



May 2022 Newsletter

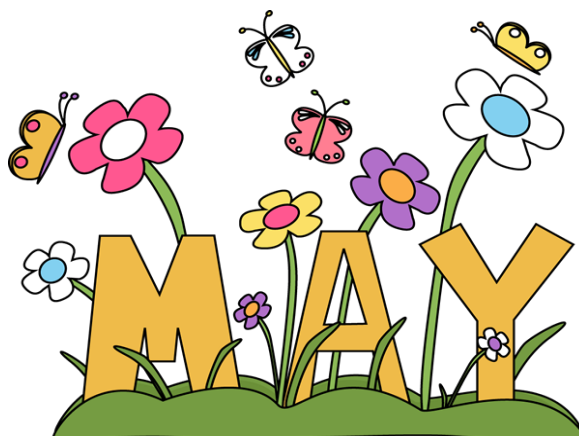
GEAR UP to GO ON



Gaining Early Awareness & Readiness for Undergraduate Programs

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Greetings from HHS! We are through our assessment window and the finish line is right in front of us! This time of year can be somewhat overwhelming for students as they have many things going on and courses coming to a close. It is important that we all work together to communicate and to help plan these final weeks of the school year. We want students to remember these times as a positive experience and to enjoy the process. In order to accomplish this, it will take strong communication and planning in the coming weeks. Please be sure to touch base with your child often and help them put a plan in place so that everything they may be juggling can be accomplished. As we reflect on our pillars for PBIS Respect, Responsible, Safe, having a Positive Attitude and Grit we are finishing the school year with our theme of "Grit"! This time of year can be stressful and overwhelming at times but let us not forget to remember that these are meaningful times and we want them to be positive memories for all!

"Grit is passion or perseverance for very long-term goals. Grit is having stamina. Grit is sticking with your future, day in and day out - - not just for a day, not just for a month, but for years - - to make that future a reality." - Angela Lee Duckworth

Looking forward to finishing the year strong here at HHS!

Sincerely,

Mr. Matt Holtry

Student Support Day at HHS Friday May 6th 8:00 a.m.-Noon



Midsummer Night's Dream

On **Wednesday May 4th** the Drama Club will be presenting "A Midsummer Night's Dream" twice during the school day as well as at 7:00 p.m. for the public. A minimum donation of \$3 at entry is required. All proceeds will go towards a scholarship fund. The goal is to raise \$500.

Field Trip to COSSA Showcase & College/Career Expo May 5th Periods 1-3:



On Thursday May 5th HHS 9th, 10th & 11th graders, interested in COSSA programs, will be going on a field trip for a tech program showcase and a college/career fair. COSSA programs include Auto or Diesel Technology, Welding, Engineering Design, Building Construction, Culinary Arts, Health Professions such as Nursing (CNA or EMT certifications) and Law Enforcement. HHS students are eligible to start these programs their sophomore year. These classes require three periods a day and include a technical math credit. For more information about COSSA's CTE program visit the links below.

[COSSA Field Trip Flyer](#)

[COSSA CTE Website](#)

[COSSA CTE Course Descriptions](#)

COSSA Summer Camp June 1-3

COSSA offers 8—10th graders a chance to experience all of the Career Technical Education (CTE) Programs offered at CRTEC in a "hands-on" way. For three days students rotate through the nine programs learning what each has to offer and enjoying activities that showcase that training area.

[COSSA 2021 -22 Summer Camp Flyer](#)

- Lunch provided daily

- Long pants and closed-toed shoes are required

For more information, contact Janie Willden.

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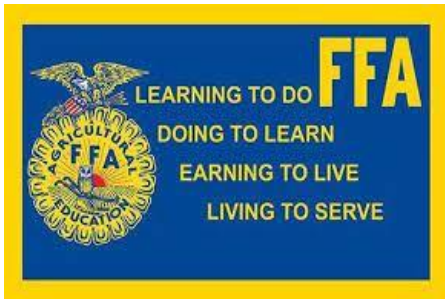


Cinco De Mayo Family Fiesta May 5th at HHS

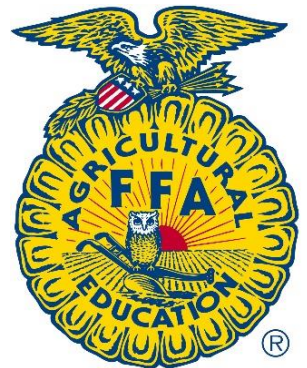
Gear Up, FHLA and the high school are teaming up to provide Homedale High School students, families and upcoming freshmen the opportunity to come for a FREE Dinner with authentic Mexican cuisine with music and activities. Take a tour of the school and learn about the exciting new things coming to campus for the 2022-23 school year. You will get a sneak-peak at course offerings and extra-curricular activities as well. The event starts at 6:00 p.m. and dinner will be served until the food runs out. Plan to bring the whole family!



FFA Invites Everyone to The Annual End of the Year FFA Banquet May 5th



The annual 2022 FFA Awards Banquet will be **Thursday May 5th at 6:30 p.m.** in the Owyhee Community Center at the fairgrounds. A meal will be provided. FFA members will provide desserts. It is a great time of celebration for all the amazing accomplishments of the HHS FFA chapter during the 2021-22 school year. The installation of the new chapter officers will be made as well.



8th Graders 4 Year Plans:

Homedale Middle School 8th graders have been working hard on their 4 Year Plans for high school. Mrs. Debbie Flaming visited the middle school April 25th to provide the 8th graders with support and assistance with their plans. The plans can be found in the students Google Classroom in their Gear Up to Go On Class of 2026. Students may edit the plans at any time. **During the Cinco de Mayo Celebration at the high school May 5th**, 8th graders and their parents are invited to visit the high school to get information about class offerings, tour Homedale High School and learn about extra-curricular opportunities. The event starts at 6:00 p.m. with at free dinner.

School-wide 3,2 & 1 Year Plans:

HHS freshmen, sophomores and juniors spent the last week of April working to update their 3,2, and 1 Year plans. Their plans can be found in their Gear Up to Go On Google Classroom. Students interested in COSSA classes during the 2022-23 school year will be able to go on a field trip to the **COSSA Showcase on Thursday May 5th during periods 1-3**. Following the field trip, students will need to pre-register for COSSA classes to secure their spot for fall classes. Parents will need to sign and approve the COSSA pre-registration documents, which will be sent home with students the week of May 9th.

Sources of Strength End of the Year Celebration



WHEN? Monday May 16th during 7th Period

WHERE? The Library

Enjoy photos and video highlights from the 2021-22

Seniors Honored for Service

Awesome Refreshments & Activities

Homedale Greenhouse Plant Sale:



Please come and support HHS FFA by purchasing plants from the greenhouse. Sale hours are Monday -Thursday 7:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. and Saturdays 10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. For more information, email rrheuby@homedaleschools.org

2nd Semester Senior Leadership Presentations:

Senior Leadership 2nd semester presentations are scheduled for May 9th -11th. The presentations will be in the high school library from 4:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Details about the presenters can be found by visiting [HHS Senior Leadership Webpage](#). Parents' and the Homedale community are welcome. Please plan on arriving 30 minutes before your student's scheduled time to ensure you do not miss their presentation. Mrs. Kristie Dorsey is the Senior Leadership class instructor. To contact Mrs. Dorsey email her at kdorsey@homedaleschools.org

May 18th & 19th Yearbook Distribution Starts

HHS Art & Music Night in ONE EVENING Tuesday May 17th at 6:30 p.m.

Homedale High School Music department will be putting on a concert in the old gym starting at 6:30 p.m. Art will be displayed in the old gym May 17th from 6:30 p.m.-7:15 p.m. as well as the entire week. Admission is FREE.

For more information, please contact Mrs. Danielle Forsberg at dforsberg@homedaleschools.org or Mr. John Zieske at jzieske@homedaleschools.org



Awards Assembly:

The end of the year awards assembly is scheduled for Tuesday May 24th after lunch.

Seniors Last Day of School:

Seniors last day of school is **Wednesday May 25th**. Seniors will help set up the upper grass area for graduation and will practice for Thursday evenings graduation ceremony.

Cap & Gowns...Graduation

Cap & Gowns will be delivered to HHS over the next week or two. May 19th is the final grade check date for seniors. Teachers post grades on May 23rd. The Awards Assembly and announcement of Local Scholarship recipients is May 24th. Senior walk and rehearsal is May 25th. **Graduation is Thursday May 26th at 7:00 p.m. at the upper grass area.** Highest Honor Parents will have reserved seating at the front for the Medallion Ceremony.



AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE from Mr. Lyons about the POST GRADUATION PARTY!!!

Parents, we are in the middle stages of planning the Safe Senior Night Post Graduation Party, Thursday, May 26th, 10pm to 3am, HHS gym. We need your help in making this a successful and safe evening. First, we have; thanks to our senior class student leaders, and Mrs. Dorsey, fun activities, games and presentations throughout the evening. In addition, food and drink will be provided to the students, all you can eat pizza and tacos. What we would greatly appreciate is your time, energy and resourcefulness in gathering prizes for each graduating senior. In the past, we have collected, donated, paid for at a discount such items as flat screens, dorm fridges, camping equipment, car maintenance items, gift certificates for coffee, meals, bathroom items, kitchen items/utensils, towels, food baskets, gas vouchers, tune ups, passes to Wahoo's, helicopter ride, sporting goods stores, etc....so many ideas. All private purchases will be reimbursed by the Class of 2022. We are planning a meeting this Thursday, May 5th, 4:30 in the faculty room of the high school, it should take less than one hour. If you have questions or ideas, please contact Belisia Larzelier at 208 337-2364, or Amaia Aberasturi at 208 318-8370, or myself, 208 697-9814. Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend as I am needed at another commitment. Please bring ideas, resources and energy in making this an event outstanding, and memorable. Thank you for your continued amazing support of our schools, GO TROJANS!! Mr. Randy Lyons

HHS Robotics Team Competition

The Homedale High School Robotics team recently participated in two FIRST Robotics competitions.

The Trobots competed at the Idaho Regional held 1-2 April in the Ford Idaho Center in Nampa. They also competed at the Utah Regional held 8-9 April in the Maverik Center in Salt Lake City.



Front (Left to Right): Abbi Jones, Jacqueline Rosas Perez, Corey Romriell
Back (Left to Right): Judy Marzouka, Zane Highland, Carson Bingham, Ben Gentry, Todd Thatcher, Kaden Tomevi, Mark Thatcher

It was great to get back to regional competition after a two year pause. The Idaho competition was the first one for several new members of the team. They did a good job getting used to the pace of the competition and making timely repairs and adjustments in order to have the robot ready for each match. They competed against 28 teams from Idaho, Utah, Montana, California, and Canada.

There were 40 teams from Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Oregon, Utah, Wyoming, and Taiwan competing at the Utah event. One of the unique challenges this year was to get the robot to climb a series of three bars. The higher you climb, the more points you earn. The team overhauled their climber mechanism for the Utah competition and made several successful climbs to the highest bar.

FIRST Robotics competitions are a high energy, fast-paced, and exciting experience for the students. They provide team members the opportunity to collaborate with students and mentors from around the country and really stretches them.

The team is funded by STEM grants and local sponsorships. They are very appreciative of the past support they have received from the community. The Trobots have received grants from Idaho Stem Action Center, Laura Moore Cunningham Foundation, Micron, the Bayer Fund, and FIRST Inspires. Local sponsors include: AgriLines, Matteson's, NAPA Owyhee Auto Parts, Campbell Tractor, Parker Advisors, Owyhee Veterinary Clinic, and Succor Creek Construction Co.

The Trobots will be hosting a community fundraiser dinner in May where they will demonstrate the robot and hope to renew previous and create new sponsorships. More info to come.

National Honor Society Induction Ceremony:



The 2022 National Honor Society Induction Ceremony was Tuesday March 1st. Mr. Ed Lee, the NHS adviser, organized the event with the help of the officers. Inductees Seated Left to Right...Row 1: William White, Ryker Johnson, Joseph Kester, Rose Flores (Not Pictured), Landen Wilson, Brian Vega, Bailey Purdom, Maite Frank, Jacy Parker & Anna Pawlak Ambrocio. Row 2: Katie Christoffersen, Sydney Davis, Rylan Love, Marysol Mata (not pictured), Catherine Decker, Kaylee Blankenship, Sigmund Goode, Olivia Smith, Kambell Garrett, Mason Strong. Row 3: Elizabet Egusquiza, Olivia Miller, Rylan Binford, Erikka Mercado, Omar Cardenas, Kaden Tomevi, Trenton Fisher, Jaxon Dines, Dade Contreras & Yocelyn Albor Cortez.

SAT Test Day for Juniors:

The Idaho Department of Education provides a free SAT test for all juniors. All students in the state of Idaho are required to take a college entrance exam before the end of their junior year. The juniors' SAT test scores will be released to the students' College Board accounts after May 4th. For students to view their scores, they need to log into College Board with their Google account.



HHS Prom: Saturday April 30th was the Homedale High School Prom. The 2022 Prom was hosted by the junior class at the American Legion Armory. The juniors did an excellent job in organizing a wonderful dance for everyone!



Resources for Building 3, 2 & 1 Year Plans

The month of April has been a busy one for HHS students! Mrs. Flaming has been visiting classes to help students build their plans for classes for the year(s) to come. Students can find their individual plans as an assignment in Gear Up to Go On Class of _____, in Google Classroom. Even though students are asked to submit their plans, they can still go back and edit or update at any time. Parents, you are invited to review your students plan with them to help guide their decisions. Ask them to show you their plans in Google Classroom.

[Graduation Requirements](#)

Courses Available by Grade Level (Subject to Change):

[10th Grade Courses](#)

[11th Grade Courses](#)

[12th Grade Courses](#)

HHS Course Catalog

HHS course catalog has been drafted for the 2022-23 school year. This catalog is accessible from the HHS College and Career website on the [Graduation Requirements](#) web page. You may click on the links below to access the specific department course descriptions as well. Classes can vary from year to year especially for agricultural courses. The time slots for the various classes will not be available until a master schedule is finalized, just before registration due to staff changes...

[1\) A Letter From the Principal: Mr. Holtry](#)

[2\) Graduation Requirements](#)

[3\) Language Arts \(English & Speech\)](#)

[4\) Math](#)

[5\) Science](#)

[6\) Social Studies](#)

[7\) Health, Fitness, Fine Arts, Performing Arts, Spanish](#)

[8\) Vocational, Ag, Business & COSSA](#)

[9\) Misc](#)

COSSA CTE Certifications

COSSA offers students the opportunity to earn certifications in Auto or Diesel Mechanics, Welding, Engineering Design, Building Construction, Culinary Arts, Health Professions such as Nursing (CNA or EMT

certifications). HHS students who begin these programs their sophomore year are eligible for the certifications with the exception of CNA & EMT which are only one year programs and are open only to juniors and seniors. These classes require three periods a day and include a technical math credit.

For more information about COSSA's CTE program visit the links below.

[COSSA CTE Website](#)

[COSSA CTE Course Descriptions](#)

Ag Department Offers Three Certification Pathways

The Homedale High School Ag Department, headed by Ms. Rheuby and Mr. Wetzel have put together three pathways for students which will lead to useful and powerful ag certifications. The three pathways are as follows:

Agriculture Mechanics with possible certifications in a Home Builders Association Certificate or a EETC Small Engines Certification.

Plant and Soil Science with possible certifications in Advanced Floral Certification or BASF Advanced Plant Certification.

Animal Science with certifications in Livestock Repro State Certification in the fall and the ELANCO Vet Science certification in the spring.

Students need to review the Ag Pathways document to make sure they are taking all the right courses for these important certifications.

[Ag Pathways](#)

IDLA Courses

Taking IDLA classes is a great way for HHS students to enhance and supplement their educational experience. Over fifty dual credit classes are available through IDLA which provide both high school and college credit courses at the same time. Fast Forward funds are available to all Idaho students to pay for the college credits and the high school credit is free! [IDLA Dual Credit Course List](#) IDLA classes can be a way for students to meet the two credit technology requirement at HHS. IDLA classes may be taken for elective credit, or foreign language class, or for required classes. Students may register for a maximum of two IDLA classes/semester. The \$75.00 fee must be paid before the student can be enrolled in the class. Students may have the \$75 fee waived if the class is an overload or 8th period class. Ms. Johnson is the IDLA coordinator and has a classroom dedicated to IDLA students taking courses. To contact Ms. Johnson email cjohnson@homedaleschools.org.

[IDLA Fall 2022 Course List](#)

[IDLA Spring 2023 Course List](#)

Attention College Bound Seniors & Parents!



[HHS FAFSA Webpage](#)

If you need help completing FAFSA applications Hailie Martell from CWI will be available from 9:30-11:00 a.m. on Thursday March 3rd and March 10th in the guidance counselor's office. If these dates & times do not work, you may make an appointment to meet with Mrs. Debbie Flaming by emailing dflaming@homedaleschools.org.

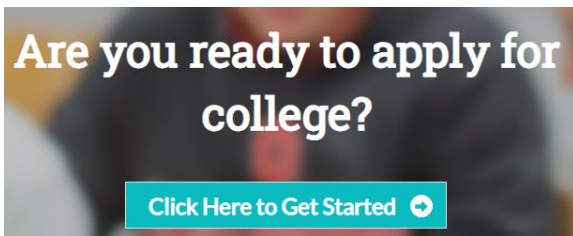
To complete the FAFSA you will need to bring your 2020, 1040 Federal Tax Returns and W2's.

Visit Mrs. Flaming's FAFSA webpage with information about the FAFSA application process and the FSA ID.

[List of Information Needed for FAFSA \(English\)](#)

[List of Information Needed for FAFSA \(Spanish\)](#)

College Admission Information, Dates & Deadlines



[Next Steps Idaho Scholarship Search](#)



[Next Steps Idaho](#)



- Thursdays CWI & TriO
- Army National Guard Lunchtime Visits TBA

Next Steps Idaho: Apply to 10 Idaho Schools with One Application!

Things you need:

1. Legal Name (Use your name as spelled on your social security card)
2. Your Date of Birth
3. Your EDUID # (Which can be requested from Mrs. Flaming at dflaming@homedaleschools.org)
4. A personal email account

The advantage of using the Apply Idaho site? **No College Application Fees!**

Next Steps Website: <https://nextsteps.idaho.gov/resources/apply-idaho/>

College of Southern Idaho
Northwest Nazarene College
Idaho State University
College of Western Idaho
College of Idaho
College of Eastern Idaho

BYU-Idaho
University of Idaho
Lewis & Clark State University
Boise Bible College
Boise State University
North Idaho College



Interested in an Out of State College?

Check to see if the out of state school of interest offers Idaho students in-state tuition by visiting the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education website at <http://wiche.edu/wue>.

Transcript Request Instructions:

After applying, seniors must request that their transcripts and test scores be sent to the colleges they have applied to. Seniors accomplish this by logging into Google Classroom, opening the Gear Up to Go On classroom and finding the Google document named 6th Semester Transcripts shared with them from Mrs. Flaming. They will enter their name, the date, and the schools they want the transcripts sent to. Mrs. Flaming will send out transcripts within a day or two of the request. For more college application help and support information, visit Mrs. Flaming's webpage at [HHS College Application Week Webpage](#)



Buck the Quo

Great website for exploring Idaho Schools, what degrees are offered & the cost/locations...Website: <https://futurehacker.buckthequo.com/>

Interested in the cost of Idaho colleges?

Click on [Idaho Colleges Cost Comparisons](#) to compare the cost of tuition, room and board for Idaho colleges.

HHS Scholarship Information

OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

It is not enough to simply apply for the Idaho Opportunity and Governors Cup Scholarship, students must watch for an email message from scholarshiphelp@osbe.idaho.gov to accept the award. (Students must check SPAM folders).

Students must accept the scholarship by May 11th. If students do not respond to the email, the scholarship foundation will see it as refusing the funds.

In the email, students will be asked to select the Idaho college/university they will be attending. Students will also be asked to agree to a few statements. In summary, the agreement says students agree they will be a student at an Idaho institution in the Fall 2022 semester. They are also required to complete 24 credits for the 2022-2023 school (12 credits each semester).

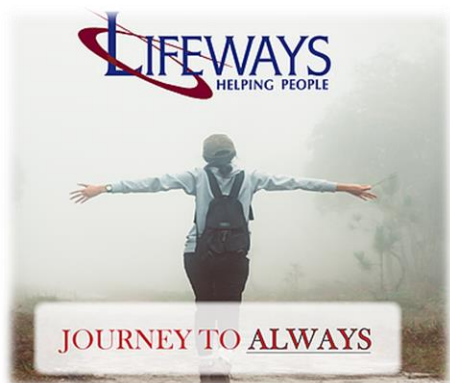
This is only the first round of the funding. If seniors do not get selected on the first round, they may get selected on the second round. It is important they keep checking their email!



HHS Trio Rep Gloria Segura

Hello! I'm super excited to be serving Homedale High School. I have been with TRIO Educational Talent Search for seven years. I enjoy working with students explore the different opportunities available to them after high school. Helping my community has always driven me, primarily assisting the youth in overcoming barriers to continue their educational goals. I consider myself super lucky to be able to work with some fantastic students here in the community. I'm a first-generation student and TRIO alumni. I know first-hand how challenging and scary the college process can be. I graduated from Lewis-Clark State College. I'm currently working on my master's degree at Boise State University and graduating in May 2022. I enjoy spending time with my family, traveling, and trying different types of foods in my spare time.

Gloria Segura



Lifeways Counseling

Homedale High School offers professional counseling services through Lifeways. A Lifeways counselor visits the HHS campus to meet with students on Tuesdays.

Parents must apply for these services. To receive an information packet, email Mrs. Debbie Flaming at dflaming@homedaleschools.org

Lifeways Website

Meet the HHS Lifeways Counselor

Hello!! My name is Angela Saitta. I have been in the mental health field since 2010. I am a Licensed Masters Social Worker and received my degree from Northwest Nazarene University and have been working towards specialized certifications in trauma care. My career path has led me though being a Community Based Rehabilitation Specialist, Crisis Response and suicide prevention for Mental Health for the State of Idaho, Clinician working with an interdisciplinary team to help reintegrate individuals into the community after significant disruptions in their lives, and finally, currently doing outpatient mental health therapy with Lifeways. Through my experience I have found that I really enjoy working with the high school population. It is my sincere belief that every individual deserves to have a place to be authentic without fear of repercussion or judgment. I work with teens and adults to help them as they process through past traumas, navigate current challenges, identify and set healthy boundaries, and find new ways to better manage their mental health.

In my free time I like to garden, go to concerts, read, and spend time with my family including my spouse, three children, two cats, a dog, 6 ducks, 6 chickens, and 1 pig. If anyone would like to reach out for individual counseling services, you can contact me at asaitta@lifeways.org or Mrs. Debbie Flaming at dflaming@homedaleschools.org to complete the Lifeways intake packet and I look forward to meeting you! Angela Saitta



Finals

Finals are May 31st & June 1st. The last day of the 4th quarter and 2nd semester is on June 1st with an early out at 1:30 p.m.

Summer BREAK Begins June 2nd



SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer school for Homedale High School students is at COSSA and starts Wednesday June 1st. Classes offered this summer at COSSA are Algebra I A & B, Geometry A & B, English for grades 9-12 A & B, US History II A & B, and Biology A & B. A bus will pick up students from the park across from the high school. Pick up time is 8:00 a.m. and drop off time is 3:30 p.m. COSSA provides a free lunch for all attendees.

Session 1: for failed 1st semester classes and is June 1-14. Session 2: for failed 2nd semester classes and is June 15-28. The attendance policy is very strict. Students who are needing summer school will be given a registration form which requires a parent signature. Seats are limited and are first come, first serve so parents who would like their students to have a spot need to return the registration forms as soon as possible. Registration forms have been sent out with the students.

IDLA Summer Courses

HHS students can enroll in IDLA summer courses. Keep in mind that in the summer the time to complete courses is condensed and students will need to be able to dedicate a minimum of 8-10 hours to do classwork each week (even during vacation time). Dual Credit courses have a DC designation. For courses which are not dual credit, the cost is \$75. Checks are to be made payable to HHS and must be brought to the front office before enrollment will be complete. For financial questions, please call the school office (208) 337-4613 and ask for Mrs. Sherri Romriell or email Sheri at sromriell@homedaleschools.org. To get started, please fill out the IDLA Registration Form and email it to Ms. Johnson at cjohnson@homedaleschools.org.

Early Summer Registration - Start: 04/04/2022 End: 06/03/2022 Session Start: 06/06/2022 Drop/Refund Deadline: 06/17/2022 Final Exam Week: 08/22 - 08/26/22 Final Grades Due: 08/30/2022 Extension Deadline: 09/09/2022
Summer Registration - Start: 04/04/2022 End: 06/10/2022 Session Start: 06/13/2022 Drop/Refund Deadline: 06/24/2022 Final Exam Week: 08/15 - 08/19/22 Final Grades Due: 08/23/2022 Extension Deadline: 09/02/2022

[IDLA Summer 2022 Course List](#)

[IDLA Registration Form](#)



Debbie Flaming

Student Support Specialist
College & Career Counselor
College & Military Test Coordinator

If you have any questions or would like to know more about the Gear Up to Go On & Academic College & Career Counseling services at Homedale High School , please visit Mrs. Debbie Flaming's website at HHS College Career Website or e-mail dflaming@homedaleschools.org or call Homedale High School (208) 337-4613 ext 224.

