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Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students,

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR FALL 2009!

Open enrollment for the fall of 2009 admission began on Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. As of today, Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, we have received 25 applications from 8<sup>th</sup> grade students for the 2009-2010 school year. We anticipate 100 openings for freshmen students for the fall of 2009. The open enrollment period will last until November 15. However, it is very likely that we will reach our enrollment limit prior to this date and will be forced to create a waiting list.

For those of you with family members and friends interested in becoming a part of the Herron High School family, it is suggested that you encourage them to apply as soon as possible to ensure a spot. Extraordinary teachers, talented students, rigorous academics, a college preparatory focus, and curriculum philosophy based on a classical approach to education have together produced amazing accomplishments for Herron High School. We are clearly becoming one of the city's finest high schools. Please direct questions concerning the admissions process to Maryan Stoffel (317.231.0010) ([mstoffel@herronhighschool.org](mailto:mstoffel@herronhighschool.org)).

PARENT/GUARDIAN FEEDBACK:

Herron High School is creating promotional documents to give to our community, and we would appreciate the feedback of our parent and student body. If you are interested in offering your comments about the school, please briefly respond to any or all of the following questions:

1. How has your experience been with Herron High School?
2. What differences have you noticed in Herron High School's teaching staff?
3. What makes Herron High School unique from other Indianapolis schools?
4. Has Herron High School nurtured your student's academic success and individual growth? If yes, please explain how.

*We greatly appreciate any feedback you are willing to offer. Your opinions matter to us! Please email your replies to [bsherman@herronhighschool.org](mailto:bsherman@herronhighschool.org) or mail them to Herron High School, 110 East 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202.*

### COLLEGE FAIR:

There is an upcoming college fair showcasing *over 90 colleges and universities* next **Tuesday, October 7 from 6:00 – 8:00pm**. This college fair will take place at the Greenwood Mall. We strongly encourage our Juniors and Seniors to take part in this beneficial opportunity!

### LATIN CLUB GARAGE SALE:

The Latin Club garage sale is still on, just post-poned! The new date is **October 18 from 8:00am – 3:00pm**. If you have any unloved or unused items email Mrs. Bowyer or bring them in (if they are not too big) to room 218. If you have large items, we can arrange to pick them up! We will also be selling delicious desserts. All of the profits will go towards the Latin Club's upcoming Italy trip. *Please be advised that the garage sale will be moved inside if the weather doesn't cooperate.*

### IMPORTANT UPDATES FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE:

A few things to think about now that the 2008-09 school year is well underway:

1. We have a new lunch caterer! This week we were able to start offering a salad bar as a lunch option. The students are very happy about this and we are excited to be able to offer a healthy alternative to those who do not like the traditional hot lunches. By November 1<sup>st</sup>, we plan on offering a la carte items such as yogurt, fresh fruits and vegetables, varieties of milk and juice, etc.

Lunches will continue to be \$2.75 (as they were last year) and a la carte items will be priced separately. At any time during the school year, parents/guardians are able to apply for the Federal Free or Reduced Lunch Program. The business office has applications on hand year-round.

*PLEASE NOTE: Your student's lunch account balance must not go below \$0. All students with negative lunch balances at the end of the week will need to deposit money into his/her account or he/she will not be allowed to eat lunch on Monday.*

2. Herron is charged \$10 for every check returned to us due to non-sufficient funds. If you have a check that is returned for NSF reasons, Herron will attempt to deposit the check one additional time. If it clears, you will be notified of the situation and invoiced for the \$10 fee. If the check does not clear a second time, you will be notified of the situation and invoiced for the check amount plus \$20 (two \$10 NSF fees). All NSF invoices are to be paid in cash or by cashier's check.

*PLEASE NOTE: If you have two checks that are returned for non-sufficient funds, Herron will no longer accept checks from you, and all future payments will have to be made with cash or a cashier's check. NO EXCEPTIONS.*

3. Herron just received a check for \$137.71 from Target for your participation in the Target Red Card program! Thank you!! For those of you new to Herron High School, an easy way to raise money for Herron High School is to shop at Target!

Target donates money to schools through their Take Charge of Education program. They donate up to 1% of purchases made using their credit card to designated schools. Target has donated over \$229 million since 1997 through this program!

#### **How the Program Works:**

- Target® Visa® Credit Card, Target Credit Card(SM) and eligible Target Business Card® accounts can sign up for the Take Charge of Education program by calling 1-800-316-6142 or by visiting Target.com/tcoe or an in-store kiosk. The primary cardholder of a Target Check Card(SM) can sign up for the Take Charge of Education program by calling 1-800-316-6142.
  - Designate **Herron High School**, and Target donates an amount equal to one percent (1%) of your Target Visa Credit Card, Target Credit Card, Target Check Card or Target Business Card purchases (minus returns and sales tax) at any Target store and Target.com, and one-half percent (1/2%) of your Target Visa Credit Card purchases made (not including cash advances, balance transfers, and purchases of other cash equivalents, and minus returns and sales tax) everywhere else Visa credit cards are accepted.
  - Target will track purchases made on participating Target Visa Credit Cards, Target Credit Cards, Target Check Cards and Target Business Cards and will distribute the accumulated donations to Herron in March and September.
4. Herron provides IndyGo bus passes to those students without other means of transportation to school. Bus passes are valid for one month. To get a new bus pass, students are now required to return the used pass to Mrs. Westerfield in the Student Services Center prior to receiving a new one. We want to make sure the students are using them appropriately and through the entire life of each pass.

Please contact Katie White, Business Manager / Treasurer at 231.0010 x109 or [kwhite@herronhighschool.org](mailto:kwhite@herronhighschool.org) with any questions.

#### COLLEGE ADVISING:

**Seniors** – *All* seniors are *strongly encouraged* to take the SAT or ACT exams before November. Please see Mr. Hurst for help in signing up for these exams. In addition, **ALL** senior students and parents need to contact Mr. Hurst to schedule a time to discuss college applications and scholarships. The application submission process begins next month, and students need to have all pertinent information beforehand, as deadlines are approaching. Email or call Mr. Hurst to set up an appointment.

**Juniors** – Mr. Hurst is currently meeting with junior students and parents to discuss future goals and timelines. If you, as a parent, are interested in meeting with Mr. Hurst, please email or call to schedule a time. Students must see Mr. Hurst about scheduling a time to meet during school. Information on the PSAT exams will be distributed next week; we *highly* encourage all students to study for this exam (**exam date: Oct. 15**). The PSAT exam is tied to the National Merit Scholars Program and is a valuable asset for students' resumes. We encourage all juniors to take

the SAT and ACT exam no later than the spring of their junior year. For any questions in regards to the exam process, please see Mr. Hurst, Director of College Advising.

*Mr. Todd Hurst*

*Director of College Advising (11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> advisor)  
thurst@herronhighschool.org*

### INSTRUMENTAL NEEDS:

Herron High School's music department is growing! If anyone has musical instruments or equipment i.e. amps, keyboards, ear phones, etc we are taking all donations. Several students are currently enrolled in Applied Music courses but do not have the funds to purchase instruments on their own. In addition, we are striving to build a beginning orchestra. Your donation would be greatly appreciated!

### BOARD MEETINGS:

Our board meetings take place in Herron High School's library at 7:30 a.m. on the third Tuesday of every month. Thus, our next meeting will be on October 21, 2008. These meetings are open to the public.

### SOCCKER SEASONS:

Please notice the schedule below and come support our team!

<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	<b>Girls and/or Boys Team</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>Monday, Oct 6 5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Boy's, JV</b>	<b>International School</b>	<b>Home</b>
<b>Wednesday, Oct 8 5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Co-ed, JV</b>	<b>Crispus Attucks Medical Magnet</b>	<b>Home</b>
Monday, Oct 13 5:00 p.m.	Co-ed, JV	Crispus Attucks Medical Magnet	Away

**\*\*NOTICE:** All **Home** games are located at the O'Bannon Soccer field off of 16<sup>th</sup> street (just several blocks East of the school).

Best Regards,

Janet H. McNeal