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High School South Weekly Update

The West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District has created a new email system for parents and guardians. Every week you will receive our school's newsletter. This email will include school information, PTSA information, district updates as well as athletics, community education, counseling information and more.

School News

Welcome our new and returning Pirates to the 2019-20 school year. We hope to make this year the best school year ever. Remember our first day of school will be on Thursday, September 5th and it will be a "Z" day with all classes meeting in order, period 1 through 8. Also, please join me in welcoming our new staff members to High School South:

- Anwar Al-Najjar-Learning Consultant
- Tyler Barnes-Language Arts
- Michelle Costanza-Social Studies
- Kate Dobinson-Asst. Director of Athletics
- Kristin Hauge-Music
- Michael Hawkins-Special Services
- Jennifer Kelley-World Language
- Sydney Miller-Social Studies
- Amirah Muneer-Health/Physical Education
- Dave Olson-Special Services
- Joseph Porter-Social Studies
- Jhoany Rodas-Guidance Secretary
- Tina Thomas-Math
- Jessica Verrault-World Language

Evening Events

- Senior Trip and Senior College Planning Night will be held Monday, Sept. 16, in the New Theater at 6:30 p.m. (Senior Trip Meeting) and 7 p.m. (Senior College Planning Night).

School Pictures:

- Senior portrait retakes will be Sept. 13 all day in the New Theater. Seniors will be able to pick up their school IDs from the Attendance Office during the second full week of school.
- Ninth through eleventh-grade school and ID pictures will be taken during study hall or lunch on Sept. 16-17.
- All students should carry their last year's school ID until they are issued a new school ID.

Useful links: [Student Handbook](#)

PTSA News

On behalf of the PTSA, I would like to welcome you to High School South!

Whether this is your first year or your last, we hope that you and your children have a great experience at HSS in 2019-20. You and your child will find a wide array of activities and events to participate in within the school and the community. Getting involved is one of the best ways to acclimate to a new school environment. As a parent and student, we hope that you will consider joining the PTSA.

We have a great year planned with some exciting programs for parents. Our first PTSA general meeting will be on Sept. 25, 2019, with our parent panel: "Things We Wished We Knew."

On Sept. 28, we will have our Flea Market; and the SAT Bootcamp. Our Oct. 23 meeting will focus on FAFSA and will be preceded by an SAT/ACT Test Prep Fair with different vendors to answer all your questions.

PTSA membership is now open. Don't forget to sign up, along with your spouse and students. You can either sign up online at <https://wwphss-1.memberhub.store/> or at Back to School Night or any of our meetings by simply returning your membership form to the school front office.

Message from Post Prom Committee: Stay tuned for Post Prom news and updates. Our fall clothing drive is on **Sept. 28**, please collect **clothing, towels, sheets, and shoes**. Drop-off will be from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Also, make sure to save the date for the **PocketBook Bingo** on **Oct. 20, 2019**. Details to follow. We will need a lot of volunteers for Post Prom, so please stay tuned for opportunities.

Sincerely,
Susmita Rao
HSS PTSA President

SEPTSA

- **SEPTSA Meeting and Membership-** (Sept. 10, 9:15 a.m. at Community Middle School) Help reduce the anxiety that often comes with adjusting to the new school year by meeting other parents with students facing challenges. The Director and Supervisors of Special Services will be introduced and provide a brief overview of recent happenings/news within the department. Assistant Superintendent, James Earle will also be introduced at this meeting. This is our first PTSA meeting of the year, but please review our [meeting/membership flyer](#) for other meetings and consider supporting our PTSA with membership and/or donation. Contact Kathleen at KKZ4@Verizon.net for any questions.

Useful Links: [WWP SEPTSA Facebook Page](#) | [WWP SEPTSA Website](#)

District Updates

- Each week we will upload all flyers and a PDF version of this email to the [website](#).

Useful links for the district

- [District Website](#) | [Academic Calendars](#) | [Events Calendar](#)

WW-P Board of Education

- Check out the upcoming [Board of Education Meetings](#).

Counseling

- Check out the upcoming [Parent University Events](#) for the 2019-20 school year.

Community Events

- Looking for programs, clubs and things to do around WW-P? Check out the [community event section](#) on the district's website!

Community Education Program & Event Reminders

- **Kindergarten Extension** - limited spaces are still available. To register for Kindergarten Extension, [click here](#).
- **Extended Day Program (EDP K-12)** - Registration for the second week of school will open on Thursday, Sept. 5. Click [here](#) to register.
- **After School Enrichment** - After school programs for grades 1-5. Registration closes Oct. 2, 2019. Download the brochure [here](#).
- **One Day Wonders (for EDP participants only)** - registration is open until 3 days before the scheduled occurrence. Register [here](#) through Community Pass.
- **Family Fun Fridays** - programs for school-age children and parents during October and November available. Register through Community Pass under 2019-2020 Adult & Youth. Check out the programs offered in the 2019 Fall Guide. Download the brochure [here](#).
- **Kings & Queens Chess Event** - a free family event, will be offered on Friday, September 27, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. at Millstone River School. Click [here](#) for registration information.
- **Python Programming for High School Students** - Online class offered through CodeWizards. Click [here](#) for more information.
- **SAT Programs** - through Kaplan, Princeton Review, and Lentz & Lentz offered throughout the school year at both high schools. Find the right program for you and register online at:
 - www.kaplan.com
 - www.princetonreview.com
 - www.lentzsatprep.com

Food Services

- Check out the lunch [menus](#) for September!
- Reminder: Please make sure to pay your lunch balances. Click [here](#) to check your balance and pay online or checks may be made payable to “WWP Cafe” to school.

Make sure to follow the district on WW-P’s official social media pages.

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