



HOFFMAN ESTATES HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



FROM THE PRINCIPAL: JOSH SCHUMACHER

July / August 2017

Important Events

- Aug. 7 Class of 2021 Kick-Off
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- Aug. 8 Meet the Team Night
Main Gym, 7:00 p.m.
- Aug. 10 Teacher Institute Day
No Classes
- Aug. 11 Teacher Institute Day
No Classes
- Aug. 14 Opening Day of School
- Aug. 17-18 Yearbook Pictures
- Aug. 19 Fall Athletic Pictures
Gym, 8:00 a.m.
- Aug. 21 Make-Up Yearbook Picture Day
- Aug 22 8:50 a.m. Student Late Start
- Aug 24 College Advising & Financial Aid
Night for Parents of Seniors
Auditorium, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- Aug 26 SATs @ HEHS
- Aug 31 11:50 a.m. Dismissal
Parent Open House, 7:00 p.m.
- Sept. 4 Labor Day, No School
- Sept. 5 8:50 a.m. Student Late Start
- Sept. 7-9 Variety Show, Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.
- Sept. 8 Fall Blood Drive
7:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- Sept. 17 Homecoming Hustle 5K Race
Gerber Stadium
Race Starts at 9:00 a.m.
- Sept 18 Homecoming Film on the Field
Gerber Stadium, 7:00 p.m.
- Sept 19 8:50 a.m. Student Late Start

The start of the school year brings a fresh start and new opportunities for both students and staff. The staff of HEHS will start this year with the specific goals of increasing student learning, ensuring college/career readiness for all students, reinforcing our school-wide culture of involvement, and increasing student social-emotional wellness. We also know that both you and your student will start the school year with specific goals in mind. Our collaboration together as a partnership is necessary to reach these goals. We believe that parent involvement is instrumental in student success and we desire to communicate and connect with you on a regular basis.

Educational research has identified several important factors that can make the difference between a successful high school experience and an unsuccessful high school experience. One of those factors is parental involvement, and this is particularly true for high school students. We will work diligently to reach out to you in multiple formats, but also wanted to give you some tips on how to stay involved in your student's high school experience.

1. Communicate with teachers, counselors, coaches, and sponsors. All staff members have email addresses and individual voicemails. We encourage you to email or call our staff to discuss any and all aspects of your student's high school experience. Staff voicemail numbers and email addresses are available on our school website. For your convenience, a direct link to all contact information can be found by clicking here: [Staff Contact Link](#)
2. Stay updated with current attendance and grade information through Infinite Campus. This is our student information system that enables you to access and view your student's grade information. The link to login to your account can be found on our school website, and is available at this direct link: [Parent Infinite Campus Link](#). If you need help setting up your parent Infinite Campus account, please use this link: [Parent Infinite Campus Information & Tutorial](#) (there is a video link at the bottom of the page that provides specific instructions). You can also download an Infinite Campus app for your phone that provides you with an even easier way to receive grade and attendance updates. Please contact our Technology Department at 847-755-5760 for help with Infinite Campus.
3. Attend school events. Your presence at an athletic event, music concert, or theater production demonstrates your support of your student's high school experience. You also have the opportunity to show your support to other students and possibly even get to know other parents and staff members.
4. Serve on parent committees and volunteer at school events. I would like you to please consider getting involved in two specific opportunities for parents. The first is the **Principal's Advisory Board**. This group meets directly with me on the second Tuesday of every month. It is your opportunity to learn directly from me what is going on at Hoffman Estates High School, participate in collaborative discussions about current initiatives, and have a say in the decision-making processes that shape the future of HEHS. We will host our first meeting of the 2017-2018 school year on **Tuesday, September 12th at 6:00 pm in the HEHS Principal's Conference Room** (adjacent to the main office). The second is the **Hoffman Estates Loyal Partners**. This group is governed by a volunteer parent board and provides support to the academic, athletic, and activity programs. This amazing group of parents also meets on the first Tuesday of every month. Please join us at the H.E.L.P. meeting on Tuesday, September 12th at 7:30 pm in the HEHS Principal's Conference Room. We welcome you to join us for one or both of these meetings.

Sincerely,

Joshua Schumacher, Principal

Mark Your Calendars...

<p>First Day of School Monday, August 14th</p>	<p>IHSA Fall Sports Begin Wednesday, August 9th <i>(Football and Golf begin on Monday, August 7th)</i></p>
<p>Student Late Start Tuesday, August 22nd Tuesday, September 5th Tuesday, September 19th</p>	<p>HEHS Homecoming Week Sunday, September 17th through Saturday, September 23rd</p>

Important Information...

<p>Student Registration 2017-2018 Please register your student for this school year using the Infinite Campus Parent Portal <i>(through Sunday, August 6th)</i> Walk-in registration will be held Monday, July 24th through Saturday, July 29th.</p>	<p>IHSA Fall Sports Please register your athlete for fall sports using the Infinite Campus Portal by Monday, July 31st <i>(click on Extracurricular Registration)</i></p>
<p>Freshman iPad Pick up Incoming freshman can pick up their school-issued iPad from Wednesday, July 26th to Saturday, July 29th <i>(students must be fully registered prior to picking up their iPad)</i></p>	<p>Class of 2021 Kick-off 2017 All freshman are encouraged to attend Kick-off 2017. This event will be held on Monday, August 7th from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. <i>(Please RSVP using this link)</i></p>
<p>Parent Open House 2017 Join us on Thursday, August 31st for our 2017 Parent Open House Night. You will have the opportunity to meet your student's counselor, experience their class schedule, and learn about academic and social-emotional wellness services.</p>	<p>College Advising & Financial Aid Night Parents of senior students are encouraged to attend the College Advising & Financial Aid Night on Thursday, August 24th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.</p>



Principal's SPOTLIGHT

Principal's Spotlight: Academic Resources & Tutoring Services

The staff of Hoffman Estates High School believes that the single most important factor for student success is rigorous classroom instruction. All courses at Hoffman Estates High School have essential learning concepts and skills called critical learning standards. Course assessments are designed to evaluate student mastery of critical learning standards. In the event that students do not demonstrate mastery, Hoffman Estates High School has developed appropriate and targeted opportunities for academic assistance and intervention.

The following opportunities are available for all Hoffman Estates High School students:

Math Tutoring: Individualized and group tutoring is available every block during the school day and after school on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Hoffman Estates High School math teachers, teacher assistants, and student volunteers facilitate tutoring for all levels of math offered at HEHS.

Hours: 7:15 am to 2:45 pm Monday and Friday
7:15 am to 5:00 pm Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday
Location: Room 145 (center hallway of the main floor)

Reading and Writing Center: Individualized and group tutoring is available every block during the school day and after school on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Hoffman Estates High School English teachers, teacher assistants, and student volunteers facilitate reading assistance and writing help for all levels of reading, English, and writing courses at HEHS.

Hours: 7:15 am to 2:45 pm Monday and Friday
7:15 am to 5:00 pm Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday
Location: Room 147 (center hallway of the main floor)

Test Make-up: This quiet space is available for students to take a test or quiz that they may have missed due to an absence or illness. Students are encouraged to make-up their assessment immediately following an absence.

Hours: 7:30 am to 3:45 pm Monday through Friday
Location: Room 146 (center hallway of the main floor)

Technology Office: We have a fully staffed technology office where students can get assistance with technological issues, including iPad repair, apps, student email, and other technology-related items.

Hours: 7:15 am to 3:00 pm Monday through Friday
Location: Room 143 (center hallway of the main floor)

General Information:

Whom Can I Call?

Do you have a question? Your answer is only a phone call away! Here is a quick and easy reference guide directing your call when you have a question or concern.

<u>Concern/Question</u>	<u>Contact</u>
Hoffman Estates High School	(847) 755-5600
Which school to attend	Student Services (847) 755-5630
Federally funded free lunch program	Director of Food Services (847) 755-6680
When registration is open	Student Services (847) 755-5630
Transcript, school records	Registrar's Office (847) 755-5628
Physical, immunization, medicine	Nurse's Office (847) 755-5662
Residency	Student Services Director Mrs. Jennifer Beers (847) 755-5626
Transportation	Assistant Principal Mr. Justin Onayemi (847) 755-5618
Special Education Services	Special Education Office (847) 755-5636
English As a Second	Student Services Director Mrs. Jennifer Beers (847) 755-5626
Work Permits	Student Services Office (847) 755-5630
Information About the School	Principal's Office Mr. Josh Schumacher (847) 755-5610
Attendance Procedures	Attendance Office (847) 755-5670
Athletic Programs	Athletic Director Mr. Steve Lacni (847) 755-5770
Extra-Curricular Activities	Activity Director Mr. Brian Harlan (847) 755-5612
Parking Permits	Assistant Principal Mr. Justin Onayemi (847) 755-5618

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If you require assistance while visiting our school, please contact the principal's office at (847) 755-5600.

For individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, please access the following TTD/TTY telephone number: (847) 755-5654.

Announcements:

Off-Campus Lunch Permission

The parents of juniors and seniors who wish their students to have off-campus lunch permission for the 2017-2018 school year must sign a form, which your student will bring home. Juniors and seniors who have not yet applied for off-campus may pick up an application form in the Attendance Office. These forms are to be returned to the Attendance Office **no later than Friday, August 4, 2017**. Seniors who had off-campus last year need not turn in new forms. The purpose of the off-campus lunch permission is to give students the opportunity to go home for lunch if they wish. Off-campus is not available to students during their freshman and sophomore years.

School Events and Behavior Expectations

Students are encouraged to participate in and enjoy extracurricular social and athletic events. With the freedom to participate comes the responsibility to exhibit behavior, which does not infringe upon the rights of others. Obscene cheers, the throwing of objects, and verbal indignities directed toward athletes, coaches, or officials have no place in high school athletics. Any spectator not displaying appropriate conduct will be asked to leave the contest. We ask for the help of parents in setting good examples for our students.

Activity Code of Conduct

In order for a student to participate in an after school activity, parents/guardians must first complete online registration through the online Infinite Campus Parent Portal under "Extracurricular Registration." The Infinite Campus Parent Portal can be found here: Infinite Campus. Through this process, parents/guardians must acknowledge they have read and understand the D211 Activity Code of Conduct.

Athletic Updates:

Meet the Team/Chemical Awareness Night

Township High School District 211 mandates that all student-athletes and parents attend a "Meet the Team/Chemical Awareness Night." The fall Meet the Team/Chemical Awareness Night will be on Tuesday, August 8, 2017, in the main gym at 7:00 pm. The evening will begin with a presentation regarding expectations, rules, regulations, and procedures. Following the presentation in the main gym, each athletic team will meet with the fall head coach who will outline and highlight their individual program and address questions. Please understand that attendance at the Meet the Team/Chemical Awareness Night is **mandatory** for parents and student-athletes and is vital to the athletic program's success. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mr. Steve Lacni, Athletic Director, at 847-755-5770.

Fall Athletic Reminder

Any student-athlete interested in trying out for a fall athletic team must be registered online through the Infinite Campus Parent Portal under "Extracurricular Registration" by Monday, July 31st, and have a current physical filed with the nurse's office by Friday August, 4th. The Infinite Campus Parent Portal can be found at [Infinite Campus](#).

Community Connections

7th Annual Hoffman Homecoming Hustle 5K Fun Run/Walk

When: Sunday, September 17, 2017

Where: Hoffman Estates High School – Garber Stadium

Time: Registration 8:00a.m./Race 9:00a.m.

Cause: All proceeds benefit HEHS Athletics

Cost: \$10 Student/Alumni in College, \$30 Adult, \$25 Adult (w/HELP membership), Children under 10 Free

Registration form can be found here: [Homecoming Hustle 5K](#)

Please register by September 15, 2017.

For more information, contact Steve Lacni, Athletic Director, at slacni@d211.org