

Hebron High School

Parent Teacher Student Association

Newsletter - October 2015

This monthly newsletter goes only to those individuals who have joined PTSA for this school year in an attempt to keep you up to date on issues, events and activities at Hebron High School that we think will be of interest to PTSA members.

Dads and Donuts

BYOC (bring your own coffee) - Thursday October 15th, 7:30-8:15am - HHS main gym

Students bring your Dads!!! Come join Principal Finch and other HHS dads for donuts and find out what's going on at Hebron.

PTSA Web Site

HHS PTSA website is at www.hebronptsa.org It has great information and links to all sorts of parent resources – be sure to check it out.

Membership and Scholarship Requirements

If you know someone who is looking to join please have them visit our website at <http://www.hebronptsa.org> under the membership tab. Anyone can join parents, grandparents, Hebron alumni, etc. If they provide us an email address they will receive the PTSA Newsletter updates to keep them in touch with what is going on at Hebron!

HHS PTSA awards several college scholarships to Hebron seniors each year through LEF ([Lewisville ISD Education Foundation](#)). To be eligible for scholarship consideration, a student must be a current member of HHS PTSA, have a GPA of 2.75 or higher, and be active in school and/or community activities. If all else is equal, preference is given to students who have been HHS PTSA members multiple years.

Volunteer Opportunities

Below are opportunities to serve as a volunteer at Hebron High School. You can spend as little as 30 minutes, or as much as 2 hours with other adults and/or students. See information below:

Baking/Selling Cookies - PTSA Fundraiser goes towards scholarships, post prom and campus support - takes place on the main campus every Wednesday and Thursday

October sign up: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044cada62fabfd0-cookie2>

Nov/Dec sign up: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044cada62fabfd0-ptsa>

Library help (main campus)- help check out books before school, 1st period, 2nd period or lunch. Any time you have is helpful! For more information, contact Michelle Holley, PTSA volunteers - michelleaholley@gmail.com or Liz Harrison, Librarian - harrisonl@lisd.net

Look for updates on PTSA and volunteer opportunities at: hebronptsa.com

Volunteer Background Checks

If you plan to volunteer at any LISD campus you must have a background check completed once every three years. This website will give you more information...

http://www.lisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=118446&type=d&pREC_ID=255241

Reflections Update

Reflect your artistic talents through the PTA Reflections program. The theme for 2015-2016 is "Let Your Imagination Fly." Entry categories include Visual Arts, Literature, Film Production, Photography, Musical Composition, and Dance Choreography. The deadline for entries at Hebron is November 13th in the library at the main campus or 9th grade center. You can get participation rules and entry forms at www.txpta.org/programs/reflections or pick up an entry form in one of the Hebron libraries

HHS PTSA Spirit Gear

If you are interested in some Hebron Spirit Gear, please head to our website at www.HebronPTSA.org We have Hebron t-shirts, car magnets and garden flags ! Print the order form and deliver to the front office with payment. Thanks for supporting Hebron and PTSA!

LISD Has New Bus Company Operator

You may have noticed that LISD has new buses this year. Thanks to the new contract with First Student, LISD now has 288 brand new buses that all have air conditioning. A new safety feature requires the bus drivers to walk to the back of the bus at the end of the day and push a button in an effort to ensure no students are left on the bus when the driver leaves.

HHS Students Exceed National and State ACT Scores, College Readiness Standards

ACT recently released Lewisville ISD (LISD)'s 2015 ACT data, which included average student scores from all high schools across the district on the college entrance exam. The data reflects an average LISD ACT score of 23.7, a result that exceeds the state and national average scores of 20.9 and 21, respectively.

HHS students tested: 296; Average scores: English - 23.8, Math - 24.5, Reading - 24.5, Science - 23.8, Composite - 24.3

LISD students tested: 1464; Average scores: English - 23.2, Math - 24.5, Reading - 23.8, Science - 23.4, Composite: 23.7

State students tested: 124,764; Average scores; English - 19.8, Math - 21.1, Reading - 21.1, Science - 21, Composite: 20.9

Nation students tested: 1,924,436; Average scores; English - 20.4, Math - 20.8, Reading - 21.4, Science - 20.9, Composite: 21

In 2015, the percent of HHS students ready for college-level coursework was 48 percent, as compared to state and national averages of 27 and 28 percent, respectively. According to ACT, this report is an indication of the extent to which students are prepared for college-level work. The ACT consists of curriculum-based exams of educational development in English, mathematics, reading and science designated to measure the skills needed for success in first-year college course work. For more information, visit www.act.org.

FYI: This is how a dollar is spent in LISD

\$.78 – teachers and staff

\$.09 – building operations

\$.04 – administration

\$.03 – textbooks and materials

\$.02 – technology

\$.02 – health and support

\$.02 – transportation

From the HHS 9th Grade Counselors

Our after school tutoring buses will be running on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning October 6th. These buses allow your child time to attend tutoring after school with a teacher or make up any tests or reassessments in the testing center on these days. The buses depart HHS9 at 4:30 on these days. They will not run during the weeks of December 14-17 or January 4-8. We are also encouraged to see many of our students attending block lunch tutorials and clubs. This is a great time for students to proactively seek assistance in their learning whether it is just asking a quick clarifying question, working with a group member on a project or seeking better understanding of a topic through reteaching. We love to see students taking on responsibility for their learning by proactively attending tutorials throughout the learning process rather than waiting until after they have received a lower or failing grade to seek assistance.

Mark your calendars! Thursday, October 22nd at 9:00am in the **HHS9** library we will be hosting a Coffee With the Counselors. This is an informal time to meet with the counselors and discuss items pertinent to families of high school students. Our discussion topic this month will be on GPA and Class Rank. We hope to see you there!