

Parent/Staff Newsletter Week of 9/15/24

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I hope everyone had a great weekend.

Please see below the message from BCSD regarding possible threats on social media.

Hispanic Heritage Month is September 15th through October 15th. Activities are planned throughout the month through our school's Culture Club.

Fall sports are in full swing. Please come out and support our Seahawk athletes. See below about our Booster Athletic Passes.

Please see below the message from BCSD sent to families and employees regarding possible threats to schools on social media.

Hilton Head Island High School: An International Baccalaureate World School

HHIHS is an International Baccalaureate World School. Along with Hilton Head Island Middle School (grades 6 to 8), we feature the IB Middle School Years Program (MYP) in grades 9 and 10. We feature the IB Diploma Program (DP) in the 11th and 12th grade. The Diploma Program offers the highest rigor available to Beaufort County students in terms of preparation for college. For more information on our IB programs, please contact Ms. White at:

mary.white@beaufort.k12.sc.us

September and October Staff Meetings

September 17th – Leadership Meeting 7:15am

September 23rd – September 27th – IB Collaboration Week

September 24th – Principal Monthly Report (video)

October 1st – Leadership Meeting 7:15am

October 8th – Parent/Teacher Conferences – 4:00 – 7:00pm (last meeting scheduled at 7:00pm)

Week of October 21st – PLCs and IB Collaboration Week

October 29th – Principal Monthly Report (video)

Message from Beaufort County School District

Dear BCSD Families- In recent days, schools nationwide have been informed of potential threats on social media, some of which reference multiple schools across the nation at once. As always, we are working closely with law enforcement to monitor this trend. Thankfully, to-date these potential threats have been declared unfounded by law enforcement.

Any individuals identified as responsible for these threats will be fully subject to law enforcement action.

Please be mindful of sharing unverified content on social media, but rather report any concerning behavior or posts to school officials or law enforcement. As always, we are grateful for our law enforcement partners' commitment to the well-being and safety of our students.

Thank you for your cooperation as we work together to ensure the safety and well-being of our district community.

Wednesday (October 9th)

- half day for students

Thursday & Friday (October 10th & 11th)

- no school for students and staff

Parent Teacher Conference

October 8th from 4:00pm to 7:00pm

We will be holding Parent Conferences on Tuesday October 8th from 4pm to 7pm.

We will roll out a signup link this week.

Stay tuned.



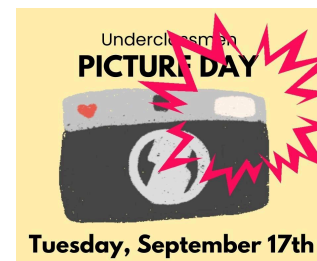
Homecoming Week October 20th – 26th

We will be having our Homecoming Week from October 20th to October 26th. We are in the process of planning the activities and themes. We are also planning to have a Homecoming Dance on Saturday October 26th. More details to follow.

Underclassmen Picture Day Tuesday September 17th

Picture day for Underclassmen is Tuesday, September 17th.

This is for underclassmen only.



Counselor's Corner

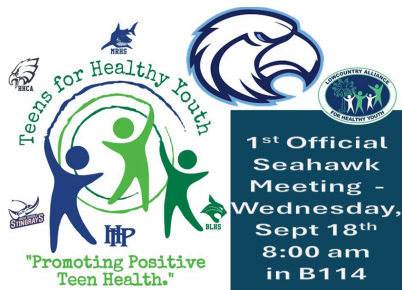
All **JUNIOR AND SENIORS** interested in **Dual Enrollment** Spring semester should plan to attend the mandatory **VIRTUAL INFORMATION SESSION** being held on zoom, **September 24th at 5:30 pm**.

(Link will be posted on the HHIHS website under Dual Enrollment). If you are unable to attend, the session will be recorded and posted on the website following the meeting.

If your **SENIOR** earned a score of **1400 or higher on the SAT** or a **31 on the ACT**, please have them see their School Counselor for a **Palmetto Fellows Early Application!**

SOPHOMORES The ACE Field Trip is scheduled September 19th from 8:30-12:00- remember to wear comfortable shoes!

Teens for Healthy Youth



First meeting of the year is September 18th. See below to learn more about Teens for a Healthy Youth.

This month's video announcement:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ICCUxU7S4>

The mission of Teens for Healthy Youth (THY) is to promote positive teen health through:

- Leadership
- Positive Youth Development
- Peer to Peer Education
- Advocacy
- Community Service

For more information on Teens for a Healthy Youth, please go to:

<https://www.lcahealthyouth.com/about-thy>

From Seahawk Theatre: Parents Night Out

Our Theater students and staff are having a Parent Nights Out event to raise money for our Theater program.



BCSD News Release: Tropical Storm Debby make-up days

TO: BCSD Families

Please be advised that as per state law, BCSD is required to implement make-up days in the event of weather-related school closures. The previously approved calendar make-up days of December 23, 2024 and January 6, 2025 will be implemented to accommodate the two days of school closures associated with Tropical Storm Debby. We understand that some families and staff members may have already made travel arrangements, and thus these make-up days will be eLearning days. Your child's teacher and/or school will provide additional information about what eLearning will look like prior to December 23.

Dates of note:

- **December 23** (Monday) - eLearning Day
- **January 6** (Monday) – eLearning Day (last day of the first semester)
- **January 7** (Tuesday) – Educator Professional Development Day (**NO SCHOOL for students**)
- **January 8** (Wednesday) - First day of the second semester

Parent/Student PowerSchool Portal

Parents and students have access to the parent and student PowerSchool portals. I highly recommend parents and students check their PowerSchool portals often to see current grades and attendance. If you do not have access to your parent portal, please email Ms. Youmans at: teresa.youmans@beaufort.k12.sc.us

Tutoring for the Fall 2024 Semester

Beginning the week of September 9th, we will be offering tutoring before school in Math, English (ELA) and Social Studies. The times will be 7am to 8am. The tutoring schedule will be as follows:

Math – Tuesdays and Thursdays with Mr. Willard in B116

English (ELA) – First Thursday of each month with Ms. Spisz in the ROTC room. Additional Thursdays can be requested by scanning a QR code that will be displayed throughout the school.

Social Studies – First Thursday of each month with Ms. Rupert in the ROTC room.

Additional Thursdays can be requested by scanning a QR code that will be displayed throughout the building.

For all other subjects students would need to talk with their teacher about additional assistance during Hawk Time or before/after school.

For questions about tutoring, please contact Ms. Hartman at: michelle.hartman@beaufort.k12.sc.us



Math Homework Help

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Mu Alpha Theta members will be providing math homework help every Wednesday morning from 8-8:30 in Room A124 beginning 9/18. Students must use the QR code on the flyer posted in their math Google Classroom and request a pass by Tuesday afternoon at 4. Passes will be sent to the student's school email.



Athletics this Week

Tuesday 9-17-24

6pm Varsity Boys Volleyball vs Bluffton

4pm Golf @ Cat Island

4:30pm Tennis @ Bishop England

5:30/7pm JV and Varsity Volleyball @ Bluffton

Wednesday 9-18-24

6pm HHIMS Football in Stadium

5:30/7pm JV and Varsity Volleyball @ Sav County Day Tri Match

Thursday 9-19-24

5:30pm Home Swim Meet @ Island Rec Pool

5:30pm/7pm JV and Varsity Girls Volleyball vs May River

4pm Golf @ Rose Hill

4:30pm Tennis @ Bluffton

6:00pm JV Football @ Hampton

Friday 9-20-24

7:30pm Varsity Football vs Hampton

Saturday 9-21-24

XC @ Lake Murray Invitational (Chapin SC)

All Day Boys Volleyball @ Bluffton Tournament

Cool Videos from this past Week

Boys Volleyball vs. Bishop England

<https://youtu.be/jpo6ArfZ1BQ>

Boys Volleyball vs. Battery Creek:

<https://youtu.be/3BlgXqPK4Mg>

Girls' volleyball vs. Bishop England https://youtu.be/wWxiDxYII_M



For parents picking up athletes and dropping off for practice workouts:

Parents if you are dropping off or picking up your athlete from practice please do not sit in the athletic loop and wait. We are starting contests and will need those areas to be clear for coaches, teams, busses and officials. If you need to pick up, please wait in the IB Red parking lot and either pull through or have your athlete meet you in the IB red parking loop. Student athletes coming in for practice and or games please park in the IB red lot.

Athletic Activity Passes

24-25 Athletic activity Passes are now available for students and parents. Avoid the lines at the gate and get into all regular season home games for the entire school year for one low price...

Please visit www.hhihsathletics.org for information and to purchase your pass.

Service Academy Day

Representatives from esteemed military academies, including West Point, The United States Naval Academy, The United States Air Force Academy and the Merchant Marine Academy will be hosting Q&A sessions with prospective students. This is an opportunity to learn about the application process, life at these distinguished institutions, and what to expect upon entering military service.

When: Sunday, September 22, 2024. 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm EDT

Where: The Citadel

To RSVP for the Service Academy event, please go to:

<https://events.humanitix.com/lowcountry-service-academy-day>



Personal Electronic and Communication Devices Guidelines

This school year Beaufort County School District instituted a new Personal Electronic and Communication Device Policy. The guidelines have been in the last few Parent newsletters. Please visit the attached link to view the policy and the consequences associated with that policy.



Link to the BCSD policy: <https://www.beaufortschools.net/families/personal-devices>

Attendance Policy for the 2024-25 School Year

We already are seeing students accruing a lot of absences from missing school and being late to class. Please continue to monitor your child's grades and attendance in the PowerSchool Parent Portal. The attendance policy can be found at: <https://hhihs.beaufortschools.net/families/attendance-policy> Beginning October 5th, we will begin to have Saturday School for those students who have fallen below the seat requirement for one or more of their classes. The Saturday School schedule for the first semester is below:

October 5th
October 19th
October 26th
November 2nd
November 16th

November 23rd
December 9th
December 14th
January 11th
January 25th

February 1st (this is the last day to make up time from first semester)

PTSO (Parent, Teacher and Student Organization) Meetings for the 2024-25 School Year

The meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month. The meetings are held in the HHIHS Front Conference and begin at 12:30pm.

October 8th

November 12th

December 10th

January 14th

February 11th

March 11th

April 8th

May 13th

SIC (School Improvement Council) Meetings for the 2024-25 School Year

The SIC meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month. The meetings are held in the HHIHS Media Center at 5:30pm.

September 19th

October 17th

November 21st

December 19th

January 16th

February 20th

March 20th

April 17th (No Meeting – During Spring Break)

May 15th

Save the Date:

- Open House for the Spring Semester January 22, 2025
- Spring Semester Parent/Teacher Conference Evening March 13, 2025
- Prom 2025 March 22, 2025 at Hilton Head Beach and Tennis Resort
- Graduation for the Class of 2025 Monday June 2, 2025 at 7:00pm
- Graduation for the Class of 2026 Tuesday June 2, 2026 at 10:00

Hilton Head Island High School Facebook, ROTC Facebook and Athletic Facebook and Twitter

Please check out our school Facebook page and follow us. It has a lot of cool stuff about what is happening in our school.

The link to our HHIHS sight is: <https://www.facebook.com/hhihighschool>

The link to the ROTC Facebook page is: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61556639114430> The link to our athletic Facebook is: <https://www.facebook.com/HiltonHeadIslandHighSchoolAthletics> Athletics Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/hhihsathletics>

Have a great week. Go Seahawks!!!



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