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FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

It is with more anticipation than ever that I writing this letter awaiting the start of the school year! The excitement of Schaumburg High School classrooms being filled with students and staff members for the 2021-2022 school year is immeasurable. We had a very successful two semesters of summer school and we cannot wait to be at full capacity this fall!

When you receive this newsletter, we will be in the closing stretch of summer break. Summer is a time for relaxing and connecting with our friends and family. Especially after this long year, I hope that you all have found time to do just that as we approach the start of the 2021-2022 school year. We have been hard at work at Schaumburg High School this summer to prepare for the upcoming school year. I can assure you that the SHS staff is ready with open arms to support all our Saxons as they return to in person learning this Fall.

As I enter my second year as Principal at Schaumburg High School, I am excited to continue to build positive supports for our students and connections to our parents. We are looking to forward to collaborating with you to support your child throughout this school year. If at any time you feel that your child needs additional support, or you have a concern, please do not hesitate to reach out to their classroom teachers, counselors, student services staff, or the administration at Schaumburg High School. We are all here to assure that your child has an amazing experience at SHS.

Prior to the start of the 2021-2022 school year, I encourage you to have a conversation with your child about the importance of a strong academic start to the school year. Students can get off to a great start by establishing positive attendance habits, being engaged in their classes, assuring that they turn in all their assignments on time and by studying for assessments. Getting



involved in extracurricular activities is also a great way for students to make connections at Schaumburg High School and can lead to increased success in the classroom.

As we begin a new school year, I also want to take some time to highlight a couple of online resources that will be helpful to you throughout the year to keep you connected and assure your student has a successful year.

Infinite Campus is the system that we utilize at Schaumburg High School to track student attendance and grades. The Infinite Campus Parent Portal can be accessed through a link on our school website or through this link: [Infinite Campus Parent Portal](#). There is also an Infinite Campus "Campus Parent" app that you can download directly to your phone. The app will allow you to set alerts for attendance and grade updates. This will also serve as a place to check your student's schedule and identify their teachers.

Teachers at Schaumburg High School utilize [Schoolology](#) as a Learning Management System. This is used as a "one stop shop" for course information, assignments, and other course resources online for their individual courses. It is recommended that you create a parent account to stay up to date with assignments being posted for your student's classes. Once your student's teacher creates their course for the 2021-2022 school year within Schoolology you will be able to join using the teacher assigned code.

Sincerely,

Brian Harlan, Principal

ATTENTION FRESHMAN PARENTS

This school year we are proud to be introducing a new program for all freshmen, Saxon Lift. Saxon Lift is a program designed to acclimate our freshman students to Schaumburg High School and make peer and staff connections. All freshmen students will be included in the Saxon LIFT program which introduces freshmen to study strategies, school-wide events, athletics/activities, and support resources. Staff and student leaders will meet with freshmen students each day for 20 minutes leading up to their 30-minute lunch period. The program will focus on mentoring students and running activities to build student capacity, reinforce academic and social skills, monitor student progress, set goals, and establish a positive school culture.

Additional details about Saxon LIFT will be shared at Summer Orientation Sessions held throughout the summer and Freshmen Kick-Off held on Friday, August 6 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing all of our freshmen there!

DATES TO REMEMBER

July 26-30	Walk-in Registration – 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
August 5	Walk-in Registration – 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
August 6	Freshman Kick-Off – 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. <i>Event for incoming freshmen only</i>
August 9	HSA Fall Sports Begin
August 12	First Day of School
August 17-18	Yearbook Pictures
September 2	Open House – Early Dismissal 11:50 a.m.
September 6	Labor Day – NO SCHOOL
September 11	V.I.P. Craft Fair - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
September 20	Powder Puff – 6:00 p.m. - Stadium
September 24	Soccer/Football – 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. - Stadium
September 25	Homecoming Dance – 7:00 p.m. – Gym

PARKING LOT TRAFFIC FLOW FOR 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

To ensure a safe and efficient environment for the SHS parking lot, we will once again have restrictions on traffic flow in the SHS parking lot area. Safety for our students, staff and visitors is of the utmost importance to us. The south parking lot aisle will be one-way eastbound, and the north parking aisle will be one-way westbound. Vehicle drop-off and pick-up points will be marked by a pedestrian crosswalk. This crosswalk will also be staffed by school personnel each morning. Please see the attached map for a visual of the modified traffic flow procedure. Please click on this link to view a map of the parking lot traffic flow procedure: <https://adc.d211.org/Page/7149>.

Helpful Hints:

- **To exit our parking lot and go east on Schaumburg Road:** enter the parking lot from the west entrance off Schaumburg Road.
- **To exit our parking lot and go west on Schaumburg Road:** enter the parking lot from either the west or east entrance.

2021-2022 REGISTRATION

The school registration process for the upcoming school year begins July 12th. All parents must complete the annual registration process, including payment of required school fees. Township High School District 211 has waived the annual \$170 Textbook and Instructional Fee for the 2021-2022 school year. All other student fees will still apply. If your child has been pre-qualified for National School Lunch and Breakfast Program (Free/Reduced Meal Program), all required student fees have been waived per District 211 School Board policy. Families will be receiving more specific information in the mail regarding the registration process.

How do I complete registration?

ONLINE (recommended)

No later than **August 8**, log on to Infinite Campus using your parent account to:

1. Review and update address, contact, and family, and demographic information.
2. R2. Complete the 21-22 School Registration process and pay student fees using your **MySchoolBucks** account.

Review and update **Demographics**. If you have more than one child enrolled in District 211, you will need to select each child one at a time.

Don't have a MySchoolBucks account?

Sign up is free. Visit the MySchoolBucks website at <https://www.myschoolbucks.com/ver2/register/getsignup> to create an account. Parents can also download the MySchoolBucks app to their smart phone by visiting the App Store (iOS) or the Google Play Store (Android).

IN-PERSON

School staff members will be available at Schaumburg High School to assist parents during in-person registration on the following days:

Monday, July 26 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, July 27 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, July 28 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 29 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Friday, July 30 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, August, 5 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

You must use in-person registration if you:

- Need to apply for waived/reduced school fees
- Need to clear outstanding fee obligations
- Have a new home address
- Need to update your child's immunization records
- Do not have internet access
- Want to pay with cash or check

CLASSROOM CELL PHONE PROCEDURES

All classrooms at Schaumburg High School are cell phone free in order to reduce distractions and promote a positive learning environment for our students. Cell phones should not be used or visible once students cross the doorway into academic spaces. Proper use of cell phones will be permitted in the cafeteria, hallways, and the media center. Any violation that does not follow these guidelines will result in the tiered consequences outlined below:

Violation 1 & 2	Email sent to parent/guardian and student indicating the violation.
Violation 3 & 4	Email sent to parent/guardian and student. Administrator will confiscate student's phone for the day; student will pick up the phone at the end of the school day.
Violation 5 & 6	Email sent to parent/guardian and student. Administrator will confiscate student phone for the day and contact parent/guardian. Parent will meet with a school administrator where the phone will be returned to the parent/guardian.

Any subsequent violations will result in an email home; the student's phone confiscated by an administrator; and a meeting with the student, parent/guardian, and school administrator will take place, which may result in extended loss of phone privileges and/or school suspension.

Failure to follow school rules may be considered insubordination and could result in disciplinary action as outlined in the Student Conduct Policy.

Should you need to contact your student during classroom time, please contact the Attendance Office at (847) 755-4670.

PRINCIPAL'S ADVISORY COUNCIL OF PARENTS

We will be looking for new membership this fall for the Principal's Advisory Council. If you are interested, you may sign up at Open House on September 2, or write a letter or email to the principal indicating interest.


SHS PARENT ACADEMY

Schaumburg High School is pleased to be launching the brand-new Schaumburg High School Parent Academy for the 2021-2022 school year! The program will feature monthly in person workshops for parents by both SHS staff members and community organizations. The presentations will include a variety of topics pertinent to parents of high school students. Please be on the lookout for more information about the SHS Parent Academy both in your email and on the SHS Website soon!

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Regular daily attendance is essential to a student's academic success. The information and experiences that a student loses from a day's absence from the classroom can never be fully recovered. It is in the student's best interest to attend school each and every day. Reiterate the message that attending school every day is important. Schedule doctor appointments and other commitments after school hours. Try to take family vacations during breaks or over the summer. Please refer to the student/parent calendar handbook for attendance policies and procedures.



 If you require assistance while visiting our school, please contact the principal's office at (847) 755-4600.

For individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, please access the following TTD/TTY telephone number: (847) 755-4654.

STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR CURRENT SCHOOL I.D. CARD

Students are required to carry a current school I.D. card at all times. Students may not embellish their I.D. card with any drawing or writing. Students must have their I.D. cards in their possession when participating in, or attending any school-related extracurricular activity. I.D. cards must be surrendered upon request of any staff member, including bus drivers and student supervisors. The card must be shown to the staff member on duty when entering buses, checking out media materials, making up tests, gaining entrance to school activities and athletic events, entering and leaving the school for any purpose, and when accessing certain areas of the building. Students without an I.D. card must obtain a temporary I.D. A \$3 fee may be charged to replace a lost or invalid I.D. card or school lanyard. If a temporary I.D. is issued to the student, privileges such as off campus may be revoked. Further disciplinary consequences may apply for failure to properly display the current school I.D. card.

STUDENT DRESS SETS A TONE

The student dress code is designed to prevent students from wearing clothing or accessories that will interfere with the operation of the school, disrupt the educational process, invade the rights of others, or create a reasonably foreseeable risk of such interference or invasion of rights. Clothing which depicts tobacco, alcohol, illegal substances, or contains graphics or wording with sexual, vulgar, lewd, or indecent meanings or connotations is not allowed. As a reminder, coats/jackets and hats, caps, hoods, etc. are not to be worn in the building with the exception of religious attire. Reasonable judgment needs to be applied with respect to appropriateness and comfort of clothing. Our expectation is that students are appropriately covered with a shirt and pants/shorts or the equivalent (dress, sweatpants, leggings, skirt, etc.) and shoes. Parent monitoring of your student's appearance is appreciated. Additional information regarding the dress code can be found in the student/parent calendar handbook.

SHS VIP BOOSTER CLUB

Are you looking to get involved and have a positive impact on Schaumburg High School? A great way for parents to support and feel a connection to the SHS school community is through the SHS VIP Booster Club. For more information on how you can partner with other parents to support our students please visit the SHS VIP Booster Club website located at the following link: <https://adc.d211.org/Page/7139>.

EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS

A few school days each year are "shortened" to allow for school improvement activities, staff development, and special events. This year these dates are: September 2, October 5, November 5, and May 13. Students will be dismissed at 11:50 a.m.



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District 211 continues to work with the Illinois State Board of Education and public health agencies regarding health and safety recommendations. New guidance is expected soon and will be communicated via email and available online at <https://adc.d211.org>.