



July 22, 2025

Dear Parents,

I hope you are having a great summer. We have been busy at the school this summer and are looking forward to having our students, staff, and parents back on campus for another school year. We will be starting our fifty-sixth year on Wednesday, August 20, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. All high school students should be in their homeroom by 8:00 a.m. on opening day. The first day of school is a half-day and will end at noon.

### **Orientation**

The following must be cared for before your child may attend school.

1. Registration completed and the registration fee paid.
2. Medical forms completed online or given to the high school office:
  - a. Verification of all up-to-date shots, boosters, or waivers.
  - b. Physicals for all incoming freshmen, all new students in grades 10-12, and all athletes. Any valid examination must have been performed since January 1, 2025.
3. Free and Reduced Lunch Program registration completed online or form given to the high school office.

Your child's class schedule will be sent by email next week.

### **Physical Examinations**

Physicals are required for all incoming freshmen, all new students in grades 10-12, and all athletes. Any valid examination must have been performed since January 1, 2025.

This year, Dr. Streeter's office will be offering physicals for our Hammond Baptist students. He will see our students on Monday, August 4, and Friday, August 8, from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. The cost for the physical is \$25. No appointments needed.

**Address:** 8127 Merrillville Rd Ste 3 Merrillville, IN, 46410

### **School Supplies**

The list of school supplies is enclosed and also available under resources on our school website.

**John Wilkerson - Pastor/Superintendent**  
**James Woosley - Principal**

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### **Wood Shop Billing**

Any young man that takes a wood shop course this year will begin being billed beginning in September for the project he will be making. Boys taking Wood Shop 1 will be billed \$25.00 each month. Boys taking Wood Shop 2 will be billed \$60.00 each month. April will be the final payment at those specific prices. The final installment, depending on the project completed, will be billed in May.

### **Swordsmen Soccer Team**

Soccer tryouts for the 2025 high school soccer season will be held on Monday, August 11, Tuesday, August 12, Thursday, August 14; and Friday, August 15; from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. each day on the high school soccer field. The final cut day will take place on Tuesday, August 19, from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. These tryouts are for any high school young man interested in playing soccer this season. We understand our 8<sup>th</sup> grade guys will be at junior high camp the week of August 11. If your son cannot be at any of our tryouts for any other reason, he should contact Coach Dave Cowling at 219-789-1487. Once school is in session, practices will take place all weekdays with exception of Wednesdays and game days.

### **Lady Swordsmen Volleyball Team**

Tryouts for the high school girls' Lady Swordsmen volleyball team will be on Monday, August 11, from 4:00 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, August 12, from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., in the Billings Gymnasium. These tryouts are for any high school young lady interested in playing on the interscholastic team this year. Any young lady who plays interscholastic volleyball must have a current sports physical. If your daughter cannot be at a tryout for any reason, but would like to be a part of the team, please contact Coach Leah Woosley at 219-776-9501. High school intramural volleyball will be in the spring as usual.

### **JV Lady Swordsmen Volleyball Team**

Tryouts for the girls' JV Lady Swordsmen volleyball team will take place on Monday, August 4, from 2:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.; Tuesday, August 5, from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.; and Thursday, August 7, from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., in the Billings Gymnasium. These tryouts are for any 9th and 10th grade young lady interested in playing on the interscholastic team this year. Any young lady who plays interscholastic volleyball must have a current sports physical. If your daughter cannot be at a tryout for any reason, but would like to be a part of the team, please contact Coach Erin Woosley at 219-315-7501. High school intramural volleyball will be in the spring as usual.

### **Lunch Program**

See Mrs. Elliott's email for information regarding this years' lunch program.

If you have questions about the previous information, please call the high school office, email me at [james.woosley@hbaptist.com](mailto:james.woosley@hbaptist.com), or call or text me at 219-776-9500. God bless you and your family. We look forward to another great school year!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James Woosley', with a stylized flourish at the end.

James Woosley