

High School South Weekly Update

PTSA News

Important upcoming Events

- **Oct. 19-20:** [Special, ONE-TIME only ACT Prep event ONLINE](#) from 9 a.m.- 1 p.m. Join PLAYBOOK Founder, and WWPHS South Alum, Jared Friedland for an ACT Boot Camp at South. Jared was a National Merit Scholar in high school, an Ivy League grad, and has earned over 30 perfect scores on the SAT and ACT. The PLAYBOOK's ACT Boot Camp is the definitive course for students who want to march into the test with confidence, momentum, and every key strategy fresh in their mind. Tuition is \$195 for the entire weekend, which includes 8 hours of expert in-person instruction and tips and strategies from an instructor who has helped thousands of students to maximize their score. For more information on this special prep opportunity or to enroll, visit LEARNTHEPLAYBOOK.COM and click Upcoming SAT & ACT Boot Camps on the menu bar. You can also email info@learntheplaybook.com or call 888.602.9072. ****This event is SPONSORED by the PTSA****
- **Oct. 23: SAT/ACT Fair** - The High School **South PTSA** invites students and parents to join us for an informational evening in High School South Commons 1 and the Playhouse Theater. The evening will begin with the **SAT/ACT Fair** from 6 - 7:30 p.m. An array of vendors will be available.
- **Oct. 23: PTSA General Meeting - "Paying for College."** Come to the High School South Playhouse at 7:30 p.m. to learn what the FAFSA is all about! Representative, Heather Hillman, from HESAA (Higher Education Student Assistance Authority) Financial Aid Office will be there to give practical tips for college financing, answer questions and help with the application.
- **Nov. 12: Coffee with the Counselors:** The PTSA is delighted to announce a monthly event called Coffee with the Counselors. HSS counselors have

generously agreed to present a panel and take questions from the parents on the second Tuesday of every month from 8:45-9:45 a.m. in the HSS Commons.

Please [sign up for a slot](#) (Only 1 member per family please).

- **PTSA membership is now open!** You can either [sign up online](#) or any of our meetings or by simply returning your membership form to the school front office.

Useful links: [PTSA Website](#) | [Membership & Scholarship Donations](#) | If you have questions about information in the PTSA section please [email](#) us.

Post Prom

- **Oct 20: [Pocketbook Bingo](#)** - High School South Post Prom will be holding a Pocketbook Bingo at **2 p.m.** at Millstone River School. Call all your friends and reserve your seat today! Win designer handbags and other tricky tray raffle prizes. For any questions, send an [email](#) to us or email us by Friday Oct. 19 at 5 p.m. if you want to pay by Venmo.
- Post Prom is the Best ShinDig of the year. [Please Write A Check \(PWAC\) to help support Post Prom.](#)
- We are collecting **McCaffrey's Receipts** all year long. Please bring them into the Front office Marked for PTSA Post Prom.

Useful links: [Post Prom Website](#) | [Post Prom Email](#)

SEPTSA

- SEPTSA is a districtwide PTSA supporting parents, guardians and students who receive special education, related services and accommodations for physical, emotional and or learning challenges.
- If you have a student with an IEP or a 504 plan and you missed our table at Back To School Night, click [here](#) for the membership form. **SEPTSA's First Parent Workshop** is Nov. 14, 7 p.m. at Community Middle School. Dr. Teresa

Herrero Taylor, PhD BCBA-D, will present on the evaluation referral process and assessments (educational, psychological, speech-language) conducted by the child study team. Learn more about how testing determines special education eligibility and shapes IEP development.

Useful Links: [WW-P SEPTSA Facebook](#) | [WW-P SEPTSA Website](#)

School News

- Jesse Bassett from Good Grief in Princeton will be presenting 7 p.m. Thursday Oct. 24, at HSS. All parents and staff are welcome.
- Check out the [Academic Calendar](#) to see upcoming dates.
- **WWPHS South Hall of Honor:** Join us at the 11th induction ceremony of the WWPHS South Hall of Honor on Nov. 2! The hall of honor was founded to connect the past to the present and the future; in recognizing those who have brought honor to our school we keep alive the spirit of South. These honorees are an integral part of our history. Check out the [website for this year's inductees and to purchase tickets](#) or send a check (for \$25 made out to WWPHSS Hall of Honor) to Cathy Tantum at HSS.
- AP Exam Registration: [High School students planning to take AP exams must register online between Oct. 4 and Nov. 8.](#) Cost is \$105 per exam. Questions can be directed to the appropriate high school counseling department.

Senior News

- Reminder the **next payment** of \$450 for Disney is due the week of Oct. 21-25
- Mark your calendars for the **last Disney payment** of \$275 due the week of Nov. 18-22.

- The **LAST DAY TO DROP** from the Senior trip and still receive a refund is Nov. 29.
- Support the seniors at the after school bake sale the week of Oct. 28. Be on the lookout for the sign up genius to assist in providing baked goods.
- There are still a few Class of 2020 hoodies left for sale for \$30. See Mrs. Javick or Mrs. Brown to purchase one. As always, any questions, please reach out to Lisa Brown or Krissy Javick.

Athletics

- [Winter Sports Registration for high school students](#) is open on Genesis until 11 p.m. Oct. 25.

Around the District News

- Save the date for the **High School North National Honor Society's Trunk or Treat** 4-6 p.m. Oct. 26 in the HSN Stadium Parking Lot. Click [here](#) for more information on this event.
- Parents and students (ages 11 and up) are invited to join HSN and Community Middle School student organizations **HEAL and NuYu Friday, Oct. 25** at 6 p.m. at High School North for a one-of-a-kind seminar on mental wellbeing with renowned speakers and mental health advocates. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.
- Village and Millstone River Schools are holding a **coat drive for a local charity**. The schools will be accepting clean, gently worn winter jackets and coats as well as NEW hats, scarves, gloves and mittens. Donations can be dropped off **Saturday, Oct. 26** from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Millstone River School.

District Updates

- [District Website](#) | [Academic Calendars](#) | [Event Calendar](#)

Counseling and Wellness

- A special Parent University event will be held **Thursday, Oct. 24, 7 p.m.** at High School South. The Road to Resilience: Developing a Growth Mindset offers parents practical strategies in supporting child and adolescent resiliency, grit and perseverance. The importance of healthy coping mechanisms, emotional intelligence and supportive relationships to overcome adversity will be discussed. Please visit the district website for more information on this and other upcoming [Parent University Events](#).

Community Education

- **Cultivating Joy After Loss** - Monday, Oct. 28. Presented by Blindspot Training. Adults will learn strategies to work through loss and begin to bring more joy into their life. Sign up through [Community Education](#) under 2019-20 Adult & Youth Programs. Please note: There is a cost associated with this program. *This is not a substitute for grief counseling.*
- Tennis Anyone? **Family Fun Friday** is Nov. 15. Presented by TGA of Mercer County - Children and parents, come out for a night of family fun, with tennis and snacks! Learn basic skills of the game in a non-competitive environment. All equipment is provided. Sign up through Community Education under 2019-20 Adult & Youth Programs. Please note: There is a cost associated with this program.
- **Extended Day Program** registration is ongoing throughout the school year! [Sign up when you need it.](#)
- Space is still available in the morning and afternoon **Kindergarten Extension**. Register through [Community Education](#) under 2019-20 Extended Day, KE, Pre-K.

Community Events

- Are you looking for programs, clubs and things to do around WW-P? Check out the [community event section](#) on the district's website!

Food Services

- Make sure to download [Sodexo's So Happy app](#)! Download the app to view nutritional information, allergens and more. Check out the [menus](#) for October!

WW-P Board of Education

- Check out the upcoming [Board of Education Meetings](#) and materials.

WW-P Education Foundation

- Mark your calendars for the [WW-P Education Foundation's Julia Robinson Mathematics Festival](#) Oct. 19, 2019, at Grover Middle School. This event is broken up by grade level: grades K-3 will meet from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and grades 4-8 will meet from 2-4 p.m.

Make sure to follow the district on WW-P's official social media pages.

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