# HAMLTON HIGH SCHOOL

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### School Community Newsletter

August 2022 Back to School Edition

Welcome Back HHS Families & Students!

It has been an exhilarating first few days of the school year! We are off to a great start and so very pleased to see our students and staff back on campus and learning! In the next few weeks, we will have several exciting school events. I invite each of you to our Back-to-School Night event on Thursday August 18. This will provide a wonderful opportunity to hear from your child's teachers regarding expectations and classroom procedures. We will have clubs and group tables in the quad during the evening, (including Boosters, FFA, SWAT) as well as provide light snacks for our families.

We are blessed with one of our largest Frosh groups in school history! We are thankful to have each of you in our school family and are proud to state that we are one of the few public schools in California that has increased its student population since the pandemic began. We continue to seek improvement and growth while maintaining our positive academic school environment. As a special reminder, our school programs and diplomas were validated by the WASC process as we received a sterling six-year accreditation this past spring! We proudly display our Accreditation certificate in the main office and are actively working on our growth goals.

After a relaxing and reinvigorating summer, our HHS staff is eager to work with compassion, energy, and experience to serve our

students. We are exceptionally fortunate to have professional educators and I thank each for their service and their dedication to our craft.

I look forward to a great school year and to your continued involvement in your child's education at Hamilton High!

With Love & Appreciation,

Cris Oseguera Principal





Parents will have the opportunity to attend the classes that your student is enrolled in this year. Each class will be 10 minutes long. There will be a bell at the start and end of each period. Please don't be tardy.

Teachers will be going over the syllabus, classroom rules, grading policy, attendance policy, assignments and other general classroom information. This is not the time to ask about your specific student, as we will have parent teacher conferences in September. If you have individual concerns please email the teacher with specific questions.

If you get lost or have a question, there will be staff around to assist. Mr. Langan and Ms. Reyes will be in the library for parents who need help with their parent portal.

#### **HHS Braves Booster Club**



Our next Booster Club Fundraiser is our 15th Annual Golf Tournament which will be held on September 17th, at The links at Rolling Hills. Registrations begins at 7am, golfing starts @9am. If you would like to participate, please contact Cristina (519-2140) or Anne Bonesio (646-8001). If you are not a golfer and would like to help, we have hole sponsors you can purchase for \$100 and we are accepting prizes for our raffle that we hold during the event. Prizes can be dropped off at the HHS Office to Cristina.

Boosters has a lot of plans to bring some school spirit to HHS. The way students can participate is by purchasing their ASB card for \$15. This will get them into all home games for free, with the exception of Playoff Games. When they attend a sports event, they will get Braves Merchandise. Their ASB Card also allows them to participate in student government, voting for officers, voting for royalty, and much more. Call Anne, Cristina, or the HHS Office with any questions.

### Meet our new Art Teacher

My name is Shanna Wilkes. I'm excited to start my 18th year in education here at Hamilton High School. I grew up in an ag community in the central valley and this area reminds me of home.

I went to Fresno State for my Bachelor's. After receiving my single subject credential and Master's in Education from Chapman I taught art at Clearlake High School. I spent the last for years working at Point Arena High School in various positions. When I'm not working with students I enjoy going on long bike rides with my husband and different ride groups, local and not so local. I am looking forward to getting to know our students and community.



### **HHS First Day of School!!**

HHS Welcomed back students with a motivating assembly in the gym. Everyone was excited to see Mr. O back on campus and giving his motivational speech to all students and staff.

Our cheerleaders performed and all of the students sang our school song. Teachers encouraged students to participate in class with hands on activities.

2022-23 School Year will be amazing. GO BRAVES!!!





















### **HHS Student Body**



Niya, Crystal, Yuri, Unique, Hanne, & Alyssa



Frosh Officers: Damian, Heath, Aldo, & Diego



Junior Officers: Claire, Levi, Elia & Keely.





Sophomore Officers: Evelin, Adan, Nico, & Caden S



Senior Officers: Armando, Fernanda, Emily, & Anai

### SPORTSMANSHIP/BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS OF SPECTATORS AT HHS EVENTS

Spectators at athletic events, including parents & students, are expected to maintain high standards of sportsmanship and good behavior at all times. They should appreciate good play on the part of opponents as well as by our own teams. They should respect the decisions of the officials during the games. Visiting teams are guests at our school and should be shown every courtesy. Students and their families are notified that guests accompanying them are expected to behave in a professional, respectful and responsible manner. The School and District retains the right to remove any visitor from an event who disrupts the educational environment or disrupts the peace in any fashion at any school sponsored event.

LET THE PLAYERS PLAY;

LET THE COACHES COACH;

LET THE OFFICIALS OFFICIATE;

AND LET THE SPECTATORS BE POSITIVE!



### FFA 2022-2023 MEETING DATES



August 29th @7pm
September 26th @7pm
October 17th @7pm
November 28th @ 7pm
January 30th @7pm
February 27th @7pm
March 27st @6:30pm
April 17th @6:30pm

May 1st- FFA Banquet

IN ORDER TO TAKE AN ANIMAL TO GLENN COUNTY FAIR THROUGH HC FFA, STUDENTS MAY ONLY MISS ONE MEETING LISTED ABOVE.

'MANDATORY PARENT LIVESTOCK MTG: OCT 3RD @7PM



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Hamilton High School
Counseling Calendar of Events
August 2022





| NOTES   | Mon                     | Tue   | Wed | Thu  | Fri                     | Sat |
|---|-------------------------|---|-----|--|-------------------------|-----|
| 1   | 1                       | 2<br>9am-12pm: Fresh-<br>man<br>Orientation | 3   | 4 Braves Time Thursdays: 2:30-3:15pm   | 5<br>Teacher In-service | 6   |
| 7<br>Sophomore Counseling<br>Mrs. Reyes Tuesdays<br>from 3:15-5:00pm or by<br>appointment   | 8<br>Teacher In-service | 9<br>First day of School                    | 10  | 11<br>12pm BC concur-<br>rent  | 12                      | 13  |
| 14<br>Sophomore Counseling<br>Mr. Langan Thursdays<br>from 3:15-5:00pm or by<br>appointment | 15                      | 16  | 17  | 9th BT: Intro to H.S.<br>Wilkes to Lab (Langan)<br>Reyes to Garcia (Ad.Ed)<br>6pm: Back 2 School Night | 19                      | 20  |
| 21  | 22                      | 23  | 24  | 25   | 26                      | 27  |
| 28  | 29                      | 30  |     |  |                         |     |

#### **ABSENCES**

### **HOW TO CLEAR ABSENCES**

All legitimate student absences must be cleared by a parent/guardian within 5 school days of the student's absence. These clearances must be made in the following ways:

- 1. A note signed by the parent with the correct date, times and reason for absence of the student's absence.
- 2. Telephone call from parent/guardian to the attendance office indicating the exact time, day and reason for absence.
- 3. E-mail to the attendance office with parent name, student name, grade, date, time and reason for absence.

#### **EXCUSED ABSENCES**

- 1. Illness (after three days of absence a medical note is required).
- 2. Quarantine directed by county or city health officer.
- 3. Medical, dental and optometric appointments (please bring in a medical note to verify).
- 4. Attending funeral services of a member of the student's immediate family.
- 5. Required court appearances.
- 6. Attendance at a student's religious retreat not to exceed 4 hours per semester.
- 7. College visits, not to exceed 2 full school days.

### **UNEXCUSED ABSENCES**

Excessive unexcused absences may affect a student's grades and also impact the student's participation in extra- and co-curricular activities, including athletics, school events and activities, school club opportunities (FFA/FNL/MECHA, etc.).

A student may also lose credit due to excessive unexcused absences, which may imperil being on track to graduate. Regular student attendance is vital to strong academic performance and continued student personal growth. The following are examples, though not exhaustive, of <u>unexcused absences</u>:

- 1. Vacation;
- 2. Employment;
- 3. Sleeping in;
- 4. Shopping for school event;
- 5. Eating.

We have an automated dialer that will call home when your student is marked absent one or more periods during any school day. Please contact our office at 530-826-3261 to verify the absence.

### STUDENT ATTENDANCE

\_Regular on-time school attendance is fundamental to your student's academic success at Hamilton High School. Parental support is essential to maintain accurate attendance records for your student. We ask that you familiarize yourself with our procedures and review them with your student(s). If there are questions or verification needed on any of the attendance office policies, please do not hesitate to give our office a call at 530-826-3261.

### **LEAVING CAMPUS-Permission Required**

Students who need to leave school during the school day for any justifiable reason are required to check out through the attendance office and must have parent and/or school permission. To give permission, a parent/guardian must do one of the following: A parent/guardian may come to the attendance office and sign their student out of school. Please allow enough time for the office to retrieve your student from class. Send a signed written note with your student for the office. If it is a planned appointment, a note with the time and type of appointment, signed in ink by the parent/guardian with a phone number for verification purposes will suffice. Call our office with plenty of time prior to the needed time of release. (Reminder: the attendance office is continuously active with phone calls, students, staff, and parents in the office).

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