



July 23, 2024

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-fifth year on Wednesday, August 21, 2024, 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, 2024.
3. Free and Reduced Lunch Program registration completed online or form given to the high school office.

Your child's 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, 2024.

School Supplies

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

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.

John Wilkerson - Pastor/Superintendent
James Woosley - Principal

Swordsmen Soccer Team

Soccer tryouts for the 2024 high school soccer season begin on Monday, August 12, Tuesday, August 13, Thursday, August 15; and Friday, August 16; from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. each day on the high school soccer field. These tryouts are for any high school young man interested in playing soccer this season. If your son cannot be at any of the tryouts because of a family vacation or for any other reason, but would like to be a part of the team, 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 12, from 4:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.; Tuesday, August 13, from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.; and Thursday, August 15, from 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 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.

Lunch Program

Please apply online for your children to receive free or reduced breakfast and lunch. To apply, simply go to <https://www.lunchapplication.com> and click Apply Now. Select your state (IN) then select your School District (FBC Ministries Hammond). If you were on the school lunch program in the past, you must submit a new form to qualify again this year.

If you have questions about the previous information, please call the high school office, email me at 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". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "W".

James Woosley