

Senior Support Day - December 15 SENIORS MUST SIGN UP BY TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13 TO PARTICIPATE.

With the year moving quickly toward winter break, we want to provide seniors with an opportunity to get some help with finalizing college applications, submitting scholarship applications, and more. On December 15, we will have counselors and others in the media center throughout the day to help students with their applications, provide feedback on essays that need to be submitted, etc. Seniors can sign up to go to the media center on December 15 during either 1st & 2nd period or 3rd & 4th period to receive this support. They will NOT be marked absent and attending will have NO impact on senior exam exemptions.

In order to sign up, students must see their counselor. Students will have to commit to a plan for their work that includes completing three specific things while in the media center -- at least one of those must be submitting a scholarship application. Students who have already completed college applications are also welcome to attend and work on three scholarships.

If this support is helpful, we will do it a few more times in the spring. Feel free to contact your counselor if you have questions.

Interim Reports Distributed - Wed., Dec. 14

Interim reports will be distributed to students on Wednesday, December 14. Please be sure to take a look. After Wednesday, there will only be 15 days of instruction left before exams. Time to finish strong!!

Student Council's School-Wide Food Drive

Our Student Council along with several other student organizations at HSHS are working to make this year's annual food drive the biggest ever! All items submitted should be non-perishable. All donations will go to our community via the Holly Springs Food Cupboard. Donations can be brought the front office by parents or to your student's first period class. Please contact SCA Advisor Ms. Richer (mricher@wcpss.net) with questions.

Spring 2017 Student Schedules

On Friday, December 2, students received a **DRAFT** copy of their spring semester schedule along with a letter that gives details on this schedule. You can view a copy of the letter <u>HERE</u>. A few important points are:

• It is unlikely that your student's courses will change, but their teacher and/or the period of the day that they have the course could likely change.

- There will be a period of time prior to the winter break where students can request changes to their schedule. This is outlined in the letter. There will not be a time to request changes after winter break. <u>CLICK HERE FOR LINK TO SCHEDULE</u> CHANGE FORM.
- Seniors who are going to request an <u>early release or late arrival schedule</u> must do so before the winter break.

If you have questions, please contact your counselor.

10th Annual Nutcracker Performance

HSHS Dance Program presents their 10th anniversary performance of The Nutcracker. December 15 at 7pm, December 16 at 3pm and 7pm, and December 17 at 2pm and 7pm. All performances are in the HSHS Auditorium. Admission is free and donations are gratefully accepted. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more information on reserving your tickets and getting more information about the character experience on Saturday! Contact Ms. Stauderman (Istauderman@wcpss.net) if you have questions.

Winter Break

As the winter break quickly approaches, we hope everyone has an exciting, rejuvenating, and peaceful break. Please keep the following in mind:

- I hope that all will take this opportunity to disconnect and enjoy family and friends. No teacher will be assigning work over the break. Similarly, teachers will be on break and will not be responding to email or phone messages.
- The school will be closed starting December 23 and will re-open on January 3. Any phone messages received during that time will be returned on January 3.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact the front office at (919) 577-1444.

Fall 2016 Exam Schedule

The Fall 2016 exam schedule has been finalized and is now available. Students will begin exams on January 18. Please take a look at the <u>exam schedule</u> posted on the website. Please let us know if you have questions.

GOLDEN HAWK PARENT ACADEMY SESSIONS:

Drugs Uncovered

January 10 at 6pm, HSHS Auditorium

This program presented by the Poe Center explores teenage drug, alcohol, and tobacco culture. The two-hour workshop combines a lecture-style format with an interactive exhibit where a model teenager's bedroom is constructed showing approximately 70 references to and hiding places for drugs, alcohol, and tobacco. Participants will learn about trends in substance abuse and ways to communicate effectively with children and teens about this issue. CLICK HERE to sign up to attend.

Mark Your Calendar!!

Spirit Night: Freddy's - December 13

Come enjoy a Spirit Night at Freddy's on Tuesday, December 13 from 5-8pm. A portion of the proceeds will go to support the HSHS Chorus Program. Please bring this <u>flier</u> printed or show it on your electronic device.

Mens Lacrosse Meeting - December 14

Attention all Holly Springs Hawks Football players: there will be a Hawks Boys Lacrosse meeting on Dec 14 at the beginning of Lunch A in room 3702. With many football players already on the lacrosse team, we are in search of 25 total football players to train this pre-season in preparation for the spring. Weight training, Speed, & Agility schedules will be provided. Full equipment will be provided for skill work. Please go to <u>www.HSHSlax.com</u> and fill out the Player Interest Form in advance. For questions, see Coach Greenberg in 3702 during lunches, or contact dgreenberg@wcpss.net.

Spirit Night: Chic-fil-a - December 19

Come enjoy a Spirit Night at Chic-fil-a in Holly Springs on Monday, December 19. A portion of the proceeds will go to support the HSHS PTSA!

Interested in Science Olympiad

Do you like to compete? Want to do something fun that will look amazing on your college application? How about a chance to win scholarship money? <u>Go to this link</u> and click on Science Olympiad to sign up and learn about the Science Olympiad events. If you have questions, contact Ms. Horne at lhorne@wcpss.net).

Booster Club News & Updates

PTSA News

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

- Senior yard signs now available for purchase in the main office from 7am-3pm or by contating ebaratta1@nc.rr.com. Only \$10 - cash or check made payable "HSHS PTSA."
- Volunteers needed for the PTSA Advocacy representative and Nominating Committee! Contact Bitsy Butts at mbutts123@yahoo.com.
- Oh the places you'll go! Share your love of your college choice with HSHS and donate a felt pennant from your parents' alma mater or the collee you plan to attend. The HSHS PTSA will brighten up Student Services with all of the amazing futures our Golden Hawks move on to create! Turn in to Ms. Traversi at the Student Services desk.

Golden Hawks Booster Club

Never have cash, don't like waiting in line for entrace to home sporting events, want to support the athletics program at HSHS? Then become a member of the Golden Hawks Booster Club

and enjoy admission to virtually all home sporting events. There are many options for membership. <u>Read more ...</u>

This Week at the Springs ...

Tuesday, Dec. 13 - Boys & Girls Basketball @ MCHS (away), JV Boys - 4pm; V Girls - 5:30pm; V Boys, 7pm Tuesday, Dec. 13 - Spirit Night: Freddys - LINK Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Interim Progress Reports Distributed Wednesday, Dec. 14 - V Girls & V Boys Basketball vs. Northern Vance HS (home) - V Girls -5pm; V Boys - 6:30pm Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Wrestling @ Middle Creek HS, 6:30pm Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Swimming @ TAC, 7pm Thursday, Dec. 15 - Nutcracker, 7pm - More info ... Friday, Dec. 16 - Nutcracker, 7pm - More info ... Friday, Dec. 16 - Wrestling @ Newton Conover HS Friday, Dec. 16 - Basketball vs. Panther Creek HS, (Boys Home, Girls Away) - JV 5 / V 6:30 Saturday, Dec. 17 - Nutcracker, 2pm & 7pm - More info ...

Have Questions?

Visit the <u>feedback section of the HSHS website</u> and we'll get your question, concern, suggestion, or celebration to the right place!

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