Haynes Academy

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Haynes Academy for Advanced Studies

The mission of Haynes Academy is to provide an exemplary learning center that encourages students and staff to actively discover, integrate, and apply knowledge in a dynamic global and technical environment.

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

It is amazing how quickly time has passed. We're already in our seventh week of school. Everyone appears to have settled into his/her daily routine without much difficulty.

Interim Reports were issued to all students after the fifth week of school. First quarter report cards will be distributed on October 20. Don't forget, you can check your child's progress at home by using the Parent Portal. Stop by the office to sign up if you have not already done so. If you have questions regarding these reports, please call and discuss your concerns with your child's teachers, or arrange for a conference during the teacher's planning period. Be involved in your child's school life. The more you are involved, the more we can help.

As usual, many activities will be coming up soon. A calendar of events is included with this newsletter. We all anticipate a great week of activities during our Homecoming week October 11-15. The Homecoming football game on October 14 is sure to be well attended. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Annual PTO Family Picnic on Saturday, October 23 at Pontiff Playground. Fall Festival on Oct. 28 on campus will be extraordinary.

Visitors are always welcome to Haynes Academy. Please come by the office to register your visit. Thank you for your support, help, and cooperation with the teachers, staff and administration.

Jerome Helmstetter
Principal

Involvement Opportunities

There are many ways you can be involved in your child's school. Donate uniforms, volunteer on campus, or attend a meeting. Take the time to read on and choose a way that you can get involved!

Parent Teacher Organization

PTO General Meeting

November 9th at 7pm in the cafeteria

Science and Social Studies departments will give a short presentation on the Science and Social Studies Fairs

East Bank Parent Advisory Council

EBPAC exists to promote parental involvement in schools and in the school system. If you are interested in issues that affect the entire school system then PLEASE JOIN US! EPAC MEETINGS ARE HELD THE, 2ND. Monday OF THE MONTH, 7:00P.M. AT T.H. HARRIS MIDDLE SCHOOL

EBPAC Parenting Tip of the Month: Learning doesn't stop at 3:15. You can help the teacher do a better job by encouraging your child to show you something he's working on at school, suggests Ron Martucci, who teaches fourth grade in Pelham, New York. It doesn't have to be a big deal: "Ask him to demonstrate how he does long division or to read his book report out loud," says Martucci. "Every time your child gets a chance to show off what he knows, it builds confidence."

Fall Festival

Thursday - October 28, 2010 6:00pm to 9:30pm
Food, Game Booths, Music
Featuring the Haunted House (Sponsored by the Theatre Department): "Haunted Hollywood" (Tickets for Haunted House - $5)
Backstory: A long since forgotten film studio that was once in it's prime back in the 30's and 40's when Hollywood was at its peak, until a mysterious 'accident' forced the studio to shut it's doors to employees and visitors... permanently!!) Step inside and step back in time. A mixture of audio and video technology which promises to make this attraction worthy of an Oscar. Forget watching movies, you'll be IN the movie, as the silver screen comes to life to make you shiver and scream!!! * Not recommended for younger 'visitors'... (Insert evil laugh)

Counselor's Corner:

Carla Deckelmann, High School Counselor
Art Scudari,Middle School Counelor

Fall testing will take place in October! The tests and dates are as follows:

8th Grade EXPLORE – Wednesday, October 20, 2010
This test is designed by ACT for 8th graders testing strengths and weaknesses in English, Math, Reading, and Science. It also includes a great career section which will give your child a personalized career direction. It is set up like the ACT for 8th graders. All 8th graders are required to take the EXPLORE; there is no fee to take the test. The LA State Department of Education is covering the cost. Please check out the website: www.actstudent.org.

9th, 10th and 11th Grade PSAT – Wednesday, October 13, 2010
This test is designed by SAT for 9th, 10th, and 11th graders. It is designed to be a Pre-SAT test covering critical Reading, Math, and Writing skills. It is also a National Merit Qualifying Test and counts only in the 11th grade year to qualify for National Merit scholarships. It is great to take as a 9th and 10th grader for practice format and academic standing. All Haynes 9th and 10th and 11th graders are required to test on October 13, 2010. The fee for testing is $15.00; Please check out the website: www.collegeboard.com.

10th Grade PLAN – Wednesday, October 27, 2010
This test is designed by ACT for 10th graders. It is designed to be a Pre-ACT test covering English, Math, Reading, and Science and scores may be used for Early Start (dual enrollment) in the sophomore summer and junior year admissions process. It is great to take for practice format and academic standing. It also includes a career section in which the results, if completed honestly, give the student a career direction! All 10th graders are required to take the PLAN; there is no fee to take the test as the cost is covered by the LA State Department of Education. Please check out the website: www.actstudent.org.

All students were given a handout of information on October testing. May I suggest that you also discuss fall testing with your child. The following tips are helpful in preparing your child to get ready and do well: get a good night's sleep, eat breakfast, and come to school on time (all testing in October will begin promptly at 7:30. According to all testing rules and regulations, all students must begin the test at the same time and there will be no makeup dates. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns at carla.deckelmann@jppss.k12.la.us Or arthur.scudari@jppss.k12.la.us

Thanks for your assistance in helping your child do his/her best!

Calendar reminders:

October 13 – PSAT testing
October 20 – EXPLORE testing
October 27 – PLAN testing

Everyone please continue to use E-Board , check Seniors corner and High school Counselors tab under General Information for updates.

Spanish Travel Club

This year, Haynes Academy Spanish Dept. is traveling to Quito, Ecuador for an EF immersion school experience and a tour of the Galapagos, Islands. The students will be gone for 18 days.

We are proud to announce our first fund-raiser which is sure to be appealing to everyone – Triple scented air fresheners in the shape of a Fleur de Lis. The Air Fresheners come in either Saints colors or LSU colors and are offered in 6 lovely fragrances. The small air fresheners are $7 and the large home fragranced Fleur de Lis which sits on a stand is $20.

The display is in the office at Haynes Academy and members of the Ecuador Travel Club are also selling the ever popular air fresheners for your car, room or anywhere. The fresheners last more than 3 months after the bags are opened.

French Club

Important announcement to all Middle School and High School Haynes parents.

Trip to France Option 1: Paris, Normandy, Loire for all Middle and High School students/parents from June 9th - June 17th, 2011. Student price $2970 all inclusive except lunches.

Trip to France Option 2:
International Language School: Nice from June 19 - you choose your departure date. For students aged 13 and up wanting to learn French or improve their French. Registration and first payment deadline is October 15.
Itinerary price and other details can be found on the eboard Clubs Tab > French Travel Club.
Merci!

Fundraiser

Haynes Academy is proud to announce that they are teaming up with **WOW Café & Wingery** to raise funds for the school. During the month of October, any purchases made there on Tuesday nights (Oct. 5, 12, 19, & 26) will result in a donation to **Haynes Academy**. Please help support our school. Simply write ***"Haynes"*** on the back of the receipt and drop into the fishbowl near the register. Haynes will receive 10% of all receipts collected on Tuesday Nights!! Remember: This fundraiser is only happening at the "Elmwood" **Wow Café & Wingery**, so be sure to visit them on Tuesday nights in October!!

For Sale

Check Out These New Items for Sale!

New in the Haynes Store is the Haynes School Pennant! Black with yellow "Haynes Academy" on it, the pennant is only $10 and a great reminder of your alma mater. See Mr. Totaro to order one.

The Haynes baseball team is selling black nylon drawstring bags to hold athletic and other gear. The Haynes "H" logo with a yellow jacket will show your school pride and it even has a place to write your name on the front! On sale in the school office for just $10! You might need two!

Disney's Aladdin Jr.

The Jefferson Parish Public School System and Haynes Academy for Advanced Studies proudly present this family musical.

Welcome to Agrabah, City of Enchantment, where every beggar has a story and every camel has a tail! All of your favorite characters are here in this stage adaptation of the Disney hit, including Aladdin, Jasmine, and of course, the Genie. Filled with magic, mayhem, and flying carpet rides, audiences' spirits will soar with excitement. Most of all, the tuneful, Academy award-winning score with songs including "A Whole New World" and "Friend Like Me" will certainly make this musical a favorite for many years to come!

The play is scheduled at **East Jefferson Auditorium** (400 Phlox Avenue, in Metairie) with evening performances on Wednesday – November 17@ 7:30pm, Friday – November 19 @ 7:30pm, Saturday - November 20 @ 7:30pm and a Sunday matinee November 21 @ 2:30pm. [Approx. running time: 60 – 80 minutes]

If anyone is interested in taking out an ad in the program, please contact Mr. Piazza (837-8300).

Parent Portal

If you have not already come to the office to sign up for the Parent Portal - you should today!

Once you receive your personal activation code, you can monitor your child's schedule, attendance and grades by using the Portal. You can even send an email directly to your child's teacher!

IMPORTANT REMINDER!

If you forget your log-in or password, use the "Problems logging in" link to email yourself a reminder. Do NOT attempt to log-in more than twice or you will disable your account.

Vaccinations

Vaccines are not just for babies and young children. As children get older, the protection provided by some early childhood vaccines can wear off. Older children - including teens - need to receive required vaccinations. Review your child's immunization records with a healthcare provider and be sure immunizations are up-to-date. *Records must be on a Louisiana Universal Immunization Certificate and not expired.*
The following vaccines are required for children 11 through 18 years of age: Meningococcal Tetanus-Diphtheria-Pertussis Booster Catch-up Vaccinations
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (504) 349-7770

Nutcracker Ballet

We are pleased to announce that Rose Coasts, a 6th Grade student at Haynes Academy, has been selected to be part of the cast of the River Region Ballet performance of the Nutcracker. Rose has been chosen to be a Candy Cane and a Gumdrop during Act II of the Performances on December 11th & 12th in Destrehan. Rose will perform among both volunteers and professionals int he art of ballet. This is Rose's 6th year to take part in this performance. For information on tickets for the performance, those interested can contact River Region Ballet at 504-202-7706.

Parent Teacher Organization Update

Our first PTO meeting was held on September 21 and was a great success. Our student counsel served pizza and we had wonderful guest speakers. One of our guest speakers was Valerie Calenda, Associate Director for Undergraduate Admissions from Tulane University. Valerie enlightened us on the college admissions process. We were also joined by our school's extracurricular departments, each giving a short presentation. See attached Meeting Minutes for a full report on the evening. Please support our school by joining us for our next meeting on **November 9th at 7:00 pm.** We will have the Science and Social Studies departments give a short presentation on the Science and Social Studies Fairs.

If you would like to be included in our school directory, please turn in your PTO Membership form before October 15th. A Membership form is attached. You are welcome to join the PTO after that date, but will not be included in the directory.

Here are some school reminders and information provided by the extracurricular departments, at the meeting:

Band Booster Meeting	October 5th
JP School Board Meeting	October 6th
PSAT	October 13th
PTO Directory Deadline	October 15th
Haynes Family Picnic	October 23rd
Fall Fest	October 28th
Aladdin Theater Production	November 17th - 21st
International Food Fest	December 4th

Our Band is asking that if you plan on attending the House of Shock this year to please purchase your tickets online using the code "haynesband" Our band will receive $5 for every ticket sold.

Our Theater Department is looking for volunteers to help with the Fall Fest, please see Mr. Piazza for further information.

Our Visual Arts Department has asked that you please collect plastic bottle caps and turn them in to Ms. Ketteringham. They are also looking for volunteers who have knowledge of picture framing, as they would like to display student art work in our newly renovated cafeteria.

We have a busy month ahead of us. Please come out and support our school.

Kitty Beck
Vice-President
Haynes PTO

Haynes Academy for Advanced Studies PTO Membership & Directory Information
2010 - 2011

Child(ren) attending Haynes Academy (please list from oldest to youngest)

_____ _____ _____
Last Name First Grade

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E-Mail(s) (to receive PTO updates, news and reminders)

_____ _____ _____ _____
Street Address City State Zip Code

Father:

_____ _____ _____
Last Name First Name Occupation / Employer

_____ _____ _____
Home Phone Cell Work

_____ _____ _____ _____
Street Address (only if different from above) City State Zip Code

Mother:

_____ _____ _____ _____
Last Name First Name Occupation / Employer

_____ _____ _____
Home Phone Cell Work

_____ _____ _____ _____
Street Address (only if different from above) City State Zip Code

The above information will be included in a student directory for the purposes of facilitating communication among the Haynes community. The directory is to be used only for this purpose and is **not** to be used for the purposes of outside solicitation. The directory will be distributed in electronic format and is **free to PTO members**.
You must check "opt out" if you do not want your info included. _____ opt out

Non-members are encouraged to provide their info for inclusion in the directory and may purchase a copy for $5.00.

PTO Member Dues: $20.00 (includes 1 electronic copy of student directory) $ _____
Booster Club Dues: $10.00 (supports athletic programs) $ _____
Directory Only: $5.00 (non-members or additional copy) $ _____
Car Magnets: _____ @$5.00 each $ _____
Teacher Grant Program Donation: $20.00 $30.00 $50.00 $100.00 $ _____
(Funds teacher requested projects, equipment & materials)

Payment: Cash $_____ Check $_____ Rec'd By: _____ Total Rec'd

HomeworkLouisiana Fact Sheet

HomeworkLouisiana (www.homeworkla.org) offers FREE online tutoring and academic resources from Tutor.com for Louisiana residents. Students get one-on-one help in math, science, social studies or English from a live, qualified tutor.

Grade Levels:
Kindergarten through 12th Grade

Subjects:
Math: Elementary, Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, Trigonometry, Statistics, Calculus
Science: Elementary, Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics
Social Studies: U.S. History, World History
English: Grammar, Vocabulary, Writing Center, Literature

Availability:
Tutors are available Sunday through Thursday 2 p.m. - 10 p.m.
The SkillsCenter is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Access:
The service can be accessed from a Louisiana public library or from a home computer by going to www.homeworkla.org. Students travelling out of the state must have a Louisiana public library card to access the service.

Tutors:
Network of 1,800+ tutors who are certified teachers, professors, graduate school students, university students and professionals who are experts in their field. Each tutor passes a third party security background check.

Online Classroom:
The HomeworkLouisiana Online Classroom has been optimized to enhance a one-on-one learning session. It includes real-time chat, an interactive whiteboard, math tools that include drag and drop shapes and commonly used equations, graphing paper and much more. A student and tutor can also share files or browse educational resources on the Web.

Key Features:
ProofPoint™ Real-Time Writing Center enables students to upload documents to receive a live review, edits and writing strategy assistance. SkillsCenter™ Resource Library includes thousands of vetted resources for independent study such as tutorials, videos and study guides that map to the subjects.

Results:
Students who use HomeworkLouisiana's online tutoring and homework services report they are able to better complete homework assignments, build their confidence in their academic abilities and improve their grades.

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For More Information
Paulita Chartier, State Library of Louisiana, at pchartier@slol.lib.la.us or 225-342-9713

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◄ September	~ October 2010 ~					November ►
Sun	**Mon**	**Tue**	**Wed**	**Thu**	**Fri**	**Sat**
					1 Football vs. Riverdale @ Yenni 7pm	**2**
3	**4**	**5**	**6**	**7**	**8** Football vs. Mt. Herman @ Jeff Playground 7pm	**9**
10	**11**	**12**	**13** PSAT – 9th, 10th, 11th grade	**14** Homecoming Pep Rally Homecoming Football vs. Crescent City @ Yenni 6:30pm	**15** Middle School Sock Hop 4th period Homecoming Dance (HS) 8pm-12am Children's Museum	**16**
17	**18**	**19**	**20** Explore Test 8th grade Report Cards issued	**21**	**22** Football vs. Ridgewood @ Jeff Playground 7pm	**23** PTO Family Picnic @ Pontiff Playground
24	**25**	**26** Lifetouch Picture Re-takes	**27** PLAN Test 10th grade	**28** Fall Festival 6-9:30pm	**29** Football vs. St. Martin @ St. Martin 7pm	**30**