



Dear Highland High School Students and Families,

We are several weeks into the second semester of the school year. February is a busy month for scheduling next year's courses. The updated Program of Studies is available online from the high school webpage (Quick Links) or by clicking [here](#). For students who demonstrated readiness to enroll in an AP course(s) through their PSAT score, a letter was sent home at the end of January. Readiness is determined by the College Board based on a student's PSAT score. Not all courses are available to all grade levels. This is one data point among many other factors. Please refer to the Program of Studies for prerequisite/requisite requirements. If you have questions, contact your child's school counselor. More information about scheduling can be found below.

Upcoming Events:

February 3	7:00- 10:00 pm - Winter Formal
February 7	No open campus for seniors
February 8	6:00 pm Sophomore Parent Night - Counseling Department (Media Center)
February 8	4:00 - 7:30 pm - High School conference night (details below)
February 8-10	7:00 pm - Main Stage Play (February 10th: 2pm & 7pm performances)
February 9	Interim Reports- all grades will be updated in PowerSchool
February 14	Blood Drive
February 15	8:00 pm - HHS Orchestra Concert
February 19	Presidents Day- no school
February 27	7:00 pm - HHS Band Concert

Conferences:

HHS Parent-Teacher Conference night is scheduled **February 8**, from **4 - 7:30 p.m.** You can sign up for a conference with your student's teachers by using the links on the high school website under the HS Links section. Please notice that the teachers are broken down into two groups: Abatangelo through Jones and Joss through Zhang.

Senate Bill 288

Ohio's 134th General Assembly enacted Senate Bill 288 which updated the prescribed curriculum for health education and adds requirements related to dating violence prevention and sexual violence prevention. The law includes requirements for student instruction, parent and legal guardian notification, and training for school personnel.

Hope and Healing will provide instruction on dating violence prevention, sexual violence prevention, and sextortion prevention during the students' ALL periods on either February 6th (9th and 11th grade) or February 7th (10th and 12th grade). Upon request, parents and legal guardians may examine presentation materials. This request should be made in writing to Carrie Knapp, Principal (cknapp@highlandschools.org).

Upon written request of the student's parent or guardian, a student can be excused from participating in this presentation. This request should be made in writing to Carrie Knapp, Principal, by February 5th. Students who are exempt from attending will remain in ALL. Seniors will be required to stay during Open Campus whether they participate in the presentation or not.

School Counselors:

College Visits

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

Feb 1- National Guard

Feb 13 - Army

Feb 15 - US Air Force

Scheduling: Scheduling for the 2024-25 school year has begun! See important dates below:

- **Jan 22- Jan 26:** Counselors meet one on one with 11th graders during ALL and study halls to review class options.
- **Jan 29 - Feb 2 -** Counselors meet one on one with 10th graders during ALL and study halls to review class options.
- **Feb 5 - Feb 9:** Counselors meet one on one with 9th graders during ALL and study halls to review class options.
- **Feb 15 - Feb 16, and Feb 22 - Feb 23:** Counselors go to Middle School to meet with and advise current 8th graders.

- **March 4 - 8 : OPEN SCHEDULING LAB** Counselors are available in the Media Center for additional support.
- **March 8:** Scheduling Request forms due for 9th, 10th and 11th graders. To be turned into English teachers. If a student takes English through CCP, forms can be turned in directly to the counseling office.

Powerschool scheduling opened on Jan 29th and will close on March 8th. Students must enter their requests via Powerschool AND turn in a scheduling request form.

Scholarships: On **January 18th**, Highland Local and Highland Foundation Scholarships were posted to SchoolLinks. [Click here](#) and navigate to the Scholarships section to find more details about scholarship opportunities for HHS seniors. Other county and regional scholarships are posted on SchoolLinks on a rolling basis.

Medina County Career Center: First chance applications to enroll at MCCC are February 1 & 7. Current 9th graders are encouraged to attend the open house on Wednesday, February 7, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at the Medina County Career Center. This will give them the opportunity to learn more about the programs available and what academic preparation is needed.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Carrie Knapp, Principal

Mr. Ryan Taylor, Assistant Principal

Mr. Jon Bailey, Athletic Director