

HERRON-RIVERSIDE 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 IN THIS ISSUE:

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Dear Herron-Riverside Families.

Greetings on our last full Friday of the semester!

How quickly this semester has passed, and how FULL it has been! This morning I was reflecting on just this past week at Riverside and all of the various activities, initiatives, and programs.

I am so glad to celebrate the diversity and vibrancy of our offerings. Just this week at Riverside, we've had:

- A holiday orchestra concert (combined ensemble with Herron High School)
- Our Bike club completed their individual bike builds in partnership with Free Wheelin' bikes
- Intro to Computer Science class presented their final projects to staff, administration, and special guests from IUPUI
- Our Journalism and High School to Life classes supported and participated in a community Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Ceremony
- Holiday-themed Spirit Day (with so many fun sweaters, costumes, pajamas, etc.!)
- Hosted the opening round of our boys' basketball conference tournament
- Notification of several Argonaut Athletes being named to the GAIC All-Conference rosters for fall sports
- More college acceptances rolling in for our class of '22 seniors!
- Last days of classes for the semester for our seven students taking dual-enrollment college courses on Marian University's campus
- Preparation for Final Exams with special review sessions in Office Hours
- A High School to Life field trip to Tinker Coffee to view their production process
- Choir and Dance team preparation for their winter performance next week.

And that was all just this week! As we wrap up the semester together, please know how grateful I am for your families and your commitment to Herron-Riverside High School. Now in our fifth year, we are still growing and changing and living into our mission more fully each day, but there is so much to celebrate already, and we are so proud of our Argonauts and our amazing school.

Best of luck to scholars on their exams next week, and please have a wonderful, safe, healthy winter break and holiday season. All my best wishes from my family to yours.

Best, Katie Dorsev Head of School Herron-Riverside High School









Upcoming Calendar Highlights:

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)

Wed Dec 15 - RHS Winter Choir and Dance Performance 4:30pm, Indianapolis Artsgarden

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 Asynchronus School Day



Upcoming Athletics Events:

For a complete Athletics schedule visit: www.goriversideathletics.com/events

Sat Dec 11 - Boys Varsity Basketball GIAC Tournament (Away Game, Time/Location based on Tournament Game Wins)

Mon Dec 13 - Boys Varsity Basketball vs. Purdue Poly North (Home @ RHS Gym)

Tues Dec 14 - Boys Varsity Basketball vs. Beech Grove HS (Home @ RHS Gym)

Fri Dec 17 - Girls Varsity Basketball vs. KIPP Indy (Home @ RHS Gym)

Sat Dec 18 - Boys Varsity Basketball vs. Purdue Poly (Away @ Purdue Poly)

Wed Dec 22 - Boys Varsity Basketball vs. 21st Century Charter Gary (Away @ 21st Century)

Thurs Dec 30 - Girls Varsity Basketball Speedway Tournament (Away @ Speedway Senior HS)

Tues Jan 4 - Girls Varsity Basketball vs. Victory College Prep (Away @ Victory)

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Thurs Jan 6 - Girls Varsity Basketball vs. Tindley Accelerated School (Home @ RHS Gym)

Fri Jan 7 - Boys Varsity Basketball vs. Crosspointe Christian (Away @ Crosspointe)





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.herronriverside.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/indianapolisclassicalschoolsorg/n0ohw6zubd5t0feql1rw/HC Sfeesexplanation2021-2022.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.







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 Director of Counseling sbriggs@herronclassical.org







GIAC Conference Argonaut Athletes

Sending big congratulations to our Fall 2021 Greater Indianapolis Athletic Conference (GIAC) All-Conference Argonaut athletes!

Volleyball: Soccer: Cross Country: Arianna Perez Ronald Castellanos Eli Guzman

> Demetrio Kent Sammy Caceres

Jackson Fowler













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 Naomi D'Andrea at ndandrea@herronclassical.org

Health Forms

All students must have the Healthcare Office Information Form on file each year to see the school nurse. If you would like to allow your student to receive medication during the school day, whether it is prescription or over-the-counter, a Consent to Administer Prescriptions Form must be filled out, as well. If you are interested in using our nurse practitioner or social worker for services that



are fee-based and billed through insurance, you must have the Consent for Fee-based Services Form and Authorization for Treatment on file. And lastly, if your student carries and inhaler or epipen, a doctor must fill out the Authorization to Carry an Inhaler and/or Epipen Form. All forms can be found on our website at: https://www.herronriverside.org/families/health-forms



Stitches Club Donations

Herron-Riverside High School Stitches Club is seeking crochet hooks and knitting needles to use for our club. If anyone has these items, or knows people who have these items and are willing to donate them to our club, please send them to school, C/O Chasten Bear. The club is expected to have high demand this year and so supplies are critical!

Is your scholar interested in joining Stitches club? Stitches Club is a place to learn to knit or crochet, or to show off your talent. Find out just how relaxing it can be to yarn, and how cool it is to complete a project that you can keep or give to friends and family! As we learn and progress, we will also do service projects where we will make hats, scarves, etc. for people in need. Stitches Club meets Thursdays 4-5pm in Room 205, contact Mr. Bear (cbear@herronriverside.org), Mrs. Martin (jmartin@herronriverside.org), or Dr. Cruz (lcruz@herronriverside.org) with any auestions.



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/indianapolisclassicalschoolsorg/clmivfule1hvudeiervg/Fullg <u>uidelinesfromtheMarionCountyPublicHealthDepartment.pdf</u>

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!









2021-22 Yearbook

Yearbooks are the cheapest they will be right now, so don't forget to pre-order yearbooks! As a reminder, there will be VERY FEW extra yearbooks at the end of the year, so to ensure your scholar receives one you will need to pre-order. Use the following link to easily order online and if asked for a school code it is 17339 (or search for Riverside High School Indianapolis):

https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/? event=general.displayLanding&jobnumber=17339

Seniors! We are quickly approaching the end of the first semester of your last year of high school! The Yearbook staff needs your senior pictures and quotes ASAP! Not only does the senior class get a special section with their own choice of portrait, but also a quote for which they want to be remembered. This can be something the student was known for saying or something meaningful they want to commemorate.

EVERY Senior needs to fill this out: https://forms.gle/waB6NumUcrBpHWML8 Not enough? The yearbook staff is also selling additional space for parents or guardians to purchase to celebrate the scholar's achievements and wish them the best in their next endeavor. Full page, half page, or quarter page spaces can be purchased to include pictures and a special message from loved ones to recognize their hard work. Click on the following link for more info on how to order: https://forms.gle/ff2AvqtXBpC62t4V7

Choir and Dance Performance Next Week!

Our Herron-Riverside choir and dance teams will be performing at the Indianapolis Artsgarden on Wednesday December 15 at 4:30pm. Please join us as we celebrate the holiday season together! Indianapolis Artgarden: 110 W Washington St







Feliz Navidad from the ESL 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

FSI 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 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







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/2422614fv or contact Mrs. Cole (formerly Ms. Ward) at <u>icole@herronhighschool.org</u> with any questions about this unique tour!

McKinney-Vento Information Required

Each year, we must ask families a question regarding their student's living arrangement, according to the McKinney-Vento Act. Please fill out this one question along with a parent and student name. Many of you may have filled this out on your registration form. However, we need to collect the information for the State through this form. https://tinyurl.com/hsvento

Enrollment is OPEN for the 2022-23 School Year

Visit: www.herronriverside.org/enrollment to learn more.

Applications to Herron-Riverside High School are managed by Enroll Indy (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 Jennene Young, Director of Enrollment: jyoung@herronriverside.org







Box Tops for Education

Please join our school community in earning donations by using the Box Tops app. It's an easy way to make a difference. All you have to do is buy Box Tops participating products (like Cheerios, Paper Mate, Lysol products, etc.) and scan your grocery receipt. Box Tops are worth \$.10 each and they add up fast! Twice a year, our school receives a check to help pay for whatever we need - equipment, supplies or experiences the kids love!

Use the referral code POTK7HCY when you sign up and you'll get 20 Bonus Box Tops when you scan your first receipt now through 05/29/2022, while supplies last!

Download the Box Tops for Education app from the App Store or Google Play or use the link below: https://btfe.smart.link/c2jjdifkw?referral_code=P0TK7HCY



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 - o If you already have an online Kroger account, sign in
 - o If you don't yet have an online Kroger account, click "Create an account"
- 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!
- *Be sure to scan your Kroger Plus Card or enter your Alt ID with every purchase A contribution will be sent to HCS quarterly, you don't have to do anything else!

If you have questions or need assistance with Box Tops or Kroger rewards, please contact Michelle Melton at mmelton@herronclassical.org





