

## WHAT'S NEW?

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Balfour representatives will be at Hoover High School on Wednesday, March 22nd and Thursday, March 23rd during lunch to take announcement and cap and gown orders.

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### TALENT SHOW

TNT is hosting a school-wide Talent Show on April 11th. Winners will receive cash prizes. Auditions will be held on March 21st during all lunches. Sign up in Mrs. Smith's office in the Guidance department. All profits will be donated to the Crisis Center, our local suicide prevention hotline.

## SCHOOL REMINDERS

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: On Monday March 13, come anytime between 2:40 and 4:15pm to Mrs. Hamley's Room, D249, to help create posters for Hoover Helps -- an organization that seeks to identify and help meet the basic needs of our children.

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ATTN. SENIORS interested in a career in the construction field. On April 5, 2017 from 8:30-1:30PM we are taking a field trip to the 2017 Construction Trade Expo. Participants will learn about the construction field, necessary skills, and educational opportunities to learn a trade. Highlighted careers will be in electrical, HVAC, pipefitting, and welding.

Interested seniors must complete the survey at the following link in order to be included in this field trip by Friday 3/17: <http://bit.ly/2mptQ3j>

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Check In/Out Policy: Students must be checked in and/or out at the main campus, not at Hoover Hall.

[Check-out Policy](#)

Students may be checked out ahead of time (the morning of, a week before or even a month before) by a person on their contact list. This process works best for all. Once the check-out slip is filled out we will hold it until the morning of the check-out, when we call them down and give it to them. They will show the slip to their teacher and are able to exit class at the time on the slip with no disruption to class.

Students may not check out with a note. **Someone on the checkout list** must physically come in to sign them out. Students may be called down to be checked out between periods or during the first or last 5 minutes of class only. Calling into the classroom during instruction time is very disruptive. Walk-ins are accepted during these times only. Keep in mind that the process may take a few minutes so please allow plenty of time. Thank you for your help with this matter.

### Check- in Policy

Students may check themselves in with a parent note or a doctor note. If they DO NOT have a note a parent must sign them in. Any student checking in without a note or a parent signature is automatically UNEXCUSED.

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Boys Lacrosse. Saturday at noon the Bucs return to action at Brock's Gap as the Varsity takes on the Lions from Prattville. Then Monday night the Bucs have their first game at the high school in over a month as they host the Mustangs from Memphis-TN-area Houston High School. JV 6p; Varsity 8p; both games at the stadium.

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Dear Parents,

Hoover City Schools is taking part in an anonymous student survey. The results of this survey will help our local school system to design and implement programs that promote student health and school safety, such as reductions in adolescent smoking, and bullying behavior. To gather this information, we have chosen a Pride Surveys questionnaire.

The survey will be administered to all 7<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students and will ask questions about school climate, such as student alcohol, tobacco and other drug use; bullying, school safety, and risk and protective factors. The survey is scheduled to take place the week of March 13 – 17, 2017.

The data provides direction to our principals and counselors when planning drug prevention programs for each school. The Pride Survey is used by more than 8,000 schools across the nation to gather student data on tobacco, alcohol, illicit drug use and related behaviors over the past two decades. Questions on violence explore the relationship between students who use various drugs and their level of involvement in violent behaviors. Students will be asked to fill out a paper and pencil questionnaire. The survey takes approximately 30 minutes to complete and is available in the principal's office if you would like to review its content. A summary of the

information gathered will be shared with parents when the results have been evaluated by district personnel.

This is an anonymous survey. The survey has been designed to protect your child's identity; it is totally anonymous. Students will not put their names on the survey. If you prefer that your child not participate, please inform your school's designee by emailing [tmontgomery@hoover.k12.al.us](mailto:tmontgomery@hoover.k12.al.us) if you prefer that your 10<sup>th</sup> grade child not participate. This must be done by noon on Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you for supporting our efforts to help students understand that alcohol and drug use can be harmful to their health and safety.

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#### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:

The Bell Center Youth Alliance offers a unique opportunity for high school students (entering 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) to enjoy a hands-on learning experience at our established nonprofit. Intellectual, energetic, community service-oriented students from the greater Birmingham area schools are carefully selected to join the Youth Alliance, bringing with them fresh perspectives and new ideas. The Youth Alliance members are invaluable to The Bell Center as they offer their time, energy, and enthusiasm by supporting our mission through fundraising events, special projects, and spreading the word about the services we provide for families.

If you would be interested in volunteering, see Mrs. Phillips, in the Counseling Dept., for an application.

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The ASVAB is scheduled for Thursday, April 6, 2017 at Hoover High School for interested 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders. It will begin at 8:00 AM in A 109 and last approximately 3 hours. The deadline to register is Tuesday, April 4th. All students interested in participating in the ASVAB Career Exploration Program must register at <http://bit.ly/2m2uBNa>. This test is offered to interested 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders at no cost. This test will provides information about verbal, math, science and technical skills. ASVAB scores can be used to enlist in the Military after graduation but student are under no obligation as a result of taking the ASVAB. No scores will be released to military personnel without student's request. If you have any questions, please contact Tonah Montgomery: email [tmontgomery@hoover.k12.al.us](mailto:tmontgomery@hoover.k12.al.us), phone (205)439-1225.

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Course Selection for 2017-18 is now online!

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

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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](mailto:gstoudenmire@hoover.k12.al.us) to report any cases.

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See Senior Exam Exemption Policy for Spring 2017 here:

[https://docs.google.com/a/hcs-students.net/document/d/1OsyEcCMubuNPM5Rh\\_dRgDuQd0IGAJ8PPxB2D8VeSa4/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/a/hcs-students.net/document/d/1OsyEcCMubuNPM5Rh_dRgDuQd0IGAJ8PPxB2D8VeSa4/edit?usp=sharing)

## ATHLETIC REMINDERS

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS FOR THE WEEK:

Friday, March 10th:

- Girls Soccer play Vestavia beginning with JV at 5:00 and Varsity to follows at 7:00pm.

Saturday, March 11th:

- Boys Varsity Baseball plays at Southside-Gadsden at 12:00 and 2:30 (Etowah)
  - Boys Soccer plays at Home against Pelham beginning with Freshman at 4:00pm, JV at 5:30 and Varsity at 7:00pm
  - Outdoor Track will participate in The King of the Mountain Meet at Vestavia Hills.
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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](mailto:awilbanks@hoover.k12.al.us) or Amy Blacker at [ablacker@hoover.k12.al.us](mailto:ablacker@hoover.k12.al.us).

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On Saturday, March 11, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. our Hoover Football Program is hosting our 5<sup>th</sup> 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](#)!

***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>