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Hackett Catholic Central High School 381-2646

June July 2014



Congratulations Top Ten of the Class 2014

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Congratulations to the Class of 2014

Important Dates

June 6 June 7 June 11	Uniform Sale 3-7 Uniform Sale 10-2 Sports Physicals 6:00PM - Cafeteria
August 9	Book Sale 10 AM to Noon
August 20	First Day of School All Day
Aug. 29- Sept. 1	No School Labor Day Break

Office Hours

Last Week of School Office Hours: Tuesday, June 3rd - Friday, June 6 the office will close at Noon

> SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: June 9-June 20th Monday-Friday 9AM - Noon

The Office will be open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays June 24 - June 26 July15 - August 14 from 9 AM - Noon

The main office is closed from Monday, June 30– Monday, July 14.

> Monday, August 18 and Tuesday, August, 19. 9 AM – 1 PM

Regular Office Hours resume on our first day of school: Wednesday, August 20 7 AM - 4:00 PM



Class of 2015 - Summer College Planning/Applications

As everyone is busy making summer plans, travel arrangements, etc., we want to encourage all current jun-iors, soon to be seniors, to consider squeezing in the following:

1) College-bound juniors - You need to be-gin thinking about preparing your college applications. Refer to your green, bound, "HCC College Planner", which you received at Junior Parent Night in January. Plan to finish all college applications by October 31, if not sooner!

2) Make a list of the colleges you plan to apply to - we suggest no more than 3-5, at the most! Narrow your list by viewing the colleges' admission requirements. Most requirements are found within their individual college websites, or you may contact the college directly via email. Arrange to visit college campuses over the summer.

3) Most 2014-2015 freshman undergraduate college applications will be online by August 1, if not earlier. As you begin your application, be certain that you are completing the college's 2014-2015 application. Start working on/developing your topic ideas for any required essays.

4) Once you have read your college's application requirements and instructions, ask teachers, employers, etc. for any required written letters of recommendation. If your college application requires that their specific "teacher evaluation" form be completed, complete your section and give/send this form to your teacher. Provide a current resume with your written request for a letter, even if your recommender knows you well. Most colleges only require one letter. (Two letters are always sufficient.) Check your instructions! Please do not ask teachers to compose letters for you which you do not need. Please give your recommender the completed Letter of Recommendation form that was given to you at the Junior Parent Night.

5) We strongly recommend that you take the ACT (or SAT if the college of your choice requires this test) more than one time. There is often an in-crease in your test score results when you re-test. You must register online. Hackett's CEEB/School code is: 232174

> www.actstudent.org www.collegeboard.com

6) When registering for the ACT or SAT please list the colleges where you would like your scores to be sent. (The first four colleges chosen will be free.) College admission offices now require that your official scores be sent directly to them from the ACT/SAT testing company. You are charged a fee when you request scores to be sent after your original testing date. Payment is by credit card. We aren't able to order these official scores for you.

7) Please utilize your college's financial aid site to search for scholarship opportunities. The guidance office posts scholarship opportunities for students within our Monday, Guidance Office News--Daily Announcements, as the scholarships arrive.

8) Students using the "Common Application" during the 2014-2015 school year are required to apply online. The official "2014-2015 Common Application Online" will launch on August 1, 2014. Until then, students can use the preview version, which is already available online--complete with highlighted changes-- to familiarize themselves with the application and to view the essay questions. Open and read all tabs at the Common Application site or you will not understand how to use their electronic system or how to complete your application, to complete supplements, and to access required teacher evaluation forms! Individual college application requirements are listed within these tabs. www.commonapp.org

9) Consider attending the College Application Workshop at Hackett either on August 9th from 9am-12pm or on August 14th from 9am-12pm. Mrs. Ulbrich will be helping students complete their applications, answering questions along the way!

2014-2015 Schedule Changes

Schedule changes can be made until June 13, 2014 without a fee. After that date, a \$25.00 fee will be charged for each schedule change made. Be aware that classes fill up quickly, so make your schedule changes early. If you have questions, please call the Guidance Office at 381-2646, ext. 123 or 136.

Senior Cumulative Files are coming home!

Seniors will be receiving their cumulative files with their diplomas. A cumulative file follows each student from kindergarten through high school graduation and includes many items. Parents, you will want to make sure that your student gives this file to you. Many include birth and Baptismal certificates, social security numbers, test results, school photos and class work from their early elementary years. Hackett will permanently retain transcripts and standardized test score results. Your child's cumulative file will provide you with a trip down memory lane. Enjoy!

Hackett School Code:

232174

National Honor Society New Members

Juniors

Brian Arcangeli Leo James Kiera Johnson Brendan O'Brien Maksymilian Paprocki

Sophomores

Rachel Anglin John Bartholomew Andrew Beck Jenna Behrje Margaret Benjamin Genevieve Bogedain Sabrina Brown Jacob Buchmann **Camille Chimner** John Dales Grace Erving Austin Estes Zachary Filiputti Maura Gillig **Bailey Hardigan** William Knoll Ian Kozic Angela LaPenna Amanda Lawrence Jeremy McNally Samantha Monendo Brvant Neal Rachel Niesen Marie Chantel Nyirahategekimana Kieren O'Brien Ian Poage Rebecca Radomsky Ashley Rho Molly Rider Madeline Schneck Sara Schonder Kawika Singaon Brennen Stone Elizabeth Stull Christian Sturgeon Ali Sultan Abbigail Takacs Jane Thornton Caroline Yapp Mitch Yelton



Uniform Sales

Sunshine Uniform on-Site Sale Date will be June 6 - 3-7 June 7 - 10-2 in the gym. Sign up to



T.R.I.P Summer Sales

Following the completion of the school year we will begin our summer hours for TRIP. On The Spot sales will take place on **Tuesday evenings** from 5:00pm - 6:30pm in the upper foyer at Hackett Catholic Central High School.

Please visit the TRIP website to see all the details. This includes instructions for online ordering which is the easiest and fastest way to receive your TRIP as well as the period of time when TRIP will be closed this summer.

TRIP website - http://www.csgk.org/trip

Graduation Gift?

Looking for a special graduation gift that will last forever? Consider the "Give a Brick" Program

Makes a perfect graduation gift.

Call the Advancement Office at 381-2646 for more details.

Get your order in today!

New/Used Book Sale News

The combined new/used book sale will be on Saturday, August 9th from 10AM to Noon. We will need lots of volunteers to work at the sale in August. If you are interested, please call Linda Pickornik at 381-2646 ext. 108. Parents who help with the sale and/or collection of books will have the opportunity to purchase their books at an earlier date.

•Combination locks purchased here originally can be used year after year. Have your student tuck their lock away in a safe place and use it again next year.

•The 2014-15 book list with prices will be available in the office the week of the book sale.

•You can use credits earned at your church or elementary school for new or used books purchased at the Hackett book store.

•There will be no refunds for used books purchased and only in the event of a schedule change for new books. New books can only be returned in perfect condition!

Used books that are left after the August 9th sale will still be available the next week. This is a nice option for those that are not able to make it here on the book sale day.

Since we will continue to have the remaining used books available for sale, we will not issue checks for used books sold until the last week in September.

<u>"Books Not to Buy Used"</u> Church History U.S History World History AP U.S. History Government Economics French Books (if written in) Julius Caesar (if written in)

A list of the "Books Not to Buy Used" was given to the students along with a suggested pricing sheet. All workbooks and lab books cannot be turned in to sell because the students write in them. Make sure the books you are buying privately from friends will be used in the 2014-2015 school year.

If you have any questions, please call Linda Pickornik at 381-2646 ext.108. I will try to help in any way I can with your questions.

Call Linda Pickornik at 381-2646 ext. 108 if you would like to work the book sale.



Freshman Orientation Class of 2018!

Information on Freshman Orientation will be coming in August.

Summer Camp

Sports and Academic Camps will be offered during the summer at Hackett.

Check the HCC website for more information



Get on the Bus!

The Kalamazoo and Portage Public Schools Department of Transportation is now making transportation arrangements for the 2014-2015 school year. If your student(s) plan to utilize the Kalamazoo or Portage Public School bus, you must fill out the form included in this issue of the Happenings and return it to Hackett's office before school is out. We are including both Portage and Kalamazoo forms, so make sure you are filling out the right form. We only need the students that will be riding. If you do not think you will utilize the bus, do not ask for it.

Call 381-2646 for more information.



HACKETT CATHOLIC CENTRAL ENGLISH DEPARTMENT 2014 SUMMER READING LIST

Students who are enrolled in most English classes for next year have required summer reading. Students should complete the assigned work(s) by the first day of classes for the 2014 - 2015 school year.

HONORS COMPOSITION AND LITERATURE I

Required Novels: *To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee*

COMPOSITION AND LITERATURE II Required novel: *The Outsiders by SE Hinton*

AMERICAN LITERATURE Required novel: Cannery Row by John Steinbeck

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ENGLISH LITERATURE

Required works: *Frankenstein by Mary Shelley (the 1818 edition)*

Julius Caesar by William Shakespeare

WRITING AND COMMUNICATIONS

Required works: *The Pianist by Wladyslaw Szpilman (the entire text, prologue, introduction, epilgue)*

AP ENGLISH LITERATURE

Required works: *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead by Tom Stoppard Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen*



The following is a list of some recommended literary works to read in preparation for the College Board *AP Exam offered in the spring of 2015*

A Farewell to Arms – Ernest Hemingway

A Lesson Before Dying – Ernest J. Gaines

Beloved, Song of Solomon – Toni Morrison

Blue Highways – William Least Heat Moon

Cannery Row, East of Eden – John Steinbeck

Frankenstein – Mary Shelley

Great Expectations – Charles Dickens

House of Spirits – Isabel Allende

Invisible Man – Ralph Waldo Ellison

Jane Eyre – Charlotte Bronte

Jasmine – Bharati Mukherjee

Lives of Girls and Women – Alice Munroe

Meridian – Alice Walker

Moby Dick – Herman Melville

Mrs. Dalloway – Virginia Woolf

Raisin in the Sun – Lorraine Hansberry

Ship of Fools – Katherine Anne Porter

Tess of the D'Urbervilles, -Thomas Hardy

The Glass Menagerie – Tennessee Williams

The House on Mango Street – Sandra Cisneros

The Swamp Dwellers – Wole Soyinka

The Sweet Hereafter – Russell Banks

The Turn of the Screw, The Portrait of A Lady, Daisy Miller – HenryJames

Hackett Senior Portraits - Yearbook Specs

Congratulations on making it to your senior year at Hackett Catholic Central High School! Here are some common questions & answers about senior pictures for yearbook use. Please read them carefully, as we do not wish anyone to be excluded from the senior section of the yearbook!

1) What should I do first about pictures and how soon should I do it?

Call a photographer <u>immediately</u> and get a sitting time scheduled. The whole portrait-taking process sometimes takes MONTHS through our local photographers, <u>which means you should have your picture taken no later than September 30th</u>! After that there is no assurance that the photographers can get us a copy of your photo in time. The yearbook staff must meet publishing deadlines which are not flexible!

2) What are the yearbook picture specifications?

Size:	2" x 3" <u>COLOR</u> photo (<u>NO</u> Black & White, Sepia, etc.)
Finish :	Glossy or matte print or <u>digital file at 300 dpi is preferred</u>
Pose:	Head-and-shoulder shot looking at the camera (very similar to passport photo requirements)
Background:	Traditional, neutral (blue, gray, brown), & solid background <u>only</u>

Other: Absolutely <u>no</u> hands to face in pose, <u>no</u> fade or reflection effects, <u>no</u> extreme close ups, <u>no</u> "nature" shots



Correct!



No! Wrong background. Too far away.



No! Absolutely <u>no</u> hands to face. Too close.



No! Wrong pose. Wrong background. Wrong orientation.

3) What is the due date for senior pictures?

The deadline for turning in your Senior Portrait, sibling photo, and baby photo for the yearbook is **Friday, October 31st!***

*Photos received between November 1st and December 31st will be subject to a \$5 fee in order to include them in the yearbook. If we do not receive your portrait by December 31st, we will use your school photo.

4) What is the purpose of these specifications?

The yearbook is a student publication that reaches a large audience: our student body, our community, and beyond. That, along with set production costs, requires us to mandate uniform standards for all pictures. In order to assure uniformity we follow standard journalistic guidelines.

While the traditional head-and-shoulders shot outlined above is required for the yearbook, we naturally encourage you to exercise your creativity for your personal senior portraits and encourage you to **purchase creative space in the <u>Parent/Senior</u>**<u>Advertisement</u> section.

5) What if I can't afford the sitting fee or the picture packages?

Hackett Catholic Central will have professional photographers take your picture on the student picture and make-up days. If we do not receive a personal senior picture before the deadline, you may still submit it, but you will be subject to a \$5 fee. Additionally, no portraits will be accepted after December 31st. If we do not receive your portrait by December 31st, we will you your portrait from student picture/make-up day. If you decide you want us to use your school photo, please email Mrs. Mileski to let her know.

6) What if I decide to take my own picture with my own camera?

Any self-taken portraits must follow the guidelines above and be submitted <u>digitally</u>. Please be aware, however, that we reserve the right to refuse any pictures that do not look professional or appropriate for the yearbook. Our yearbook photographers will also be happy to take several senior picture poses for you using our high quality photography equipment.

7) Should I have my senior pictures taken if I know I am not going to actually graduate this year?

That is up to you. However, anyone who does not have enough credits at the beginning of 2^{nd} semester will be omitted from the senior section of the yearbook.

8) What will happen if I do not turn in a senior picture at all?

We will use your school portrait/ID picture <u>from the last year we have</u>. Therefore, if you have not had your senior picture taken by September 30th, make sure that your school portrait/ID picture looks nice case we have to use it in the senior section!

9) When & where do I turn my senior picture in?

Turn them in to Mrs. Mileski, the yearbook adviser, in room 81 or in the main office at any time until the October 31st deadline. You can email digital files to **hackettyearbook@hackettcc.org**. <u>Digital submission on CD</u>, flash drive or via email is preferred by the yearbook staff.

From the Math Department Calculator policy 2014 - 2015

All Algebra 1 (including Algebra A and Algebra B) and Geometry students should have a TI-30×IIs two-line display scientific calculator.

Graphing calculators are required for all courses beginning with Algebra 2. The Math Department recommends that students purchase TI-Nspire graphing calculators.

The Nspire comes in 2 versions. The CX version can be purchased in stores and is acceptable for use on all standardized tests. Advanced math students may appreciate the power of the TI-Nspire CAS. The CAS includes a computer algebra system capable of computation with variables. This calculator can currently be purchased online from Underwood Distributing. Please note that the CAS version of the Nspire is not allowed on the ACT although it is allowed on the SAT and AP exams.

The TI-84 (any version including the new TI-84 C color) is still suitable for use in any math course. The TI-84 is user friendly and is especially suited for AP Statistics.

The TI-83 is no longer recommended as it does not support TI MathPrint and lacks functionality for AP Statistics.



Starting Dates for Fall Sports:

Cross Country: August 13 contact: sean.ohman@yahoo.com

> Football: August 11 contact: ouding4@att.net

Girls Golf: August 13 contact: aradomsky@arcengineering,com

Girls Swim: August 13 contact: teastman@hackettcc.org

Boys Soccer: August 13 contact: cadrian@hackettcc.org

Boys Tennis: August 13 contact: wilderene@gmail.com

Volleyball: August 13 contact: esparks@mlive.com

Sports Physicals

Wednesday, June 11

6:00 PM

HCC Cafeteria

The cost is \$25 and the MHSAA Physical Forms are in our school office and on the website, alphabetically listed under the parents tab.

Students of the Month

These students were selected as students of the month for April and May

Students of the Month for April



Laura Elluru Freshman



Gabi Bates Sophomore



Dinah Collins Junior



Haley Miller Senior

Students of the Month for May



Sam Isaacs Freshman



Will Knoll Sophomore



Brennan Kilpatrick Junior



Yeoil Yoon Senior

Congratulations, Students!

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