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## HOLLY SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL | Home of the Golden Hawks

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## Golden Hawk Parent Academy: Understanding How to Use Your PSAT Scores

On Wednesday, January 10 at 6pm, we will host a session for parents to better understand how to use your student's PSAT scores. We will focus on how to develop a plan using the score, what resources are available to you, and how the school can assist you in the process. This event will also include a brief PTSA general membership meeting. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Young (tyoung@wcpss.net). This event will be in the HSHS Media Center.

## Save the Date: 2018-19 Curriculum & AP Fair – February 15

Believe it or not, it is almost time to make course decisions for the 2018-19 school year. Rising 10-12<sup>th</sup> graders should save the date of Thursday, February 15 for our annual curriculum fair where we will have more information about the courses available for next year, Advanced Placement (AP) Program, etc. <u>Read More</u>

### ATTENTION JUNIORS! ACT Week at HSHS!

While there are many ACT preparation services available to students, it's important to HSHS that ALL of our students have access to material that will help them do their best on the ACT. In anticipation of February 27 administration of the ACT to 11<sup>th</sup> graders, we are offering two different options for our juniors to receive FREE preparation for the ACT. Check out <u>this announcement</u> on the website for more information!

### Assignment Strips, 2018-19

WCPSS assignment strips for official school assignment for the 2018-19 school year will be sent home on Thursday, January 4. At HSHS, they will be distributed through the 2<sup>nd</sup> period class. If you have questions, please direct them to the Office of Student Assignment. If your student does not receive an assignment strip, please contact Ms. Traversi in the HSHS Student Services Office (straversi@wcpss.net, (919) 577-1444).

### **Recap of Previous Announcements:**

• Play4Yow Fundraiser Game – Tuesday, January 9

The Golden Hawks Club and the Women's Basketball Team will be hosting a Play4Kay game on January 9 against Apex HS to raise awareness and money for the Kay Yow Cancer Fund. As a part of the game, the school will be selling t-shirts, wristbands, having a 50/50 raffle, and conducting a Pie-a-Teacher Contest between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. <u>Read More</u>

Exam Schedule for Fall – REVISED
Please be sure to review the schedule <u>at this link</u>. Any questions about the exam schedule can be addressed to Assistant Principal Melissa Hurst (mhurst@wcpss.net).

Senior Exam Exemptions – Fall 2017

Specific guidelines around exam exemptions can be found <u>at this link</u>. There is a waiver process for up to five excused absences above the limit. That process is outlined <u>in this form</u> that is due no later than January 5. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Pittman at bpittman@wcpss.net.

Spring 2018 Class Schedules

Please note that class schedules for the spring semester are still changing a good bit. They will not be finalized until the first day of the spring semester. If you have questions about your schedule, please talk with your <u>counselor</u>.

## PTSA & Booster Club News

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

- Senior Signs! Class of 2018 senior yard signs are available now while the last from the PTSA! Stop by the front office to pick one up from Ms. Davis. Cash or check payable to "HSHS PTSA" are accepted for the \$10 fee.
- Golden Sidewalk Bricks Are Available! Thank you for all who have purchased bricks on the Golden Sidewalk by the stadium. You make possible the work of the PTSA including teacher grants, senior scholarships, our Reflections program, staff appreciation, and more! If you have not purchased a brick yet, please take a look at this link to order! <u>Read more</u>
- First Wednesday Workdays. Drop in from 9:30-11:30am on Wednesday, January 3 in the HSHS Media Center for our HSHS PTSA Parent & Student volunteer workday! Students are welcome during HOT Lunch to earn service hours. Each month is a different project. This month we are assembling Exam Survival Bags for staff. Donations of water bottles, granola bars, snack bags, and candy can be dropped off in the front office.
- Volunteers Needed! Assistance is needed with the Nominating and Advocacy committees for the PTSA. Also, the PTSA is now seeking board members for 2018-19 including President and VP Communications. Please contact Ms. Baratta for more information (ebaratta1@nc.rr.com).

#### **Upcoming Events**

### This Week:

- Wednesday, Jan. 3 Basketball vs. FVHS (Men Away; Women Home); JV 5 / V 6:30
- Thursday, Jan. 4 Wrestling vs. Garner, 6pm
- Friday, Jan. 5 Basketball vs. Apex Friendship HS (Men Home; Women Away); JV 5 / V 6:30

### **Upcoming Dates:**

- Friday, Jan. 12 Period 1 & 2 Exams
- Monday, Jan. 15 Holiday / No School
- Tuesday, Jan. 16 Period 3 & 4 Exams
- Wednesday, Jan. 17 Biology & Math I EOC Exams
- Thursday, Jan. 18 English II EOC Exam
- Friday, Jan. 19 Make-Up Exams
- Monday, Jan. 22 Teacher Workday / No School
- Tuesday, Jan. 23 Start of Spring Semester Courses



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