



Harper Woods Campus News

News from Harper Woods Middle School and Harper Woods High School

Spring 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 11 HWHS Prom at the Roostertail 7 p.m. – 11 p.m.

May 16 National Junior Honor Society Induction 6 p.m. – HWHS auditorium

May 18 4th Quarter Progress Reports distributed

May 19 Community Health & Wellness Fair 11 a.m.–2 p.m. at HWHS

May 22 HWHS Senior Cap and Gown Ceremony 6 p.m. – HWHS auditorium

May 24 Spring Concert 7 p.m. – HWHS auditorium

May 25 Early release for students at 10:51 a.m.

May 25 Senior Car Parade through the City of Harper Woods beginning at approximately 11:30 a.m.

May 31 HWHS Honor Ceremony 8:58 a.m. – HWHS auditorium

June 2 HWHS Senior Commencement Ceremony at Music Hall in Detroit – 11:00 a.m.

June 8 HWMS Middle School Cedar Point Trip

June 9 HWSD End of Year Celebration Barbeque at Johnson Park Noon–4 p.m.

June 15 Last day for students. Students are released at 10:51 a.m.

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HWMS is a Candidate School in the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme An exciting new learning opportunity awaits Harper Woods Middle School students. In September 2018, HWMS will begin implementing the curriculum framework and instructional practices of the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (MYP). Designed for students ages 11-16, the MYP curriculum focuses on preparing students to be successful in school and to be active, lifelong learners.

“What I like best about the MYP is that it addresses students’ intellectual, social, emotional, and physical well-being,” said Heath Filber, HWMS principal. “The curriculum and instructional practices ensure that students have depth of understanding in eight subject groups. In addition, to give students a better understanding of their own culture and those of others, the program requires student knowledge of at least two languages—English and an additional language of choice.”

To prepare for implementing the MYP, a team of HWSD administrators took part in a leadership training program earlier this year. Training for teachers will begin this spring and continue throughout the summer months.

According to Filber, parents will be provided more information about the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme in the coming weeks.

HWSD Spring Band Concert is sure to impress guests This year’s HWSD Band Concert will be held on May 24 from 7-9 p.m. at the Secondary Campus. The Concert will feature the musical talents of 7th through 12th grade students.

The Concert Band will perform “The Avenger March” by Karl L. King, “Air for Winds” by John Edwards, and “Hooked on T.V. Reruns” by Jack Bullock.

The Middle School Band will perform “Abington Ridge” by Ed Huckleby, “Air and Allegro” by John Edmonson, and “Thriller” by Robert Longfield.

Melven Conway, HWSD Director of Bands, said guests will be impressed at how students have developed their musical abilities since the fall band concert. “It’s professionally rewarding to work with students who are committed to improving their musical skills,” said Conway. “Concert guests will enjoy hearing the complex passages and intricate rhythms students have mastered.” The Spring Band Concert is FREE and is open to the public.

Students announce their college of choice at HWHS Signing Day HWHS students filled the gym to attend this year’s Signing Day program. With offers of scholarships and letters of acceptance, HWHS seniors shared their college choice with their classmates.

This year’s graduating class will be attending over 20 different higher education institutions including the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, Saginaw Valley State University, Wayne State University, and Western Michigan University. Students will also attend schools outside of Michigan including Xavier State University, University of Arizona, and Louisiana State University.

This year’s graduating class has received over \$2.1 million in academic scholarships including one full-ride academic scholarship for Anthony Monteleone to attend Michigan State University. Congratulations seniors!

HWMS and HWHS students take part in Honor Society induction ceremonies Sixteen HWMS students will be inducted into the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) on May 16 during a special ceremony at the Secondary Campus. NJHS recognizes students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship.

“Membership in NJHS is one of the highest honors that can be awarded to a middle school student,” said Heath Filber, HWMS principal. “To become a member, students need more than a high grade-point average. They must also possess leadership skills, participate in community service projects, and practice good citizenship skills inside and outside of school.”

At HWHS, 23 students were inducted into the National Honor Society at a ceremony held on April 27. Congratulations to 12th grade students Aaliyah Webster and Tori Westley; 11th grade students Bryce Barber, Kelcie Cunningham, D’mya Davis, DeArra Haire, Devin Hall, Cinderella Kelley, Iri’Onna Lucas, Jalyne Mosley, Kenyatta, O’Rear, Savannah Robinson, and Mattias Towns; and 10th grade students Shalyce Black, Joshua Broaden, Xetura Brown, Donald Hall, Tracy Jackson, Jasuniqua Johnson, Bernard Osineke, Jasmine Parlett, William Smith, and Amaya-Danae Terrell. To be eligible to become a member of this prestigious organization at the high school level, students must have a GPA of 3.2 or higher, participate in community service projects, and exhibit strong character and leadership skills.

HWSD hosts a Daddy/Daughter Dance On June 9, from 5–8 p.m. HWSD will host the HWSD Daddy/Daughter Dance. Grandfathers, uncles, etc. are also invited to accompany a child to the event. Open to students of all ages, the cost is \$25 per couple (\$3 per additional child).

The event will be held at Harper Woods High School. A light dinner will be provided. To RSVP to attend the Daddy/Daughter Dance go to www.hwsdaddydaughterdance.eventbrite.com or call 248/259-9108. Joining the HWSD as sponsors for the event are PICKUP Transportation Services and Cecelia Dillard with Keller Williams Great Lakes Realty.

Cap and Gown Night marks the beginning of graduation events for seniors Cap and Gown Night is a tradition for HWHS seniors. The program marks the beginning of series of events to recognize seniors for completing their K-12 education. This year’s event will be held on May 22 at 6 p.m. in the auditorium. All graduating seniors are invited to attend. Parents are encouraged to attend, too. At the event, students will be recognized for college scholarships, receive honor certificates for their academic achievements, and all students will share their post graduation plans. The evening ends with the Senior Slide Show—showcasing baby and childhood photos of the graduates.

HWHS students receive honors at Michigan DECA State Career Development Conference DECA is a professional association that helps marketing students develop marketing and management skills in career areas such as hospitality, finance, sales and service, business administration, and entrepreneurship. Programs and activities are tailored to the specific career interests of students and include technical skills, scholastic and communication skills, human relations and employability skills, and a strong emphasis on economics and free enterprise. At this year’s DECA State conference held at Cobo Center in Detroit, HWHS students Sekera Johnson and Runita Patton won medals in the Travel and Tourism Marketing category. Over 3,500 students participated in the conference. To be eligible to participate at the State level, students had to win at the regional level. Congratulations Sekera and Runita!