

Memo

To: Board of Trustees
From: Matt Holtry, Principal
CC: R. Sauer, Superintendent
Date: 4/8/2020
Re: High School Principal Report April 2020

We are in the midst of some challenging times for sure with the current epidemic going on in our world! I am very proud of the way that our staff here at the High School has prepared and rallied to get a system in place to provide for our student body. Teachers are currently working in various online formats to communicate with our students and to provide the best instruction given the current situation. For those students that are not able to access communication via an online format then there are packets being delivered to those students. As we continue to work in this online format we are meeting weekly with our staff to keep informed and to stay in touch with everything that is happening. We had 95% contact with students during the first week and we are working towards 100% this week. We still have some students we have yet to hear from.

This week we received our final report from our Accreditation visit. The process was a long one that took much of this school year to prepare for. I feel very fortunate to have a staff that all contributed to this process. Christine Ketterling was very helpful in the process as was the entire district office in providing information and support we needed at the high school. We received the following confirmation. "Congratulations on successfully hosting your Accreditation Engagement Review. We are pleased to inform you that the final Engagement Review Report is now available and may be downloaded from the Final Engagement Review Report folder, which is located in the Shared Folder in eProve™ workspace. Approval of your institution's continuing accreditation status will be granted by the Cognia Global Commission on June 19, 2020. Approximately 4-6 weeks after the meeting, the official letter of accreditation and the accreditation certificate will be mailed to your institution."

We are currently looking at possible ideas for graduation and how that may look at the end of May. A lot of our plans depend on what the pandemic looks like, what steps are taken by our state and local government and with what our district decides. We will continue to be positive and make decisions that are in the best interest of our students here at HHS.

ISAT/SAT/ACT - With the school closures the following adjustments for assessments have been made.

- ISAT Testing has been waived for this school year.
- Idaho's statewide SAT test day, planned for April 14, was moved to April 28 and now has been cancelled again to a future day.
- The ACT has rescheduled it's April 4 test date to June 13.

Fall Enrollment-

Freshman-	Male 46	Female 49	
Sophomores-	Male 39	Female 43	
Juniors-	Male 43	Female 37	
Seniors-	Male 44	Female 40	
Total Students-	Male 172	Female 169	Total = 341 Students

March Events (Past)

- March 3rd- National Honor Society Induction Ceremony 7 pm
- March 6th- Student Support Day/ Staff Inservice
- March 11th- Parliamentary Procedure/ Conduct of Ch. Meetings
- March 13th- Homedale Talent Show
- March 16th- March Chapter Meeting
- March 23rd-March 29th Spring Break

April Events (Present)

The State Board extended the soft closure through the end of each school district's calendar year. However, local school officials can re-open this year if local social distancing guidelines are lifted; if the school meets a list of criteria taken up by the State Board on April 13; and if local health officials approve a reopening. The specific criteria for reopening will be worked on this week. The Governor's K-12 Emergency Council will take a look at possible criteria for reopening in our meeting tomorrow morning.

Otherwise we will continue to work in the online format we have in place and we will continue to make plans for what our graduation ceremonies may look like as we move forward.