

WHAT'S NEW?

A Message from Principal Hulin:

Today, February 28, concludes Black History Month for this year. A highlight of this special month was Hoover High School's first-ever Diversity Council "Think Tank." This Council, established at the beginning of the current school year, undertakes a number of initiatives promoting diversity- and the "Think Tank" was no different. This Google-style design thinking process was held in mid-February. Discussions focused on diversity as it exists at Hoover High School. A number of strategic goals and visions designed to augment our school's already welcoming culture and climate are being drafted as a continuing task of this Council. That said, some of you are aware that a racist remark was found written on a lunchroom table in early February. Such an incident is the exception around here - not the rule. It in no way reflects what we know to be the inclusive environment of Alabama's largest, most diverse public K12 school. Anyone caught in any such activity will be met with disciplinary action. Additionally, I want to thank our student driven Minority Achievement Council for their diversity video presentations today. All cultures and differences at HHS were projected in a very professional manner. I continue to be so proud of Hoover High School. Our students, faculty, and staff continue to innovate new ways to embrace our remarkable differences.

Students attending the Girls Semi Finals Basketball Game on Thursday:

- There will be no fan buses going to the BJCC on Thursday.
- Students attending the game do not need to report to school before the game.
- It is mandatory for you to check in with Coaches Matlock, Rodriguez, Sirmans or Grant once you reach the BJCC.
- All students are to report to school by noon and required to turn in their ticket with their name and grade clearly printed on it to the attendance desk immediately.
- Please allow extra time to get to the BJCC because of construction and traffic.

Go Bucs!

PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING SCHOOL FEES

Statements have been mailed for students that have outstanding fees. All outstanding fees must be paid in full for counselors to begin 2017-18 course selection for your student.

All Seniors must have their student fees paid to receive their cap and gown.

March 7, 2017 Renewal Vote

PLEASE RENEW YOUR SUPPORT FOR HOOVER CITY SCHOOLS!

March 7 is an important day for Hoover City Schools! Polls will be open for voters in the Jefferson County sections of Hoover to decide whether to renew three existing property taxes that have supported our students and schools here in Hoover for decades.

Renewing this existing financial support for the school system will help ensure that our schools remain strong for decades to come. These existing revenue streams generate critical financial support for Hoover City Schools each year. Among other benefits, this support helps keep our class sizes low, maintains safe and clean facilities and funds a wide-range of academic, athletic and extracurricular offerings.

To reiterate, this vote is about maintaining what we already have: NOT a vote for new taxes!

We hope you will renew your support for Hoover City Schools on March 7, 2017!

See polling locations, sample ballots and more at this link: <https://goo.gl/SUU9yx>

Spanish Club will be hosting a FIFA tournament next Tuesday, March 7 from 6-8 pm at school. There will be prizes for the winners. You need to bring \$5 to sign up this Thursday or Friday to Ms. Belcher's room in D247.

For interested Juniors (rising seniors):

Alabama Governor's School is a two-week summer program held at Samford University for high-achieving students from around the state. Students pursue academic interests, learn about the basics of college, establish networks, and engage in social activities.

This year's dates are June 18-30. Go to alabamags.org for more details. See Mr. Butler in the guidance office by 3/3 if interested.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY:

Bluff Park Elementary will be holding its Spring Clean Up this Saturday from 8-12:00.

Volunteers are asked to bring work gloves, sunscreen and gardening tools (if available). If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Carey (lcarey@hoover.k12.al.us).

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY:

Ross Bridge is looking for volunteers for their Block Party on March 18, from 1-4pm.

Volunteers will be in charge of tug of war, sack races and keeping the grounds clean. If

interested, please contact Cecilia Pearson at rossbridgehoa@gmail.com or (205)790-3636

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY:

Do Dah Day at Rhodes Park on southside in Birmingham is May 20. Volunteers are needed for 3 shifts; 8-11am, 11am-2pm, 2-5pm to work concessions, games, etc. in the park. The minimum age for volunteers is 16. If interested, contact Chad at Dodahdayvol@gmail.com

ACADEMIC REMINDERS

Come participate in a HHS Night of Music and Poetry

Where: Hoover High School Library

When: March 3, 2017 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Sign up to perform: <http://bit.ly/2khY9tg>

Admission is Free!

We are recruiting Science Olympiad members from all grades. We need a few people to join us Saturday, March 4th in a fun day of science competition. If you like thinking & doing science this is for you! We have a few slots/events to fill. See list here: <http://bit.ly/2l8vUcb> If you are interested contact Janet Ort @ jort@hoover.k12.al.us

Prepare for the ACT test with Henson Test Prep.

After school Classes begin on Monday, March 6th for the April 8th and April 19th test dates.

Register online now at www.ACTLADY.com. For more information, call Amy Henson at 205-862-6004.

Will you answer the call to become someone's **HERO?**

SGA *presents* CHICK-FIL-A SPIRIT NIGHT Thursday, March 9th, 4:00-8:00pm
Chick-Fil-A of Patton Creek. 15% of all dine-in and drive-thru purchases will be donated to the [Make-A-Wish Foundation!](#)

Awards given out for Superhero-themed Costume Contest!

Come dressed as your favorite superhero (individually or as a part of a group-theme) and be entered to win various Chick-Fil-A sponsored prizes!

Share your photos on Instagram & Twitter with the hashtag #HSHero2017 to be entered! Video Promo: <http://bit.ly/CFASpiritVideo17>

Informational Flyer: <http://bit.ly/CFASpiritFlyer17>

"You Make My World Go 'Round"

* It's prom time! Prom will be Saturday, April 8th at the Downtown Sheraton. Tickets are available for purchase on preptix.com. Hoover Prom Tickets will not be sold at school or at the door. However, the link will remain active until the night of prom.

* Prom shirts are available for pre-order only. See a member of JCO to purchase or go to D347.

* See the flyer for additional information:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BzBLLgKbylqxLVYzNTQ2LWViRVk/view?usp=sharing>

Community Service Opportunity:

Friday March 3rd from 4-9 pm. 10 referees needed for Deer Valley Elementary School mother/son dodgeball tournament contact Mrs. Zellmer at azellmer@hoover.k12.al.us or in room C328 if interested and able to commit.

Summer School Dates and Information

Summer School Credit Recovery

Dates: June 12th – June 30th

Meets: Monday thru Friday from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm at Hoover High School

Cost: \$200.00 per semester class

Summer School Credit Enhancement (Includes Driver's Ed and Health)

Dates: June 12th – June 30th – 1st TERM

July 10th – July 28th – 2nd TERM

Meets: Monday thru Friday from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm at Hoover High School

Cost: \$200.00 per semester class

Notes: Health will meet the first day of each term and all other assignments are submitted virtually (All assignments must be completed by the last day.)

Driver's Ed will meet the first 5 days of the term and students will drive two other days during the term.

Registration packets will be available in April. Students can begin registration on May 2, 2017.

Course Selection for 2017-18 is now online!

<https://spark.adobe.com/page/xmovcJp6CpcF4/>

Parents, please notify the school nurse if your child has been diagnosed by a physician with the flu. We only use this information for tracking purposes. You may call the health room at 439-1330 or email gstoudenmire@hoover.k12.al.us to report any cases.

Balfour is our provider for class rings, caps, gowns, announcements, graduation supplies, etc. Balfour comes to our campus several times each semester, but parents and students can also go online at <http://www.alabamabalfour.com/> to place any orders.

See Senior Exam Exemption Policy for Spring 2017 here:

https://docs.google.com/a/hcs-students.net/document/d/1OsyEcCMubuNPM5Rh_dRrgDuQd0IGAJ8PPxB2D8VeSa4/edit?usp=sharing

ATHLETIC REMINDERS

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS FOR THE WEEK:

Tuesday, February 28th:

- Boys Golf will be playing in the Blue-Gray beginning at 10:00am.
- Boys Tennis will be hosting Vestavia at 3:00pm.
- Varsity Baseball will be playing Oxford at Choccolocco Park at 4:30pm.
- JV Baseball will play at Vestavia at 4:00pm
- Boys Soccer Student Night - Free pizza/hot dog/coke for Hoover High Students at the 7:00 Varsity game against Homewood. Freshman play at 4:00, and JV at 5:30. Come support your BUCS!
- Varsity Girls Soccer play at Homewood at 7:00am and JV at 5:30
- Girls Varsity Softball hosts Hayden at 5:00pm and JV begins play at 6:30pm.

Thursday, March 2nd:

- JV Baseball will play at Thompson at 4:30pm
- Varsity Softball hosts Helena at 5:00pm with JV at 6:30pm

Friday, March 3rd:

- JV Boys Soccer @ Pelham JV Tournament
- Varsity Girls Soccer hosts Brookwood (GA) -7:00pm
- JV Softball playing in the Moody Tournament
- Varsity Baseball will host Buckhorn at 5:00pm

Saturday, March 4th:

- JV Boys Soccer @ Pelham JV Tournament
- JV Softball playing in the Moody Tournament
- Boys and Girls Tennis @ Decatur Tournament. in Point Mallard Park
- Outdoor Track - Hoover Relays

Girls Soccer will have Spirit Night at Newks on March 1, 2017 from 5-9 p.m. Newks is donating 20% of all receipts for those that mention they are there to help with the fundraiser when they order. Please come out and support our Girls Soccer program.

Hoover Baseball will be hosting its first Annual Father-Son Campout this Saturday. Cost is \$20 which includes admission to 10:00 game vs Bob Jones and 1:00 game vs Sparkman, dinner, and camp. The event will include baseball drills, speakers, and camping on the baseball field. Please use this link to sign up:

<https://goo.gl/forms/MnNt3RwfGBaKxDi13>

The flyer for our camp-out can be found here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0Bwl1mK6V9I2pZzJudXJWcHZxcHpqaUprQjJWWjhsUnFmMWh3/view?usp=sharing>

The Hoover Buccanette Dance Teams will hold a mandatory audition meeting on Wednesday, March 15th at 5:30 for any interested current 8th, 9th, 10th, or 11th graders. One parent and the dancer auditioning must attend in order to be eligible to tryout for either the Varsity or Junior Varsity Dance Teams.

For more information [click here](#) or contact Alicia Wilbanks at

awilbanks@hoover.k12.al.us or Amy Blacker at ablacker@hoover.k12.al.us.

Friday Night Lacrosse: Varsity Boys Lacrosse hosts the Yellow Jackets from Sprayberry, GA on Friday, March 3rd. Game is at 6:30p at Brock's Gap Intermediate School. Admission is FREE. Come out and cheer on your Bucs!

On Saturday, March 11, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. our Hoover Football Program is hosting our 5th Annual Mattress Sale fundraising event. This event has been VERY successful here at Hoover and school districts across Alabama and the US over the last 10 years. We are excited to have this event here again at Hoover

Top Brands are available including Simmons, BeautyRest, Comfort Aire, and Southerland. The mattress sets are also deeply discounted at 30%-50% below retail stores! Over 25 mattress sets will be on display; prices range from \$249 to \$3499.

Awesome pillows and adjustable beds are also available. The sale is at Hoover High School in the cafeteria. Please tell your friends about this event and help support our Bucs!

For more information, check out our event page at:

[Hoover High School Football's Mattress Fundraiser Event Page](#)

Please join the event and invite your friends.

Please make sure to use your [Mattress Fundraiser Coupon!](#)

Discounted athletic passes may be purchased for students in grades K-12 for \$30.00 for the second semester- this includes remaining winter (basketball/wrestling) and spring sports (baseball/softball/soccer/track). The pass may be used for admission to any regular season, home sports event at Hoover HS, Bumpus Middle School and Simmons Middle School. Passes may not be used at away games or AHSAA playoff games/tournaments. Nationally televised games may also be excluded.

Passes can be purchased online at www.myschoolfees.com Enter the name of the student for whom the pass is being purchased for at checkout. Please bring a copy of the receipt to the Hoover HS athletic office to pick up the pass. On sale through March 10th.

GO BUCS!!!

Each grade level at HHS can sign up to receive text message alerts. To sign up for HHS class text message alerts, click here for instructions for a specific grade level: <http://bit.ly/HHSTEXT>

Class of 2017 seniors and parents: please join our Remind group to get all the important senior information sent directly to your phone. <https://www.remind.com/join/c4eb7d>

Enews can always be found on our HHS website: <http://hooverhigh.al.hch.schoolinsites.com/>

For EEOC Notices click here: <https://goo.gl/aqYptm>