

October 21, 2024

Dr. Lawson and Henderson County Board of Education:

Personnel:

Adrienne Cruse has signed on as an associate director and will be working with Title IX as a main task along with normal duties.

Benson Pryor has signed on as an associate director and will be working on social media as a main task along with normal duties

Honoka Nakanishi is our new trainer. She is world class and everyone is super excited with her eye for detail and treatment plans. She also is very grateful for the recent addition of the golf cart for better mobility for campus events.

Facilities:

Huge shout out to both sides of our Maintenance Department. We have been fortunate for the support and effort given to our requests.

Soccer fields are great shape and the new surface has come in strong. We could be hosting first round of State the 21st and 22nd.

The painting of the buildings and surrounding areas has made the flow of campus start to look the thought out.

New AMP and Speaker in the Main gym, we are told will take us to the next level.

New Weather station installed this year has allowed for better monitoring of student safety and taken a little something off the coach's plate. Perry Weather is the company.

Sports Information:

Fall sports is winding down and Winter just getting started.

The football team has played 7 games and is currently in district play.

The volleyball team is preparing for post season. 13-19 overall, 8-2 in Region, and 3-1 in district play. Ella Whitledge is 32nd in dig leaders for Kentucky. Ava Stott has stepped up lately playing 6 rotations and being a solid contributor as a hitter, defensively, and with Aces served.

Coach Harris, "Team is still struggling to find their mental toughness." Freshmen team has remained undefeated and won the Owensboro tournament. We have lots of young talent. We have had great community support for our team.

The Girls golf team finished the year strong with a Second place finish at the Regional Tournament. This meant the entire team advanced to the first round of state for the first time in over a decade. Their season ended at that stage with Meryl Grogan missing advancing to the state tournament by one stroke. There are no seniors and the full squad will. E returning next school year to compete as one of the top teams in Region 2.

The Boys golf team completed in a very difficult rainy Regional tournament that took place over 2 days due to all the rain delays. While the boys struggled to play well in the weather, Jake Hayden only missed advancing to the First Round of the State tournament by one stroke. The boys will be graduating Chaz Audas and Jaxon Nunn, both in the top five. They have a strong squad with many players who can step up next season.

The boys' soccer team

15 Wins - 3 Losses - 4 Draws

#16 KHSAA RPI #14 in KY (MaxPreps)

16th Straight 6th District Championship and 21st in program history

Reached the 2nd Region Final for the 5th Consecutive Year

Multiple players on All-District, All-Region, and the All-Region All-Star Game Roster

The girls soccer team is going into region is 13-6, big wins over Madisonville, University Heights, and Murray this season and looking for a strong showing this week at region. Leading scorer is Kacee Butler. 13th consecutive district championship & 24th in program history.

The Cheer team is all that and more. Please see the below

Dance team JV & Varsity have qualified for 2025 NDA Nationals. We have three seniors performing at the Citrus Bowl this winter. KHSAA Regionals on the 16th of November. Ladies are providing community service hours for Hurricane relief locally at the shelter. They have been showcasing their talents at Soccer games, all levels of the Football Program. Most recently they held their annual dance camp for the Halloween themed program which showcases the future Colonels.

The boys cross country team won the Owensboro Invitational. They have been in the top half in almost every meet. The girls are having a tough season as we are finishing near the bottom at meets. One female runner (Callie Burnett) is ranked 8th in the region.

Marching Band. Please see below

The Winter/Spring coaches meeting will be held before the end of the month and we will continue to communicate and educate throughout the year.

We have been notified that we will be having a Title IX audit on site in December.

Henderson County High School continues to be in compliance with all KHSAA By-Laws.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nathan Grace

HCHS Director of Athletics and Activities

Cheer Report

Because our teams have not yet participated in any competitions, we wanted to recognize accomplishments that our cheerleading athletes have had “off the mat” up to now this current school year (1st 9 weeks).

We are proud that you can find our cheerleaders in areas all across the school and county as they represent our squad.

We currently have:

A Governor’s Scholar
Top 2 academic students of the Class of 2025
Two Early College Participants at HCC
Sophomore Class Officer
FFA Executive Board Officer
4 Football Homecoming Court Representatives
Senior Student and City of Henderson Ambassadors
Junior Student Ambassadors
Two Girls State Tournament Golf Team Members
Archery, HOSA, DECA, FBLA, and other club members
Many AP and Dual Credit enrollees
Excitedly welcomed our first foreign exchange student to our team

Nearly all of our team members are on the HCHS Honor Roll representing all 4 class levels

Recognitions

- Our Junior Varsity cheer team cheered nearly every home JV AND **Freshman** Football game as well as the home Varsity games this year. This team led the early Sunrise Spirit Pep Rally for the first time ever on their own!
- Varsity and JV hosted over 130-150 little colonel cheer campers in September and cheered with them at the first home football game.

Our cheerleaders are very busy and, for some of us, our season is just getting started.

Our varsity teams GO ABOVE AND BEYOND and put in 9-15+ hours of practice and game time each week in addition to all of the other activities we have acknowledged and more not listed - including academics, family time and even employment.

Our varsity competition season begins in November and ends in February - all while we cheer football and basketball games. There is never a “downtime” for our cheerleaders! We appreciate all of the support and recognition we receive from our athletic department and School Board members as we work hard to represent our school and the members of our community!

Band Report

9/7 - Maroon Classic (Madisonville)

Best Color Guard in Class 4A (2nd Overall)

Percussion 2nd Place in Class 4A (3rd Overall)

Band 3rd Place in Class 4A (5th Overall)

10/12 - Western Kentucky Tournament of Champions (Hopkinsville)

Prelims:

Best Percussion in Class 4A Orange (2nd Overall)

Color Guard 2nd in Class 4A Orange (4rd Overall)

Band 2nd in Class 4A Orange (5th Overall)

Finals (all OVERALL awards)

Percussion 3rd place

Color Guard 4th place

Band 5th Place

We have KMEA 4A West Regionals this weekend (10/19) at Daviess Co. HS. We perform at 1:15 pm. This determines if we move on to State Semifinals (10/26) at South Oldham High School. We will perform at Ohio County High School on 11/2. This is a prelims and finals contest so we will perform twice that day. We are traveling to Miamisburg, OH 11/8-11/10 to compete in Midstates Band Association Championships. We perform on 11/9 at 11:30 am (EST) at Miamisburg High School. There are 19 bands in our class and they take the top 10 scores to finals that same evening.