



John Hersey High School

Parent Newsletter

August, 2011

Township High School District 214. Vol. I

Welcome Back To School!
School Starts
Tuesday, August 23, 2011

You are invited to the
TPC
Parent Open House
Wednesday, September 14, 2011

7:00 p.m.
General Meeting - Gymnasium
7:30 p.m. - Classroom Visits

Mission Statement

Our primary mission is to help all students learn the skills, acquire the knowledge, and develop the behaviors necessary for them to reach their full potential as citizens who can meet the challenges of a changing society.

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Principal's Newsletter...

Dear Huskie Families,

How is it possible that I'm welcoming you back to school when it seems that we just left for summer vacation? If your summer was anything like mine, the days flew by and now we're beginning the 2011-2012 school year. This is the first official newsletter that addresses our incoming freshmen and their families. Please accept a warm Hersey welcome to the Class of 2015. Your first experience with Hersey will be on August 18 at the Freshmen Orientation. We hope that your years at Hersey will be meaningful and filled with learning and fun.

Hersey is a marvelous school, complete with extraordinary learning opportunities and a cocurricular program that is envied by many. Like the other schools in District 214, we are fortunate to be part of this incredible District. At the end of June, I was visited by an administrator from a school in Florida. We met at an Advanced Placement conference and since he was going to be in the Chicago area, he asked if he could come see the school. From the moment he arrived until the time he left three hours later, he couldn't stop praising the beautiful, well-maintained facilities and the polite students. When you enter the building in the fall, you will be delighted to see our newly renovated Attendance Office, the new furniture in two math rooms, and a full set of chairs in one of the biology rooms. We are celebrating also the highlights of our summer construction projects – the new showcases in the main hallway AND our new stadium artificial turf. We are extremely excited about all these improvement and know that your students will benefit from these enhancements.

In addition to a beautiful facility, Hersey is known for its academic achievement. Our new graduates are attending some of the most prestigious universities in the country. They received thousands of dollars in scholarships, and they bring strong knowledge and skills to their higher educational institutions. Last year Hersey students performed at record high levels on both the ACT and AP exams. We have seen a dramatic increase in participation in higher level, rigorous classes, and a significant decline in grades of "D" and "F." Our Response to Intervention (RtI) program is here to serve any student who is experiencing academic difficulty and we encourage students to take advantage of our Academic Resource Center (ARC), located in the library. Teachers are available every period in the ARC to give students extra help in all core areas. Also, the Writing Well continues to operate with both teacher and peer tutors.

Our fall sports are underway and we are looking forward to a competitive and successful season. I just received a note from the parent of a recent graduate who told me a story about Mr. Miks, who coached her daughter in track, as well as being one of her teachers. The girl commented that his phrase "Love the Moment" was an inspiration to her. I'd like to borrow the phrase from Mr. Miks and offer it to all of our students. Whether you're participating in sports, a club, service project, or classroom activity, appreciation of the opportunity and the richness of your pursuits will increase dramatically.

Again, welcome to the 2011-12 school year. Please mark your calendar for September 14, the TPC Open House. We look forward to seeing you then and know that you will enjoy meeting your student's teachers. Hersey is a community of learners. We need to work together for the benefit of our students. The trio of parents, students and educators is a winning combination.

Sincerely,



Tina Cantrell, PhD.
Principal, John Hersey High School
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Phone & Email Messenger Services

Periodically John Hersey High School will either be calling home or emailing important information or reminders of events or deadlines for upcoming activities. These calls and emails are sent to every home and not directed to one specific person. Please listen to the phone message or read the email. If it does not pertain to you or if you have already addressed the issue, please ignore the call.

FOR PARENTS WHO STILL NEED TO PAY SCHOOL FEES

BEFORE AUGUST 23, 2011

Parents,

For those students who have not paid fees by August 11, 2011, you will proceed in the following manner:

- Come to Hersey High School to pay school fees for your student and fill out all necessary paperwork.
- Required fees are \$400.00. You may pay by check, cash or credit/debit card. We take Master Charge, Visa and Discover.

Current Hours for Main Office

Monday through Friday, August 15 through August 21

7:00 am – 3:00 pm

August 22

8:30 - 11:30 am

Closed 11:30 – 12:30

12:30 – 3:00 pm

*****All Freshmen** students must have a physical dated within the last year to start school. Freshmen may not start school without a current physical and will be sent home on August 23 if they come without a current physical. This is State of Illinois law.

Suggestion: Physicals can be done at Physician's Care on Rand Rd., Wal-Mart and other facilities if you cannot get an appointment at your Doctor's office.

Open House
Wednesday, September 14, 2011
7:00 p.m. Gymnasium
7:30 p.m. Classroom Visits

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The annual Hersey Open House will be held this year on Tuesday, September 14, with a general meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the gymnasium and class visitations beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The Teacher Parent Council has arranged this Open House for you to meet your student's teachers and administrators. You are invited to follow your son's or daughter's schedule and hear a brief explanation about each course by each teacher. For your enjoyment, refreshments will be served in the cafeteria until 9:30 p.m. Hersey booster groups will have tables set up in the commons area. Spirit wear will also be available for purchase. Feel free to stop by and visit during unscheduled time.

The following is a list of the TPC officers. If you have any questions about TPC, wish to actively participate, or require additional information, please call one of the following members:

TPC Executive Board

CO-PRESIDENTS

Cathy Lundstrom
Pam Van de Walle

VICE PRESIDENT

Vice President Stacy Hauser

SECRETARY

Nadine Slosar

TREASURER

Co-Treasurer Cathy Busse
Co-Treasurer Anne OMara

PARENTS: Please have your student complete this schedule for you to use on the evening of the Open House. Discuss the schedule with your student so that you can follow it easily. Be sure to bring this schedule with you on Wednesday, September 14.

Periods	Time	Course Title	Room	Teacher's Name
1	7:30 - 7:40			
2	7:45 - 7:55			
3	8:00 - 8:10			
4	8:15 - 8:25			
5	8:30 - 8:40			
6	8:45 - 8:55			
7	9:00 - 9:10			
8	9:15 - 9:25			

John Hersey High School 2011-12

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L.A.T.E. DAYS
(ORANGE)

EVERY THURSDAY
(Except 9/29, 11/24, 3/24, 5/24, 5/31, 6/7

8:30 DELAYED START
(Bus regular 6:45 pick-up time)

L.A.T.E. DAYS
(BROWN)

9/15, 10/20, 3/1, 4/12, 5/17

9:30 DELAYED START
(Bus 8:45 pick-up time)

Date

Event

Time

August 23

First Day of Classes

7:30 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.

September 5

NO SCHOOL - Labor Day

September 14

TPC Open House for Parents

7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

September 15

BROWN L.A.T.E. Day

School begins at: 9:30 a.m

September 29

NO SCHOOL

September 26- 10/1

Homecoming Week

Game 9/30, Dance 10/1

October 10

NO SCHOOL - Columbus Day

October 20

BROWN L.A.T.E. Day

School begins at: 9:30 a.m

October 28

End of the Quarter

Early Dismissal at: 1:50 p.m.

October 31

NO SCHOOL - Institute Day

November 9

PARENT CONFERENCES

Conferences 3:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

November 11

NO SCHOOL - Veteran's Day

November 23

Thanksgiving Break

Early Dismissal at: 1:50 p.m.

November 24 & 25

NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break

December 16

Winter Break Begins at close of classes

Early Dismissal at: 1:50 p.m.

December 19 - 1/2

Winter Break

January 3, 2012

First Day of Classes after Winter Break

7:30 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.

January 16

NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King's Birthday

January 18, 19, 20

Final Exams

Special Schedule

January 20

End of the Quarter

Early Dismissal at: 1:50 p.m.

January 23

NO SCHOOL - Institute Day

January 24

Beginning of Second Semester

7:30 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.

February 20

NO SCHOOL - President's Day

March 1

BROWN L.A.T.E. Day

School begins at: 9:30 a.m

March 23

Spring Break Begins at the close of classes

Early Dismissal at: 1:50 p.m.

March 26-30

Spring Break

March 30

End of the Quarter

April 2

First Day of Classes after Spring Break

7:30 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.

April 6

NO SCHOOL

April 12

BROWN L.A.T.E. Day

School begins at: 9:30 a.m.

May 17

BROWN L.A.T.E. Day

School begins at: 9:30 a.m.

May 28

NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day

June 1

Workshop Day

Early Dismissal at: 1:50 p.m.

June 3

Graduation

12:30 p.m. - Carter Gymnasium

June 6, 7, 8

Final Exams - Special Schedule

June 8

Last Day of School

10:05 a.m. Dismissal



Hersey Cell Phone Rules

1. Cell phones are to be turned OFF, not seen or heard by staff from the time students walk into Hersey High School until 2:50 PM.
2. The exception to this rule is during a Designated Time in a Designated Cell Phone Area.
3. The Designated Times for cell phone usage are during the students' assigned lunch period or on Orange Late Start days until 8:15 AM in the cafeteria or commons area.
4. The Designated Cell Phone Areas are in the cafeteria and the commons area (where the vending machines and circle tables are located). The commons area does NOT include past the steps entering the commons hallway.

******* Cell phones are never allowed to be used, seen or heard from the time a student walks into the building until 2:50 PM in classrooms, hallways, restrooms, gymnasiums, or locker rooms. *******

Substance Abuse Policy

"Students who violate the District 214 Substance Abuse Policy may lose privileges including: open lunch, open study, enrollment in the behind the wheel component of Drivers Education, classes where heavy machinery is operated, campus parking, and/or overnight field trips and excursions."

WELCOME TO OUR NEW RtI COORDINATOR!

Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and tell you about the new position I will be assuming during the upcoming school year. My name is Joe Pardun, and I have had the fortune of teaching math here at John Hersey High School for the last 11 years, in addition to coaching in the football and baseball programs during that time. Along with my teaching and coaching duties, I will now be the Response to Intervention (RtI) Coordinator for John Hersey High School.

In my new role as RtI Coordinator, I will be responsible for monitoring and assisting our students in their academic achievements. I will focus on providing our students with the goals, tools, and resources to assure their success in the classroom as well as their transitional goals as they exit high school and enter our community. It is my vision to give all students the best opportunity to experience success on a multitude of levels. I will be providing students with tools to assist them during their high school years such as a staff-led student mentor program, individualized teacher and self-assessments, and one-on-one specialized academic assistance. I will also be working with many of our freshman in the Academic Performance Lab focusing on math and reading skill work as well as character building; all areas that are necessary to be successful for your child's four years of high school.

Referred students in my program will achieve their goals through P.O.W.E.R. (preparation, organization, work ethic, effort, and responsibility). We all understand the "power" quality education provides us throughout our life. I am also here as a resource for parents who need help or assistance of any kind. If at any time you have any questions or concerns about your son's or daughter's academic achievement, please feel free to contact me as I will do everything I can to help them be successful and make the most of the opportunities John Hersey High School has to offer.

Sincerely,

**Joe Pardun
RtI Coordinator
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College and Career Center News

From the desk of Nancy Davis

Hello Parents!

The academic year will soon begin and your student may be busy with classes, homework, and extracurricular activities. However, with only four short years in high school, it is also important for all students to explore what they want to do after graduation. Your student's counselor and the College and Career Center staff are here to assist you and your student with this exciting process. Here are a few easy ways that you can participate in your son's or daughter's college and career exploration this fall:

1. **College/Career Events:** The next page includes a complete list of District 214 college and career events for the upcoming year. We also offer JHHS Parent University programs for senior (9/21/11), sophomore (11/09/11), and junior (1/24/12) parents, so you can learn about your student's college and career opportunities. As the date for each program draws near, we will provide you with detailed information in a postcard invitation, Naviance news bulletin, and/or email.
2. **College Fairs:** Attending a college fair is an easy and exciting way to begin to explore colleges and universities. Admission representatives from colleges and universities around the country gather in one place, waiting to answer your questions about course offerings, college life, admissions and financial aid. In the attached list of college events, there are four local college fairs in the month of October.
3. **Open House:** On the evening of September 14th, during the TPC Open House, the College Career Center will have an open house. Take a tour the College Career Center and learn about our post high school planning programs and Naviance, our online college and career planning tool.

Attention Senior Parents...

In addition to the District events listed on the next page, we will kick off the school year with three JHHS programs specifically designed to help you and your senior prepare for the college application process:

Senior Guidance

All seniors will attend guidance sessions during their PE class, starting Tuesday, September 6th. Students will review their personal transcript for progress towards graduation and will have an overview of the college application process.

Parent U - Senior Parent Information Night

Learn more about the college selection and application process on Wednesday, September 21st, at 7 PM, in the JHHS Theater. This program will review the information that your child will have received at Senior Guidance.

Senior Lunch n' Learn Sessions

During September, we will host Lunch N' Learn sessions, providing students with in-depth information on the following topics:

- Applying to Illinois public universities
- Using the Common Application

If you and/or your student have questions about developing a college list, filing college applications or seeking financial aid, please call or stop by the College Career Center to set up an individual college counseling appointment. We are looking forward to working with you and your student.

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2011-2012 Senior Parking Tags

Senior parking tag application have been completed and a letter from the Dean's Office has been sent home if you have been accepted. In order to pick up your parking permit, you must have met all outstanding obligations to John Hersey High School and District 214. To receive your parking tag you must bring the following:

- The completed form that was mailed to your home.
- Your current driver's license.
- Proof of automobile insurance card for each car listed on the application.
- Current John Hersey I.D.
- \$175.00 in cash or check (payable to John Hersey High School)

Providing you have the above, you can pick up your 2011-12 Senior Parking Permit on the following dates and times:

Friday, August 19	7:30 am - 2:00 pm
Monday, August 22	7:30 AM -2:00 pm

YOU MUST DISPLAY YOUR PARKING PERMIT TO LEGALLY PARK IN THE SENIOR LOT THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL. VIOLATORS WILL BE TOWED.

Junior parking passes will begin after school starts in a lottery format.

FAILURE TO PAY SCHOOL FEES

Privileges will be withheld due to overdue school fees and obligations including, but are not limited to, such items as: release of official transcripts/records; prom tickets; parking passes; discretionary purchases such as yearbooks; delay of next year's registration. Students who qualify for a fee waiver are not exempt from overdue obligations and fines.

Summer Reading Books 2011 REVISION

All students, except seniors, will be given a test on the book during the first week of school in the fall.

In-coming Freshmen (do not annotate)	<i>Breaking Through</i> by Francisco Jimenez
In-coming Honors Freshmen (do not annotate)	<u>The above reading AND</u> <i>The Hunger Games</i> by Suzanne Collins
Sophomores (MUST annotate)	<i>Lord of the Flies</i> by William Golding
Honors Sophomores (MUST annotate)	<u>The above reading AND</u> <i>The Odyssey</i> trans. by Stanley Lombardo
Juniors (annotations optional)	<i>The Glass Castle</i> by Jeannette Walls
AP Juniors (annotations optional)	The AP summer reading assignment involves a study of <i>The New York Times</i> columnists. All registered students will receive an “instructions” handout in early June which will be posted on the JHHS website (Student Resources – Summer Reading).
Western Literature and Thought (do not annotate)	<i>The Future of Freedom</i> by Fareed Zakaria <i>The Trial of Socrates</i> by I.F. Stone
Senior AP (do not annotate)	<i>Wise Blood</i> by Flannery O'Connor <i>A Confederacy of Dunces</i> by John Kennedy Toole <i>A Thousand Acres</i> by Jane Smiley

Seniors Summer Reading Options (other than WLT & AP as stated above)

Option 1 (do not annotate)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Select a book club book - June 2 2. Read the book 3. At the designated time and place, meet the book group leader/teacher and other students to discuss book. Save completion voucher for the 1st week of school. <p style="text-align: center;">DO NOT have to take book test</p>
Option 2 (do not annotate)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Read <i>The Namesake</i> by Jhumpa Lahiri 2. Take a reading test on the book during first week

DROPPING A COURSE

Consequence of dropping a course for **SY 2011 - 2012:**

Consequence

No record of a course appears on the student's transcript if a student drops a course by the end of the business day on:

The course title and a grade of "W" is recorded on the student's transcript if a **student** drops a course:

<u>First Semester</u>	<u>Second Semester</u>
September 14, 2011	February 13, 2012
After the end of the business day on: September 14, 2011 and by the end of the business day on: October 6, 2011	After the end of the business day on: February 13, 2012 and by the end business day on: March 9, 2012
August 25, 2011	January 27, 2012
October 3, 2011	March 5, 2012

Independent study forms must be approved by

Last day to declare Pass/NoCredit

Dear Parents,

Your student is enrolled in an English course for the upcoming school year. Township High School District 214's English courses provide instruction and skill development in the areas of reading, writing, and critical thinking. Specifically in the area of reading, English teachers will provide contextual and literary analysis experiences that enhance students' personal connection to the text. A specific reading strategy included in this instruction is **annotation**. Annotation encourages critical reading through the use of symbols, marginal notes, essential questions, and connections both to and in the text. The process of annotation allows students to maximize these personal connections in order to create meaning, analyze, and interact with text in a way that is vital to their understanding. Beginning this fall, District 214 students will be afforded the opportunity to examine text closely and critically through the use of their own paperback novel(s). The posted listing on our school's website includes the title and ISBN number for the novels required for purchase in each English course at your student's high school. Students will be expected to come to school on the first day prepared with these materials. Students eligible and approved for a fee waiver will have the materials provided for them. If a course indicates "Not Applicable" there are no materials required for purchase.

Students and parents are free to purchase the listed paperback novels at any retail or online vendor in order to access the best available pricing. In an effort to provide you with options for purchase, we have worked with three book vendors who have assured the District that inventory is available for all listed materials. A variety of independent options are available that include: in store purchase, online purchase with delivery to your home, and a purchase with pick up at school on the first day. We hope that this information is of assistance to you.

We are excited about the upcoming school year and look forward to your student's continued learning.

Sincerely,
Rosemary Gonzalez-Pinnick
Associate Superintendent for Educational Services

PURCHASE OPTIONS

Barnes and Noble

You may go to any Barnes & Noble to purchase titles, but the store in Arlington Heights will have a special display for the required reading titles. The store is located at 13 W. Rand Road at the corner of Arlington Heights Road and Rand Road. A bookseller there will be able to assist you to find the special display. You may also go to the store's website, www.bn.com, to place an order to be shipped to your home.

Follett Educational Services

For Student/Parent purchases for novels with FES, which are priced up to 45% off Publisher Net Prices and free shipping.

- 1) Visit our web site @ www.fes.follett.com or call 800-621-4272 x 5108
- 2) When on our web site click on "Register" (at the top right)
- 3) Click on "Create an Account"
- 4) Click on "Parent"
- 5) Add your Customer Information and have your Credit Card available.

All Novel Orders should ship in about 1-3 weeks. Follett Educational Services (FES), 1433 International Parkway, Woodridge, IL 60517

Chicagoland Bookbuyers

Purchase pricing may be obtained via email. You may send an email order to lcraigbooks@aol.com.

There are no shipping and handling costs associated with these purchases. All purchases will be delivered to your student's school on the first day of school. A bookseller will be there to distribute the materials.

Staying The Course - Hersey Swimmer at Nationals!

Alex Roznai, With Roots At Local 'Y', Hersey, Shoots For National Swimming Glory

By SEAN STILLMAKER Journal Sports | 0 comments

On the outside, Alex Roznai of Arlington Hts. displayed a calm confidence as he walked around the pool deck. On the inside, though, he was continuously racing laps.

His eyes were focused on swimmers diving off the blocks as he analyzed the pacing of every stroke. His ears were filled with the pulse pounding music of "Rammstein" as he treaded around the eight-lane 50-meter pool in Oak Park.

When his time came to step up in the 100 fly there was a sudden sense of tranquility. The menacing rain clouds even paused for a moment to give spectators peace of mind.

The buzzer went off, Roznai lunged forward, and propelled himself out of the water with both arms fully extended taking each muscular stroke with ferocity.

He finished the long-course race in 1:03.02, qualifying for YMCA National Championship, his second consecutive time reaching the event.

"I just wanted to get comfortable under the 1:04.19 cut," said Roznai, who will swim with his Hersey Huskie teammates again this winter.

He could have used his short-course national time from April but in order to be placed in a faster heat, he used this qualifying opportunity at the Ridgeland Common pool on July 11.

Although satisfied with his 100 fly, disappointment sunk in when he missed qualifying in the 50 free by 0.11 second. It was the last event of the day, and as soon as he hit the pad finishing in 26.90 the foreboding clouds gave way to the rain showers.

He did, however, get a second chance at qualifying in the 50 free this past weekend at the USA Swimming Senior Champs meet at Stevenson. He finished in 26.25. At nationals he'll be competing in the 100 fly, 50 fly and 50 free.

Commitment

Training for competition is something he's been doing all his life. Roznai started swimming when he was 6 years old with the Neptunes, a team based out of the Lattof YMCA in Des Plaines.

During his sophomore year at Hersey he started getting serious about swimming. Two-a-day workouts, eating right, and lots of sleep all became a normal daily routine. Sitting in classes thinking about races, and even watching videos on technique improvement became habit.

"It takes a lot of commitment," Roznai said.

But the dedication he's been putting forth is the reason for his achievements, said Neptunes coach Nicole Smokowicz.

Smokowicz has been coaching Roznai since he first splashed into the water as a kid. Watching him grow as an athlete and a man has been a joy, she said.

"He's a good leader. He may be a little quiet around the group, but he's always talking and joking with people in his lane. It's his work ethic that sets him apart," Smokowicz said.

Even after he competes at nationals, Roznai will still be rounding out his summer with more swimming. He was recently accepted to the YMCA high performance training camp in August. Eligible swimmers for the camp were cut down from 20 male and females to 12 each due to its venue change from Colorado to Sarasota, FL.



WHAM AQUATICS

Feeder Swim Team
Township HS District 214

A competitive swim team to develop sound skills,
teamwork, and fun...



AGE GROUPS (Age as of Dec. 01, 2011):

Dynamos - 8 and Under - \$285	Power (13 & Over) - \$560
Chargers - 9 & 10 - \$340	HS Boys - \$225
Turbos - 11 & 12 - \$420	HS Girls - \$375

Season: Sept. 25 - Feb. 19, 2012
(H.S. Boys: 9/25 - 11/20) (H.S. Girls: 11/21 - 02/19/2012)

P.M. PRACTICE TIMES

Fee		Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Hrs/wk	Dates
\$285.00	Dynamo	6 - 7			7:30 - 8:30	7:30 - 8:30	3 hrs	9/25 - 2/19
\$340.00	Charger	6 - 7	7:30 - 8:30	7:30 - 8:30		7:30 - 8:30	4 hrs	9/25 - 2/19
\$420.00	Turbo	6 - 7:30	7:30 - 9	7:30 - 9	7:30 - 9		6 hrs	9/25 - 2/19
\$560.00	Power	7 - 8:30	7:30 - 9	7:30 - 9	7:30 - 9	7:30 - 9	7.5 hrs	9/25 - 2/19
\$225.00	HSB	7 - 8:30	7:30 - 9	7:30 - 9	7:30 - 9	7:30 - 9	7.5 hrs	9/25 - 11/20
\$375.00	HSG	7 - 8:30	7:30 - 9	7:30 - 9	7:30 - 9	7:30 - 9	7.5 hrs	11/21 - 2/19

LOCATION: Wheeling H.S. Aquatics Facility, Wheeling High School, 900 S. Elmhurst Road, Wheeling, IL

To register, please go to www.ce214.org

A \$50 fee applies when registering after Sept. 9, 2011

If you have any questions, please e-mail Rob Lindgren at robert.lindgren@d214.org

Come check us out at our pre-season STROKE CLINIC on Sunday, September 11
at Wheeling H.S. Aquatic Facility.
\$10/person

CLIN1 (8 & Under) - 1 pm CLIN2 (9-10) - 2pm CLIN3 (11-12) - 3 pm CLIN4 (13-Over) - 4 pm

Policies on Bullying, Hazing, Harassment and Intimidation

Please make certain that your student understands that everyone has the right to a healthy and safe school environment, and that the consequences for participating in negative behaviors are very serious!

District 214 has adopted strong policies which prohibit Bullying, Harassment and Intimidation of all kinds, both on our campus and while participating in a school sponsored/ school related activities.

The following are statements from the District 214 Policy and Procedures Manual (the full text is available on request):

“Bullying and/or intimidation may include any repetitive, aggressive, or negative gesture, or written, verbal or physical act that places another student in reasonable fear of harm to his or her person or property, or that has the effect of insulting or demeaning any student in such a way as to disrupt or interfere with the school’s educational mission.” (section 4.20.1)

“Harassment is unwelcome physical and /or verbal conduct which may be related, but is not limited to, one or more characteristics of students, such as gender, race, unfavorable discharge from the military, ancestry, religion, sexual orientation, color, national origin, and disability that is severe and /or pervasive enough that it has, or will likely have, the effect of creating a hostile environment.” (section 4.21)

Consequences for violation of these policies will include discipline up to, and including, expulsion.

CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES (Refer to BOE Policy 3.19)

Township High School District 214 provides parent(s)/guardian(s) of students an opportunity to grant or refuse permission for their student(s) to participate in a class activity when study material(s) are deemed controversial. In such circumstances, the student will receive an alternative assignment. Parent(s)/guardian(s) should contact the school’s principal/designee with concerns regarding controversial issues, materials, and curricula.

**JHHS 2011-12
Bus Information**

BUS LOADING ZONES

REGULAR BUS - 2:55 P.M.

All Regular Buses Load in Rear Circle Drive

ACTIVITY BUSES - 3:55 PM

ATHLETIC BUSES - 5:45 PM (Monday through Thursday)

5:15 P.M. (Friday) Load in the Front Circle Drive

There will be TWO Activity/Athletic Bus routes this year.

Activity/Athletic Bus #1 will be for any student who lives EAST of Schoenbeck Rd.

Activity/Athletic Bus #2 will be for any student who lives WEST of Schoenbeck Rd.

Listed on the next page are regular routes that are assigned to Activity/Athletic routes #1 and #2:

Regular Bus route 3 is the only route that has stops on both Activity/Athletic routes #1 and #2.

This information will be posted on the Main Office window near the Main Office door.

If you have questions, please contact Maureen Oveson, 847-718-4813.

See Next Page for Maps...

JHHS 2011-12 BUS LOADING ZONES

REGULAR BUS - 2:50 P.M.

All Regular Buses Load in Rear Circle Drive

ACTIVITY BUSES - 3:55 P.M. ATHLETIC BUSES - 5:45 (Monday through Thursday) 5:15 P.M. (Friday)

Load in the Front Circle Drive

Activity and Athletic Bus 1:

All students who live EAST of
Schoenbeck Road

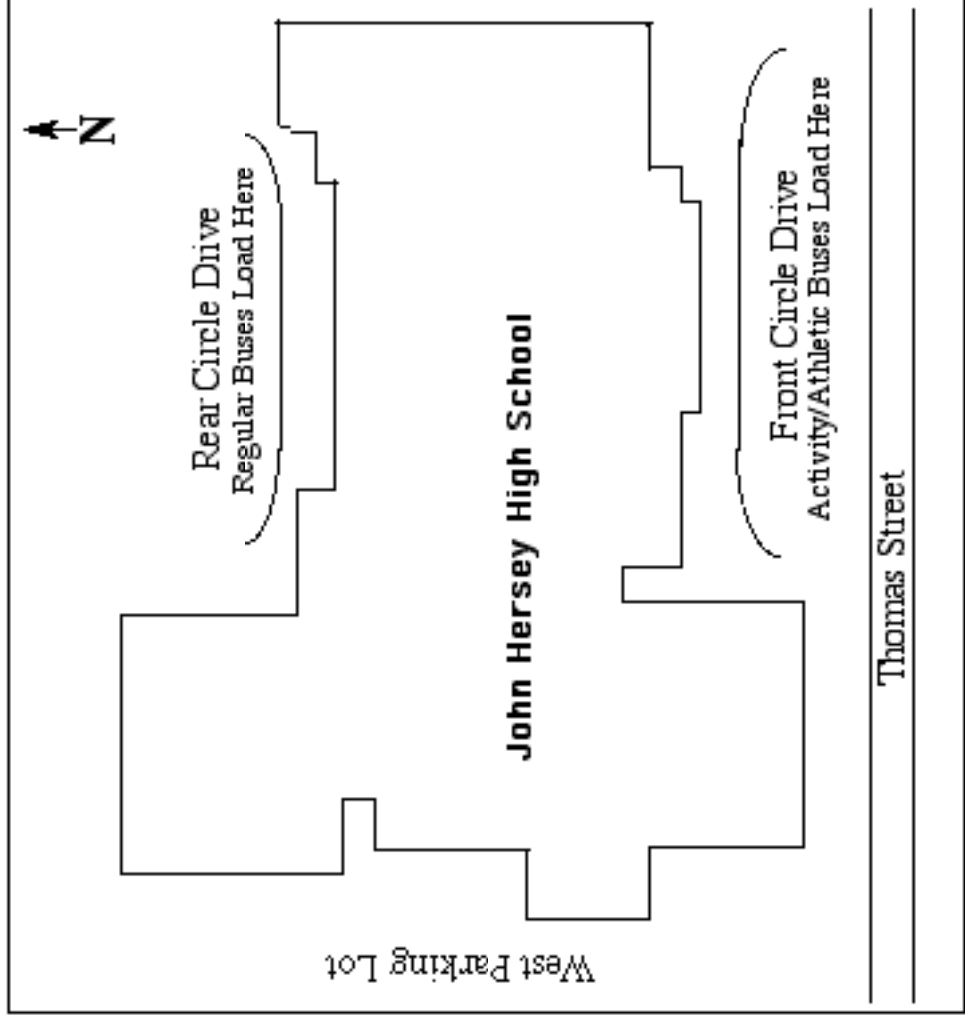
Routes: 3-Elmhurst @ Camp
McDonald

3-Euclid @ Wimbledon
6, 7, 8, 9, 10
11, 12, 13, 14

Activity and Athletic Bus 2:

All students who live WEST of
Schoenbeck Road

Routes: 1, 2
3-140
3-320
3-738
3-1256
3-1258
3-1295
3-1297



Yearbook Photos

Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors

September 13, 14 and 16

Titre Room

7:30 am - 3:30 pm

PSAT

The PSAT/NMSQT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) will be offered at Hersey High School on **Saturday, October 15, 2011**. The cost for this test is \$25.00. (Checks payable to John Hersey High School), and students will need to sign up in the Assessment Center, Room 141B, by **September 23, 2011**. This test measures verbal reasoning and mathematics skills. It also enables juniors who score at high levels to qualify for college scholarships. It is a junior year “practice” for college entrance exams and can be used as a predictor for SAT scores. It also identifies National Merit Scholars .

STUDENTS SHOULD BRING A PHOTO ID, CALCULATOR FOR THE MATH PORTION, 2 #2 pencils (not mechanical) TO THE TEST.

A PSAT test prep program in the Fall will be available for juniors. For details contact Dr. Charles Venegoni or Bonnie Popovic in the English Department.

**An alternative date is available to Juniors or Sophomores with a religious or school related conflict, on Wednesday, October 12 at Forest View Educational Center at 2121 Goebbert Road in Arlington Heights. Students are asked to provide their own transportation to and from Forest View. Students will be excused for the morning; however, students will be responsible for making up missed class work.

John Hersey High School Testing Calendar 2011-2012

ACT - for juniors and seniors

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Test Location</u>
September 10, 2011	August 12, 2011	JH, RM, PHS, WHS, BG
October 22, 2011	September 16, 2011	JH, PHS, BG, EG, RM, WHS
December 10, 2011	November 4, 2011	JH, BG, EG, RM, PHS
February 11, 2012	January 13, 2012	JH, BG, EG, PHS, RM, WHS
April 14, 2012	March 9, 2012	JH, BG, EG, PHS, RM, WHS
June 9, 2012	May 4, 2012	JH, BG, PHS, RM, WHS

SAT I and SAT II (Reasoning and Subject Tests) - for juniors and seniors

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Test Location</u>
October 1, 2011	September 2011	EG
November 5, 2011	September 2011	EG
January 28, 2012	December 2011	EG
March 10, 2012 SAT only	February 2012	EG
*May 5, 2012	March 2012	EG
*June 2, 2012	April 2012	EG

*Recommended dates for juniors

National Merit / PSAT

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Test Location</u>
October 15, 2011 (Sat.)	JH, BG, EG, PHS, RM, WH
October 12, 2011 (Wed.)*	FVEC

*This date is only available if there is a religious or school related conflict on Sat, October 15.

November 15, 2011

<u>Test</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Test Location</u>
ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)	Juniors & seniors interested in further career exploration	FVEC 8:00 am

Keyboard Proficiency Test

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Test Time</u>	<u>Test Location</u>
September 22, 2011	7:30am	JH
October 27, 2011	7:30am	JH

8th Grade Testing (Explore)

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Test Time</u>	<u>Test Location</u>
October 29, 2011	8:00-12:30	JH, BG, EG, PH, RM, WH
November 5, 2011 (Makeup)	8:00-12:30	JH, BG, EG, PH, RM, WH
January 26, 2012	8:00-12:30	FVEC
April 24, 2012	8:00-12:30	FVEC

Prairie State Achievement Exams (Juniors)

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Test Time</u>	<u>Test Location</u>
April 24 & 25, 2012	7:30am	JH, BG, EG, PH, RM, WH

Advanced Placement Exams

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration</u>	<u>Test Location</u>
May 7-18, 2011	February, 2011	FVEC

TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign language)

Testing will be done on an appointment basis at designated test centers.
See TOEFL Registration Bulletin for details.
Any questions, call Maggie Roland, Assessment Supervisor, 718-5002

THE PARENT COUNCIL

TPC NEWS

2011-2012

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The Parent Council (TPC) of John Hersey High School welcomes you back to school! The TPC is a parent organization that supports the students of John Hersey High School.

The TPC sponsored

OPEN HOUSE

for all parents is

Wednesday, September 14, 2011

7:00pm

PLEASE JOIN US!

Meet Your Child's Teachers!

Note - this is the night to pick-up your Hersey Directory!

TPC MEMBERSHIP

Did you miss joining The Parent Council on your student's registration form?

Don't Worry! Membership forms (and directories) will be available at Open House!

Your membership, \$15.00 per family, entitles you to the Hersey Directory!

The TPC sponsors Open House, Parent-Teacher Conferences, Hospitality Meals (for teachers and staff during conferences and open house), Midterm and Final Treats, Fall and Spring Student Club Grants and Senior Scholarships.

Look for the membership table at Open House!

Calendar Dates for TPC Meetings

August 22	Principal's Conf Rm	7:00pm
October 17	Principals Conf Rm	7:00pm
January 9	Principal's Conf Rm	7:00pm
February 6	Principal's Conf Rm	7:00pm
April 9	Principal's Conf Rm	7:00pm
May 14	Principal's Conf Rm	7:00pm



Township High School District 214

Tests and Assessments

2011-2012

District 214 administers a variety of assessments to its students to provide them, their parents, and their high schools' staff with performance information. Such information is used for:

- Placement in appropriate courses
- Identifying the need for additional instruction
- Monitoring student growth
- Determining the extent to which students are meeting district and state standards
- Providing information to enrich the curriculum and instruction
- Providing information for making post-secondary educational and vocational decisions

District 214 is committed to:

- Providing frequent, purposeful, appropriate, and fair assessments accompanied by timely feedback
- Helping students and parents make good use of assessment data in their decision making processes
- Helping district staff understand and effectively utilize assessment data

Township High School District 214 coordinates district-wide assessment programs for high school students.

- 1) **District 214 High School Assessment Program** that aids the district in evaluating the relevancy and effectiveness of its educational programs and the extent to which it is fulfilling its mission to students.
- 2) **State of Illinois Assessment Program** that complies with the assessment requirements of the State Board of Education.
- 3) **College-Bound Assessment Program** that aids students in making decisions with regards to their college plans.

This pamphlet describes the tests/assessments, target population, date and place for each assessment.

Current fees shown for optional tests are subject to change.

District 214 High School Assessment Program

PLAN consists of three major parts - academic tests, interest inventory and a student information section. The academic tests are designed to measure student attainment of the knowledge and skills acquired in English, mathematics, reading and science reasoning. It can be used in conjunction with the EXPLORE to measure continued academic growth. This assessment is designed to provide assistance to students and parents early in the educational process. It serves as a checkpoint for future coursework plans and interests.

Target Population: 9th grade students

Date: April 24, 2012

Locations: BG, EG, JH, P, RM, W, Forest View Alternative School

Institutional American College Testing Service

Assessment (IACT) is a retired form of the American College Testing Service (ACT) assessment and measures educational development in the areas of English, mathematics, reading and science reasoning. This assessment measures skills necessary for success in post secondary educational settings, including students' reasoning abilities and knowledge of subject matter fields. This test will provide students with individualized information on their performance.

Target Population: 10th grade students

Date: April 24, 2012

Locations: BG, EG, JH, P, RM, W, Vanguard School and Forest View Alternative School

Information Processing Proficiency will be offered at various times throughout the year. Passing the proficiency fulfills the District 214 graduation requirement.

Target Population: Students wishing to meet the information processing graduation requirement.

Dates: TBA by school

Locations: BG, EG, JH, P, RM, W, Forest View Alternative School, and Vanguard School

State of Illinois Assessment Program

Prairie State Achievement Exam (PSAE) measures student knowledge of the State Standards for Learning in English, reading, mathematics, science, and writing. It includes an ACT+ test. All students must take the PSAE to become a 12th grader, as well as to receive a regular high school diploma.

Target Population: 11th grade students

Dates: April 24 and April 25, 2012

Makeup: May 8 and May 9, 2012

Locations: BG, EG, JH, P, RM, W, Forest View Alternative School, Newcomer Center, Vanguard School, and Young Adult Program

Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to State for English Language Learners (ACCESS for ELLs) is a standard-based English Language Proficiency Test that tests students in the four language domains: Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing.

Target Population: All Students in the ELL Program

Dates: January 23 – February 24, 2012

Locations: BG, EG, RM, W, Forest View Alternative School, Newcomer Center, and Young Adult Program.

Career Activities Survey is required by the State of Illinois to collect information about a student's perceptions of the life and career planning opportunities provided by District 214.

Target Population: All students

Dates: February 21 - March 6, 2012

Locations: BG, EG, JH, P, RM, W, Forest View Alternative School, and Vanguard School

College-Bound Assessment Program

American College Testing Service Assessment (ACT and ACT+) measures educational development in the areas of English, mathematics, reading and science reasoning. This assessment measures skills necessary for success in post secondary educational settings, including students' reasoning abilities and knowledge of subject matter fields. Although all Saturday ACT tests are optional, many post secondary institutions require the test. ACT offers an optional 30-minute writing test (ACT+). The ACT+ test has been given as part of the PSAE in April. For more information, visit www.act.org/path/parent/.

Target Population: Predominantly college-bound 11th and 12th grade students. Fee: approximately \$34 (writing test additional \$15.50).

All test dates are Saturdays.

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Locations</u>
September 10, 2011	August 12, 2011	BG, JH, P, RM, W
October 22, 2011	September 16, 2011	BG, EG, JH, P, RM, W
December 10, 2011	November 4, 2011	BG, EG, JH, P, RM, W
February 11, 2012	January 13, 2012	BG, EG, JH, P, RM, W
*April 14, 2012	March 9, 2012	BG, EG, JH, P, RM, W
*June 9, 2012	May 4, 2012	BG, EG, JH, P, RM, W

* test dates recommended for junior students.

Advanced Placement Tests (AP) are offered for students who have pursued college-level AP courses while still in secondary school. Certain score levels on tests may allow students to receive advanced placement and/or credit upon entering college. For more information, visit www.collegeboard.com/parents/tests

Target Population: Students enrolled in AP courses (optional). Fee: approximately \$87 for each test

Dates: Monday, May 7, through Friday, May 18, 2012

Location: Forest View Educational Center or high school

Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) (optional) measures verbal and math reasoning abilities. It is a predictor for the SAT test, and the score can be converted to an ACT score. Scores from the PSAT may qualify students to be National Merit Scholars.

Target Population: 11th grade students planning to enter college or wanting a college scholarship or 10th grade students who want the experience of taking a SAT formatted test before 11th grade. Fee: approximately \$25

Dates: Saturday, October 15, 2011

Makeup: Wednesday, October 12, 2011

Locations: BG, EG, JH, P, RM, W, Makeup at Forest View Educational Center.

Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) - Reasoning Tests measure writing, critical reading, and mathematics abilities. The writing section contains a short essay and multiple-choice questions on grammar, usage and word choice. The critical reading section contains items on reading comprehension, sentence completions, and paragraph length critical reading. The mathematics section includes number and operations, algebra and functions, geometry, statistics, probability, and data analysis. Although optional, this test is required by some post secondary institutions. For more information, visit www.collegeboard.com/parents/tests.

Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) - Subject Tests are offered to aid college placement in specific subject areas (optional). Students may choose from the following: Literature, U.S. History, World History, Math, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and foreign language Tests. For more information, visit www.collegeboard.com/parents/tests.

Target Population: Predominantly college-bound 11th and 12th grade students. Fee: SAT only - approximately \$49
Subject Area Tests – approximately \$22-\$66

Location: EG

All test dates are Saturdays.

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Test</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>
October 1, 2011	SAT & Subject Tests	September 9, 2011
November 5, 2011	SAT & Subject Tests	October 7, 2011
January 28, 2012	SAT & Subject Tests	December 30, 2011
March 10, 2012	SAT only	February 10, 2012
*May 5, 2012	SAT & Subject Tests	April 6, 2012
*June 2, 2012	SAT & Subject Tests	May 8, 2012

* test dates recommended for junior students.

High School abbreviations: Buffalo Grove = BG, Elk Grove = EG, John Hersey = JH, Prospect = P, Rolling Meadows = RM, Wheeling = W

Assessment Calendar by Month

September 2011

Saturday, September 10 ACT

October 2011

Saturday, October 1 SAT and Subject Tests

Wednesday, October 12 PSAT make-up

Saturday, October 15 PSAT

Saturday, October 22 ACT

November 2011

Saturday, November 5 SAT and Subject Tests

Tuesday, November 15 ASVAB

December 2011

Saturday December 10 ACT

January 2012

January 23 – February 24 ACCESS for ELL

Saturday, January 28 SAT and Subject Tests

February 2012

Saturday, February 11 ACT

February 21 – March 6 Careers Activities Survey

March 2012

Saturday, March 10 SAT

April 2012

Saturday, April 14 ACT

Tuesday, April 24 PLAN, Institutional ACT

Tuesday, April 24 PSAE Day 1

Wednesday, April 25 PSAE Day 2

May 2012

Saturday, May 5 SAT and Subject Tests

May 7 - May 18 AP Exams

Tuesday, May 8 PSAE Day 1 Make-up

Wednesday, May 9 PSAE Day 2 Make-up

June 2012

Saturday, June 2 SAT and Subject Tests

Saturday, June 9 ACT

Any Month TOEFL

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