



LUELLA HIGH SCHOOL

Pride News

Issued for: October 7, 2019
Week #9

We are now 41 days into the school year and 4 days away from the first nine-week grading period being completed, which is Thursday, October 10. Reports cards will be issued on October 16.

[2019 – 2020 HCS School Calendar](#)

EARLY RELEASE DAY

Our school, and all Henry County Schools, will have an early, student release day on Friday, October 11. We will run on a modified bell schedule since students will be released at 12:15 PM. We will meet 1st, 3rd, and 7th periods for approximately 45 minutes each; we will then move to Homeroom/Advisory and to 3 lunches.

- Full bus transportation will be provided for the Early Release day.
- The school day will end, and students will be released at 12:15 PM.
 - Buses will run at that time, and car-riding students may be picked up at that time.

The other, early release days are marked on the school system's calendar.

This week's class meeting schedule will also be altered: Monday – ODD Day; Tuesday – EVEN Day; Wednesday – ODD Day; Thursday – EVEN Day; Friday – Special Early Release Day.

PRIDE OF THE PRIDE

Congratulations to our softball team who competed in the Region 4-AAAA softball tournament last week, defeating Woodward Academy in an impressive game to earn the 3rd ranking out of our region into the upcoming state tournament where we will play West Laurens High School this week in the first round.

On Friday, math teacher Ms. Jaime Henck was named a semi-finalist for the Henry County Teacher of the Year. Dr. Mary Elizabeth Davis, HCS Superintendent, led a full team of HCS district leaders in a surprise visit to Ms. Henck's classroom to present balloons and congratulations on being named a semi-finalist. In the next few days, a team will observe Ms. Henck and all the other HCS semi-finalists teach; they will then choose the HCS Teacher of the Year, which will be announced at the Harvest of Heroes later in October. What a wonderful and well-deserved honor for Ms. Henck and a true Pride of the Pride for our school.

GAME REMINDERS

On Friday, October 11, our football team will play Hampton High School. As we have done in the past when we played Hampton, our fans and their fans will park, enter the stadium, sit separately and will not be allowed to inter-mix before, during or after the game.

This is Mr. Gore, Hampton principal, and my design to make sure that we have a good game trying to prevent anything potentially getting out of hand. We want to continue to build a good, healthy, safe rivalry.

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On Friday evening, park behind the school; there will be an entrance for us, Luella people – different from the main entrance that the Hampton fans will use. Thank you for your help in our efforts to build a spirited and safe rivalry.

HOMECOMING

The week of October 14 will be our Homecoming week, culminating in our Homecoming football game against McDonough High School on Friday, October 18.

BENCHMARK TESTS

With the nine weeks' ending, Benchmark tests are being administered on October 3, 4, 7 and 8. The benchmarks are meant to measure the degree to which students have mastered the first nine weeks' applicable, course standards. Students will receive results so that they will understand what course standards they have mastered and what standards that they have not mastered fully.

Results on the benchmarks will help teachers and students determine what, if any, remediation or intervention needs to occur in order to assure that students have mastered all the applicable standards.

CLOSE – UP

For all those students who are interested in participating in the Close Up program this year, there will be an informational meeting on Tuesday, October 8 at 7:00 PM in the LHS Media Center. For additional information prior to the meeting, please contact Ms. Caywood.

PSAT

We will administer the PSAT on Wednesday, October 16 during the school day, as we have in years past. All tenth grade students will take the PSAT; the state pays for 10th grade students.

- Any freshman or junior may register online and pay online if she/he would like to take the PSAT.
 - Information is on our website.

DUAL ENROLLMENT PARENT MEETING

Sophomore Parents, we will host a Dual Enrollment Parent Meeting Tuesday, October 8, 2019 from 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM in the LHS Media Center. Come out and receive information from surrounding colleges. Representatives will provide information specific to their school's dual enrollment program procedures. Hope to see you there!

SAFETY AND SECURITY

Safety and Security continue to be our top priority each day. The following protocols and procedures are in place to assure the safety of each student and staff member:

- To enter the building during school hours, use one of the four main entrance doors. All other exterior doors will remain locked.
- All staff members will wear official picture ID badges.
- Visitors must check in at the front office and be issued a printed visitor ID badge, which must be worn while in the building. Any visitor without this standard ID badge will be stopped and escorted to the front office.
- During class time, all classroom doors will be locked.

REMINDERS AND INFORMATION

School Operation Hours:

- The school opens at 6:45 AM each school day and closes at 4:30 PM. Students should not be in the building outside of these hours unless they are under the direct supervision of a teacher or

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coach. Students remaining in the building after 4:30 PM will be moved into the front lobby to wait for their pick-up.

- The front office is open, and telephones are answered from 7:45 AM until 4:00 PM.

Thank you for your support and understanding of our work. We are certainly #BETTERTOGETHER and together we do EXPECT *Exceptional*.

And, as always,

Go Lions!

Jerry Smith

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