SENIOR 2ND SEMESTER FINAL EXAM EXEMPTION

District 211 will again allow graduating seniors to exempt from their second semester final exams if they meet the following criteria:

- have at least a “C” average in the course
- have less than six absences from the class
- have no truancies from the class
- have not been suspended from the class and are not incomplete on required assignments

Seniors not qualifying for the exemption will be allowed to participate in graduation ceremonies but will not receive a diploma on that day. Senior finals will be administered on May 23, 24 and 25. Diplomas will be given following the processing of final grades.

ST. BALDRICK’S

Service is the action of helping or doing work for someone else. Our school will be filled with service opportunities through March, as we unite to support St. Baldrick’s, an organization that helps fund research to beat childhood cancer. This March we will host our 5th St. Baldrick’s event, which began when one of our students was battling cancer in 2010. Sadly, we continue to have students diagnosed with cancer and this event helps show our support for all who have loved ones dealing with cancer. Our school community has raised over $360,000 over the years. Our event is open to any student who would like to participate. Participants that raise at least $25 can have their head shaved, or long hair cut, at school on March 16th. Students do NOT have to lose hair to participate as a volunteer. Check out our website for more details.

VIP SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO SENIORS

Seniors, do you need cash for college? The V.I.P. Club is offering scholarships that can be used for the pursuit of higher education to the SHS Class of 2018. These scholarships can be used for a 2 or 4 year University, or for a technical/vocational school. You can pay tuition, buy books, or anything else you need. Plus the check is made payable to YOU, not your parents or the school! Check out the scholarships being offered this year:

**Academic Scholarships:** One $1,500.00 Academic Scholarship, five $1,000.00 Academic Scholarships, and six $750.00 Academic Scholarships will be awarded to students who have demonstrated their success at Schaumburg High School and in the community.

- Jean Bajko Volunteerism Scholarship: One $1,000.00 Volunteerism Scholarship will be awarded to a student who has demonstrated their volunteerism at Schaumburg High School and in the community.

Students may apply for more than one category of scholarship; however, they will only be awarded one scholarship.

To be eligible for these scholarships, a senior’s parent or guardian must be a member of the SHS VIP by December 1, 2017. Membership applications are available on the SHS website under the Parents tab.

If you require assistance while visiting our school, please contact the principal’s office at (847) 755-4600.

For individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, please access the following TTD/TTY telephone number: (847) 755-4654.
**Blessings in a Backpack**

Blessings in a Backpack is a nonprofit program that partners with schools across America to ensure impoverished students are fed on the weekends throughout the school year. Better test scores, improved reading skills, positive behavior, improved health and increased attendance have all been attributed to the success of this program.

Schaumburg High School and Rotary Club of Schaumburg-Hoffman Estates partnered in 2013 to start the program at Schaumburg High School. We are currently in our third school year in partnering with Blessings in a Backpack. We have the capacity to serve 40 students. Students are selected one of three ways: McKinney-Vento homeless status, free and reduced lunch program eligibility, and staff referrals.

**How you can get involved:**

Food donations can be brought to the Student Services Office.

- Granola and fruit breakfast bars
- Cereal
- Oatmeal
- Chef Boyardee Ravioli, Beefaroni, Spaghetti and Meatballs
- Mashed potatoes
- Mac & Cheese
- Canned fruit
- Bottled drinks like Gatorade and Vitamin Water
- Fruit Snacks
- Cheese and crackers, Goldfish crackers
- Snack pack pudding
- Pasta
- Instant Rice
- Variety pack potato chips

**Please note food items must be new and unopened. Expired food cannot be accepted.**

If you have any further questions please contact Kristal King, School Social Worker, at ksmith@d211.org or (847) 755-4630.

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**Significant Saxons**

Congratulations to the following Saxon Pride winners:

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**Got Jobs? If Not, Come to “Opportunity Knocks”**

Mark your calendars and save the date! On Thursday, April 5th, 2018 from 4 – 7 p.m. in the front showcase hallway, The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) is organizing a job fair entitled “Opportunity Knocks” for all Schaumburg High School students. Local Schaumburg Businesses are looking for Schaumburg High School students for part time and Summer work employment. “Opportunity Knocks” brings over 25 businesses to SHS so students have direct access to potential job opportunities! Some of our early committed business partners include, AMC Woodfield, Culvers, Jewel Foods, Bike Connection, Corrigan Moving, Home Depot, Kohl’s, McDonalds, Northwest Special Recreation Association (NWSRA), Schaumburg Library, District 211 (SHS), Schaumburg Park District, Target, and Walgreens to name a few. The organizing committee is led by parents, Dan Alberth and Ed and Kathy Pizza. For additional information contact:

- **Dan Alberth**, Principal’s Advisory Council
  *Opportunity Knocks* Co-Chair Email: dan.alberth@athena.privat ewealth.com
- **Ed Pizza**, Principal’s Advisory Council
  "Opportunity Knocks" Co-Chair Email: Edward.Pizza@aa.com
- **Tim Little**, Principal, Schaumburg High School Email: tlittle@d211.org Phone: 847-755-4610

“Opportunity Knocks” is a great opportunity for our students, so stay tuned for more information on this exciting event.

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**Dates to Remember**

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**Congratulation to the following Schaumburg High School students on being selected to the 2017-2018 ILMEA All-State Music Ensembles:**

- Vincent Chang (Oboe – Orchestra)
- Maika Edwards (Violin – Orchestra)
- Abigail Fiedlerman (Trumpet – Band)
- Brandon Jaimes (Trombone – Jazz)
- Cameron Kidd (Soprano 1 – Choir)
- Matthew Nowlan (Violin – Orchestra)
- Tom Schluckbier (Composition)

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO...**

- December senior of the month
- Jacob Schneider
- January senior of the month
- Maddie Chau
- Sara Shahid and Edwin Suresh for achieving a 36 on the ACT, the highest possible composite score.
- Madison Marasco finished 9th at the state girls cross country meet.

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A REMINDER to the 10-minute School Climate Survey for parents available at: https://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/. Your input is important and your time is appreciated.

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FRESHMEN, SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS TEST IN APRIL
Tuesday, April 10, 2018 Testing SAT and PSAT10

Junior Testing

The Illinois State Board of Education’s required high school level assessment, The College Board Scholastic Achievement Test (SAT), will be administered throughout Illinois on Tuesday, April 10, 2018. This state-funded SAT fulfills the requirement of the Illinois School Code that students take the state’s required assessment to be eligible for promotion to grade 12, unless eligible to take the alternative assessment or otherwise exempt from testing and measure students’ progress in the areas of reading, writing, language and math. In accordance with Illinois School Code, the results of the State-sponsored SAT will be posted on students’ official high school transcripts. The SAT is also used by many colleges and universities as an entrance assessment and this state-funded test will provide a valid score for this purpose. Students can choose to take an additional SAT on a national test date to improve test scores. This option may be discussed with your child’s school counselor to determine the benefits of additional testing and to receive information about national SAT tests the dates and costs. You can find detailed information about the SAT online at http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat.

Fees charged by College Board for testing on national test dates are the responsibility of the individual students and/or parents. Fee waivers are available for qualifying students through the student services department.

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Sophomore Testing

Sophomores will be administered the PSAT 10 on Tuesday, April 10, 2018, to measure their academic progress in reading, writing, language and math. Performance on this assessment will also help District 211 improve curriculum and instruction to ensure that all students are college and career ready upon graduation from high school. The PSAT 10 provides students with individualized details about areas for academic improvement prior to taking the State-required junior year assessment. You can find additional information about the PSAT 10 online at https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10.

On April 10, freshmen and senior students will not report to school. It is recommended these students pursue educational opportunities independently on April 10. Sophomore and junior students will report to school to complete the SAT or PSAT10, and will be dismissed at approximately 1:05 p.m. Please mark your calendars. Bus transportation will be available for those who normally use bus service to school and back according to their schedule.

Tuesday, April 3, 2018 PSAT 8/9

Freshmen Testing

On Tuesday, April 3, 2018, all freshmen will complete the PSAT 8/9 on a regular school attendance day. Students will be excused from class to complete the assessment. Performance on this assessment will also help the school district improve curriculum and instruction to ensure that all students are college and career ready upon graduation from high school. For more information online about the PSAT 8/9 go to https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-8-9.

April 16-27, 2017 Illinois Science Assessment (ISA)


APRIL STATE TESTING

SAT

Juniors are preparing to take the state-funded SAT on Tuesday, April 10, 2018. The SAT is required for receipt of a regular high school diploma. Because SAT will be administered as the state assessment in high school, it fulfills the requirement of the Illinois School Code that students take the state assessment in order to receive a regular high school diploma, unless eligible to take the alternative assessment or otherwise exempt from testing. The SAT is used by many colleges and universities as an entrance assessment. These assessments measure student knowledge related to state standards with respect to examination purposes. The results for junior students will be a part of their official transcript. Sophomores will be administered the PSAT 10 Tuesday, April 10th to measure their progress in reading, writing, language and math. Performance on these assessments will also help us to improve our curriculum and instruction to ensure that all students are college and career ready. On April 10, freshmen and senior students will not report to school. Sophomore and junior students will report to complete the SAT or PSAT10, and will be dismissed at approximately 1:05pm. Please mark your calendars. Bus transportation will be available for those who normally use bus service to school and back according to their schedule. Tuesday, April 3 while the freshman students are taking the PSAT 8/9 all students will complete their regularly scheduled school day.

PSAT 8/9 and PSAT 10

To help our freshman and sophomore students prepare for the SAT, District 211 will administer additional assessments that are aligned with the SAT - the PSAT 8/9 and the PSAT10. On April 10, sophomores will take the PSAT10. On April 3, freshman students will be excused from classes to take the PSAT 8/9. Performance on these assessments will also help us to improve our curriculum and instruction to ensure that all students are college and career ready. Both of these tests assess student proficiency in reading, language and writing, and math. Additional cross-test scores measure Analysis in History/Social Studies and Analysis in Science. You can learn more about these assessments at https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org.

Illinois Science Assessment (ISA)