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Friday Announcements

Date: October 27, 2006

You're Invited!

Community Feedback Night

Why:

- To see what our seniors are planning for their senior projects this year.
- To give our seniors the help with their senior projects that only your questions, advice, and contacts can provide!

When:

- Wednesday, November 8th
- 7:00-8:45 pm

Where:

- The Parker gym

FROM STUDENT SERVICES

Subscribe to Parker community email lists!

We use the Parker Listserv to post announcements and reminders about life at Parker.

FWPaaa is the Parker community email list for general announcements.
FWPsports is Parker's email list for sports-related announcements.

Subscribe at <http://lists.parker.org/mailman/listinfo/>

COMING SOON

October, 2006

Sunday, 29 – Daylight Savings Time ends
Tuesday, 31 – Halloween

November, 2006

Wednesday, 8 – Senior Project Community Feedback Night from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Thursday, 9 – Genevieve Wrapping Paper orders delivered
Friday, 10 – Veterans' Day observed (no school)

CALENDAR

PLEASE MARK THESE DATES! (Subject to change)

November, 2006

Tuesday, 14 – HAC Meeting at 7:00 pm.
Wednesday, 15 – Picture Re-takes
Wednesday, 22 – Early Release (noon dismissal)
Thursday, 23 – Friday, 24 - Thanksgiving Break
Wednesday, 29 – College Finance Information Night @ 7:00 p.m.

December, 2006

Friday, 1 – Parker International Gala & Auction, Spring Hill Suites, Devens
Saturday, 2 – PLAN testing at Parker
Tuesday, 5 – Trustees Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 6 – Snow date for College Finance Information Night
Friday, 8 – Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* play
Saturday, 9 – Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* play
Friday, 22 – Early Release (noon dismissal)
Monday, 25 – Sunday, 31 - Holiday Recess

Thank you!

To all our volunteers, in whatever capacity you donate your hours to the school, we would like you to know that your help is invaluable to us and we are most appreciative.

A REMINDER FROM THE MAIN OFFICE

Picture re-takes will be held on Wednesday morning, November 15 at 8:00 a.m.

FROM THE COLLEGE COUNSELING OFFICE

- Many college representatives are visiting Parker over the next two months. Juniors and Seniors are encouraged to sign up to meet with them on the bulletin board outside Sue's office.

On Monday at Lunchtime: Heidi will be on hand in Room 19 for students interested in learning about the University of New Hampshire.

Monday:

Emmanuel College in Boston at 1:00 p.m.

American International College in Springfield at 1:20 p.m.

Tuesday:

Merrimack College in Andover at 2:00 p.m.

Thursday

Bay Path College in Longmeadow, Mass. at 1:30 p.m.

- Sue Whalley will be available every **Monday at 3:30 p.m. in Room 2** and during **Choice Block on Wednesday in Room 9**. Seniors are encouraged to use this time to work on college applications and essays if they need help. Bring drafts, outlines, and questions.

CAN YOU HELP?

Division 2 MST classes need volunteers to drive students to a field site in Groton to collect water samples and measurements for a water quality unit. Ideally you would be able to spend the 4 hours with both classes, which would help us minimize the total number of volunteers that we need.

The first class will be going from 8:45-10:45 and the second class will be going from 10:50-12:50. If you could be with us from 8:45 until 12:50 then that would be great. If you can only do one of the two time periods, then that is helpful as well.

Tuesday, October 31st Block 3 with Jen (jbrassard@parker.org) 10:50-12:50 and/or Block 1 with Lorin (lorinh@parker.org) from 1:20-3:15.

Senior Eagerly Seeking a Boat that is in Disrepair! For my senior project I plan on restoring a small sailboat, but I currently do not have a boat. I am looking for an 18-25 ft sailboat with a cabin, in need of lots of repair. If you have a boat that you are willing to sell for a small amount, if you know someone that is looking for a new home for their boat, if you know of a boat that is for sale, or if you know someone who wants free labor and for me to repair their entire boat, please let me know. You can contact me by phone at (978) 422-6534 or by e-mail at jocelynemmacdonald@yahoo.com. Thanks - Jocelyne MacDonald

- **Blank burnable DVDs:** A plea for blank, burnable DVD's? Thanks, Josie (A/H)

DIVISION III UPDATE

We hope you all have the date of Senior Project Community Feedback Night, Wednesday, November 8th, on your calendars. This evening really benefits the seniors as they're working to figure out the details of the projects they have in mind. Even if you feel like you may not be able to provide them a lot of information, it is helpful for them to hear what questions you have about their topic. Seniors are just finishing their first formal conferences, reporting to their senior seminar teachers what they've been working on and what their plans are for the upcoming work on their projects. This week's course updates come from Josie Dickson's A/H classes, Reading and Writing in the Dark, and Art of the Essay:

In Reading and Writing in the Dark, we are currently finishing up our first assessment! For this reading assessment, students are performing a micro-analysis of a scene or sequence from a film of their choice. After identifying and

describing elements of film language (from cinematography, editing, mise-en-scene and sound,) they are analyzing these elements in the context of the entire film. It has been really exciting to see the discoveries that students are making about their films- seeing patterns and drawing conclusions. Leading up to this assessment, we have been reading film theory as well as chapters from the college textbook *Film Art* by Bordwell and Thompson. We have also been practicing our analysis by watching many clips as well as the French film *Amelie* (Jean-Pierre Jeunet, 2001). Here are some of the questions echoing around room 30:

- What did you see? What do you think it means?
- Why do you think the filmmakers made that choice?
- Are all these choices intentional?
- Is that a “jump cut” or a “match on action”?

After this assessment is completed, we'll be heading into Macro Analysis, exploring genre and narrative in the film text.

In Art of the Essay, we started the year off writing essays based on the NPR show “This I Believe.” Students wrote short essays stating and describing a personal belief. Topics from these essays were amazing, including the love of a first car, smiling at strangers, the beach lifestyle, the Three Stooges and eating ice cream for dinner. Then we explored the narrative form, and students wrote essays exploring stories from their own lives. These were no less amazing, and included stories about losing front teeth, being pestered by annoying cousins and digging holes in the lawn. We are in the process of developing descriptive essays right now, and are knee-deep in sensory details. Best recent vocabulary words: vomitory and hermetic

vom-i-to-ry *noun, plural -ries*. Also called **vomitorium**. An opening, as in a stadium or theater, permitting large numbers of people to enter or leave.

her-met-ic *–adjective* (sometimes *initial capital letter*) of, pertaining to, or characteristic of occult science, esp. alchemy.

MATH, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Math, Science and Technology – Division I

Revisions were due today and each student should have handed in at least one revision. This week in MST we are working to compute the surface area and volume of 3-D figures. We are also continuing our work on linear functions and slope. We are looking at models of graphs to begin to understand what makes an effective graph. We began our experiments to test the conditions that promote decomposition of hay and wood chips. Students enjoyed testing a variety of variables (including treatments of sugar, darkness or eggs!) that would increase decomposition of their baggies of hay.

REMINDER: Every Division 1 MST student should strive to meet the standards on at least one out of the 6 C.O.W.s in our Decomposition Unit. We ask for support from parents to ensure that their student is doing at least 30 minutes of MST homework each night. Thank-you from your MST teachers!

Math, Science and Technology – Division II

This week our classes have gone out into the field to start gathering real data to analyze water quality at the Nashua watershed. The upcoming assessment will ask students to use the statistical techniques that they are learning to determine the best measurement for each parameter, and then to use these statistics in a scientific analysis of water quality.

We still need drivers for next Tuesday! Jen/Dawn's Block 3 class and Lorin/Diane's Block 1 class are still searching for a few parent volunteers who would be willing to drive students to the data collection site (in Groton). If you can help, please contact Jen (jbrassard@parker.org) or Lorin (lorinh@parker.org).

Students are also working right now on a statistics assessment where they are analyzing the reading level of two different text selections. Ask your child to explain how statistics can be used to analyze the difficulty of a text!

MST Transition Class – Division II

In math the students finished up the systems of equations unit and had their POW #2 due on Friday. They will begin learning about exponential functions next week. In science the students began to learn about different aspects of photosynthesis and cellular respiration. The students are working in pairs to become more familiar with the processes, and will present their research to the rest of the class on Thursday, November 2nd.

ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Arts and Humanities – Division I

This week in Division I A/H students have been working hard in the library and in class on their research projects. Many families have already visited their home libraries to check out books and find other resources related to the culture their student is studying. If you haven't gone with your child to their home library yet, it would be great to plan a trip for this weekend to make sure your student has all the sources s/he needs. On the creative side of things, there have been some interesting tales developing out of our perspective story assignment. Take a look at your child's draft. You might learn new things about a story you thought you knew everything about!

A/H After School Help runs from 3:35-4:15 p.m. on the following days:

Amanda and Tassia: Tuesday **afternoon** ONLY

Matt and Erin: Monday and Thursday **afternoon**

Laura and James: Tuesday **afternoon** and Friday **morning** (7:45 - 8:20 a.m.)

Students should be picked up between 4:15 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. when attending after school help.

- Please note that coaches at Parker understand that academics come first. Students should attend after school help before practice whenever it is needed. Just let the coach know.

Arts and Humanities – Division II

This week in Division II A/H, we worked on 'Listening,' watching a Q&A session between former Iranian President Muhammad Khatami and a group of Harvard students and professors and attempting to analyze his message and sincerity. We also continued working on writing, working on grammar, message and completeness. Finally, we began researching Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, and Saudi Arabia for a final OP assessment coming up in a couple of weeks.

SPANISH

Español séptimo grado

Esta semana estamos estudiando el abecedario. Para practicar las letras, estamos formando unos cursos de hop-scotch en la pista de baloncesto usando las letras de abecedario.

Spanish 7th grade

We are studying the alphabet. To practice our ABC's, we are creating hop-scotch courses using chalk on the basketball course.

Spanish Division III

In Division 3 this week, we have begun our study of the Spanish Avant-Garde by looking at paintings and poems from Spanish artists and poets working in the first third of the century. The artists we've looked at so far are Sorolla and Picasso; poets include Lorca, Salinas, and Cernuda. Students should have finished up their essays on Unamuno's San Manuel Bueno, Mártir this week.

WELLNESS

Alan's Wellness Class:

In Alan's classes, we set fitness goals, students ran the mile, played games of their choice, played team manhunt and touch football. As we looked at violence prevention, we explored what it means to be a bully by acting out several role

plays. We also spoke about communication styles of being passive, aggressive, or assertive when someone is angry. We finished with thinking about our own roles in groups and three traits that we think are important in a friend.

Deborah's Wellness Class:

This week in Deborah's Wellness classes we took a look into cliques, the roles both boys and girls play in those groupings, and how those roles can create exclusivity and bullying. We have been playing Ultimate Frisbee in physical activity classes. Our focus has been on including all students in the game.

Laura's Wellness Class:

This week in Health class we discussed negative and positive aspects of popularity as well as the difference between cliques and groups. In addition, student's volunteered to act out a skit that involved cliques among girls and the sometimes negative dynamics that occur among girls. The students discussed behaviors and attitudes with cliques, popularity, limited trust and exclusion. We ended class by identifying important qualities for establishing and maintaining a healthy group of friends. Next week in Health we will talk about bullying, cliques and we will also review passive, aggressive and assertive styles of communication. In Wellness we played indoor soccer, thunderball and flaghunt.

FROM THE NURSE

I have started checking the students height and weight and vision and hearing. This year I am fortunate to have a student nurse from Fitchburg State to help with the screenings. Next week I will be taking students from Alan's Wellness classes. If your child has Alan for Wellness, and wears glasses, please try and encourage them to bring their glasses on Tuesday. Thank you - Shirley Nelson

PARKER'S FIRST PLAY OF THE YEAR

This production of Shakespeare's *ROMEO AND JULIET* has begun. Our performance dates are Friday, December 8th and Saturday, December 9th. Rehearsals will be held Monday - Friday after school in the auditorium, from 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. on regular school days and 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. on Wednesdays.

For more information about the production, please contact:

Sarah Mayer/Tassia Thomas (co-directors), Laura Brown (stage manager),
smayer@parker.org, tassiat@parker.org, lbrown@parker.org

COMMUNITY CONGRESS - BI-WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Hi Everyone! This is the Community Congress Bi-weekly Newsletter! CC is just coming back together and is off to a great start. This year we have 6 committees, the Spirit committee, the Dance committee, the Morning Gathering group, the Lunch group, the Green committee, and STAF (Student Teacher Activity Fund). The Spirit/Dance committee from last year has now split into two groups. The Spirit committee's first task is trying to create a school mascot. At the moment they're in the process of getting some early input from the student body. They're also trying to find ways to get more of the community to come to Parker sports games, aka. "Super-Fans." The Dance committee is currently in the early stages of planning a 7th, 8th, and 9th grade dance that will hopefully happen within the next 2 months. There's a new committee, the Morning Gathering committee, who are trying to make morning gathering something people want to attend instead of feeling as if they are forced to go to it. Their first idea is to have a World Series of Pop Culture (a game where advisories compete with their knowledge of pop culture). The other new committee this year is the Lunch Committee. This committee meets with the lunch staff once a month to give input on what the school thinks about the lunch program. Right now they are creating a presentation that highlights the increase in the pizza prices and the reasons behind it. STAF is trying to deal with the vending machines which are not consistently working. They're looking into possibly buying a new vending machine or seeing if someone can donate one to the school. The last committee is the Green Committee. The committee is trying to join a program that can help our school reduce pollution, recycle and do other things that will help improve the environment. Until next week...

-Shelby Hickox and Craig Rossi, Public Relations

SPORTS UPDATE

Sports Schedule

Date	Parker Team	Practice/Game	Location	Dismissal from class	Bus Leaves	Game Time	Pick-up
Mon., 10/30	Boys Varsity	Home vs. St. Bernards	Rogers	2:35		3:30	5:00 at field
	Girls Varsity	Away vs. North High	Foley Stadium	2:05	2:15	3:30	6:00 at school
	Boys MS/JV	Season Over					
	Girls JV	Season Over					
	Girls MS	Season Over					
	Cross Country	Practice	School			3:30	5:00 at school
Tues., 10/31	Boys Varsity	Practice	Antietam			3:30	5:00 at field
	Girls Varsity	Practice	Antietam			3:30	5:00 at field
	Boys MS/JV						
	Girls JV						
	Girls MS						
	Cross Country	Away at League Championships	Coggsall Park	12:50	1:00	3:00	5:30 at school
Weds., 11/01	Boys Varsity	Home vs. St. Marys	Rogers			3:30	5:00 at field
	Girls Varsity	Home vs. St. Marys	Rogers			3:30	5:00 at field
	Boys MS/JV						
	Girls JV						
	Girls MS						
	Cross Country						
Thurs., 11/02	Boys Varsity	Post season	TBA				
	Girls Varsity	Post season	TBA				
	Boys MS/JV						
	Girls JV						
	Girls MS						
	Cross Country	Away vs. South Lancaster	See website	2:20	2:30	3:30	5:30 at school
Fri., 11/03	Boys Varsity	Post season	TBA				
	Girls Varsity	Post season	TBA				
	Boys MS/JV						
	Girls JV						
	Girls MS						
	Cross Country	Practice	School			3:30	5:00 at school

Fall Sports

- Fall Game schedules are being distributed to the coaches and players. Please be aware that there are likely to be some scheduling changes throughout the season. Please also check the Friday Announcements as well as the Parker website for updated information.

- Please note that colored mouth-guards, shin guards and soccer cleats are required for participation by MIAA regulations for all student athletes during both practices and games. This rule is strictly enforced. A water bottle and sunscreen are also highly recommended for all practices and games.
- Please contact Ben Benoit, Parker School Athletic Director, with any questions at (978) 772-3293 Ext. 114 or at bbenoit@parker.org.

PARKER Basketball Sign-Ups and Pre-Season Meetings

Girls Varsity and Boys Varsity – Monday, October 30 at lunch in Room 26
 Girls Middle School and Girls JV – Thursday, November 2 at lunch in Room 26
 Boys Middle School and Boys JV – Friday, November 3 at lunch in Room 26

Parker / Wachusett Mountain Ski Program (Deadline, Friday, November 10, 2006)

We are pleased to continue the Parker / Wachusett Mountain Thursday evening ski program. This year's program is scheduled to run six consecutive Thursdays starting January 11th, 2007. Application packets containing all required information can be picked up in the Parker Office.

The basic cost for bus transportation is \$71 and options for lift ticket or a Century pass are in the packets, now available at the office. Equipment rentals and lessons are also available.

To keep our transportation costs reasonable, this year we will initially contract for one bus. Since it is possible that the number of applications received could exceed bus capacity, applications requiring transportation will be accepted on a first come, first serve, basis with **the first fifty (50) students guaranteed transportation**. A second bus **may** be added if sufficient applications are received to cover the cost.

Please return your completed applications, along with the two separate payments (one for the bus and one for Mt Wachusett) to the School Office, as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Please note: Wachusett Mountain *REQUIRES* applications are signed by the parent or guardian.

Century Pass's and "On Your Own" Program

For students wishing to purchase a Century Pass **or** to ski or board "on their own", you may take advantage of the school's discounted rates and purchase a Century Pass through the Parker Ski Program. Just return the completed application to the School Office with a note that the student is *purchasing a Century Pass*. You will be able to get your picture and pass as soon as all the applications are sent to the Mountain, shortly after the deadline. You can then start boarding or skiing as soon as there is snow!

Applications will be accepted until Friday, November 10th.

John Poikonen – Ski Program Coordinator. Email: john@poikonen.NET for any and all questions

YOUTH VENTURE

The Youth Venture teams from Parker are off to a great start this year! Project S.M.I.L.E, a program that aims to give children with special needs a place to have fun, meet others, and learn by taking them on educational trips. Currently Project S.M.I.L.E is raising money for their trips and continuing to plan. The venture Academic Supplies for Students (A.S.F.S) works to raise money to send school supplies to students in South Africa and Nicaragua. There are two bake sales planned: after school on Tuesday, October 31 and on Thursday, November 2, so mark your calendars!! Our most recent team, Team Ultimate, focuses on teaching inner-city girls to play ultimate Frisbee as well as exploring themselves through journaling and team building activities. They are working with girls who attend Girls Inc. in Worcester, ages 9-12. Their first meeting is scheduled for next Wednesday, the first of November! If you are interested in creating or joining a Youth Venture, please see Matt Underwood for more information.

NEWS FROM FRANK'S CAFE

Monday - Cheese Tortellini with chicken and broccoli and a light cheese sauce, served with salad, milk and fruit
(Can be ordered without chicken!)

Tuesday - Ghoulish Shepherds Pot Pie, Bat Wings (Bread sticks) Apples with Worms (Baked apples with a worm!!)
and Ghost Juice (MILK!!)

Wednesday - Pizza day

Thursday - Thick Waffles, sausage, potato patties, watermelon and milk - Or Double Egg and Cheese Sandwich
(2 egg patties, and 2 slices of cheese)

Friday - Cheese or Pepperoni Calzones, salad, fruit and milk

PARKER MODEL ROCKET CLUB

Parker Model Rocket Club is in need of some help ...

The Parker Model Rocket Club is in search of a small launch field located near the school, clear of trees and at least 650 feet square (10 acres), and also a large launch field located anywhere in central Massachusetts and at least 1200 feet square (33 acres). Please contact Steve Byan at stevebyan@mac.com or (978) 486-4241 if you have access to such a field.

The Parker Model Rocket Club is also in need of someone with a grommet kit to set two 1/2 inch grommets in the club flag. Please contact Steve Byan if you can help.

PARKER DESTINATION IMAGINATION

Parker Destination Imagination

Want to have fun with your friends?

Want to see how creative you can be?

Want to solve problems with a team of friends (and without adult interference)?

Then learn more about Destination Imagination. We are looking for kids in Division 1 to create a DI team this year. As you know, Parker's High School team has done extremely well and made Parker a DI name. Now it's time to create a younger generation of Parker DIers.

Learn more about the Division 1 DI team by contacting Mary Timmons (parent) at (978) 448-8965 or Douglas Gandle, Division 1 (Matt's advisory). We will have our first meeting on Sunday, October 29 at 2:00 p.m. We hope to see you there!

HOLIDAY EVENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY



ARE YOU READY TO START YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING?

Please join us for a night out of fun as the *Friends of Lunenburg Girl Scouts* host a convenient shopping night. Monday, November 13th, from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Leominster Chapel of All Saints. Vendors we have invited to participate include *Tastefully Simple, Longaberger, Lia Sophia, Tupperware, Stampin Up* and more. Admission is free and refreshments will be provided. For more information or directions, contact Parker parent, Dawn de Freitas, (978) 842-2605 or e-mail at basketdealer@gmail.com. SEE YOU THERE!

¿Where in the world is Janice Gallagher?

MASSACHUSETTS → WASHINGTON D.C. →



In early November, Janice Gallagher, a former Spanish teacher at Parker, will commence an arduous 500-mile bicycle ride from Massachusetts to Washington. Her ride will raise attention and money for the Fellowship of Reconciliation's Colombia program, a human rights effort working in a war zone -- which Janice visited in August 2006 and where she plans to serve as a long-term volunteer at the end November.

You can participate in this exciting initiative - - by bicycling a few miles with Janice, hosting her for a meal or a night during her trip, gathering a group of friends to hear her story, and/or making a personal donation to this worthy cause. Learn more by visiting Janice's website at pedalingforpeace.org.

Please visit www.pedalingforpeace.org to learn more.

2007 PARKER ROAD RACE AND SPRINGFEST



Can you help?

We need an artist or graphic designer to design the t-shirt and add layouts for the 2007 Parker Road Race and Springfest.

If you can help, please contact Dawn de Freitas @ ddefreitas@lunenburgonline.com.

PEF International Gala and Auction

Next drop off date: Wednesday, November 1, from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 to 2:00. p.m.

Please drop off items with Nicky in Teri's office.

Any questions please contact Carolyn Sullivan (978) 692-6144 or at sullivan.cb@gmail.com

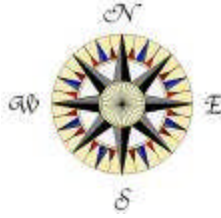
Parker International Gala and Auction

What sets Parker apart from other schools? One difference is that Parker is truly a collaborative community of students, teachers, and parents. To paraphrase what Teri has said at prospective student information sessions: “we get to know each other well.” Become a more integral part of the Parker Community and get to know others “well” by attending the Gala and Auction.

Did you receive your invitation mailed last week (you know, the large yellow envelope with your family name on the label)? No, it wasn't junk mail – it was your invitation to the Parker International Gala and Auction. If you missed it, you can download a copy from the International Gala and Auction web page – just click on the link from the www.parker.org home page.

We need your support. Please return your reservation forms soon. And... if you haven't sent in your donation form yet, please try to do so soon. Any donation, large or small, is greatly appreciated. You can find a copy of the donation form attached to the Friday Announcements, or you can download a copy from the Auction web page.

If you have any questions about anything to do with the Gala and Auction, please contact Carolyn Sullivan (978) 692-6144, sullivan.cb@gmail.com or Pam Gross (978) 772-9863, rbgross@charter.net



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Please email pictures with item description to: sudofarr@yahoo.com

*Second drop-off date: Wednesday, October 25 from 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.
and from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. in Nicky's office*

*Return the form (ASAP – or by November 10 to be included in printed catalog)
to the Parker office, or mail to:*

*Parker School,
PEF Auction Donation
49 Antietam Street, Devens, MA 01434*

January, 2007

- 1 – New Year’s Day
- 2 – Holiday
- 3 – Faculty planning (no classes)
- 4 – Classes resume
- 7 – Enrollment Information Session (1:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
- Thursday, 11 – Parker/Wachusett Mountain Ski Program begins
- 15 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday (no school)
- 16 – Trustees Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 21 – Enrollment Information Session (1:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
- 28 – Snow date for Enrollment Information Session (1:00 – 4:00 p.m.)
- 29 – Faculty Planning (no classes)
- 30 – New semester begins
- Wednesday, 31 – Blood Drive for the American Red Cross

February, 2007

- 6 – Trustees Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 16 – Early Release (noon dismissal)
- 19 – President’s Day (no school)
- 20 – 23 - Winter Recess

March, 2007

- Spring Conference Day (no classes) TBA
- 6 – Trustees Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 11 – Daylight Savings Time begins
- 14 – Noon Dismissal - Faculty Planning

April, 2007

- 3 – Trustees Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 6 – Early Release (noon dismissal)
- 13 – Early Release (noon dismissal)
- 16 – Patriot’s Day (no school)
- 17 – 20 - Spring Recess

May, 2007

- 15 – Trustees Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 25 – Early Release (noon dismissal)
- 25 - Senior/Junior Prom
- 28 – Memorial Day (no school)

June, 2007

- 6 – Noon dismissal - Graduation (6:00 p.m.)**
- 19 – Trustees Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 22 – Last Day of Classes (or earlier if we have fewer than 5 snow days).

We are required to schedule 185 days of school but we are only required to conduct 180 days of school. Faculty planning days take place in August, January and June. 25, 26, 27 – Faculty Work Days (or earlier)

(9/05/06)