Cross Country Meets

Warren Central October 1st 5:30 p.m. @Warren Central

Guerin Catholic October 6th 1:00 p.m. @Guerin Catholic

Girls Soccer Schedule

For more information, contact Coach Paul Schroeder at pschroeder@herronhighschool.org.

Girls soccer practices Mon. through Fri. 4:30 until 6:30 pm. Practices are held at O'Bannon field about 6 blocks east of Herron at the corner of 16th street and the Monon trail. All home games are played here, also.

Date:	Team:	Place:	Time:
August 29 **	Delphi Community (V)	Delphi	11:00 am
August 31	Terre Haute (JV)	Terre Haute	5:30 pm
September 14	Guerin Cath (JV)	Herron	5:30 pm
September 21	Park Tudor (V)	Herron	5:30 pm
September 28 **	Delphi Community (V)	Herron	6:00 pm
September 30	Terre Haute (V)	Herron	6:30 pm
October 1	Warren (JV)	Warren	5:30 pm
October 10	Guerin Cath (V)	Guerin Catholic	1:00 pm
October 12	Sectional	Decatur Central	TBA

** = Location not yet determined

Boys Soccer Schedule 2009

Boys Practice Monday thru Friday 4:30 – 6:30.

Game Schedule

Date	Team	Location	Time
September 2	Indy Met	Indy Met	5:00PM
September 10	Howe Academy	Howe	5:00PM
September 19	Continental Invitational Tournament	George Washington	2 games
September 29	International School	Herron	5:00PM
October 1	Providence Cristo Rey	Herron	5:00PM
October 8 Sectionals	TBA-1 Game	Roncalli	TBA
October 10 Sectionals	TBA-3 Games	Roncalli	TBA

Herron High School Calendar 2009-2010

First Semester, Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2009 – Thursday, Jan. 15, 2010

Second Semester, Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2010 – Friday, June 4th, 2010

AUGUST

Thursday, Aug. 27 Faculty Meeting; No 5th period

SEPTEMBER

Thursday, Sept. 3 Early dismissal 1:30 p.m.
Meet teacher night 6:30–8:00pm No 5th period
Friday, Sept. 4 Early dismissal 1:30 p.m., No 5th period
Monday, Sept. 7 SCHOOL CLOSED, Labor Day
Thursday, Sept. 17 Faculty Meeting 4:15 p.m.; No 5th period
Thursday, Sept. 24 Early dismissal day, 1:30 p.m.
Professional Development, 2:00-5:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 25 Early dismissal day, 1:30 p.m.
Professional Development, 2:00-5:00 p.m.

OCTOBER

Friday, Oct. 2 Fall Open House 6-8 pm
Thursday, Oct. 15 End of First Quarter
Friday, Oct. 16 SCHOOL CLOSED, Fall Break
Monday, Oct. 19 SCHOOL CLOSED, Fall Break
Tuesday, Oct. 20 Second Quarter begins
Thursday, Oct. 22 Faculty Meeting 4:15 p.m.; No 5th period

NOVEMBER

Thursday, Nov. 5 Early dismissal, 1:30 p.m.
Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00-6:30 p.m.
No 5th p
Friday, Nov. 6 Early dismissal, 1:30 p.m.; No 5th period
Thursday, Nov. 19 Faculty Meeting 4:15 p.m.; No 5th period
Wednesday, Nov. 25 SCHOOL CLOSED, Thanksgiving Recess
Thursday, Nov. 26 SCHOOL CLOSED, Thanksgiving Recess
Friday, Nov. 27 SCHOOL CLOSED, Thanksgiving Recess
Monday, Nov. 30 Classes resume, 9:00 a.m.

DECEMBER

Thursday, Dec. 10 Winter Holiday Concert, 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 17 Faculty Meeting 4:15 p.m.; No 5th period
Friday, Dec. 18 Dismissal 4:00 p.m., No 5th period
Monday, Dec. 21 SCHOOL CLOSED, Winter Holiday.
Classes resume Tues., January 5, 2009

JANUARY

Monday, Jan. 4 SCHOOL CLOSED
Professional Development
Tuesday, Jan. 5 Classes resume, 9:00 a.m.
Monday, Jan. 11-15 First Semester Final Exams
Monday, Jan. 18 SCHOOL CLOSED
Martin Luther King Day
Tues., Jan. 20 A day, Wed., Jan. 21 B day, etc.

Tuesday, Jan. 19 **Second Semester begins**
Thursday, Jan. 21 Faculty Meeting 4:15 p.m.; No 5th period
Thursday, Jan. 28 Early dismissal, 1:30 p.m.
Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00-6:30 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 29 Early dismissal, 1:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY

Friday, Feb. 5 Student Recognition Coffee 9:00 a.m.
Monday, Feb. 15 SCHOOL CLOSED
Presidents' Day [Snow day make-up]
Tues., Feb. 16 A day, Wed., Feb. 17 B day
Thursday, Feb. 18 Faculty Meeting 4:15 p.m.; No 5th period

MARCH

Friday, Mar. 5 SCHOOL CLOSED
Midwinter break [Snow day make-up]
Thursday, Mar 11 Spring Open House 6-8 pm
Friday, Mar. 19 End of Third Quarter
Monday, Mar. 22 Fourth Quarter begins
Thursday, Mar. 25 No 5th period
Friday, Mar. 26 SCHOOL CLOSED, Spring Break begins
Classes resume on Monday, April 5

APRIL

Monday, Apr. 5 Classes resume, 9:00 a.m.
Thursday, Apr. 15 Faculty Meeting 4:15 p.m.; No 5th period
Thursday, Apr. 29 SCHOOL CLOSED
Mid-spring break [Snow day make-up]
Friday, Apr. 30 SCHOOL CLOSED
Herron Faculty Symposium

MAY

Monday, May 3-21 AP Testing
Thursday, May 20 Faculty Meeting 4:15 p.m.; No 5th period
Friday, May 21 Awards Ceremony, 1:30 p.m.
Monday, May 31 SCHOOL CLOSED, Memorial Day

JUNE

Tuesday, June 1-4 Second Semester Final Exams
Saturday, June 5 Commencement, Class 2010, 2:00 p.m.

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 September 15th at 7:30 a.m.

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