

Homestead High School 5000 W. Mequon Road, Mequon, Wisconsin 53092

Parent Newsletter

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

With the end of the 2007-2008 school year fast approaching, it is a good time to briefly look back on many positive Homestead highlights. Hopefully your student has had a successful year through the achievement of goals in and out of the classroom.

From an academic standpoint we continue to be proud of the results we receive regarding student performance on standardized tests such as the ACT, SAT, Advanced Placement and the WKCE.

Quality extracurricular performances from our students in music, drama, forensics, computer science and math teams, Science Olympaid and athletics have been recognized through out the North Shore Conference and the state. School-wide events such as Homecoming, the AFS Variety Show, Prom and Post Prom were enjoyed by large numbers of students. Volunteer service in our school and community has never been stronger and flows out of government classes, National Honor Society, student social action clubs, the Merit Award program, etc. The above successes (and more) do not happen without the commitment and effort of dedicated faculty and staff working with your sons and daughters.

Thank you for the significant role you have played in the above accomplishments. It is rewarding to work with you on behalf of your children, and a special thanks goes out to the many parent volunteers who help us out so unselfishly throughout the year.

As we look ahead to next year, I would ask for your continued support of our efforts as we work through the difficult financial challenges in our district. Early in the new school year a plan will be laid out explaining how the district proposes to address the continuing budget deficit. Together we can all strive to be part of the solution.

May your summer be enjoyable, safe and relaxing and a special "Congratulations" to the class of 2008 and their parents.

> Mark Roherty Principal

HALL LOCKER CLEANOUT

Each student is issued a hallway locker at the beginning of the school year. As we come to the end of the year, please note that all lockers need to be emptied out by the end of final exams on Thursday, June 12. Later that day locks will be removed, and the custodial crew will begin the cleaning process. Personal belongings left behind by students will be collected. Those items will be kept in a lost and found area in the office until the end of June and then given to charity if not claimed.

We appreciate each student taking care of this clean out responsibility and also checking the lost and found box for any personal items, especially clothing, that have been missing during the second semester.

HOMESTEAD PARKING **LOTTERY 2008-2009**

Homestead High School will continue to assign parking spots to next year's juniors and seniors via a computer lottery designed to determine the selection of spaces. During the week of May 19-22 students have been invited to register in the lottery. In order to register for the lottery students had to put down a twenty-dollar deposit toward a parking fee and have all detentions served that are on record. Next year's juniors and seniors will be assigned to numbered parking spaces based on preferences they indicate when they sign up online. The lottery has been designed to give priority to next year's seniors for the parking spaces. Future juniors will get the remaining spaces after seniors are placed. When available spaces are all taken, the juniors who do not get a space will be placed on a waiting list. The computer lottery results will be posted on Tuesday, May 27.

Students who want a parking spot at Homestead must have a valid driver's license or learner's permit by August, 2008. Administration will make ten spaces available for temporary single day parking for seniors and juniors who do not have reserved spaces. These spots are available at a daily fee of \$2 and allotted on a "first come, first serve" basis. Next year's sophomores will NOT be allowed to park at Homestead.

The parking fee for 2008-2009 will be \$300. Students will have already put down a payment of \$20 to be in the lottery. The remaining balance will be due during Homestead High School registration in August.

SUPER MATHEMATICIANS

Congratulations to Homestead High School's Super Mathematicians Hannah Shaw, Jonathan Yu and Arjun Adusumilli who recently participated in a "Who wants to be a Super Mathematician" contest in Madison.

Twenty students from throughout the state were selected based on a qualifying test to compete in a contest similar to "Who wants to be a millionaire." All three Homestead students earned a cash prize by advancing to the final round, and additional prize money was earned by Hannah and Jonathan who tied for 2nd place over-

V.O.I.C.E.S.

V.O.I.C.E.S. (Voices Of Inspiration for our Children's Educational Support) has had the pleasure of presenting our INSPIRE award to eight deserving recipients this year. The INSPIRE award is given in appreciation to regular education teachers and staff who go out of their way to enhance the school experience of students who struggle. These professionals inspire students and others to see the possibilities and capabilities in every student.

The dedicated professionals who received this award this year are Mark Roherty, HHS; Carrie Wilson, Lake Shore; Tara Breitkreutz, Donges Bay; Ellen Puerling, Donges Bay; Jill Anderson, Wilson; Mary Jo Tye, Oriole Lane; Bob Dunning, Donges Bay, and Deb Anderson, Steffen. Nominations for the inspire award can be made by e-mailing Bo Dowsett at billnbo@aol.com with the nominee's name and reason for nomination.

V.O.I.C.E.S. is comprised of experienced parents and staff working together to provide families in the M-T School District with guidance in accessing help for students who struggle. Our school district provides many resources to help ensure academic success for all students. V.O.I.C.E.S. welcomes your input and/or participation.

OUTSTANDING STUDENT WRITERS

Congratulations to two outstanding freshmen students for writing excellence in response to the Holocaust Essay Contest, a program of the Harry & Rose Samson Family Jewish Community Center. Rahul Subramanian, son of Rama and Lalitha Subramanian, earned first place, and Robin Lieberman, daughter of Karen Lieberman, won second place in this essay competition. Responding to the prompt, "This year is the 70th anniversray of Kristallnacht, November 9-10, 1938. How was Kristallnacht a turning point in Hitler's war against the Jews? Do you see any parallels in today's world? Explain - why or why not," writing participants conveyed their opinions while simultaneously demonstrating outstanding writing skills. In Division I of this writing contest, over 230 students from sixteen different schools participated. Both Rahul and Robin are students in Mrs. Judy Johnson's Honors English 9 class. As first and second place winners, they will enjoy a trip, sponsored by the Habush Family Foundation, to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. Members of the Harry & Rose Samson Family Jewish Community Center officially honored these two students at the Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony held on Sunday, May 4th.

LATINA VIVIT!

The results of the 2008 National Latin Exam are in and once again our Homestead classicists have shown that Latin is indeed alive at Homestead High School. This past March, 142 of our students participated in the National Latin Exam which was administered to nearly 150,000 Latin students throughout the U.S. We are proud to announce that nearly one-third of the students at Homestead achieved national recognition for their efforts.

43 Homestead Latin students received awards with 21 receiving either a gold or silver medal, achieving summa or maxima cum laude distinction.

In addition one of our Gold medalists earned the outstanding distinction of a "perfect" score on his exam. That individual is Jordan Kohner, junior. This is the first year Homestead has had a student receive a perfect score. In fact, last year, in the National Latin III Prose exam only 23 students out of nearly 18,000 exams received a perfect score. We applaud Jordan's achievement!

Homestead students who attained a GOLD medal in 2008 are: Jill Burton, Elizabeth Kontarovich, Kevin Schreiner, Jordan Kodner, and Brooke Schueller.

SILVER medalists include: Arjun Adusumilli, Sarah Balistreri, Marissa Buzzanca, Nika Gokhman, Michelle Hillenbrand, Lindsey Kent, Samantha Kailas, Olga Kontarovich, Katie Nash, Ben Peterson, Claire Prewitt, Justyna Przychocka, Tyler Ross, Tyler Schmidt, Max Silver, and Joseph Urbashich.

Great work Homestead! Optima opera Caledonii!

HOMESTEAD HIGH SCHOOL 2007-2008 SCHOOL CALENDAR

(Please also check our Web Site: www.mtsd.k12.wi.us)

PLEASE SAVE/KEEP HANDY FOR YEAR-LONG REFERENCING!

May 15	Orchestra Spring Concert - 7:30 P.M Auditorium			
May 16	4th Quarter Progress Reports Mailed			
May 20	Band Spring Concert - 7:00 P.M.			
May 21	Awards Night - 7:00 P.M. –Auditorium			
May 23	Early Release for Students – 11:10 A.M.			
May 26	Memorial Day - No School			
June 1	Choral Scholarship Benefit Concert - 7:00 P.M			
	Auditorium			
June 5	Merit Award Ceremony, 6:00 P.M.			
June 12	4th Quarter Ends			
June 10, 11, 12	2nd Semester FINAL EXAMS / End of Semester June 12			
June 12	Graduation Practice - (11:00 A.M.) - HHS Fieldhouse			
June 15	Graduation - Homestead High School Field House - 2:00			
	P.M.			
Homestead's PTSO meetings are third Thursday of the month				

(unless otherwise noted) in HHS Conference Room.

SECOND SEMESTER EXAM SCHEDULE FOR 2007-2008

MONDAY, JUNE 9

Exam Exemption List Posted by 7:25 A.M.

Students Notify Teachers of Exemption Plans by 3:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, JUNE 10

7:25 - 8:55: PERIOD 8 EXAM 9:15 - 10:45: PERIOD 7 EXAM Buses Depart at 10:55 A.M.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11

7:25 - 8:55: PERIOD 6/5 EXAM 9:15 - 10:45: PERIOD 4 EXAM 10:55 - 11:35: LUNCH 11:45 - 1:15: PERIOD 3 EXAM

Buses Depart at 1:30 P.M.

THURSDAY, JUNE 12

7:25 - 8:55: PERIOD 2 EXAM 9:15 - 10:45: PERIOD 1 EXAM Buses Depart at 10:55 A.M.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AVAILABLE FOR THE HIGHLANDER

Interested parents/guardians can now subscribe to our school newspaper, *The Highlander*, for the 2008-09 school year at a cost of \$14. We anticipate about six or more issues tentatively set to come out around the beginning of October, November, and December and again in February, March and May. Simply fill out the form below and enclose your \$14 check made out to Homestead High School by *Thursday*, *June 12. Fill out the form below and mail it to Mark Roherty at Homestead High School, 5000 W. Mequon Road, Mequon, WI 53092.*

Subscription to $\it The\ Highlander$

Your Name _			
Your Address	8	 	

Remember to enclose your \$14 check.

THANK YOU

The Post Prom Committee and the students and staff at Homestead High School would like to thank the following organizations and businesses for their generous support of Post Prom as a safe, fun and alcoholfree option for our students following Prom.

A.C. Zuckerman Jewelers Lakeshore Middle School Centennial Bar & Grille PTO The Last Detail Concordia University Wisconsin Leonardos M & H Industrial Service, Darkside Donges Bay Elementary Inc. M-T PPI School PTO Egelhoff Lawn Mower Mac Pyles Partnership Mark Berman & Son Service, Inc. Erik of Norway Men's Warehouse Mequon Copy Master Mequon-Thiensville Ferrantes Floral Affair Four Seasons Fromm Family Foods Optimist Club Mequon Woman's Club Michael I. Kim, DDS Godin's Piggly Wiggly Gold & Gems Moorehead & Rhode Goody Two Shoes Network Photo Holter Agency, Inc. North Shore Country Club Howard J. Schroeder Northern Lights North Shore Mobil American Legion Post The Nicholas Family Impressions Junior Woman's Club of Oriole Lane Elementary Mequon-Thiensville School PTO

Pick N' Save Portraits & Dreams Pour Vous Salon Regency Florist Riemer's Riversite Restaurant Schmidt & Bartelt Funeral Service Schmit Ford-Mercury Sendik's Shoot the Moon Silver Spray Sommer's Buick-Pontiac-Subaru Steffen Middle School PTO Telsmith, Inc. Thiensville-Mequon Small Animal Clinic Trust Tire Visual Image Photography

Wells Fargo Bank Worzella Photography

THANK YOU!

Our 3rd Annual KILT Fund SPRING LADIES LUNCHEON was a wonderful success!

A very special thank you to all our guests and all supporters of the Mequon-Thiensville Education Foundation KILT Fund project this

Your generosity will benefit each and every student in the Mequon-Thiensville School District. Together we raised nearly \$60,000 this year toward our SMART Board project!



OPENING OF THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

The 2008-09 school year begins on Tuesday, September 2 for all freshmen and students new to Homestead. All other students are to report on Wednesday, September 3.

More specific information will be mailed to you in July and August on details connected with the start of school.

Registration for 2008-2009 will take place in the Homestead cafeteria from Wednesday, August 13 through Friday, August 15. The times for registration on each of the three days will be from 8:00 A.M. - Noon and 1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

HOMESTEAD RETIREE

Homestead High School extends thanks and appreciation to Lin Lesar, guidance counselor, who will be retiring at the end of the school year after 19 years of service at our school.

Upon her retirement we express a deep sense of gratitude and especially thank her for reaching out and caring for students, colleagues and parents throughout her outstanding career.

2008 HHS FALL ATHLETICS

Practice times listed are approximate - adjustments may occur before the season begins. Many sports have basic requirements forparticipation. For more information about these basic requirements, please contact the appropriate coach.

CHEERLEADING - FOOTBALL: Head Coach:

Missa Farrington (262-424-8184)

Level: Varsity 10-15

Number of Athletes: Team Selection: First Date of Practice: Tryout dates are May 5-8, 2008; 6:00pm-8:00pm, Aux Gym Spring: May 20 & 22, 6:30pm-8:30pm Aux Gym; Fall: August 18 Mon, Wed, & Thur, 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Practice Times Up to August 28:
Practice Location:
September 2 - November 6:
Saturday Practices:
Equipment Needed:
CROSS-COUNTRY BOYS:
Head Coach:

Dan Claussen (262-238-5665 or 262-242-6897) Levels:

JV & Varsity August 18, 2008 9:00-11:00am Homestead Track First Date of Practice: First Date Time: Practice Location: August 18-29 Practices:

9:00am-11:00am (all levels)/Varsity level will also practice 3:00-

Andy Edington (262-238-5932) JV & Varsity August 18, 2008

8:00-10:00am Homestead Track 8:00am – 10:00am (all levels)

Varsity: 8-10 / JV: 30 (approximate)

Annette Schott & Amanda Judson

Running shoes, sports watch and water bottle

Homestead Aux Gym Mon, Wed, & Thur, 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Varsity: 12minute or under - 2 mile time trial on the 1st day JV: 30 (approximate)

3:00-5:00pm All Levels

Appropriate shoes

Running shoes, sports watch and water bottle August 25, 2007, 2008 7:00pm

Practices Sept 2 thru end: Saturday Practices: Equipment Needed: Parent/Athlete Meeting

Number of Athletes:

CROSS-COUNTRY GIRLS: Head Coach:

Levels: First Date of Practice: First Date Time: Practice Location: August 18-26 Practices:

August 18-26 Practices: Number of Athletes: Practices Aug 27 thru end: Saturday Practices: Equipment Needed: Parent/Athlete Meeting DANCE TEAM:

Coach:

Levels: Team Selection: Try Outs: Team Selection Location of Try Outs: Number of Athletes: Parent/Athlete Meeting:

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May 15, 2008, 6:30-8:00pm, Cafeteria Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday Evenings, Time 5:00-7:30pm

Summer Practice Times: Summer Camp: Fall/Winter Practices: Equipment Needed: Wednesday, and Thursday Evenings, Later Evenings Information given upon team appointment

FOOTBALL: Head Coach: Equipment Handout:

Dave Keel (262-238-5825)
9th Grade, JV, & Varsity
August 8, 2008; Time: 8:00am-10:30am
Location: PE Locker Room Entrance
Aug 8th – 23rd including Saturdays; Time: 7:30am-2:00pm
Location: HHS Practice Fields 10-12 Grade Practices:

August 18th – 23rd; Time: 8:30am-3:00pm Location: 1st day meet in Cafeteria All levels: Time: 2:30-5:30pm Varsity: 60; JV: 35; 9th Grade: 50 9th Grade Practices:

Practices August 25th thru End: Number of Athletes: Varsity only Varsity only Football Cleats Homestead High School August 23, 2008

Saturday Practices: Equipment Needed: Practice Location: Parent/Athlete Meeting GOLF – GIRLS: Head Coach:

Levels: First Date of Practice: First Date of Practice: First Date Time: First Date Location: Aug 11-Aug 29 Practice Times: Number of Athletes: Practices Sept 2 thru end: Saturday Practices:

John Krueger (262-238-5835) JV & Varsity August 11, 2008 August 11, 2000 2:00-5:00pm All levels Meekwon Golf Course 3:00-6:00pm - Based upon available tee times

JV & Varsity combined 16-20

3:00-5:30pm

Equipment Needed: Practice Location: Home Meet Location: Parent/Athlete Meeting:

SOCCER - BOYS: Head Coach: Levels: Number of Athletes: First Date of Practice:

Practices August 19-22:

Practices August 25 thru End: Saturday Practices: Equipment Needed: Practice & Home Contest: Optional Summer Practice:
Parent/Athlete Meeting:
SWIMMING & DIVING – GIRLS: Head Coach:

Levels: Number of Athletes: First Date of Practice: First Date Time: Practices August 12-August 30:

Practices September 2 thru End: Saturday Practices: Diving Practice:

Equipment Needed: Parent/Athlete Meeting: TENNIS – GIRLS: Head Coach: Levels: Number of Athletes: First Date of Practice: First Date Time: Practice Location: Practices August 12-22:
Practices August 25 thru End:
Saturday Practices:
Equipment Needed:

Parent/Athlete Meeting: VOLLEYBALL – BOYS: Head Coach: Levels: Number of Athletes:

Number of Athletes: First Date of Practice: Practices August 20-24: Practice Aug 27 thru End: Saturday Practices: Saturday Contests: Equipment Needed: Practice & Home Contest:

Parent/Athlete Meeting: <u>VOLLEYBALL – GIRLS:</u> Head Coach:

Levels:

Number of Athletes: First Date of Practice: Practices August 18-20:

Practice August 22 - 29: Practices Sept thru end: Saturday Practices: Saturday Contests: Team Selection: Equipment Needed: Practice & Home Contest: Golf Clubs, golf shoes, collared shirt, khaki shorts and pants Meekwon,Local Country Clubs, Missing Links and Nichol Park JV: Meekwon Varsity: Local Country Clubs Wednesday August 14, 2008, 4:00pm – Location: TBA

Rich Dorn (262-821-9922) 9th Grade, JV & Varsity
Each level: approx. 18-24
August 18, 2008 All levels; Times: 8:00-10:00am & 1:00-3:00pm Location: HHS Soccer Field

Two practices for each level Tuesday-Friday: One AM & PM Time Range: 8:00am-10:00am, 1:00pm-3:00pm or 3:00pm-5:00pm

9th Grade 3:00-5:00pm; JV: 3:00-5:00pm; Varsity: 3:00-5:00pm Varsity may have some Saturday practices Soccer cleats, running shoes, shin guards, & water bottle.

HHS Soccer Fields

TBA Monday August 25, 2008 @ 5:30pm

Mark Gwidt (262-238-5809) JV & Varsity
JV & Varsity combined 50
August 12, 2008

8:30-11:30am JV & V 8:30-11:30am, Varsity Saturdays 7:00-9:00am, JV

Saturdays TBA 3:00 – 5:30pm Varsity only (Time: TBA) Summer Practice – TBA

School Year Practice – 3pm – 5:00pm (Mon-Fri & Sat TBA) Swim Suit, cap, goggles, & towel TBA

Jackie Egelhoff (262-242-5634) JV-1, JV-2 & Varsity JV-1 & JV-2: 12-14; Varsity: 10 August 12, 2008 9:00-11:00am - All levels HHS Tennis Courts All Levels 9:00am - 12:00pm - not including Saturdays

3:00-5:00pm No Saturday practices, however, there are many varsity matches

Wednesday, August 13, 6:00pm, Tennis Courts

Dana Mortellaro (262-385-1358) 9th Grade, JV & Varsity

Sin Grade, 57 & Arabiy Bach level: 12-15 players August 25, 2008 – All Levels All Levels – 10:00am – 12:00pm & 1:00 – 3:00pm 9th Grade & JV Levels: 3:00 – 5:00pm, Varsity 4:00-6:00pm

Varsity might practice some Saturdays

Shoes, shorts, t-shirt, water bottle HHS Field House & Main Gym

TBA (If you plan to go out for volleyball, make sure the activities offices has your name and address. Information will be mailed as soon as a coach is hired.

9th Grade, JV & Varsity
Each level: 12-15 players
August 18, 2008 – All Levels

TBA, usually there are two practices per day for the first three

days TBA TRA Varsity only

Cuts have taken place at each level in previous years

August 16th, at 7:30pm, Cafeteria HHS Field House & Main Gym

Mequon-Thiensville Education Foundation The M-T Community



5k Walk/Run The Many Hands Project



Sunday, June 1, 2008

Start and Finish at Homestead High School Parking Lot 9:00 AM START

Strong Communities and Strong Schools Go Hand In Hand Visit www.mtef.org for route and additional information.

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First/Last Name (person completing the form)	MT Community Run/Walk Waiver					
Address					This entry contains a waiver and a limit on	
CityState		Zip			your legal rights. In consideration of my entry, I for myself, my heirs and all participating	
Home Phone					sponsors and supporters and the directors, employees and agents of such parties forfeit all	
Cell Phone					claims arising or resulting from my traveling to, participating in, and returning from said	
Official 2008 M-T Community 5k Ru	Jn/V	Walk Ra	Ce Entry		race. I attest and verify that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in this race	
First Name Last Name	M/F	Age	ADULT S-M-L-XL-XXL	CHILD	and that I assume those risks. I realize	
		_	-		expressly that this is a very strenuous activity and that to the best of my knowledge my	
		-	-		training and health are adequate for me to	
		_	-		safely participate in said race. Further, I will	
		+			assume and pay my own medical and emergency expenses in the event of an	
		1			accident, illness or other incapacity regardless	
					of whether I authorized such expenses. Further	
Non-refundable entry fees:	Г				I agree to defend, indemnity and hold harmless the *Mequon-Thiensville Education	
\$20 over 18 years old		MAIL TO:			the *Mequon-Thiensville Education Foundation and the race organizing committee	
\$10 5-18 years old					including any and all participation sponsors	
Free 4 years old and younger		MTEF / Community			and supporters, against all claims, damages	
		Run / Walk			and cause of action including court costs and attorney fees, directly and indirectly arising	
(Race day registration \$25 all participants)		PO. Box 514			from any proceedings brought by or	
Will not be able to participate but would like to		M WI 52002			prosecuted for my benefit contrary to this	
donate. \$		Mequon, WI 53092			agreement. Further, I hereby acknowledge that I have sole responsibility for my persona	
I am an Elite Runner					possessions and athletic equipment during this	
A t-shirt is included for those paying an entry		For registration information call			race.	
fee. Additional shirts my be ordered for \$5 each.		262-242-9336 or				
Total Enclosed \$		262-238-7556			Date	
OFFICIAL USE ONLY: Race # Check # Cash						

ANNUAL ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION 2008-2009 School Year

Under AHERA (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act), all primary and secondary schools are required to develop and implement a plan for managing all building materials which contain asbestos. Included in the AHERA Act is the requirement to annually notify all workers and building occupants (or their guardians) of asbestos-related activities.

Beginning in 1988, all buildings owned, leased, or "under the control of" the School District were inspected by EPA accredited inspectors, with building material samples analyzed by an independent laboratory. Based on the inspection, the School District prepared and the state approved a comprehensive management plan for managing the asbestos.

Where the asbestos-containing materials are found, the District has in place an Operations and Maintenance program.

The District has accomplished the following compliance mandates regarding the administration of asbestos in school buildings:

- Environmental Management Consulting, Inc. (EMC) was contracted to be the school's consultant for asbestos.
- The District is continuing with the Operations and Maintenance Program as designed for the School District. This
- ensures that all asbestos materials are kept in good condition. Periodic "surveillance" in each area containing asbestos has been completed every six months by our consultant. Also, the buildings are re-inspected by an accredited inspector every three years.

All outside contractors shall contact the lead maintenance person before commencing work.

A copy of the Asbestos Management Plan is available for review by contacting the school office. Questions related to this plan should be directed to the designated Asbestos Program, Manager, Jon Zickermann, who can be reached at 262-238-5659.

Our goal at the District is to be in full compliance with asbestos regulations.

It is our policy to maintain a safe and healthful environment for our students and our staff members.



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