June 18, 2019

Dear HHS Families,

We hope your family is enjoying the summer. We have provided some important information and dates for the start of school to help plan ahead. Additional information regarding the new year will be sent later this summer. We look forward to seeing you in a few months to begin another amazing school year. Enjoy your Summer Break, stay cool, and see you in August!

**Registration**- Online student registration will take place from July 1-22. On July 1, parents/guardians will receive an email with login information and instructions regarding the registration and payment process. If you’d like to register on campus, the HHS office will be open **Tues., July 9 and Tues., July 16, from 8:00am – 3:00pm** to assist with the process.

**Pictures**- Voegele Studio will take required Yearbook/School ID pictures at Highland Middle School on **Tuesday, July 9, 8:00am–3:00pm** and **Tuesday, July 23, 8:00am – 3:00pm and 5:00pm – 8:00pm**. There’s no cost for pictures, but Picture Forms are available if you are interested in purchasing. Please contact Voegele at 618-654-7291 for package details. Make-up pictures will be Tuesday, August 20 at HHS during the school day.

**Freshman Day**- All incoming 9th graders are encouraged to attend Freshman Day on **Tues., Aug 6, from 9:30-11:15am** in the HHS Commons to receive schedules, tour the building, and learn about school life at HHS. This event is for students only and put on by HHS Counselors and Student Ambassadors. It is a great way to transition to the new school year!
**PowerSchool Access for 2019 Semester 1 Schedules** - Students may pick up class schedules in the High School Office on **Wed., Aug. 7th and Thurs., Aug 8th from 8:00am-3:00pm**. Schedules will also be available via **PowerSchool beginning Fri., Aug., 9th**. Students needing schedule changes can make appointments for August 9th or see their school counselor the first two days of school. Changes can only be made if a student did not request the scheduled course. Level changes require approval from teachers, parents and administration. Please see more information from the Counseling Department at the HHS Counseling Website and the Summer Newsletter at [https://www.smore.com/prhz8](https://www.smore.com/prhz8).

**HHS Open House** - **Back to School Night** is scheduled **Tues., Aug. 13 from 5:30 – 6:30pm**. Students and families are welcome! Be sure to bring your student’s schedule so you can check out classrooms, meet teachers, and tour the building. We hope to see you there!

**First Day of School** - **Wednesday, August 14** is the first full day day of school with doors opening at 7:00am and classes beginning at 7:40am. Students arriving early may get breakfast or visit friends in the HHS Commons.

**New Faculty & Staff** - HHS is excited to announce staff changes for the 2019-20 school year. We welcome Mr. John Lamp and Ms. Claire Geiger-Agriculture & Vocational, Mr. Bruce Deibert-Building Trades, Mrs. Emily Stille-Family and Consumer Science, and Ms. Bethany Mantz-Special Education & Life Skills. We are also in the process of hiring a new Media Specialist for the library and hope to make it official in the coming months.

**Physicals** - St. Joseph’s Hospital will be offering **free sports physicals Mon., June 24 at St. Joseph’s Hospital**. You can register at [https://athletesadvantage.hshs.org/sports](https://athletesadvantage.hshs.org/sports). Please see [IHSA physical form](https://www.smore.com/prhz8) and visit the [HHS Athletic Website](https://www.smore.com/prhz8) for more details regarding athletics.
HHS Athletics- Fall Sports begin on Monday, Aug. 12. Tryout dates and times will be provided at a later date. Please make sure to have your required sports physicals completed and turned into Highland High School before Monday, Aug. 12. There will be an all Fall Sports Parent Meeting on Thursday, Aug. 15 at 6pm in the HHS Commons. We hope to see one parent or guardian attend for each fall athlete to learn about the upcoming season.

Social Media Info & Highland CUSD 5 App- Links below for more information:
Highland CUSD 5 and HHS Web Pages
HHS Smartphone App- Apple App Store & Google Play
HHS Twitter- https://twitter.com/HHSbulldogsIL
HHS Twitter Athletics- https://twitter.com/HHSBulldogAD
HHS Facebook- https://www.facebook.com/Highland-High-School-IL-501479483667441/
Highland CUSD 5 Facebook- https://www.facebook.com/highlandcusd5/
HHS Counseling Webpage-https://www.highlandcusd5.org/o/highland-high-school/page/counseling-department--18

HHS Events and Happenings- Please see the following links for:
2019-2020 HHS Important Dates
2019-2020 School Calendar
HHS Meetings, Assemblies, PLC calendar,
Athletic Website, FALL SPORTS, WINTER SPORTS and SPRING SPORTS
Please note that dates, times, and activities are subject to change. If you have questions, concerns, or feedback, please contact HHS at 618-654-7131.

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