

September 2012

Volume 9, Issue 2

PRINCIPAL'S PEN

Goshen High School (574)533-8651
www.ghs.goshenschools.org

401Lincolnway East
Goshen, IN 46526

Para información en español acerca de este boletín o cualquier otra pregunta se puede comunicar con la Sra. Lepe – extensión 2468.

FROM THE BOOKKEEPER:

Free/Reduced Applications: Applications for textbook and meal assistance that were completed last year will expire on October 1, 2012. If you wish to complete an application for this school year, please see the bookkeeper, Mrs. Immel.

Textbook Rental: Textbook rental statements for the 1st semester have been sent out, and should be paid by the end of October. If you would like to set up a payment plan for the cost of textbooks, you may contact the bookkeeper at 533-8651, ext. 2451.

IB Exam Registration: Fees for taking an IB exam are due by Friday, Oct. 12. Payment plans are available if you need extended time to pay for the exam. If you have questions about the IB exam fees or registration fees, you may call the bookkeeper, or Shelly Wilfong, the IB coordinator. Ms. Wilfong can also be reached at swilfong@goshenschools.org.

FROM THE TOMAHAWK ADVISOR:

This year, Goshen High School's student-run newspaper, The Tomahawk, is making some drastic changes. As a class, we have decided to focus more on the current industry of journalism which thrives by producing both print and online content. On September 20th, The Tomahawk kicked off its first-ever interactive news website. Students, staff and community members are now able to respond to articles, read student blogs, take polls about current or future articles, and browse news articles, slideshows and videos.

The first print issue of The Tomahawk is available today. Look for the special Homecoming Edition where the entire issue is printed in color, and dedicated to honoring homecoming festivities, events and games at GHS.

Be sure to visit our website at tomahawk.goshenschools.org.

If you are interested in helping to support the newspaper and its endeavors, please feel free to contact Sarah Noah, The Tomahawk adviser, at snoah@goshenschools.org.

FROM THE ATTENDANCE OFFICE:

A reminder to parents/guardians: If you need to pick up a student for an appointment, please call ahead so that the attendance secretary can release your student in a timely manner. It is especially difficult to find students during 4th and 5th periods, as they may be at lunch when parents arrive to pick up students. The direct phone line for GHS Attendance is 533-0132.

FROM THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT:

The **fall sports awards program** will be on Monday, Nov. 5 at 7 p.m.

Start dates for winter sports are: Girls Basketball and Girls Swimming/Diving on Oct. 22, Wrestling on Oct. 29, and Boys Basketball and Boys Swimming/Diving on Nov. 5.

Winter Cheer tryouts will be held in late October or early November. When the dates are determined, they will be posted on the school announcements at GHS and on the GHS website.

Goshen High School



401 Lincolnway East
Goshen, Indiana
46526

Phone:
(574) 533-8651
Fax:
(574) 534-1567

Principal
Dr. Barry C. Younghans
Asst. Principal
Mr. Tony Harl
Asst. Principal
Mr. Noah Tonk
Asst. Principal
Ms. Kelly Whittaker
Dean of Students
Mrs. Ann Eaton
Athletic Director
Mr. Larry Kissinger

Athletic Office phone:
533-0652

Guidance Office phone:
534-1323

Attendance phone:
533-0132

See GTV for daily
announcements

FROM THE THE ORCHESTRA DEPARTMENT:

The GHS Orchestras will present their fall Coffee Concert on October 7th at 3:00 p.m. in the GHS Auditorium. The tickets are \$3.00, or \$1.00 with a Student Activity ID.

FROM THE BAND DEPARTMENT:

The GHS Marching Band is in full swing and has started competition! The name of this year's show is musica d'organo (organ music). Directors Josh Kaufman and Tom Cox are always looking to expose their students to music that they may not find on their own. Hence, the music for the show this year focuses on classical organ music, featuring the music of:

- Coronation te Deum by Sir William Walton
- Adagio for Strings and Organ by Tomaso Albinoni
- Symphony No. 3 "Organ Symphony" by Camille Saint-Saëns

Last year the marching band performed Latin jazz, which was a real hit with the students, and the directors hope this year's music will be the same.

The first round of ISSMA competitions will take place at Concord on October 2nd. If you are interested in seeing a show, feel free to call or email Tom Cox or Josh Kaufman.

FROM THE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT:

October 1st, GHS will host the Elkhart County Regional College Fair. School representatives will be in the cafeteria and commons area from 7:00–8:30 p.m. This fair will include technical schools as well as four year universities and the armed services.

October 31st, GHS will be giving the PSAT. This is a change from the usual date since students will be on fall break during the regularly scheduled exam time. The PSAT is for sophomores and juniors, to give them some ideas of the skills needed for college. Students will be able to sign up for the test in the guidance office in October.

November 3rd, GHS will be giving the SAT at GHS. The SAT is required by most colleges to be considered for admission. Deadline for registration is October 4th.

FROM THE HEALTH CENTER:

Parents of students with potentially life-threatening illnesses (such as asthma, diabetes, heart condition, seizures or allergies) need to make sure that the nurse is informed about their student's condition. Additionally, there is paperwork that must be filled out so that the school will know how to best respond to a student in crisis. This paperwork must be filled out each year.

If a student carries an inhaler, Epipen, insulin or other prescription medication, a paper must be signed by the student's physician and parent/guardian. Students are allowed to carry non-prescription medication such as Tylenol or Advil as long as they carry it in its original container at all times and do not ever share medicine with anyone else.

Please contact Wendy Swallow, RN at 533-8651 Ext. 2414 if you have any questions or concerns.

2012 GHS DATES TO REMEMBER:

October 1	College Fair 7:00-8:30 p.m.
October 12	End of First Quarter
October 15-19	Fall Break, no school
October 31	PSAT testing, Grades 10 and 11
November 22-23	Thanksgiving Break