



HOLLY SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL

Home of the Golden Hawks

Spring Semester Virtual Open House!

As you know, during the spring we will be having a virtual open house instead of our traditional in person open house. Earlier in the spring, I shared with you [this video](#) explaining the reasons why we are trying this new format.

Teachers have worked hard to develop introductions to their classes. We will share a link to this with you on Tuesday of this week via a special HawkBlast. Instead of being locked into only the evening we are at school, you will be able to review the information at your convenience over the course of the week. We are excited to share this with you later in the week. Please look for the email! The link will also be prominent on the school's website.

To be clear, there is NO in person open house event on Tuesday evening.

Early Release - Friday, Feb. 10

All WCPSS traditional calendar schools will have early release on Friday, February 10. Our dismissal will be at 11:40am.

Course Registration for 2017-18

Believe it or not, it is time to make course selections for 2017-18 for rising 10-12th graders. Materials for this process are available [online](#) including course lists, the course selection sheets, and applications for courses that have one.

DUE THIS WEEK are applications for courses that require one. These include: Early Childhood Education I/II, Health Science Advanced Studies, PE Student Leadership, Lifetime Sports II, PEPI I/II, Sports Medicine I-IV, Yearbook. Applications are available in the Student Services Office.

For more information on the upcoming course registration process, see [this announcement](#) on the front page of the website.

Curriculum Night - February 16, 2017

Mark your calendar now for Thursday, February 16! This is our annual Curriculum Night where we will showcase many of the courses, AP Programs, clubs, and other opportunities as students prepare to make their course selections for the 2017-18 school year. While families are welcome to come at any point between 5:00 - 7:30pm, the time between 5-6pm is specifically dedicated to our current students. If you have questions about this event, please contact your counselor.

StreetSafe Registration is Now Open!

StreetSafe is coming to Holly Springs High! StreetSafe is a 501(c)3 non-profit charitable enterprise offering its Lifesaving Driving Experience to new drivers with only one mission: Saving lives. *Losing control of a car at 25 mph on wet pavement, learning a realistic stopping distance, experiencing firsthand the dangers of distracted driving, understanding the hazards of driving near a tractor trailer, recognizing the consequences of impaired driving and realizing the importance of seatbelt use.*

These lessons and more are what young drivers - our most at-risk youth - will experience during StreetSafe's 4½ hour Lifesaving Driving Experience. Taught in a controlled environment under the supervision of experienced law enforcement and fire personnel - the First Responders who know all too well the tragic results of unsafe driving - young drivers receive an eye-opening, hands-on experience. StreetSafe students will also experience what it's like to be a passenger in these dangerous situations, as well as participating in an inter-active discussion led by experts in the field of crash investigation and impaired driving. Our young drivers get to "See it, Hear it, Do it".

And while they are learning, they're having fun!

To learn more about this program, and to register click here:

http://streetsafeus.com/members/join/new-view_membership_options.asp?f=teendriving

Please contact Mary Wooten, PTSA VP Programs if you have any questions (mmwooten@nc.rr.com). Many thanks to [Pierce Group Benefits](#) for sponsoring this session for our Hawks!

Class of 2017 - Senior Updates

With only one semester to go, the commencement of the Class of 2017 is quickly approaching. As we encourage seniors to finish strong, I want to ensure that these details are known by all seniors:

- **Monday, Feb. 6: Senior Support Day.** During our senior class meeting last week, we shared with seniors that we would provide a second support day for them. This one is focused on help with applying for scholarships and support in completing the application process to Wake Tech. See your counselor for more details
- **February 9: Senior Cap & Gown Photos.** Families should be receiving information by mail from Strawbridge Studios about Cap & Gown Photos. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Pratt in the front office (jpratt@wcpss.net).
- **April 18: Senior Class Meeting.** During this meeting, seniors will get very specific details regarding graduation practice, graduation, senior awards day, etc. Many of these details are already available to you in the [Senior Class Handbook](#).

Parents of seniors are also reminded that we have a Financial Aid Advisor, Ms. Tori Sharpe (vsharpe@wcpss.net). She is happy to meet with parents or students to discuss options for paying for college.

If you have questions, please contact the front office. Also, please be sure to check out the [Senior Class Information](#) website that has this and more information available.

Spring 2017 Sports Tryouts

Most spring 2017 sports teams will begin tryouts on February 13, 2017. Please visit the [Athletics website](#) to view details about tryouts. All students must be eligible to participate and have a current physical on file prior to participate in tryouts. Questions about tryouts should be addressed to the coach and/or the Athletic Director, Mr. Whitesell (rwhitesell@wcpss.net).

Booster Club News & Updates

PTSA News

PTSA has several programs in process. Please take note of the following:

- **Senior Scholarship.** The PTSA Senior Scholarship applications are due by the end of the day on Tuesday, February 28 to Ms. Jones in Student Services. [Applications are available online.](#)

Choral Boosters

- **Singing Valentines on Sale This Week!** The choral boosters will be selling Singing Valentines on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday of this week during HOT Lunch. Singing Valentines consist of a specially wrapped candy bar, message, and a song of your choice from the provided list delivered and sung to your special HSHS student, teacher, or staff person on February 14. [See more information here.](#)

This Week at the Springs ...

Tuesday, Feb. 7 - Basketball vs. Cary HS (Men Away / Women Home), JV 5 / V 6:30

Thursday, Feb. 9 - Senior Cap & Gown Photos (2nd Period)

Friday, Feb. 10 - Early Release; Dismissal at 11:40am

Friday, Feb. 10 - Basketball vs. Apex Friendship (Men & Women Home), 3:30 - 10pm

Have Questions?

Visit the [feedback section of the HSHS website](#) and we'll get your question, concern, suggestion, or celebration to the right place!

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