



# HERRON HIGH SCHOOL



## **A Note from Herron Classical Schools President, Janet H. McNeal**

**December 10, 2021**

Dear Herron Classical Families and Friends,

As we close in on our first semester of the 2021-22 school year, I want to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a healthy and joyous holiday season. We have had an extremely productive first semester. We have continued to move our students forward while being attentive to the learning loss that occurred when the pandemic first hit our community. Our students and our faculty have worked in concert to achieve important and meaningful learning growth.

We have delighted in watching our Herron Preparatory students adapt to school, make new friendships, and learn so much! I am filled with gratitude that we were able to launch the school this year, and I am overwhelmed by the many wonderful emails and texts from parents.

I hope that you and your family have a restful holiday. As we close out the week, please take the time to thank your child's teacher(s).

With Gratitude,  
Janet H. McNeal  
President, Herron Classical Schools

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## Upcoming Calendar Highlights:

Fri Dec 10 - Winter Holiday Jazz Music Concert (B3 Class and Advanced) 6:00pm

Mon Dec 13 to Fri Dec 17 - Final Exams Week and Exam Makeup Day

Mon Dec 13 - A1 and A1 Final Exams 9:00am to 12:30pm (Early Dismissal, 5th Period until 1:30pm)

Tues Dec 14 - B1 and B2 Final Exams 9:00am to 12:30pm (Early Dismissal, 5th Period until 1:30pm)

Wed Dec 15 - A3 and A4 Final Exams 9:00am to 12:30pm (Early Dismissal, 5th Period until 1:30pm)

Thurs Dec 16 - B3 and B4 Final Exams 9:00am to 12:30pm (Early Dismissal, 5th Period until 1:30pm)

Fri Dec 17 - End of First Semester, Exam Makeup Day - No Classes

Fri Dec 17 to Tues Jan 4 - Winter Break

Wed Jan 5 - School Resumes 9:00am

Mon Jan 17 - School Closed, MLK Day

Fri Jan 28 - Virtual Asynchronous School Day



## Upcoming Athletics Events:

For a complete Athletics schedule visit: [www.goherronathletics.com](http://www.goherronathletics.com)

Sat Dec 11 - 9:00am Boys and Girls Varsity Swimming Easter Hancock Invite (Away @ Eastern Hancock High School)

Sat Dec 11 - 6:00pm Boys Junior Varsity Basketball vs. Greenwood Community High School (Away @ Greenwood Community High Main Gym)

Sat Dec 11 - 7:30pm Boys Varsity Basketball vs. Greenwood Community High School (Away @ Greenwood Community High Main Gym)

Tues Dec 14 - Boys and Girls Varsity Swimming vs. Beech Grove High School (Away @ Beech Grove)

Tues Dec 14 - Girls Varsity Basketball vs. Speedway HS (Away @ Speedway)

Thurs Dec 16 - Girls Varsity Basketball vs. Monrovia HS (Home @ Municipal Gardens)

Sat Dec 18 - Boys and Girls Varsity Swimming City Swim Meet (Away)

Mon Dec 20 to Wed Dec 22 - Boys and Girls Varsity Basketball Central Christian Tournament

Mon Dec 27 - Boys and Girls Varsity Swimming Mooresville Swim Invitational (Away @ Natatorium)

Mon Dec 27 - Girls Varsity Basketball vs. Providence Cristo Rey HS (Home @ HHS)

Tues Jan 4 - Girls Varsity Basketball vs. Indiana School for the Deaf (Home @ Municipal Gardens)

Fri Jan 7 Girls Varsity Basketball vs Purdue Polytech HS (Away @ Purdue Polytech)

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## 2021-2022 Student Fees are now Posted in PowerSchool

2021-2022 school fees have now been posted to your student's PowerSchool account. An email was sent on Nov 25th with an attachment of the fee invoice.

**Fee payments are due by January 31, 2022.** Please note that a discount of \$25 is offered for school fee balances paid in full by December 31, 2021. (You can make several payments before 12/31/21 – you do not have to make payment all at one time.)

**Please subtract \$25 from the fee balance if paying by 12/31/21.**

The easiest way to pay is to click this link: <https://www.herronhighschool.org/families/payment>

For free or reduced lunch status students, while the State of Indiana covers most of the school fees, it does not cover 100%. We certainly understand that sometimes you may have difficulty paying the fees. Please know that we are happy to work with you to establish a payment plan. If you have lunch charges from prior school years, they will be billed separately this year so please look for a second email regarding past due charges.

For an itemized breakdown of student fees, click here:

<https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1639110677/indianapolisclassicalschoolorg/n0ohw6zubd5t0feql1rw/HCSfeesexplanation2021-2022.pdf>

If you have any questions or concerns or would like to arrange a payment plan, please contact Mary Ann Beale at [mbeale@herronhighschool.org](mailto:mbeale@herronhighschool.org).

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## Herron Classical Schools' Board of Directors Meeting

Herron Classical Schools' Board of Directors meets regularly on the third Tuesday of alternating months except for December. The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 7:30AM. The location is to be determined.

You can always access our Board Meeting agendas and minutes on our Herron Classical Schools website at: [www.herronclassical.org/our-people/board-of-directors](http://www.herronclassical.org/our-people/board-of-directors)

## 2022-23 Scheduling Information

It is time to begin considering your course selections for the 2022-2023 school year. This is a very important process, as many things will be impacted by the choices you make. The courses you will take will help determine how well-prepared you will be for the many opportunities during and after high school. We ask that you take time to consult with your parents/guardians, teachers, friends, and counselor as you make these important choices. Your course selections impact the school's master schedule, so make sure you have thought through your choices and are committed to your selections.

The specific Herron Classical Schools graduation requirements for the diploma options have been printed and distributed to students and sent home via email to parents/guardians. They can also be found on the Advising page. It is your responsibility to make sure you understand these requirements and earn the appropriate grades to achieve your desired diploma. Please be sure to ask your school counselor if you have questions regarding this information.

We will host two Scheduling Information Nights via Zoom. Please join us to learn about graduation requirements, course offerings, and the scheduling process:

Thursday, January 13th, 6:00 PM

Thursday, January 20th, 6:00 PM

After making course selections, the counselors will meet with every student to review their requests, beginning January 24th. As it is our intent to include the guardian in the student's course selections, final course selections will be distributed in late April/early May for the student's and guardian's final review and approval. If the student and guardian would like to make changes these must be communicated prior to May 20th. Good luck with your course selections!

Shelby Briggs  
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## Enrollment is OPEN for the 2022-23 School Year

Visit: [www.herronhighschool.org/enrollment](http://www.herronhighschool.org/enrollment) to learn more.

Applications to Herron High School are managed by Enroll Indy ([www.enrollindy.org](http://www.enrollindy.org)), Indianapolis' unified enrollment system. To apply, list Herron High School as your first choice on the application. We can't wait to get to know you!

Questions? Contact Shannon Hasper, Director of Enrollment: [shasper@herronhighschool.org](mailto:shasper@herronhighschool.org)



## Last Call! WWII and the Western Front Summer 2022

Our summer 2022 trip to England, Germany, Belgium, and France kicks off in June! We still have limited space for a few more travelers. See the itinerary and information here--> [www.eftours.com/2422614fy](http://www.eftours.com/2422614fy) or contact Mrs. Cole (formerly Ms. Ward) at [jcole@herronhighschool.org](mailto:jcole@herronhighschool.org) with any questions about this unique tour!

## Masks Reminder

As we continue to work diligently to keep our scholars and faculty safe and healthy, this is a reminder that face masks are **required** for **everyone** on campus. *Please* make sure to bring your own reusable mask with you every day.



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## Feliz Navidad from the ESL (English as a Second Language) Department!

I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. It's great that you get to relax and refresh your minds for our 2nd school semester. In the starting months of 2022 our scholars in the ESL program will be given the WIDA assessment. This test is an indicator of the students' proficiency level in English. There will be four testing domains: Reading, Listening, Speaking, and Writing. I encourage our scholars to grab a book during their break and to read. I'm looking forward to seeing your bright smiles on Wednesday, January 5, 2022.

Mrs. Aida Muñoz

ESL Director

Quiero desearles a todos una Feliz Navidad y un Próspero Año Nuevo. Espero que puedan relajarse y refrescar tus mentes para nuestro 2º semestre escolar. En los meses iniciales del año 2022, nuestros estudiantes en el programa ESL recibirán la evaluación WIDA. Esta prueba es un indicador del nivel de competencia de los estudiantes en inglés. Habrá cuatro dominios de prueba: lectura, comprensión auditiva, expresión oral y escritura. Espero ver sus sonrisas brillantes en nuestro nuevo año el miércoles 5 de enero de 2022.

## Herron Prep to hold Holiday Showcase @ the AMP!

The AMP @16 Tech (1220 Waterway Blvd) will be hosting our youngest scholars with their first Holiday Showcase on Dec. 15th. Performances will begin 6:30pm. We encourage friends and families to attend. The AMP is a local gathering venue with various eating and drinking spots. Let's show the AMP we appreciate use of their stage! Come early and grab a bite or stay late and have a treat!

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## Vaccine Information from Indiana State Department of Health

The Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) is partnering with Gravity Diagnostics to expand access to COVID-19 testing across the state. Gravity Diagnostics is rolling out new test sites starting this week, and you can find more information on the IDOH or Gravity Diagnostics websites.

The CDC released data last week collected from April 4 through July 17 which showed people who were unvaccinated were 10 times more likely to be hospitalized with COVID-19, and 11 times more likely to die from it.

Read the COVID-19 VACCINE Latest Updates & Resources from the Indiana Department of Health here:

<https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1634783452/indianapolisclassicalschoolorg/clmjvful1hvudeiervg/FullguidelinesfromtheMarionCountyPublicHealthDepartment.pdf>

## Poetry Speaks!

This week, Mr. Pappas' English 12 classes presented original poems as part of a recitation assignment. 19th Century poet William Wordsworth once described poetry as "the spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings," and Mr. Pappas' seniors exhibited this description in their creative writing. Poems were inspired by visual images the students selected and covered topics as far-ranging as relationships, food, family memories, assault, eating disorders, mental health struggles and moving away from home. Students who are often reticent to speak aloud in class discussions presented their poems with passion. Students who had never written a poem before crafted ones dripping with metaphor and implications. Poetry is true language art -- it demonstrates the art of language -- and this week Mr. P's classes were language artists.



## Guest Teachers Needed!

Herron Classical Schools is always on the lookout for great guest teachers and our best guest teachers are often HCS family members! If you or someone in your community is interested in learning more about the criteria and role, please reach out to Cheri West at [cwest@herronhighschool.org](mailto:cwest@herronhighschool.org).

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- Once you’ve established or signed into your online Kroger account, search for Herron Classical Schools (formerly "Indianapolis Classical Schools") OR our Kroger organization number, MD414 in the “Find an Organization” window.
- Next, click the “Enroll” button under Herron Classical Schools, and you’re enrolled!

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If you have questions or need assistance with Box Tops or Kroger rewards, please contact Michelle Melton at [mmelton@herronclassical.org](mailto:mmelton@herronclassical.org)

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