



We Are Pontiac

Daily Announcements
for

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

Enter to Learn, Depart to Serve

Our Mission

We are committed to the development of our students as adaptive learners, global thinkers, and responsible citizens through collaboration across our school community.

Announcements:

- Any boys interested in playing basketball this year open gyms on Tuesdays & Thursdays after school - meet in the weight room.
- PTHS baseball program will have a short meeting on Wednesday, September 19th at 7:30 in the auditorium. Players that plan on returning as well as new players should make plans to attend.
- Homecoming Dance Tickets are on sale before or after school in Mr. Hackler's Room 112 or during lunch – Tickets are \$6.00.
- Tuesday, October 9th will be picture re-take day. Students will have their re-take done during their study hall.
- Each year Illinois State University is pleased to host the Greater McLean County College Fair together with Heartland Community College and the Illinois Association for College Admission Counseling (IACAC). Visit <https://illinoisstate.edu/admissions/college-fair/> for more information. This event will be held on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 from 5:30pm till 7:00pm @ Heartland Community College.

Calendar:

[Click here to link directly to the school calendar.](#)

Wednesday, September 19

Boys JV Golf vs. Bloomington High School @ 4:00pm

Food Service Menu:

Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Cocktail, 1% Milk

Ala-Carte: Pork Chop Sandwich, BBQ Rib, Hot Dog, Big Daddy Pizza

Lunch: Chef Salad or Taco Meat, Whole Grain Flour Tortilla, Cheese, Refried Beans, Iceberg Lettuce (shredded), Salsa, Fresh Fruit, Pineapple, Chocolate Milk or Strawberry Milk or 1% White Milk

Freshmen Learning Community Weekly:

It is Homecoming Week! This year's theme is "Through the Decades", for the dance wear something from your favorite decade!

Homecoming Spirit Days are listed below.

- Monday – Pajama Day
- Tuesday – Tourist Day
- Wednesday – Class Color Day (Freshman color is purple)
- Thursday – Character Day (can be movie, favorite teacher, superhero, etc.)
- Friday – Orange & Blue Day

Saturday – The Homecoming dance is from 8-10:30 with crowning of royalty at 9:30pm.

Counselor News:

SAT @ PTHS October 6, 2018

SAT @ PTHS March 9, 2019

SAT @ PTHS June 1, 2019

*other national dates are available at other testing locations.

College Visits during the lunch period:

- **Olivet Nazarene University – September 19**
- **Paul Mitchell – September 25**
- **St. Ambrose – September 26**
- **Eureka College – October 1**
- **Millikan University – October 29**

- [Khan Academy](#) (SAT Practice)
- [SAT & ACT Prep Classes](#)
- [Current Scholarship List](#)
- [High School Highlights – Sept. 18](#)



Register online at heartland.edu/continuingEd

Essential SAT Skills

Statistics show that test preparation is the key to higher SAT scores. The materials in this program were developed by Cambridge Education Services and are used throughout the country with an extraordinary success rate. At the start of the course, you'll go through a test simulation to identify areas of improvement and focus. Class lessons include reading, writing, and math, as well as the history/social studies and science skills tested throughout the SAT. We'll also practice test-taking strategies and provide skill-building exercises to help you improve. Homework includes reinforcement modules and simulated test problems.

Jennifer Dawson, Denavious Hoover

2184 Sec. A Tue/Thu (6 sessions), 9/18-10/4, 6-8PM
HCC ICN Rm 2302
\$189 (Includes text & materials)

Enhanced ACT Review

This course teaches everything you need to succeed on the ACT. You will learn about the different types of questions and the best strategies for successfully answering them. The workshop consists of six two-hour sessions which include discussions of test-taking strategies and reviews of English, math, reading and science reasoning skills. Please register for the ACT at www.act.org or through your high school guidance counselor's office.

Michael Burt, Jennifer Dawson, Denavious Hoover

2188 Sec. A Tue/Thu (6 sessions), 10/9-10/25, 6-8PM
HCC ICN Rm 2302
\$189 (Includes text & materials)

Show Me the Money! Accessing Scholarships & Paying for College

College isn't getting any cheaper. If you are worried about how you will ever afford to send your children to college, this is the class for you. How much does it cost to attend a private or state school? What funding sources are available? Where do you look for money? How do you take "advantage" of unclaimed scholarships? Join us for answers to these questions. Students and parents are encouraged to attend this class together.

Diane Ryon

2450 Sec. A

Tuesday 9/25, 6-8PM

HCC WDC Rm 1006

\$15 (please register each family member attending, per person or family)

Scholarship and Admissions Essay Strategy

Admissions and scholarship essay writing is every bit as important as your test scores. It is your chance to put your unique personality on display. Discover how to stand out from the stack of essays and how to avoid groan-producing mistakes. You will learn how to market yourself to get accepted to your preferred schools, increase your chances of earning scholarship dollars and meaningfully express yourself.

Wyn Boerckel

2182 Sec. A

Mondays (4 sessions), 10/1-10/22, 6-7:30PM

HCC WDC Rm 1405

\$29

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The Pontiac Peer Club



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"The mission of The Pontiac Peer Club is to create a positive environment within PTHS and serve as an outlet for our peers to utilize when struggling with difficulties in their own lives."

Are you struggling with a problem? Do you need to sit down and talk with a member of our Peer Club about a difficult situation you're going through?

To get connected with a member of the Pontiac Peer Club please see the link on the PTHS website under "All People" → "Students", or see Mr. Bustle.

- **Members are expected to be respectful and kind with any peers they interact with.**
- **Discussions are to be held confidentially unless there is a risk to someone's safety.**
- **All discussions are to always be non-judgmental.**
- **All members are expected to be supportive and positive.**