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National Honor Society News



HSA's National Honor Society (NHS), in cooperation with the American Red Cross, will hold its first blood drive on **Wednesday, September 17, from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm** in the school gym.

In order to donate blood you must:

- Be in good general health and feeling well
- Be at least 17 years-old, or 16-years-old with parental consent
- Weigh at least 110 lbs.
- Have not donated blood in the last 56 days

Tips

Drink plenty of water so you're hydrated before donating.

Have a healthy meal before you donate and try to avoid fatty foods.

Blood donation is a safe

Welcome to the 2014/15 School Year

Dear Parents and HSA Friends,

As we begin another new school year I would like to take this opportunity to welcome back our sophomores, juniors, seniors and their families. I would like to also offer a heartfelt welcome to our new families of freshmen students. We are off to a terrific start and I am happy to report that classes are running smoothly. Please know that my door is always open and I welcome your input and suggestions. There are many activities and events already scheduled so please check the web site - www.hsas.org for important updates and announcements.



AdvancED Continuing Accreditation Awarded

We are thrilled to report that our school was awarded continuing accreditation with the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA-CASI) on June 26 at the AdvancED Accreditation Commission meeting. This followed an internal and external quality review process.



Accreditation is a voluntary method of quality assurance designed to distinguish schools adhering to a set of educational standards. The

and simple procedure, and gives you the great feeling of having saved up to 3 lives.

Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)

HSA offers students an opportunity to take the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery, the most widely used multiple-aptitude test battery in the world. The ASVAB measures your strengths, weaknesses, and potential for future success. The ASVAB also provides you with career information for various civilian and military occupations and is an indicator for success in future endeavors whether you choose to enter college, vocational school, or a military career.

Test Dates for 2014-2015

16 September 2014
18 November 2014
17 February 2015
21 April 2015
19 May 2015

Students must be a junior or senior to take the test. Students also must sign up and receive a permission slip in JROTC.

Refer a Student - Get a Free Uniform Shirt and Tie

HSA has space available for incoming freshmen for the current school

accreditation process is recognized for its ability to effectively drive student performance and continuous improvement in education.

Powerful Practices Noted

- There is a strong, positive relationship between the school and the parents/guardians of the students.
- Several types of after-school activities are in place to assist students identified as at-risk.
- The school has a clear focus on college preparation and admission, and succeeds at a high level.



Science Accolades

HSA received the STEM Pioneering Award last month from Concept Schools. This award honors and recognizes schools that provide an outstanding educational program for students in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math.



State Science Day was hosted by The Ohio State University in Columbus in May with over 1200 participants. Two HSA students, **Oscar Rivera** and **Yoly Rodriguez**, competed in the 66th Annual State Science Fair following their advances at regional fairs.



Yoly Rodriguez received an achievement rating of *excellent* in recognition of her science project. Oscar Rivera received an achievement rating of *good* for his project exhibited at State Science Day. Receiving an *excellent* or *good* rating at State Science Day is a great opportunity and a personal victory lap for our students.

Special and Sponsor Awards included: The Ohio Section of the American Water Works Association (AWWA): Yoly Rodriguez- 2nd Place - \$75

The Ohio State University Department of Food Science & Technology: Yoly Rodriguez - \$2,000 scholarship to attend the Ohio State University in Food & Science Technology.

Heidelberg University: Oscar Rivera - \$2,000 scholarships renewable 3 times.

year.

Any current student who refers a new freshman student that enrolls this year will receive a FREE uniform shirt and tie.

Call the main office at 216-432 3660.

Wendy's Student of the Month Program



HSA is partnering with Wendy's restaurant at 5815 St. Clair Avenue on a new program for outstanding students. Each month teachers will nominate a student for selection. Students will have their photo posted on an HSA wall and will receive coupons for free food. Thank you to Wendy's for working with us on this and for supporting our students.

Voter Registration



Representatives from the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections will be assisting students with voter registration during the second lunch period on Citizenship Day, Wednesday, September 17. Voters must be registered in Cuyahoga County in order to vote in any election. In order to

JROTC News

US Navy Blue Angels to Visit HSA



Horizon Science Academy US Army JROTC Program is hosting the Navy's Blue Angels at a school assembly scheduled for **Friday, August 29**, prior to their performance at the Cleveland Air Show held over Labor Day weekend. Blue Angels pilots and support staff will show amazing arial videos and will speak to students about what it is like being a pilot for the Blue Angels. The

assembly will take place in the gymnasium from 8:30-9:30 am. Students will have the opportunity to ask the pilots question during the assembly.

HSA Grad serves aboard USS Nitze by Lieutenant Chad Murphy, Navy Office of Community Outreach

NORFOLK, Va. - A 2010 Horizon Science Academy graduate and Cleveland, Ohio, native is serving aboard USS Nitze (DDG 94), one of the world's most versatile multi-mission combat ships. **Petty Officer 3rd Class Stacie Anderson** is a machinist's mate aboard the Norfolk-based ship, an Arleigh Burke-class destroyer, that is longer than 1.5 football fields long at nearly 510 feet long. The ship is 66 feet wide and weighs more than 9,200 tons. As a 21 year-old with numerous



responsibilities, Anderson said she is learning about herself as a leader, sailor and a person. "I've learned a lot about my job here," she said. "I only fixed aircraft catapults on my last ship, but here I'm learning how to fix everything. It can be stressful, but you get into it." She also said she is proud of the work she is doing as part of the Nitze's 315-member crew, protecting America on the world's oceans. "We're doing our job as long as we keep our equipment running to its full potential," Anderson explained. "I take pride in knowing that everyone topside can operate the ship to its full potential."

"I am proud and amazed by the knowledge they display and the work my Sailors do every day," said **Cmdr. Michelle Nakamura**, the ship's commanding officer. As a member of one of the U.S. Navy's most versatile combat ships, Anderson and other USS Nitze sailors know they are part of a legacy that will last beyond their lifetimes. "It feels good to get all of our work done so we're ready," said Anderson. "Looking back I'll be glad for what I did and what I learned."

Picture Day Reminder

vote in Cuyahoga County, you must meet the following requirements:

You must be a United States Citizen;

You must be at least 18 years old on the day of the General Election;

You must be a resident of Ohio for at least 30 days before the election you wish to vote;

You must register to vote at least 30 days before an election to be eligible to vote. The General Election is on Tuesday, November 4, 2014.

School picture day is Wednesday, August 27. Please send all necessary paperwork to school with your student.

Academic Calendar 2014-15

1: Labor Day – No School
16: ASVAB Testing
19: Progress Report I Grades due
24: Mail Progress Report I

SEPTEMBER 2014						
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13: Columbus Day – No School
14: Picture Re-take day
21: Grades due
24: Mail Progress Report II
24: CS Prof. Development Day - No School for Students
27-31: Fall OGT (through November 3rd)
30: Parent Teacher Conferences (3 pm-6pm)

OCTOBER 2014						
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