



Hudson High School

Quarterly Attendance Newsletter - Quarter 3 (2017- 18)

Good Attendance in School Matters!

What you can do to support your students.



Why Chronic Absenteeism Matters for Parents and Families:

“Your child’s daily, on-time attendance, in school is critical to his or her success in school and in life. It is understandable that some challenges to your child’s school attendance are unavoidable, such as an illness or a family emergency. However, it is important to understand the impact of absences from school, especially if they become frequent. ***Chronic absenteeism***, typically defined as missing ***10 percent (18 days) or more of a school year*** – as few as a couple of days per month – can cause your child to fall behind in school. Absences can add up and impact your child’s reading, writing, and math skills, which will have a negative effect on his or her future”.

<http://www2.ed.gov/about/inits/ed/chronicabsenteeism/toolkit.pdf>



HHS Community Schools representatives are here to help!

Community Schools at Hudson Senior High School provides services such as transportation and mentoring, and acts as a liaison between HSHS families and the school; please contact:

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THE SPRING SLIDE AND THE JUNE SLUMP

Many think of the statewide tests as the culmination of a year of study, yet more than 20% of the school year remains after testing is completed. While average attendance rates per month are fairly consistent between September and April, a troubling pattern starts in May and worsens in June. Across city elementary and middle schools, there is a 5.8 percentage point difference between April attendance rates and June attendance rates.

REASONS FOR APRIL-JUNE ATTENDANCE DROP

1. Culminating events early in June. ie. prom, graduation, state tests.
2. The need to prepare for the next school year. Looking ahead while ignoring the present.
3. Post- testing mindsets
4. Early vacations
5. *Senioritis*...Yes, it is real.

STRATEGIES FOR AVOIDING THE SPRING SLIDE AND JUNE SLUMP

1. Work with your student's teachers to avoid a late year slump. E- mail or call as well as monitoring of Parent Portal will insure a strong finish to the school year.
2. Reward students that have improved their attendance over the course of the year as well as the students that have met the 100% mark. The HSHS PBIS Team rewards your students with "On Time Rewards" every month.
3. Encourage and reward your students to attend after- school review classes. Those that are prepared to succeed, attend more regularly.
4. The HSHS PBIS Team also rewards those that go above and beyond through our Positive Referral Program. Encourage your students to make a positive impact on our school community!



Important dates coming up:

MAY (22/22 Pupil Days)

- 1-3 Math Testing
- 15 1/2 day Supt. Conference
- 28 Memorial Day

JUNE (16/7 Pupil Days)

- 12-22 Regents/Rating Days
- *20,21,22 1/2 day Student Attendance Grades K-8
- 22 Last Day of Student Attendance
- 22 Graduation

EXAMINATION SCHEDULE: JUNE 2018

Students must verify with their schools the exact times that they are to report for their State examinations.

June 5 TUESDAY	June 12 TUESDAY	June 13 WEDNESDAY	June 14 THURSDAY	June 15 FRIDAY	June 18 ^o MONDAY	June 19 TUESDAY	June 20 WEDNESDAY	June 21 THURSDAY	June 22 FRIDAY	
9:15 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	RATING DAY	9:15 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	RATING DAY	
TRANSITION EXAM - RE in Global History & Geography ♦	English Language Arts	RE in U.S. History & Government	Physical Setting/ Earth Science		RCT in Mathematics* <small>* World Language Assessments suggested date/time: Locally developed Checkpoint A Exams</small>	Geometry	Physical Setting/ Chemistry RCT in Global Studies*	RCT in Reading*		
	1:15 p.m.	1:15 p.m.	1:15 p.m.		1:15 p.m.	1:15 p.m.	1:15 p.m.	1:15 p.m.		<u>Uniform Admission Deadlines</u> Morning Examinations: 10:00 a.m. Afternoon Examinations: 2:00 p.m.
	Algebra I	Living Environment	Algebra II		RCT in U.S. History & Government* <small>* World Language Assessments suggested date/time: Locally developed Checkpoint B Exams</small>	Physical Setting/ Physics	RCT in Writing	RCT in Science*		

*These are the NYS Regents Exams ONLY. The local, non-Regents exam schedule will come out in May.