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Howdy HHS Parents/Guardians!

Hope all is well with you and yours. We've had some beautiful days and we are grateful for them. We have a great deal to share this week, so *here we go!* 😊

- **THANK YOU!:** We just wanted to take time to say **THANK YOU** so much for working with us this week. We asked our students to remain on campus so we could safely experience the total solar eclipse together and we had a wonderful time. Our students enjoyed the cool breeze provided by the overcast and expressed childlike “Oooohhhs” and “Aaahhhhs” as they watched the total solar eclipse. *It was a great day at HHS!* Then we experienced a power outage this Thursday and Friday. We are under construction, so unexpected things happen. As always, our students and educators rose to the challenge. We relocated approximately 20 classrooms both days (we played find an open classroom... LOL! 😊) and all actually enjoyed the deviation from the routine. We are happy to report the power has been restored! So again, thank you for being patient with us and for trusting you with your most prized possession(s).
- **EOC Testing:** EOC testing is here! This week some of our students will take the English I, Biology, and English II EOC Exams on April 16, 2024, April 17, 2024 and April 18, 2024, respectively. Next week some of our students will take the US History and Algebra I EOC exam on April 23, 2024 and April 24, 2024, respectively. Being successful on all exams is a graduation requirement. To help your child be successful, please...
 - **Encourage your student** to take the test seriously and to do their best to pass the test.
 - Have your child check their email for testing room information the night before.
 - Be sure your student charges their Chromebook.
 - Be sure your student brings their charger to school.
 - Help your students to get a good night's rest and breakfast.
 - **ENCOURAGE YOUR STUDENT** and let them know **THEY CAN DO IT!**
- **Advanced Placement (AP) Testing Payments:** We are EOC Testing and AP Testing is right around the corner (May 5, 2024 - May 17, 2024). All exams have been ordered through the school. However, we need all parents/guardians to pay for their child's exams. If you haven't paid for your child's exams this year or previous years, please visit this link - [HUTTO HS AP EXAMS PAYMENT](#) - and do so. Thanks in advance!

- **SENIORS PANORAMIC PICTURE:** *Calling all seniors!* Our seniors will take their Class of 2024 Senior Panoramic Picture **Wednesday, April 17th, 2024 at 10:00am**. Be sure your child is on campus no later than 9:30am. They will need to bring their pressed graduation gown and their cap. *This is so exciting!*
- **HISD Transportation Update:** This information was shared with you last week from the district. HISD is updating our transportation app from “Traversa Ride 360” to “My Ride K-12”. See [this document](#) for all the information.
- **Junior (Class of 2025) Parent Meeting:** We will have a Class of 2025 Junior meeting Monday, **May 6, 2024 from 6:30pm - 8:00pm in the PAC**. Hope to see you there!
- **Leaving Campus:** Parents/Guardians, please remind your child who drives when they leave school early for a doctor's appointment, that they need to sign out in the front office.
- **HEF Scholarship Applications NOW AVAILABLE!:** All HEF Scholarship Applications are now available. HEF offers scholarships for graduating seniors as well as returning recipients. Only those students who received a scholarship as a Hutto ISD Graduating Senior in previous years are eligible to apply for the returning scholarship. HEF wants to help our students continue to have a successful college career. **All applicants will use this link - <https://bit.ly/2024HEFScholarship>**. Students will be directed to the appropriate scholarship application through this portal. **APPLICATIONS ARE DUE on Monday, April 29 @ 5:00pm**. HEF scholarship winners will be announced during HHS’ Senior Night Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at the PAC. More information can be found on HEF’s website: <https://www.hipponation.org/Page/7969> or on our Facebook page. Encourage your child to apply and best of luck to them!!!
- **The Art of Barbering 101:** Is your child interested in being a barber? If so, there’s a unique opportunity this summer. Mr. William Thigpen of "Thigs Diamond Cuts" here in Hutto, will be teaching a course at Temple College this summer on the Art of Barbering. This course will be for grades 8th-12th and there will be classes held in both Hutto and Taylor. The cost is \$85 per student. If you are interested, visit these links - [Hutto](#), [Taylor](#), [Art of Barbering Flyer](#) - for additional information.
- **Texas School Safety Center Photo Contest:** Texas State wants students to use their voices to speak out about creating safer schools via a Photovoice Contest. See this [flier](#) to learn more about the contest and how your child can participate. The contest ends **Wednesday, May 15, 2024**. If you have any questions, please reach out to Chris Contreras, HISD Emergency Operations and Campus Safety Coordinator (christopher.contreras@huttoisd.net).

- **College and Career Corner:**
 - **Location:** Room 2-171 (old 200D) and encourage your child to visit
 - **College and Career Website:** [College, Career, and Military Website](#)
 - **College Income Based Tuition:** [Here](#) is a list of colleges that offer tuition support based on a family's adjusted gross income (AGI).
 - **Financial Aid Information:** Seniors and Parents of Seniors please check out this link for information on financial aid. - [Financial Aid Information to Seniors and Parents of Seniors](#)
 - **Report Your Scholarships - [link](#)**
 - **Latest News from College and Career: (NEW INFORMATION)** Please see this document for the [Latest News from College and Career 4/5/24](#).

- **PTSA Upcoming Events:** Please click this link to see what our PTSA is up to this month
NEW INFORMATION => [April PTSA Activities](#)

- **Upcoming Events/Reminders:**
 - **Senior Announcements to Parents and Students:** [Senior Announcements to Parents and Students](#)
 - **Master Tutorial Schedule:** [HHS 23-24 Master Tutorial Schedule](#)
 - **PTSA:** Join using this link - <https://www.joinpta.org/>.
 - **Yearbook, Picture Day, and Senior Picture Information:** Real-time information via [this document](#), [Upcoming Yearbook Deadlines](#), [Yearbook, Picture Day, & Senior Photo Information](#), [Class of 2024 Senior Pictures](#), [Senior Ads](#) and [Yearbook Advertisements](#). Contact Ms. Jennifer Johnson (jennifer.johnson@huttoisd.net)

- **Who to Contact:** Should you have any questions or concerns, contact your student’s counselor and/or assistant principal. **If you need to meet with either of these individuals, please make an appointment.**

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Humbly honored to serve,

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