



Dear Highland High School Students and Families,

March will bring the end of the 3rd quarter and the start of our final nine weeks for the year! I say this every year, but this school year is going too quickly! We are planning for next year with regard to student schedules. There are always conflicts with courses that may require you and your student to make choices about which classes to prioritize. I would encourage all of our students to schedule into classes they *want* to take as well as courses they are required to take.

Upcoming Events:

March 5	7:00 p.m. Choir Concert
March 7	7:30-8:30 a.m. Graduation announcements are passed out to seniors who ordered them.
March 15	Last day of 3rd grading period Scholarship Portal closes- deadline for Highland Local Scholarships
March 18	Family First Night
March 20	Optional College Fair at University of Akron for Juniors- Permission form was emailed to all juniors
March 21	4:00 - 7:30 Conference Night 6:00 p.m. Junior Jumpstart (Meeting for 11th grade parents)
March 22	Prom tickets go on sale through Hometown Ticketing. Seniors will receive information on how to purchase them.
March 23	7:00 p.m. Mr. Hornet Contest
March 25	8:00 - 2:30: SAT Bootcamp (information below)
March 28	College Credit Plus Application Deadline: This is for students new to the program and for those who already participate in CCP.
March 29	No School - Spring Break Starts

SAT Prep Course

Highland High School will host an SAT preparation seminar from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Monday, March 25. Students will learn specific testing and time management strategies to help them score their highest on the tests—all geared toward increasing their chances for admission and scholarship aid to their colleges of choice. This six-hour session is presented by Next Level Prep, a company known for its subject matter experts in test preparation and college admissions. We highly recommend this seminar, especially since all juniors will take the SAT later in April. Because HHS is hosting the seminar, the special price for our students is \$69 each, which also includes a comprehensive workbook with hundreds of sample test questions and free, live call-in tutoring after the seminar. Register online at <https://nlpamerica.com/product/highland-hs-sat-seminar-march-25-2024/>. Enrollment is limited.

Family First Night

We are pleased to offer the annual “Family First” Night on Monday, March 18. This district-wide initiative is an opportunity for our Highland families to spend an uninterrupted evening together!

In an effort to encourage a dedicated “family night,” **the school district is offering one night free from homework (with no tests on March 19)**, athletic events, and other extracurricular activities, so that families can connect and spend quality time together. We hope that you are able to enjoy your night together!

School Counseling Office:

College Visits

Here are dates of when colleges, universities, trade, or military organizations will be tabling in the cafeteria:

March 7 - National Guard

March 12 - Army

March 13 - Dean of University of Akron’s College of Business (RJ Nemer) will be speaking about careers in business - Media Center ([sign up here](#))

Class Schedule Requests

All student class schedule requests are due by March 8, 2024. Students must turn in a scheduling sheet to their English teacher AND request the courses via the course registration section of Powerschool.

Counselors will be available to advise students in the Media Center during ALL March 4 - March 8.

College Credit Plus

All information about applying for the CCP Program will be on our website: [CLICK HERE!](#)

Students who are already in CCP and plan to continue CCP classes next year:

Please re-submit your Letter of Intent BEFORE March 28. A reminder that students who are interested in taking CCP courses who have NOT taken a CCP course must do the following:

1. **WATCH** the CCP Informative Video from 11/2/23: [WATCH VIDEO HERE](#)
2. **REGISTER** for ACT/SAT testing if needed (reminder to class of 2025: you will be taking the SAT in school on April 16th. This score can be used for CCP).

3. **COMPLETE** the CCP packet ([CLICK HERE!](#)) with all forms/steps completed. DUE BEFORE MARCH 28!
 - ***STRONGLY RECOMMENDED***: Plan a meeting with your school counselor to discuss the logistics of CCP. Although this is not required before turning in the paperwork, it is necessary before you register for your classes.

All paperwork must be turned in to the counseling office before March 28. The deadline to apply to the college you intend to attend is in accordance with their deadlines, typically around April 1.

Advanced Placement

As a reminder from fall communication, all AP testing fees will begin to be added to PowerSchool after March 15, and you will be able to pay at that time. These fees will include all tests, as well as any exams that were canceled after the November 15 deadline.

Please reference the [2024 AP Exam Dates](#) for the time and date that each exam will be held. Location will be sent out to students at a later date.

SAT Preparation

Current Juniors will take the SAT on April 16, 2024. Students are encouraged to connect their College Board account to Khan Academy in order to have personalized and targeted test preparation. A tutorial on how to do so is available [HERE](#).

Athletics:

Please remember that a current physical and all paperwork in Final Forms need to be completed in order to participate in Highland Athletics. Spring sports were officially underway on February 19th, 2024. In order to practice or try out, all paperwork needs to be current in the athletic office. All pay to participate fees are due by the first regular season competition. These can be paid online or can be turned in to the athletic office.

Good luck to all of our Spring sports athletes during tryouts and your pre-season! We would also like to wish our Winter teams luck as tournament time is underway! Please come out and support our teams this week!

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Carrie Knapp, Principal

Mr. Ryan Taylor, Assistant Principal

Mr. Jon Bailey, Athletic Director

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