



HERRON HIGH SCHOOL

The Indianapolis Classical High School



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September 10, 2010



Dear Students, Parents/Guardians:

I want to thank all of you who came out to our "Meet the Teacher Night" last Thursday. The event was well attended. Faculty members were grateful for the opportunity to meet the families of their students and share important information about the curriculum.

Many parents commented on their appreciation for some of the school's recent policy revisions. These revisions have enhanced the learning environment and provided students with a set of clearly articulated expectations.

Herron High School is committed to providing a college preparatory education. Being prepared for college is more than successfully completing rigorous coursework; being prepared for college means the student has developed responsible habits.

Being responsible for getting to class on time will be a significant part of the college experience. To assist students in developing habits of timeliness, and to reduce classroom disruptions, we have revised our tardy policy. The revised tardy policy has led to a significant decrease in tardiness, particularly between classes.

A student is considered tardy if he/she is not seated in his/her assigned seat when the bell rings. Students arriving late to school in the morning now receive an automatic lunch detention. Lunch detention must be served the same day it was issued. Students in lunch detention must eat their lunch in a silent classroom.

Tardiness throughout the day is also being addressed differently this year. After the bell rings, classroom doors will be closed. If a student is outside of the classroom after the bell rings, the student is not permitted to enter the classroom without a pass from the Dean of Students Office. Students not seated in their assigned seat when the bell rings are considered tardy and will also be required to report to the Dean of Students Office. Multiple tardies will result in a regular hour long detention to be served before or after school on Wednesdays.

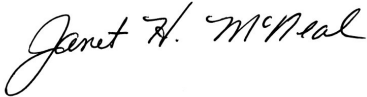
We hope that having a consistent consequence for tardiness will help your student better plan and manage his/her time. Your support for these policy changes is greatly appreciated.

On a personal note, I want to thank everyone for the kind words, emails and cards that you sent my way in honor of the my father's passing. It was so nice of you to think of my family

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and me during this time. I especially want to thank Herron High School's faculty and staff for filling in for me while I was out of the office.

Sincerely,



Janet H. McNeal
Head of School

******Due to technical difficulties, there was no newsletter last week, September 3, 2010******

NWEA Testing begins next week

All freshman and sophomores will be taking these tests. It is very important that that students are present on test days.

PSAT tests—Wednesday October 15th

On Wednesday, October 13 all sophomores and juniors will be taking the PSAT test. The test provides an opportunity for you and your students to begin addressing areas where they may need extra attention as they prepare for help prepare students for college admissions exams. The PSAT is also the qualifying exam for the National Merit Scholarship. Freshman students will work from home that day. Seniors will have a "college day" - an opportunity to visit a college they are considering applying to this fall.

ATTENTION JUNIORS AND SENIORS:

College Representative Visits at Herron High School

Wabash College: Tuesday, September 14
Marian University: Tuesday, September 14
Purdue University: Friday, September 17

Sign up on the College Rep window in front of the main office.

Senior Parent Night September 21st

6:00-7:30 pm in the Herron High School Gallery

College planning and preparation can seem like a daunting experience. Senior parents should plan to attend this event for important information and guidance in the college application process, finding scholarships and completing forms for financial aid.

The Colleges That Change Lives Tour

Visit representatives from 37 different colleges

College Fair on Tuesday, September 14, 2010 7pm

The Fountains Banquet and Conference Center, Carmel, Indiana www.CTCL.org

National Christian College Fair (Great Lakes Region)

Tuesday, Sept. 28, 6:30-8:30pm, Heritage Christian School, 6401 E. 75th Street

<http://nccf.us/view-fair.php?fid=32>

SAT and ACT

The next SAT test date is **October 9th**. Late registration fees now apply: www.collegeboard.com.

The following SAT test date is **November 6**. Register by **October 8**

The next ACT test date is **October 23rd**. Register by **September 17** at www.act.org.

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Picture Day Tuesday, September 14th

Order forms were sent home Friday, September 10th. Students may dress up on picture day. Please follow guidelines for “dress down” days for appropriate attire.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDENTS

We have been very pleased with the response from students and parents regarding many of the new policies. The student handbook has been embraced and we have tried to work out any discrepancies along the way. Students, please adhere to the teacher’s classroom rules as well as the handbook. A few things that have come up are listed below:

Use of sunglasses in the building: They are not necessary and can be a distraction in the classroom.

McDonalds is off limits to all Herron High School Students until further notice. If you have concerns or questions please contact the Deans of Students. Cell phones may not be used in the building, even during fifth period, If you need to contact your student, please use the school phone and we will get a message to your student. Thank you for your consideration.

Fifth Period is a place for students to quietly study and socialize. We ask that students behave appropriately and sign in with the faculty member at the door. As always, for safety purposes, we require that parents/guardians come in and sign their student out of fifth period. If there is another form of transportation, please contact the school in writing and we will make sure that they are allowed to leave at the appropriate time.

Thank you for your help in all these matters. We are so pleased and proud of all our Herron students.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Harris and Amy Torres
Deans of Students

Herron High School Blood Drive—Tuesday, September 21, 2010

2009/2010 Yearbooks on sale now!

Did you forget to purchase your 2009-2010 Yearbook? No worries! Yearbooks for the 2009-2010 School-year are still available for \$30 (cash or check). Payment envelopes can be picked up from Ms.

Advanced Jazz Ensemble Concert—Thurs. September 16, 7:00pm

The Advanced Jazz Ensemble will be performing a concert to benefit the Herron High School Instrumental Music department. Here are the concert details:

Advanced Jazz Ensemble Concert

featuring

Emmet Cohen

Jazz Pianist and American Pianists Association Jazz Finalist

Thursday, September 16, 2010 7:00 P.M.

Indiana State Museum Atrium

650 W Washington St

Indianapolis, IN 46204

Tickets: \$7.00 adults, \$5.00 students

Parking: \$5.00 per vehicle

Proceeds Benefit the HHS Instrumental Music Department

All Family and Friends are Invited to Attend

***Tickets Go on Sale on Monday, August 30 before school,
during lunch, and after school in the Gallery.***

The American Pianists Association sought out Herron High School's Jazz Ensemble for a three-day program for one of their prestigious jazz finalists. Emmet Cohen will spend three days playing and lecturing at Herron culminating in an all-school assembly and a concert on Thursday, September 16. This is a high profile event. Several news outlets are likely to attend.

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WE NEED YOU!!!!

FALL OPEN HOUSE – THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7; 6:00-8:00PM

If you haven't done so already, please mark your calendars for Herron High School's annual fall open house: Thursday, October 7, 6:00-8:00 pm. This is a great opportunity for prospective families to tour our facility and have the opportunity to talk with faculty, current students, and parents outside of the constraints of the academic day. Planning is well under way, but we need YOU!

Please take a look at the list of opportunities below and see where you can help. To sign up or to ask questions, please contact the school: 317-231-0010 x4 or by email: Robin Knop (rknop@herronhighschool.org), Diantha Daniels, (ddaniels@herronhighschool.org), and Lynn House, (lhouse@herronhighschool.org).

Student Ambassadors and Tour Guides

Need 40: must have attended Herron for at least 6 months

Requirements: Wear full HHS uniform; be available 5:30-8:30pm on Oct. 7, and for training 4:00-5:00pm on Oct. 5. Apply in person *at the admissions office*.

Parent Ambassadors and Tour Guides

Need: 30: all parents (including parents of new students) welcome

Requirements: be available 5:30-8:30pm on Oct. 7; you'll be given a script and info. Anyone

Achaean Cross Country

| Date | Meet | Time | Location |
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| Saturday, August 21, 2010 | Hokum-Karem | 9:00 a.m | |
| Saturday, September 11, 2010 | Ben Davis Invitational | 9:00 a.m. | Ben Davis High School |
| Saturday, September 18, 2010 | Patriot Invitational John Marshall | 9:00 a.m | German Church and 30th St. Park |
| Tuesday, October 5, 2010 | John Marshall Community School | 5:00 p.m. | German Church and 30th St. Park |
| Tuesday, October 12, 2010 | Sectionals TBA | | |

2010-2011 SOCCER SCHEDULE

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| Friday, September 03, 2010 | (G) Washington (B) TBD | 5:30 p.m. |
| Thursday, September 09, 2010 | (G & B) Howe @Lawrence Soccer Complex Herbert Lord Rd | 5:30 p.m. |
| Friday, September 17, 2010 | (G & B) Manuel @ TAB Stadium | 6:00 p.m. |
| Friday, September 24, 2010 | (G& B) Owen Valley @TAB Stadium Homecoming | 6:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, September 29, 2010 | (G) @ Howe Academy | 4:30 p.m. |
| Friday, October 01, 2010 | (G) TBA (B) Arsenal Tech Senior Night @TAB Stadium | 6:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, October 05, 2010 | (G& B) @ Southport | 5:00 p.m. |
| Thursday, October 07, 2010 | (G) Beech Grove location TBA | TBA |

who is available for the student training on Oct. 5, 4:00-5:00 is welcome. Apply by e-mail or phone.

Refreshment and Flower Donations

Need: 400 small bottles of water

8 gallons apple cider

300 small (8 oz) paper cups

12 plates/trays of cookies (bars or round, bakery or homemade are fine!)

12 small potted burgundy mums (larger ones for front steps, smaller ones for tables)

Please indicate what you can donate by phone or e-mail. Please bring all donations to school *on Oct. 6* (not earlier, unless you clear it with Robin Knop). Our goal is to recruit more students and parents just like you! Thank you for all that you do to make Herron High school the extraordinary place that it is!

Poetry Slam

Next Friday, September 17th at 7pm Herron High School will host the first Poetry Slam of the school year. A poetry slam is a competition at which poets read or recite original work for prizes which are given by a special panel of judges. This year's poetry slam winners will win cash and other prizes, but most importantly the slam champion will hold the title of Poet Laureate at Herron High School. We are currently looking for students interested in performing their own original poetry and musicians who would like to play between the poetry presentations. Contact Mrs. Kim Carver for more information kcarver@herronhighschool.org

Fall Latin Day

Fall Latin Day will take place on Saturday, Sept. 25 from 9:30-3:00 at St. Richard's School with an excursion to Crown Hill Cemetery. Students will take part in impromptu art, learn about Latin club activities, see a demonstration of a Roman funeral, and take a walking tour of the classical architecture in Crown Hill Cemetery. This field trip will cost \$11 per person; students should get a permission slip from Miss Bush or download it from <http://magistrabush.wordpress.com> and return it with payment by Wednesday. Parents interested in chaperoning, please email Miss Bush at rbush@herronhighschool.org. For this event, it is not required that students already be members of Latin club – all Latin students are eligible to attend. For students who wish to join Latin club and have not yet paid dues, they can turn in \$7 dues to a Latin teacher by the end of September.

Cheerleading Leading Try-outs

Herron cheerleading try-outs are September 14th, 15th, and 17th at Herron. Any girl who would like to try out is welcome.

Italy Trip Fundraiser!

The Italy Trip Club will be participating in a yard sale at All Saints Episcopal Church next Saturday, and we need stuff to sell! Please look through your closets, attics, and basements for any items that you would be willing to donate to our cause. You can bring items to me any time before next Friday. Here's more information about the yard sale:

Saturday September 18th 8am-2pm