

SCHAUMBURG HIGH SCHOOL

211 NEWSLETTER



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PRINCIPAL

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Welcome to 8th Grade Parents

With this issue you will begin receiving our monthly parent newsletter for the remainder of the year. We would like to officially welcome you to our Schaumburg High School family. Incredibly, your sons and daughters are only one semester away from entering high school. As you can see from the contents of the newsletter, we try to provide pertinent information for parents and take some time to recognize student accomplishments.

The registration process for incoming freshmen has already begun. To date, the following items should have been submitted to our Student Services Department: proof of residency, original birth certificate, and master enrollment form. Your student should have also taken the PSAT 8/9 Placement Test and the Xello Career Matchmaker Activity and received results for both, as well as have



identified elective courses which complement their identified Career Clusters.

If you have questions about any aspects of your student's transition to SHS, feel free to contact the Student Services Department at (847) 755-4630. We welcome your questions. Providing a quality education is best achieved with a unified effort of parents, teachers, students, and staff. I encourage you to join us in this partnership. Together we will continue the tradition of excellence that makes great things happen at Schaumburg High School!

Sincerely,

Timothy J. Little, Principal

SEAL OF BILITERACY

Township High School District 211 students earn the Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy by demonstrating high levels of proficiency in English and an additional language. Students can demonstrate proficiency in a target language by earning a 4 or 5 on an AP exam, I-5 on the AAPPL or Intermediate High on the STAMP exam. Illinois public universities will accept the State Seal of Biliteracy as equivalent to 2 years of foreign language coursework taken during high school if a student's high school transcript indicates that he or she received the State Seal of Biliteracy. Current languages available are Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), French, German, Hebrew, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, and Thai. Students interested in taking the APPPL or STAMP exam may pick up a registration form in the student services office. The exam will be administered between February 17 – 28, 2020, during the first half of the day. The exam consists of four modules and lasts approximately 2 to 4 hours. The assessment is not a timed test. There is a \$20 fee associated with the administration of this exam. Payment and registration will need to be submitted by the end of the school day January 31, 2020. Students who earn the Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy will be notified in May or July depending on availability of exam results. For more information on how to earn the Illinois Seal of Biliteracy please go to <https://adc.d211.org/academicshome/illinois-seal-of-biliteracy/>. Please contact the Student Services Office at 847-755-4630 with questions.

2020 CENSUS-BE COUNTED!

Beginning in March, the United States Census Bureau will invite households across the country to participate in the 2020 Census in order to count every person living in the U.S. 50 states, District of Columbia, and five U.S. territories. Learn more about the 2020 Census and why it's important to participate at <https://2020census.gov>. **Be counted!**

VIP SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO SENIORS!!

Seniors, whether you are planning to attend a 2- or 4-year university, or a technical/vocational school, the V.I.P. Club is offering scholarships that can be used for the pursuit of higher education to the SHS Class of 2020. You could pay tuition, buy books, or whatever else you need, plus the check is made payable to YOU, not your parents or the school!

Check out this year's scholarships being offered:

Academic Scholarships: One \$1,250.00 Academic Scholarship, three \$1,000.00 Academic Scholarships, and five \$750.00 Academic Scholarships will be awarded to students who have demonstrated their success at Schaumburg High School and in the community.

Jean Bajko Volunteerism Scholarship: One \$1,000.00 Volunteerism Scholarship will be awarded to a student who has demonstrated their volunteerism at Schaumburg High School and in the community.

Special Education Scholarship: One \$1,000.00 Special Education Scholarship will be awarded to an outstanding special education student who has demonstrated their success at Schaumburg High School and in the community. Students may apply for more than one category of scholarship; however, they can only be awarded one scholarship.

To be eligible for these scholarships, a senior's parent or guardian must be a member of the SHS VIP by December 1, 2019. Membership applications will be available on the SHS website under the Parents tab.

Scholarship applications will be available online on the SHS website Friday, November 15, 2019. All completed applications must be submitted online no later than Friday, February 14, 2020. Please contact Michelle Tunquist, mtunquist@gmail.com, if you have any questions.

Scholarship Committee Co-Chairs,
Sonya Mortell & Michelle Tunquist

For individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, please access the following TTD/TTY telephone number: (847) 755-4654.



If you require assistance while visiting our school, please contact the principal's office at (847) 755-4600.

dates to remember

January 20	Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School)
January 21	Late Start Classes – 8:50 a.m.
February 4	Late Start Classes – 8:50 a.m.
February 6	Winter Play – Auditorium – 7:00 p.m.
February 7	Winter Play – Auditorium – 7:00 p.m.
February 8	Winter Play – Auditorium – 2:00 pm
February 17	Presidents' Day (No School)
February 18	Late Start Classes – 8:50 a.m.
February 22	Winter Formal – Main Gym – 7:30 p.m.
March 3	Late Start Classes – 8:50 a.m.
March 17	Late Start Classes – 8:50 a.m.
March 23-27	Spring Break

SIGNIFICANT SAXONS

Congratulations to the following Saxon Pride winners:

Owen Adamitis	Payton McGraw
Rhea Arora	Megan McGuffin
Margad Baasansuren	Zoe Mihevc
Justin Bany	Zane Mohammad
Rainiel Bartolome	Corina Najjar
Alexander Brown	Tatum Neville
Christian Cantu	Dylan Ocampo
Jason Capota	Ashley Olvera
Anthony Cavalier	Casey Osborne
Carter Chalberg	BimBim Oyeleye
Faith Cleaves	Nina Patel
Anthony Delgado	Rohan Patel
Vanessa Dominguez	Meera Pradeepan
Victor Dorojan	Daniela Reyes
Rachel Ebert	Sebastian Reyes
La'Nya Galbreth	Daniella Reyna
Loreto Galvan-Alva	Sam Rickerson
Enrique Gonzalez	Jennifer Rios
Dayanara Gonzalez	Rebecca Robles
Lance Hamilton	Anita Stanfill
Ali Husain	Victoria Treni
Iuliia Hutsel	Jacqueline Tuzil
Hiba Khan	Tyler Wallander
Albert Kiszka	Jessica Wise
Glenn Knuth	Ryia Zolper
Ampara Lara	Nataliia Zubylo
Ben Marshall	

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SENIOR 2ND SEMESTER FINAL EXAM EXEMPTION

District 211 will again allow graduating seniors to exempt from their second semester final exams if they meet the following criteria:

- have at least a "C" average in the course
- have less than six absences from the class
- have no trancies from the class
- have not been suspended from the class
- are not incomplete on required assignments

Seniors not qualifying for the exemption will be allowed to participate in graduation ceremonies but will not receive a diploma on that day. Senior finals will be administered on May 20, 21 and 22. Diplomas will be given following the processing of final grades.

BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK

Blessings in a Backpack is a nonprofit program that partners with schools across America to ensure impoverished students are fed on the weekends throughout the school year. Better test scores, improved reading skills, positive behavior, improved health and increased attendance have all been attributed to the success of this program.

Schaumburg High School and Rotary Club of Schaumburg-Hoffman Estates partnered in 2013 to start the program at Schaumburg High School. We are currently in our fifth school year in partnering with Blessings in a Backpack. We have the capacity to serve 40 students. Students are selected one of three ways: McKinney-Vento homeless status, free and reduced lunch program eligibility, and staff referrals.

How you can get involved:

Food donations can be brought to the Student Services Office.

- Granola and fruit breakfast bars
- Cereal
- Oatmeal
- Chef Boyardee Ravioli, Beefaroni, Spaghetti and Meatballs
- Mashed potatoes
- Mac & Cheese
- Canned fruit
- Bottled drinks like Gatorade and Vitamin Water
- Fruit Snacks
- Cheese and crackers, Goldfish crackers
- Snack pack pudding
- Pasta
- Instant Rice
- Variety pack potato chips

Please note food items must be new and unopened. Expired food cannot be accepted.

If you have any further questions please contact Kristal Smith, School Social Worker, at ksmith@d211.org or (847) 755-4630.

GOT JOBS? IF NOT, COME TO "OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS"

Mark your calendars and save the date! On **Thursday, April 2nd, 2020** from 4 – 7 p.m. in the front showcase hallway, The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) is organizing a job fair entitled "**Opportunity Knocks**" for all Schaumburg High School students. Local Schaumburg Businesses are looking for Schaumburg High School students for part time and Summer work employment. "**Opportunity Knocks**" brings over 25 businesses to SHS so students have direct access to potential job opportunities! Some of our early committed business partners include, AMC Woodfield, Culvers, Jewel Foods, Bike Connection, Corrigan Moving, Home Depot, Kohls, McDonalds, Northwest Special Recreation Association (NWSRA), Schaumburg Library, District 211 (SHS), Schaumburg Park District, Target, and Walgreens to name a few.

The organizing committee is led by parent, Dan Alberth. For additional information contact:

Dan Alberth, Principal's Advisory Council "Opportunity Knocks" Co-Chair Email: dan.alberth@athenaprivatewealth.com

Tim Little, Principal, Schaumburg High School Email: tlittle@d211.org Phone: 847-755-4610

"Opportunity Knocks" is a great opportunity for our students, so stay tuned for more information on this exciting event.

D211 CAREER EXPO CALL FOR BUSINESSES

High School District 211 is hosting its 3rd Annual Career Expo on February 27, 2020 at Fremd High School in Palatine from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Career options will be showcased for students (freshmen-seniors) from Palatine, Fremd, Conant, Schaumburg and Hoffman Estates High Schools. We are looking for professionals from a variety of fields to share industry knowledge and experience and talk with students and parents about their career paths. College major and career choices are important decisions for young people, and we want to provide them with valuable information to help them make informed decisions about their futures.

Your participation would be greatly appreciated! No formal presentation is required, just a willingness to tell your story and share your career knowledge, as well as give advice and answer students' general career questions. Most professionals will be providing general career information, but there is an opportunity for your organization to offer summer internships, apprenticeships or full-time jobs to high school graduates. Our future workforce needs your guidance. We hope you will consider giving two hours of your time to inspire young people and help them learn about careers at this free event.

Visit <http://adc.d211.org/domain/4783> to learn more or businesses can register at <https://tinyurl.com/2020careerexpo>. Questions should be directed to District 211 Career Advisor Jan Brottman, jbrottman@d211.org

FRESHMEN, SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS TEST IN APRIL

Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors Test in April

SAT

The Illinois State Board of Education's required high school level assessment, The College Board Scholastic Achievement Test (SAT), will be administered throughout Illinois on Tuesday, April 14, 2020. This state-funded SAT fulfills the requirement of the Illinois School Code that students take the state's required assessment to be eligible to receive a regular high school diploma, unless eligible to take the alternative assessment or otherwise exempt from testing. The assessment measures student knowledge related to state standards with respect to examination purposes. This state-funded SAT can be used as a college or university entrance exam score.

Students can choose to take an additional SAT on a national test date to improve test scores. This option may be discussed with your child's school counselor to determine the benefits of additional testing and to receive information about national SAT tests the dates and costs. You can find detailed information about the SAT online at <http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat>. Fees charged by College Board for testing on national test dates are the responsibility of the individual students and/or parents. Fee waivers are available for qualifying students through the student services department.

<i>SAT Test Dates</i>	<i>Registration Deadline</i>	<i>Late Registration</i>
May 2, 2020	April 3, 2020	April 14, 2020
June 6, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 19, 2020

PSAT 10

Sophomores will be administered the PSAT 10 on Wednesday, April 15, 2020, to measure their progress in reading, writing, language, and math. You can find additional information about the PSAT 10 online at <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10>.

PSAT 9

Freshmen will be administered the PSAT 8/9 on Wednesday, April 15, 2020, to measure their progress in reading, writing, language, and math. You can find additional information about the PSAT 8/9 online at <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-8-9>.

Performance on these assessments helps District 211 improve curriculum and instruction to ensure that all students are college and career ready upon graduation from high school. The PSAT 9 and PSAT 10 identify areas to strengthen prior to the State-required junior year assessment. Students dismissed following exam. Please mark your calendars. Bus transportation will be available for those who normally use bus service to school and back according to their schedule.

	<i>Freshmen</i>	<i>Sophomores</i>	<i>Juniors</i>	<i>Seniors</i>
Tuesday, April 14, 2020	Do not report to school	Do not report to school.	SAT administration, junior students report to school. Students will be dismissed approximately at 12:30pm/1:15 pm	Do not report to school
Wednesday, April 15, 2020	PSAT 9 administration, freshmen students report to school. Students will be dismissed approximately at 11:15am/12:00pm	PSAT 10 administration, sophomore students report to school. Students will be dismissed approximately at 11:15am/12:00pm	Do not report to school	Do not report to school

March 12, 2020 Illinois Science Assessment (ISA)

Change in school day schedule. The Illinois Science Assessment (ISA), a state required science assessment, will be administered to all juniors on March 12, 2020. In order to accommodate the facility and staff requirements for these tests, freshman, sophomore and senior students will attend a late start schedule on March 12, 2020 (10:00 a.m. – 2:45 pm/10:40 – 3:30pm). Freshman, sophomore and senior students should report to their bus stop at 9:10am/9:55am on March 12. The ISA is aligned to the Illinois Learning Standards for Science incorporating the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). Visit <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Illinois-Science-Assessment.aspx> for more information.

	<i>Freshmen</i>	<i>Sophomores</i>	<i>Juniors</i>	<i>Seniors</i>
March 12 Modified Schedule	Late start (10:00am-2:45pm/10:40-3:30pm) Report to bus stop 9:10am/9:55am.	Late start (10:00 a.m. – 2:45 pm/10:40 – 3:30pm) Report to bus stop 9:10am/9:55am.	Students report to school at normal start times.	Late start (10:00 a.m. – 2:45 pm/10:40 – 3:30pm) Report to bus stop 9:10am/9:55am.