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Winter Athletics Tryouts Schedule

Winter sports tryouts are quickly approaching. Details for tryouts are being posted on the [HSHS Athletics Website](#). You can also see an overview of details on [this handout](#). If you have questions about the tryouts, please contact the coach or our Athletic Director Rod Whitesell (rwhitesell@wcpss.net). Please remember that athletes must be eligible to play in order to participate in tryouts. They must also have a current physical on file with the school.

Senior Class Updates

Senior class updates are below. Senior parents and students are encouraged to take a look.

- **Senior Support Day – October 18.** HSHS is committed to supporting seniors in getting ready for what comes on the other side of the graduation stage. Seniors can sign up for some time on October 18 to get help with applications, essays, etc. View [this announcement](#) for more information.
- **Senior Signs.** PTSA senior seniors for the Class of 2018 are now available for only \$10. Stop by the main office to pick one up from Ms. Davis. Cash or check payable to "HSHS PTSA." Congratulations, seniors and parents!!

Homecoming Week – October 16-20

This is homecoming week which also brings spirit week. Please keep in mind that any spirit clothing this week must also meet dress code. Students wearing "costumes" that are a distraction for learning and/or cause a disruption will be asked to change. Hats, hoods, etc. will not be permitted in the classroom. Anything that obscures the face will not be permitted either. If you have questions about homecoming week, please contact Assistant Principal Bruce Page at bpage2@wcpss.net.

Early Release Day – Friday, October 20

We will have an Early Release Day on Friday, October 20. Dismissal will be at 11:40am. Our schedule can be found at [this link](#). Also, the PTSA is providing a Fall Luncheon for the staff on Friday. Please send donations of individually bagged chips / pretzels and individual water bottles / sodas to the Main Office this week. If you would like to help set up and serve, please contact out PTSA Hospitality Chair at tammiz67@gmail.com!

Teacher of the Year Nominations

Each year schools across the state select their school level teacher of the year. At Holly Springs High, we invite our students and parents to share any nominations for our Teacher of the Year. If you would like to make a nomination for that teacher that's made a special difference for you or your student, please visit [this link](#).

School Pictures Have Arrived!

School pictures for grades 9-11 from Strawbridge are now in the hands of 2nd period teachers. Students should be getting them on Monday or Tuesday of this week. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Pratt in the front office at (919) 577-1444 or jpratt@wcpss.net. Make up photos will be taken this Thursday, October 19.

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Golden Sidewalk

Join us before the Homecoming Football Game on this Friday, October 20 at 6:30pm by the stadium ticket booth for the ribbon cutting ceremony for our Golden Sidewalk. Thank you if you purchased a brick – you make possible the work of the PTSA including teacher grants, senior scholarships, the Reflections Contest, staff appreciation, and more! If you haven't [purchased a brick](#), it's not too late! Your name will be seen by thousands and remembered for a lifetime right here in Holly Springs. What a great way to show your Hawk Pride for years to come!

Media Technology Advisory Committee (MTAC)

The Media Technology Advisory Committee (MTAC) is a subcommittee of the School Improvement Team. It helps to guide the building of our media collection and guide our technology plan. The team will focus this year on visioning a 5-10 year plan for technology in our school. The team would like input from several parents on the team. If you are interested, please contact Ms. Flohr at bflohr@wcpss.net.

Reflections Contest is in Full Swing!

This year's theme is "Within Reach." Get your creative juices flowing! Entries in Visual Arts, Musical Composition, Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Photography, and Special Artists Division will be accepted. Rules and entry forms may be found at [this link](#). Deadline for submissions is November 2. Please turn in all work to Ms. Davis in the front office by that date. Contact Nancy Friend (ncfriend3@gmail.com) or Ms. Sanders (msanders2@wcpss.net) with any questions. New this year – the 1st place visual arts winner will receive a gift card to purchase a large canvas and paints to recreate your entry to hang in the school.

Looking Ahead

Below are a few events and dates that families should make note of in the coming month.

- Monday, Oct. 23 – Friday, Oct. 27 – Midterm Exam Week
- Monday, Oct. 30 – End of 1st Quarter Grading Period
- Tuesday, Oct. 31 – Teacher Workday / No School
- Tuesday, Nov. 7 – Pre-ACT Testing (all 10th graders will test)
- Friday, Nov. 10 - Holiday

PTSA & Booster Club News

Parent supporters are a critical part of our school! Please check out the opportunities below to get involved.

- **Spirit Night – Bass Lake Draft House.** On Monday, October 16, a portion of the proceeds ALL DAY will go to support the Holly Springs High PTSA!
- **Spirit Night – Blaze Pizza.** Join the HSHS Choral Program at Blaze Pizza on October 18. Please mention the HSHS Chorus and a portion of the proceeds will go to supporting the Arts at Holly Springs High!
- **PTSA Membership.** The Holly Springs High PTSA supports ALL of our Golden Hawks through programs and events! Your membership makes the following programs possible: Teacher Grants, Reflections / Mural Contest, Senior Scholarships, safe driving programs, parent programs, hospitality events, and more! [Click here](#) for the membership forms Corporate sponsorships are also available! For more information, view [this link](#).
- **Golden Hawks Club Membership.** Be sure to take a look at information regarding [GHC memberships](#). A membership will gain you an athletic pass that will get you entry into home athletic events (except playoffs and endowment games).

Reminders

This Week:

- Monday, Oct. 16 - Cross Country @ Conference Championship
- Monday, Oct. 16 - Soccer vs. Apex, JV 4:30 / V 6:30
- Tuesday, Oct. 17 - Volleyball vs. Middle Creek HS, JV 5 / V 6
- Wednesday, Oct. 18 - Soccer @ Garner HS, JV 4:30 / V 6:30
- Wednesday, Oct. 18 - Powder Puff Football, 7pm
- Thursday, Oct. 19 - School Picture Retakes
- Thursday, Oct. 19 - JV Football @ Apex Friendship HS, 6:30pm
- Friday, Oct. 20 - Early Release Day
- Friday, Oct. 20 - Varsity Football vs. Apex Friendship HS, 7pm
- Saturday, Oct. 21 - Murder Mystery Dinner



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