

Henninger HS

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HHS Newsletter

Happy New Year to all Black Knight Families!

As we welcome in 2023 let us renew our commitments and celebrate what we have achieved. The Henninger school family has made some positive strides since the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year. We have placed an emphasis on increasing our daily attendance rate and on time arrival to class and the large percentage of students are complying with this expectation. Many are prepared for classes by bringing their laptops with them daily and having their basic supplies. Our task of providing a safe learning environment depends on our students' personal stake in their education, and we will continue to promote and model appropriate examples of behavior. Your continued support is appreciated.

In recent meetings with Superintendent Davis, the student leadership team highlighted issues of concern. This representative group cited a lack of school spirit and associated activities as issues for the administrative team to tackle. As Principal, I **want** students to attend athletic events, school plays and concerts. I **want** our school family to support one another and enjoy the traditional high school experience. To that end, we are planning ways to celebrate our students and involve them more in decision-making. Our first opportunity to honor students will occur during Regents week. For all students who sit for scheduled Regents tests they will enjoy **Make Your Own Sundaes** on January 30th. Additionally, students earning honor roll status will be given certificates and a special breakfast to acknowledge their achievements.

I want to create a **Breakfast with the Principal** monthly opportunity. As I said in my December newsletter, working together is a partnership. Having this gathering will enable me to meet parents/guardians, listen to your concerns, and let me share my thoughts about Henninger with you. So that you can plan accordingly, here are the dates:

- January 12
- February 9
- March 9
- April 13
- May 11
- June 8

All meetings will begin at 9:00AM and will be held in the upstairs cafeteria. Please enter the building through the front entrance. An RSVP would be appreciated, and you can do so by calling the Main Office at 315-435-4343 or by emailing me at Sdowdell@scsd.us. I look forward to your participation.

Thanks for the chance to serve our students and I wish you all a Happy, Safe and Prosperous New Year!

Respectfully,

Principal Dowdell

