

# **HERRON HIGH SCHOOL**

## **THE INDIANAPOLIS CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOL**

### **NEWSLETTER 2010**

**JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2010**

Dear Students, Parents/Guardians,

Building healthy relationships takes work. With this in mind, Herron High School administrators, teachers, and staff understand and place great value in establishing healthy relationships with each student. We strive to understand their cognitive, physical, and social development. The result of this three-pronged approach is that it allows us to actually know a student. This knowledge empowers us to employ strategies, techniques, and other best practices that support student success.

A key component of healthy relationships is the development and communication of expectations. We identify, articulate, and enforce high academic and behavioral expectations for students. These expectations include the strict adherence to the Universal Behavioral Policies set forth by the school, and the pursuit of academic excellence. Partial adherence to either compromises a student's ability to reach his / her maximum potential.

As with all achievements, maximizing student potential in the spring semester requires a collaborative effort. In addition to teacher preparation and student preparation, parent preparation is important as well.

Our teachers engage in professional development every week (see photo below) and prepare lively and challenging assignments designed to help your student achieve their highest aspirations. Student preparation includes the timely arrival at school and scheduled classes, careful tracking and prompt completion of assignments, and adherence to the Universal Behavioral Policies.

Parent preparation includes reviewing the Universal Behavioral Policies with students; replenishing school supplies; making sure your student leaves home in proper uniform; reviewing the students PowerSchool grades regularly; and establishing and nourishing a healthy relationship with the school.

If all of these things occur, this promises to be a very successful semester.

Sincerely,

*Jonathan Harris*

Vocal Music Instructor / Graduation Coach

# HERRON HIGH SCHOOL LYCEUM



Beginning in February, 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 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 **Monday February 1<sup>st</sup>, from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.** **The Herron High School PTO will be in attendance and will deliver an update.**

## HERRON HIGH SCHOOL WELCOMES

### FRESHMAN CLASS (2013)

Clair Griffis  
Ronald Guerrero  
Jacob Landwerlen  
Hannah Vermillion  
Jada Vickers  
LaNisha Webster  
Sam Wilson  
Charlie Sander

### SOPHOMORES (2012)

Thane Ewald  
Alexis Meyer  
Molly O'Brien

### JUNIORS (2011)

Aaron (AJ) Anderson  
Abby Bates  
Luke Edwards  
Emma Landwerlen



## **PROMETHEUS TRAINING SEMINAR**

### **PROJECT ENGAGE**

Professional Development: Ruth Lilly Health Education Center and Sonar Productions have teamed up to develop Project Engage! This is a grant for charter schools that combines technology and teaching methods to present students with an interactive learning experience like no other. Herron High School teachers are learning how to use Prometheus, a 3D interactive computer that aides teachers in providing cutting edge technology with sound teaching principles. Prometheus is designed to engage students to engage in learning. HHS Teachers will be receiving more education to help engage our students in this amazing technology and curriculum.

## **COLLEGE CORNER WITH MR. ABELS**

**GO COLTS**

**January 2010**

### **SENIORS**

- **Students who are having trouble with their college applications should come see Mr. Abels as soon as possible.**
- **Don't forget to let Mr. Abels know about all your college acceptance letters. We want to share the good news with everyone!**

- **If you haven't done so already, you need to sign up for a "PIN" number to use as your electronic signature. Sign up for a PIN at [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov). Having a "PIN" number is a must in order to attend "Fill out the FAFSA night" in February.**

We will be having our **"Fill out the FAFSA night"** on **Tuesday February 2nd at 6:30pm** to answer any questions you may have and to go over the FAFSA form line by line.

- **Don't forget to get your mid-year report sent to the colleges that request them. You should also check the status of your applications a few weeks after you turn them in to make sure your file is complete. This will tell you whether or not they received your test scores, recommendations, transcripts, etc...ALL STUDENTS WHO USED THE COMMON APPLICATION NEED MID-YEAR TRANSCRIPTS.**

## **JUNIORS**

- **Junior parent night is scheduled for Wednesday February 17 at 7pm. Parents and students are highly encouraged to attend.**

### **Q: How can I prepare to take the SATs and ACT?**

A: There are many ways for you to prepare to take both tests. Mr. Abels has practice ACT/SAT test booklets in his office. Juniors will find out more information on ACT/SAT on February 17<sup>th</sup>.

Other free resources to study are the test prep books and practice booklets. Also check out the website [www.number2.com](http://www.number2.com) for free on-line help.

## **HERRON ATHLETICS**

Our Varsity Boys Basketball team will compete Saturday (January 16<sup>th</sup>) against Fall Creek Academy at Conesco Fieldhouse. Game time is 1:30pm and tickets will be on sale right up until game time in the main atrium of Conesco Fieldhouse. All tickets are \$10.00 a piece and the purchased ticket will also grant admission into the Pacers versus Hornets game starting later that evening at 5:30pm! The Boys Varsity team will have revenge on its mind as it enters play against Fall Creek Academy. The Achaeans were upset by Fall Creek on January 8<sup>th</sup>! The Achaeans were led by Adrean Wash who had 14pts, 7rbs and a crowd pleasing THUNDEROUS dunk! The coaching staff is VERY proud of the tremendous strides

the team is making and we look forward to this weekend's game! Our young men are working VERY hard, please come support them!

### Upcoming Athletic Events

#### Boys Basketball

1A-Fall Creek	Jan 16 <sup>th</sup>	1:30pm	@ Conseco (Varsity)
1A-Holy Spirit	Jan 20 <sup>th</sup>	5:30pm	@ Bethel (JV and Varsity)
1A Campagna	Jan 22 <sup>nd</sup>	5:00pm	@ Campagna (Fresh JV Varsity)
2A-Scecina Memorial	Jan 23 <sup>rd</sup>	6:00pm	@ Scecina (JV and Varsity)
2A-Heritage Christian	Jan 26 <sup>th</sup>	5:00pm	@ Heritage Christian (Fresh JV)
4A-Gary West	Feb 5 <sup>th</sup>	9:10pm	@ Conseco (Varsity) Homecoming
1A-Indy Met (Senior Night)	Feb 12 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm	@ Bethel (JV and Varsity)
1A-Providence	Feb 20 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm	@ Providence (Girls and Boys Varsity)
3A-Howe	Feb 27 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm	@ Conseco or Howe (JV and Varsity)

\*Please note: schedule is subject to change as the season nears completion. Some games from the first half of the season are currently being rescheduled (i.e. Bowman Academy will be rescheduled).

#### Girls Basketball

Fall Creek	Jan 21 <sup>st</sup>	6:00pm @ Fall Creek
Fall Creek	Feb 4 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm @ Herron-Bethel Park (JV)
Ft. Sq. Acd.	Feb. 16 <sup>th</sup>	5:30pm @ Fountain Square Academy
Providence	Feb 20 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm @ Providence
Howe	TBD	@ Howe (JV)
Triton Central	TBD	@ Triton Central

### Practice Schedule

<b>Practice Facility</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
<b>Harrison Center</b>	No Practice No School	<b>Soccer Club</b> 4:15pm – 5:30pm <b>Boys JV and Freshmen</b> 5:30pm – 7:15pm	<b>Girls Varsity</b> 4:15pm – 5:45pm <b>Boys JV and Freshmen</b> 5:45pm – 7:15pm	<b>Soccer Club</b> 4:15pm - 5:30pm <b>Boys JV and Freshmen</b> 5:30pm- 7:15pm	<b>Girls Varsity</b> 4:15pm – 5:45pm	TBD

<b>Bethel Park</b>	Martin Luther King Holiday	<b>Boys Varsity</b> 4:30pm 7:00pm	<b>Boys Varsity</b> 4:30pm-7:00pm	<b>Boys Varsity</b> 4:15pm- 5:45pm	<b>Bays Varsity Morning Practice</b> 7:00am – 9:00am TBA	TBD
<b>Barnes United Church</b>		<b>Girls Varsity</b> 4:30pm – 6:00pm				

\*Schedule is subject to change due to availability of practice facilities... should you have any questions or concerns please contact Vince Stennett at [vstennett@herronhighschool.org](mailto:vstennett@herronhighschool.org).

### 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.

### YOUNG ACTORS THEATRE YAT PRODUCTION OF



### COME AND SUPPORT OUR TALENTED STUDENTS

Herron High School Students are performing on and behind stage to make the performance a success. [www.yatkids.org](http://www.yatkids.org)

**Athenaeum Theatre, 401 E. Michigan St.  
Friday, January 15 8:00pm; Saturday, January 16 7:30pm  
Friday, January 22 8:00pm; Saturday, January 23 7:30pm**

## **ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTING**

**AP Science and Math Test Fees will be covered by the State this year according to the Indiana Department of Education. The following courses will be covered:**

Calculus AB, Advanced Placement 2562  
Chemistry, Advanced Placement 3060  
Environmental Science, Advanced Placement 3012  
Statistics, Advanced Placement 2570

For those who have already paid for these tests with Textbook Rental and Lab Fees, you will be reimbursed the costs of your student's respective test(s). All students in the above four courses will have the AP Test Fee deducted from the Fee Balance in PowerSchool.

## **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. If you have coats or warm items that your family no longer needs, please contact Ms. Knop.

## **FREE HOMEWORK HELP AVAILABLE AT WWW.IMCPL.ORG!**

All students can find free homework help all year on the Library's website, [imcpl.org](http://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. This month the board is engaged in an annual retreat. The next regular meeting will take place at the Indiana Humanities Council, 1500 N. Delaware, on February 16 at 7:30 a.m.

## **INDYGO LAUNCHES NEW TRIP PLANNER PROGRAM**

As part of an effort to encourage more Indianapolis residents and visitors to use the local transit system, IndyGo has launched an online trip planner: [www.IndyGo.net/triplanner](http://www.IndyGo.net/triplanner). This new tool provides easy-to-understand bus trip plans based on user inputs. Similar to MapQuest, users simply enter an origin and destination-as a landmark, stop or address-and the Trip Planner produces a bus trip plan with route information, timing, transfers and even a map. Access to the new trip planner is free and available on the IndyGo homepage. To talk to an IndyGo representative in person, or to inquire about specific routes and times, call # 317-635-3344.

## **HERRON HIGH SCHOOL IS IN NEED OF AN EXTENSION LADDER**

“Herron High School is in need of an extension ladder for external building maintenance. If you have an extension ladder that is at least 16 feet tall, we would greatly appreciate it as a donated item. The ladder will allow us to more easily perform maintenance inside the building, but most importantly we will be able to take care of external needs, such as lighting issues, graffiti removal, etc. Please consider donating this item or any other tools to Herron High School. Thank you kindly.”

***Scott Spitz, Building Manager/School Safety Specialist***



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