



HHS News

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From the Desk of Mrs. Heide



Happy October to all of you! It's hard to believe that a month of school is already behind us! Our student body has responded well to the demands of another school year, complete with new schedules, new classes, and new goals! We have been blessed with wonderful students and families!

The month of October reveals itself as another busy month. Our students continue to be challenged with great attendance, tardy and behavior goals. Our Seniors lead the student body with the fewest behavior referrals with 10 for the school year. Our Juniors are next with 20 referrals. Our 9th and 10th graders are still figuring out how to manage their own behavior, and still need multiple supports to help them. We are challenged and encouraged by their need for us!

October also brings many activities and events to the calendar. One big important reminder is that **Count Day is this Wednesday, October 3!** Please make every effort to ensure your students are in school for the entire day. We really appreciate your effort to have them at school!

Another exciting event is the move of all of our students into the new science rooms. The excitement is building with a hopeful move scheduled for the end of this week! We are keeping our fingers crossed for a smooth transition! The push is on because another big event is set to occur in the old science spaces in the D-wing. We have scheduled the PSAT, a SAT-like test, that helps our students and teachers see the strengths and recognize the limitations of our students as they progress toward their Junior year SAT experience. All 11th graders will take the PSAT on October 10 and the room configuration is extremely important. Again, we are hopeful that these important events can happen seamlessly!

This month also brings us the opportunity to engage in conversation with our families at **Parent/Teacher Conferences**, which are scheduled for **October 25 & 29** from 4:30-7:30 pm in the High School Gym. This time is always exciting because the communication that happens for the best interest of students is always a good thing! We look forward to seeing you at this event!

Don't forget to look for the announcement for **College Night** in this newsletter! This is a special night for our students as they ready themselves for a new experience of looking at their lives post-high school! This is a great way to start!

I know I could go on and on about the wonderful events and opportunities that HHS is offering! Please look inside this edition for other important dates and information!

I also encourage you to help us out by submitting your thoughts to a 3 question **Survey** that helps us to continue to make plans for and meet the needs of our students and families! Thank you so much! Enjoy this beautiful and thrilling month! Please email or call with any concerns and/or questions!

Wishing you all the best,
Teresa Heide

Please take the following short Survey! Thank you!
OCTOBER SURVEY: <https://bit.ly/2QjhhTp>





Picture Retakes will be Monday, October 8th!
 Order forms are available in the office, or order online at: inter-state.com/order

Students: If you did not have your picture taken on the first day of school and still do not have a Student Photo ID card, please have your picture taken on October 8th for your new ID card (even if you're not purchasing photos).

Upcoming Events

October

- Oct. 3 - Count Day **Attendance is important!**
- Oct. 6 - Hastings Marching Band Invitational
- Oct. 8 - PICTURE RETAKES
- Oct. 10 - 11th Grade PSAT/NMSQT (entire grade)
- Oct. 10 - COLLEGE NIGHT
- Oct. 12 - Half day of school
- Oct. 14 - HHS Marching/HMS Bands Fall Concert
- Oct. 15 - Board of Education Meeting
- Oct. 22 - HHS/HMS Choirs Collage Concert
- Oct. 25, 29 - Parent/Teacher Conferences

November

- Nov. 12 - NHS Induction Ceremony
- Nov. 21 - Half day of school
- Nov. 22-23 - No School for Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 15 -18 - Tentative dates for Fall Play
- Nov. 18 - Paint Party FUNdraiser to benefit the 2019 Senior Class Party

Athletics

Bowling Team

Hastings High School is pleased to announce they will be adding boys and girls Bowling as a Varsity Sport this Winter! Practice will begin Nov. 12th. See Mr. Goggins for details!



Winter Sports Physicals

Winter Sports start in early November! Do you have your Physical turned in?



Score Board Donation

Saxon Athletics wants to Thank The Athletic Boosters and all the donors from the community that made the beautiful new Score board in the gym possible! They were used for the first time last Wednesday night at the girls Volleyball match vs Harper Creek. The very day they were installed!



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Be sure to check out our Facebook page for Hastings High School!
<https://www.facebook.com/HastingsHighSchoolMI/>

Student Services/Counseling

Cathy Longstreet, Counselor
Kelly Ibarra, Counselor

Mara Casado, College Adviser
Amy Collins, Counseling Secretary

FAFSA®

Free Application for Federal Student Aid

There will be a financial aid presentation for families of all grade levels on Wednesday, Oct. 3, at 6 pm in the library. Information regarding the Free Application For Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will be presented. The FAFSA is required by all schools to determine what types of scholarships, grants, and loans a student qualifies for to attend college. Parents attending will be entered into a drawing for a gift card. We hope to see you there!

Junior PSAT/NMSQT Exam

All juniors will take the PSAT/NMSQT exam on Wed. Oct. 10. To prepare, they met with Ms. Casado and Mrs. Longstreet last month to learn how to prep for the exam in Khan Academy. Students who prep will also be entered into drawings to earn prizes.

Manufacturing/Healthcare Tours

Students can attend a healthcare or manufacturing tour this month.

- The Healthcare tour of Pennock Spectrum and Thornapple Manor will be in the morning on Tuesday, Oct. 9. Limit 30 students.
- A Manufacturing tour of Tri-Clor, Hastings Fiber Glass Product, TNR and Hastings Manufacturing will be Tuesday, Oct 9. Limit 20 students.
- An additional manufacturing tour of Bradford White and FlexFab or ChemQuest, H&L Manufacturing and FlexFab will be Tuesday, Oct. 16. Limit 45 students.

Interested students need to sign up with Mrs. Collins in Student Services. Students must be in good academic standing to attend.

WIN/Lunch Time Visits

Student Services schedules college and military representative visits during lunch time and WIN Time. For lunch time visits, students bring their lunches to the designated area to meet with reps while they eat. Students interested in learning more about these organizations need to sign up with Mrs. Collins in Student Services by 8:45 a.m. the day of the visit.

- Oct. 2—Calvin College (WIN Time)
- Oct. 5—Saginaw Valley State University (WIN Time)
- Oct. 8—Adrian College (Lunch Time)
- Oct. 9—Davenport University-Holland (WIN Time)
- Oct. 10—University of Michigan (Lunch Time)
- Oct. 10—Western Michigan University (Lunch Time)
- Oct. 10—Indiana University-Purdue University-Indianapolis (WIN Time)
- Oct. 10—Spring Arbor University (WIN Time)
- Oct. 15—Kalamazoo College (WIN Time)
- Oct. 18—Grand Valley State University (Lunch Time)
- Oct. 19—Central Michigan University (Lunch Time)
- Oct. 24—Defiance College (WIN Time)
- Oct. 29—Grand Rapids Comm. College (Lunch Time)
- Oct. 29—Madonna University (WIN Time)



9th graders

Mrs. Ibarra will be conducting a lesson on conflict resolution this month!

Upcoming College Visits

Western Michigan University—Oct. 17

Aquinas College—Oct. 29

Students must sign up with Mrs. Collins in Student Services and be in good academic standing to attend.



October is College Application Month!!!!

Mrs. Longstreet and Ms. Casado are working with seniors on all of their post-secondary plans. Information shared will include creating a resume, career/military researching, school to work opportunities, financial aid and scholarships, and applying to college or trade schools. This is an exciting and sometimes stressful time for our seniors. We are here to help them through!

COLLEGE

night

OCT. 10
@ 6:00-7:30PM

Mark your calendars! **COLLEGE NIGHT** is coming up Wednesday, October 10, from 6:00-7:30pm at HHS!

Visit with college and university reps to learn about their schools and different programs of study. The military and other education-related organizations will also be represented.

A FAFSA completion workshop will also be held during College Night. Financial aid representatives will be on site to assist senior parents with filling out their FAFSA information.

Parents are encouraged to bring their SS#s and tax information to assist in the process. Parents that attend the workshop will be entered into a drawing for a chance for a gift card. This is a great opportunity to complete the FAFSA with assistance from college representatives!

- Adrian College
- Albion College
- Alma College
- Andrews University
- Aquinas College
- Calvin College
- Central Michigan University
- Concordia University-Ann Arbor
- Cornerstone University
- Davenport University
- Eastern Michigan University
- Eastern Michigan University Aviation
- Elmhurst College
- Ferris State University
- Ferris State University-Grand Rapids
- Grace Christian University
- Grand Rapids Community College
- Grand Valley State University
- Great Lakes Christian College
- Hope College
- Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis
- Kalamazoo College
- Kalamazoo Valley Community College
- Kellogg Community College
- Kendall College of Art & Design of Ferris State University
- Kettering College
- Kuyper College
- Madonna University
- Michigan State University
- MSU/KCC Institute of Agricultural Technology
- Michigan Technological University
- Northern Michigan University
- Northwood University
- Oakland University
- Olivet College
- Purdue University
- Saginaw Valley State University
- Siena Heights University
- Southwestern Michigan College
- Spring Arbor University
- Trine University
- University of Michigan
- University of Michigan-Dearborn
- University of Michigan-Flint
- University of Northwestern Ohio
- University of Windsor
- Western Michigan University
- WMU-Army ROTC
- Michigan Air National Guard
- United States Air Force
- United States Marines
- United States Navy

Calling All Field Trips...

Just a reminder that teachers are planning and organizing field trips now that school is underway. Please continue to remind your students of the field trip guidelines that reinforce good attendance, appropriate behavior, and passing grades. Before students are allowed to go on field trips and taken out of all classes, important benchmarks are required in order to participate.



The following guidelines are set for students being able to participate in field trips. Please speak with your student regarding these guidelines:

- No more than 2 tardies in any class.
- No more than 18 hours (3 days) of absences in any class (not including Medical, School Activities, Weather, and Bereavement).
- No more than 2 Major Behavior Referrals in any class.
- Passing all classes, no failures (67% or higher).
- Students who do not meet the criteria will be asked to stay at school and work on the areas of concern.

Arts at HHS

Fall Play Update

- Auditions for the **Fall Play** are tentatively being planned for October 9th starting at 2:50pm. (If this date changes, it will be shared in announcements.) Students will need to sign up on the sheet outside of Mrs. Schueller's classroom in B-203. If they cannot audition on this date, they need to speak directly to Mrs. Schueller to find a time that will work. Students need to prepare the provided monologue for their audition (monologues do not have to be memorized!!!) and bring the student information sheet filled out to hand in.
- The tentative date for rehearsals to begin is the week of October 15th. Rehearsal schedules will be handed out at a later date. The tentative performance dates are being planned for the weekend of November 15th - 18th.
- All questions should be asked to Mrs. Schueller in B-203 or by email: kschueller@hassk12.org

Band News

- The **27th Annual Hastings Marching Band Invitational** will be Saturday, October 6, 2018 at Hastings High School's Johnson Field (stadium). Come out to cheer on your Saxon Marching Band! For more information, visit <https://www.michiganmarching.com/contest/hastings-2018>
- The **MSBOA District 10 Marching Band Festival** will be Tuesday, October 9, at East Kentwood High School. The Grandville Competition will be Saturday, October 13, at Grandville High School.
- The **Hastings Bands Fall Concert** will be Sunday, October 14, at 3:00pm at Hastings High School gym. Enjoy performances from the HHS Marching Band, as well as the 7th and 8th grade bands.

Choir News

- The HMS/HHS **Choirs Collage Concert** will be on Oct. 22nd at 7:00pm (location to be determined).
- **HHS Varsity Singers** are performing at the demonstration choir for the American Choral Directors Association - Michigan Conference on Oct. 26th.
- Audition information for the upcoming **Spring Musical** will be released later in October, with Auditions to follow in November/December.