

HERRON HIGH SCHOOL

THE INDIANAPOLIS CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 2010-2011

December 3rd, 2010

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

A couple of weeks ago I had the privilege of being a part of a panel discussion that was hosted by the Indianapolis Bar Association. The panel was moderated by **The Indianapolis Star's** columnist Matthew Tully. The subject was education reform. Many of the predictable topics were discussed: test scores; best practices etc. Near the end of the program, Matthew Tully asked what I considered an unpredicted question: "What if you as school leaders could mandate parent involvement? Would it make a difference?"

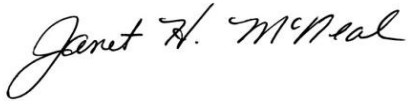
The easy answer to this question is "Yes!" When students know that their parents and their teachers and administrators are working side by side, the students' school work improves. During this Friday's professional development time, the teachers reported that parents have been highly supportive of our Mandatory Study Hall policy. Students who are struggling in a particular subject are required to attend Mandatory Study Hall until they have mastered the material. Teachers related stories about the support they were receiving from parents and that many students' parents were requiring their students to attend the study hall even when they weren't in grade trouble.

This initiative takes extra work for teachers and for parents. Teachers stay an extra hour each day and parents have to adjust their own schedules in order to pick up their students at 5:00 p.m. Parents tell us that they are requiring an additional one or two hours of quiet homework time after the students get home. This is the type of teamwork that it takes in order for all of our students to be successful and have the futures they deserve.

A recent survey of Indiana voters showed that Hoosiers are in favor of more parental involvement in their children's schools. Could it be that this rather nostalgic idea will become a part of school reform? My own memory of grade school and high school include my parents sponsoring room parties and my mother tutoring my friends in math. I remember my father helping build theatre sets and taking me to all of my extracurricular activities. I always felt they were invested in my education and that I was accountable for my grades and behavior.

I believe that Herron High School has more involved parents than most schools. However, there is room for growth. When educators and parents work as a team, students feel cared about and accountable. Let's work together to discover new ways to work together. The next Lyceum (a time for parents to converse with the school's leadership team) is January 25, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. We will make parental involvement the main focus of this conversation. In the meantime, if you are looking for volunteer opportunities, please contact Robin Knop at rknop@herronhighschool.org.

Respectfully,



Janet McNeal
Head of School

Mandatory Study Hours

If a student has one or more NG's, they are required to work for one hour before or after school with their teacher or another teacher within that department. Multiple NGs require one hour a week for each class. **See below for teachers/department office hours.**

| Math | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
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| AM | 214 – Paulen/Mock | 019 – Prewitt/Mock | 213 - Keele | 214 - Paulen |
| PM | 019 – Prewitt | 004 – Stephens/Gates | 004 - Gates | 213 – Keele |

| Science | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
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| AM | 012 - Ernst | 016 - Walker | 119 - Fox | 119 - Fox |
| PM | 016 – Walker | 012 – Ernst | 007 – Van Tassell | 007 - Van Tassell |

| Social Studies | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
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| AM | 111-Smith 006 - Westerfeld | 017 - Bilbrey | 006 – Westerfeld | 111 - Smith |
| PM | M2 – Gilchrist | M2 - Gilchrist | M2 - Gilchrist | 017 – Bilbrey M2 - Gilchrist |

| English | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
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| AM | | 120 – Dorsey | M1 – Pappas | M4 - Carver |
| PM | M3 – Basile/Shaw | M3 – Basile/Shaw | M3 – Basile/Shaw M4 – Carver 120 – Dorsey M1 - Pappas | M3 – Basile/Shaw |

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| Latin | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
| AM | 217- Roe | 217 – Roe | 219 – Kizzia | 219 – Kizzia |
| PM | 217 - Waltermire | 218 – Bush | 218 – Bush | 217 – Waltermire |

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| Art | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
| AM | 202,204,212 | 202,204,212 | 202,204,212 | 202,204,212 |
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| French | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
| AM | | 129 – Hadley | 129 – Hadley | |
| PM | | | | 129 - Hadley |

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| PE/Health | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
| AM | 111-Wiggins | 111-Wiggins | | |
| PM | | | | |

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| Fine Arts | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
| AM | TBA - Pichon | 118 – Krantz | 118 – Krantz | 118 – Krantz |
| PM | | Library – Harris | | 118 – Krantz |

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| Resource | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
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| AM | | 020 – Lottes/Emberton | 020–Lottes/Emberton | |
| PM | | | | |

Please remind your students to check the No Dress Down list on Thursday afternoon. It is posted in multiple places throughout the school. If you have questions regarding the policy contact Mr. Harris or Mrs. Torres Deans of Students.

Border’s Book Store/Donor’s Choose:

On Dec. 4 and Dec. 5, any Borders customer making an in-store purchase, whether of a book or a bagel or a latte, will receive a \$15 gift card to donate to a public school of choice through DonorsChoose.org, an Internet-based charity. Anyone purchasing the book "Waiting for 'Superman': How We Can Save America's Failing Public Schools" will receive a second \$15 card.

For more information, see http://help.donorschoose.org/app/answers/detail/a_id/318

ATTENTION PARENTS WHOSE STUDENTS UTILIZE 5TH PERIOD

Beginning Monday, November 23, 5th Period will be moved to 216B, the Seminar Room on the second floor. Even though the location has changed, the sign-in and sign-out procedure will remain the same. Students who utilize 5th Period are required to sign in at 4:10 p.m. Parents are required to enter the building and sign their student out of 5th Period. Students who utilize 5th Period are required to follow the Universal Behavior Policies and the Academic Habits. Cell phones, MP3 players and other electronic devices, as well as food and drink, are not permitted in 5th Period. Students are not permitted to use the time to socialize; they are expected to use the time to work individually and quietly. They may not play musical instruments or sleep during 5th Period. Students with NGs are expected to attend Mandatory Study Hall instead of 5th Period. Students who do not follow the Universal Behavior Policies or other 5th Period policies will be subject to disciplinary action including detention and possible temporary or permanent revocation of 5th Period participation.

Students must be picked up from 5th period promptly at 5 pm.

The Speak Up National Research Project

The Speak Up National Research Project provides participating organizations with a quick and easy way to collect authentic feedback from your students, teachers and parents on important education issues - and to ensure that the voices of your stakeholders are heard loud and clear in Washington DC and your state capitol.

Survey results will be available to participating schools and districts, online, free-of-charge, beginning in Feb 2011. Speak Up 2010 national findings will be released beginning spring 2011 through a variety of venues, including: [Congressional Briefings](#) in Washington, DC, [national and regional conferences](#), and our website.

<http://www.speakup4schools.org/speakup2010/>

MANDATORY QUIET STUDY TIME EVERY FRIDAY MORNING

All students arriving early to school on Friday mornings will be expected to study quietly in the HHS Gallery. From 8:00 am until 9:45 students that arrive early will have a chance to work on assignments and read quietly. This will help prepare them for the rest of the school day and get them off to a great start.

Holiday Musicale Concert

Beginning and Advanced Choirs and the Advanced Orchestra

Tuesday, December 14, 2010 at 6:30 PM

Clowes Auditorium at the Central Library

Winter Holiday Jazz Ensemble Concert

Intermediate and Advanced Jazz Ensembles

Thursday, December 16, 2010 at 6:30 PM

Herron High School Gallery

Light refreshments will be served immediately following.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS NOW ACCEPTED ONLINE!!

You may deposit money into your student's lunch account online using the "Store" link at the top right hand corner of the Herron High School webpage. The money will be reflected in PowerSchool within 24 hours of the online payment. Please make sure you enter your student's name in the description field so that the deposit is correctly made. (Please do not make any payments on textbook rental fees until you have received a letter in the mail stating the total due. The textbook rental and lab fees are currently being updated and entered into PowerSchool and you will receive a letter in the mail once those fees are finalized, at which time you may opt to pay online.) Mrs. Juli Woodrum, in the business office will be available at the Parent Teacher Conference on November 4th, from 4:00 to 6:30 pm, to collect payment for student textbook and lab fees and the answer questions regarding your students account.

AP US HISTORY

“Mr. Gilchrist will be holding AP US History review sessions every Thursday after school, from 4:15-5:15. When the weather permits, these meetings will be held on the south steps; when raining, in the gallery. Please email Mr. Gilchrist at mgilchrist@herronhighschool.org if you have any questions.”

COLLEGE CONNECTION FOR JUNIORS AND SENIORS:

SENIORS: Turn in your Senior Student Guidance Questionnaire as soon as possible so that teachers can write your letter of recommendation!

Seniors: Some colleges require the SAT Subject Tests. **Students should carefully review the application requirements for each of their colleges to see if a subject test is required.** It's not too late to take the SAT Reasoning Test, SAT Subject Tests and/or the ACT! December 23 is

the registration deadline for the January 22 SAT. The next ACT is February 12. If you have any questions about this, please see Dr. Cooney.

All transcript and school recommendation requests must be made prior to December 10 so that all school documents can be sent prior to Winter Break **to meet January 1 college application deadlines**. It is not too late to add another college or university to your list and campus visits can still be made after the applications are submitted. Keep in mind that the Common Reply Date for all colleges and universities is May 1, so you have until this date to decide where you will attend next fall.

Juniors: Now is the time to plan when you will take the SAT and/or ACT tests. **Most juniors should take the test second semester** and again in the fall of senior year. Students are responsible for registering for these tests. To register for the SAT Reasoning and SAT Subject Tests, go to: www.collegeboard.com, and to register for the ACT, go to: www.actstudent.org. Please see Dr. Cooney with any questions about the tests or registration.

SAT and ACT

The next **SAT** test date is **Jan 22**. **Register by Dec. 23** at www.collegeboard.com

The next **ACT** test date is **Feb. 12**. **Register by Jan. 7** at www.act.org.

See Dr. Cooney if you qualify for a fee waiver.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SENIOR AND SENIOR PARENTS: PLEASE PERUSE THE SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION BELOW AND SEE DR. COONEY FOR MORE INFORMATION IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO APPLY FOR ANY OF THEM. PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO DEADLINES! SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES WILL BE UPDATED EACH WEEK.

****Deadline this week!**** **Nextrans 2010 High School Essay Competition** \$100-500
High School students (grades 9-12) Must submit an essay in which they identify one or more transportation challenges that the state of Indiana is currently facing. Why are these problems significant and how might they be solved? Deadline is December 10, 2010

GiRLS College Scholarship \$500

The GiRLS League is offering a \$500 College Scholarship for 2011. This is an unrestricted scholarship that will be paid directly to the college or university that you will be attending. The spring application is currently available on the GiRLS website. We encourage any girl that has ever played in the Greater Indiana Regional League of Soccer to apply for this scholarship. All applicants must fill out the application and submit with references no later than December 10, 2010. The application is located on the front page of the GiRLS website: <http://girls.gotsport.com/clubsite/?p=26>

JFK Profile in Courage Essay Contest \$500- \$10,000.

Must submit essay on an act of political courage by January 8, 2011.

Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship- Marion County Full tuition & book stipend

Scholarship for Marion County residents who have a GPA of at least 2.5, demonstrate financial need, and are planning to pursue full-time baccalaureate course of study at an Indiana college or university. Deadline is January 14, 2011.

Indiana Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance \$500

Scholarship is for students who plan to pursue an education in health, physical education, recreation or dance. Deadline is January 15, 2011

Indiana Dollars for Scholars \$2,000 for student as well as \$2,000 for their 'hero.'

Scholarship for juniors and seniors. Must submit essay in which the student identifies Indiana citizens who have made significant contributions to society and who serve as role models and inspirational figures for youth by January 31, 2011.

Sam Walton Community Scholarship \$3,000

Recipients must *not* be associates or child/dependent of an associate of Wal-Mart. Must be attending a U.S. college or university. Visit www.act.org/walmart/community/ for more information. Deadline is January 31, 2011.

Elk Scholarships \$4,000-60,000

Offer scholarships to children and grandchildren of Elk members. Application for member scholarship are due by February 1, 2011

Central Indiana Community Foundation (CICF) Common Scholarship Application

This is a common application for various scholarships offered to Indiana high school students. Please visit www.cicf.org and click on scholarships to the left for more information. Deadline is March 4, 2011.

American Assoc. of Blacks in Energy Indiana Scholarship \$1,000-5,000

This scholarship is for students of underrepresented minority groups (African American, Hispanic or Native American) in the sciences and related areas of technology. Deadline is March 11, 2011

Edna M. Barcus Memorial Scholarship \$500

Applicant must be attending an Indiana school and be the child, grandchild or great-grandchild of a veteran of WWI, WWII, Korean, Vietnam Hostilities, Beirut, Grenada, Panama, the Persian Gulf, Iraq and Afghanistan, demonstrate financial need and have high scholastic standing. Deadline is March 15, 2011

Goshen College's Center for Intercultural Teaching and Learning (CITL)

Leadership program students will have their tuition expenses covered for four years. To be eligible for the leadership program the student must be of Hispanic/Latino heritage, be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident with a valid permanent card, have a GPA of at least 2.75, and complete a FAFSA.

Photography Club

Photography Club will be meeting at 4:15 on Monday, December 6th in Room # 202.

See Mr. Quincy Owens if you cannot make the first call-out meeting.

International Club

International Club would like to invite everyone to enjoy the **KWANZAA Celebration at Madame Walker Theatre to benefit Gleaners Food Bank** and showcase the talent of The **Ashante Children's Theatre**. The celebration will begin at 7pm on December 11th, at the Madame Walker Theatre. **Admission is 2 can goods or \$2**

2011 YEARBOOKS ON SALE!

Herron High School yearbooks are now on sale for the low price of \$25!

Order now for the lowest available price, this year's book will be in full color and will feature 12 additional pages. Order forms can be turned in to Mr. Shaw or Ms. Turner, or you can order online at www.yearbookordercenter.com. Use order number 18576. There is a \$3.50 convenience fee for ordering online. All questions can be directed to Mr. Shaw at ashaw@herronhighschool.org.

The Achaean Times Now Online!

Herron's first online student newspaper, The Achaean Times, has released its first issue. Check it out at <http://my.hsj.org/indianapolis/in/achaeantimes>.

Questions on how to join the staff? Contact Mr. Shaw at ashaw@herronhighschool.org

DID YOU KNOW HERRON HIGH SCHOOL HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE?

Search for Herron High School (official page) and follow news about Herron High School. We post news regarding upcoming events as well as announcing sports scores and other interesting facts. You are welcome to post relevant and G-related Herron High School information and event photos on the page as well.

THE WRITE HERS' CLUB

WriteHers' Club Off To a Great Start! The WriteHers have started strong. Excellent writing and conversation has taken place at our first two meetings as we have tackled our first theme: LISTEN. We will continue to meet on the first and third Thursdays of the month. Join us for these after school meetings or for one of the workshops (TBA). The schedule for the rest of the semester is as follows: Dec. 16th.

Look for an announcement about a writing workshop coming soon.

Lynn House, lhouse@herronhighschool.org Office of Admissions

THEATRE CLUB

Theatre club will be meeting on Tuesdays from 4:15-5:00. We will be discussing individual room assignments and working on props.

LATIN CLUB

There will be a meeting after school Thursday, Dec. 9 for all Latin club members to discuss plans for attending the State Convention. All Latin club members should attend, whether they are on Certamen teams or not. There will not be certamen practice or Latin club meeting on Friday, Dec. 10.

BECKI BUSH, Latin Teacher - JCL Sponsor

Herron High School <http://magistrabush.wordpress.com>



**The Best of Italy
SUMMER 2011**

Italy tripIs sponsoring the Winter Dance!

The Italy Trip will be sponsoring a Winter Dance on Saturday, December 11th from 6:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m. Tickets will go on sale on Wednesday December 1st for \$5 for Herron students/\$7 for non-Herron students. Permission slips for non-Herron students must be turned in by Friday, December 10th. Teacher and parent chaperones are needed, as well as donations of decorations or refreshments. Please contact Ms. Paulen if you are interested in helping!

HERRON ATHLETICS

ACHEAEN Basketball (Volunteers needed)

We need several volunteers for our girl's and boy's home basketball games. We are looking for statisticians, announcers, score keepers and camera operators. Interested parents please contact Mr. Doug Hadley at dhadley@herronhighschool.org or contact Ms. Knop rknop@herronhighschool.org we are preparing for a great season!

HHS Achaean Basketball Coach

We are excited to announce Officer Vincent Burke as Herron's head basketball coach. Officer Burke has an impressive list of academic and athletic achievements, as well as, experience in coaching students at various athletic levels. Coach Burke is currently running boys conditioning sessions from 6 a.m.-8 a.m. at JTV Hill Family Center for those who are interested in trying out for the team. For more information, please contact, Mr. Burke at vburke@herronhighschool.org.

Boys Schedule to date:

Varsity Basketball - Boys

| <u>Day</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Opponent</u> | <u>Place</u> | <u>Time</u> |
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| Wednesday | 24- Nov | Providence Cristo Rey High School Columbus Christian School | Providence Cristo Rey High School | 7:30 PM 5:30 |
| Friday | 3-Dec | (Tourney) Columbus Christian School | Columbus Christian School | AM 12:00 |
| Saturday | 4-Dec | (Tourney) | Columbus Christian School | PM |
| Saturday | 11- Dec | Fall Creek Academy | Fall Creek Academy | 7:30 PM |
| Tuesday | 14- Dec | Traders Point Christian Academy | JTV Hill Family Center | 6:00 PM |
| Wednesday | 29- Dec | North Central High School (Holiday Tourney) | North Central High School | 6:00 PM |
| Thursday | 30- Dec | North Central High School (Holiday Tourney) | North Central High School | 7:00 PM |
| Friday | 31- | North Central High School (Holiday | North Central High School | 7:00 |

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| Saturday | 15-Jan | Columbus Christian School | JTV Hill Family Center | PM |
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| Saturday | 22-Jan | Seccina Memorial HS | JTV Hill Family Center | PM |
| | | | | 6:00 |
| Tuesday | 25-Jan | Heritage Christian School | Heritage Christian School | PM |
| | | | JTV Hill Family Center - | 6:00 |
| Friday | 28-Jan | John Marshal Community HS | tentative | PM |
| | | | | 5:30 |
| Wednesday | 2-Feb | Indiana Academy | Indiana Academy- tentative | PM |
| | | | | 1:00 |
| Saturday | 5-Feb | Shortridge Magnet HS | Shortridge Magnet HS | PM |
| | 11- | | | 7:00 |
| Friday | Feb | Indianapolis Metropolitan HS | JTV Hill Family Center | PM |
| | 18- | | Traders Point Christian | 6:00 |
| Friday | Feb | Traders Point Christian Academy | Academy | PM |
| | 26- | | | 7:30 |
| Saturday | Feb | T.C. Howe Academy | T.C. Howe Academy | PM |

GIRLS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Girls schedule to date:

Varsity Basketball - Girls

| <u>Day</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Opponent</u> | <u>Place</u> | <u>Time</u> |
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| Wednesday | 24-Nov | Providence Cristo Rey High School | Providence Cristo Rey High School | 6:00 PM |
| Wednesday | 1-Dec | Triton Central High School | Triton Central High School | 6:00 PM |
| Friday | 3-Dec | Indiana School for the Deaf | Indiana School for the Deaf | 6:00 PM |
| Saturday | 11-Dec | Fall Creek Academy | Fall Creek Academy | PM |
| | | Traders Point Christian | | 5:00 |
| Friday | 17-Dec | Academy | JTV Hill Family Center | PM |
| Wednesday | 22-Dec | Bishop Chatard JV | Bishop Chatard | 6:00 |

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| | | Scecina Memorial High School | | PM |
| Tuesday | 28-Dec | Traders Point Christian Academy | JTV Hill Family Center | 6:00 PM |
| Monday | 10-Jan | Faith Christian School (Lafayette) | Traders Point Christian Academy | 6:00 PM |
| Tuesday | 18-Jan | Shortridge Magnet High School | Faith Christian School (Lafayette) | 7:30 PM |
| Saturday | 5-Feb | | Shortridge Magnet High School | 11:00 AM |

Volleyball: Thank you to all the girls coming to practice regularly; we have seen a big improvement already! Volleyball meeting and study table next Wednesday, December 8. We will discuss plans for the spring, fundraisers, and work on homework together until 5p.

INDY GO LAUNCHES NEW TRIP PLANNER PROGRAM

This program can help your student use the public transportation services... As part of an effort to encourage more Indianapolis residents and visitors to use the local transit system, Indy Go has launched an online trip planner:

www.IndyGo.net/tripplanner New routes beginning Oct.10th: <http://www.indygo.net/routes.htm>

BOARD MEETINGS

Herron High School's Board of Directors will be meeting 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 14th, at 7:30 a.m.**



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