



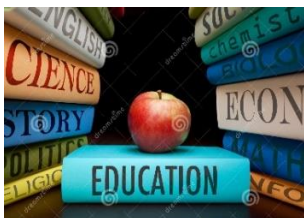
Principal's Message

Sept, 2022

I am very excited about the upcoming 2022-23 school year. After two-plus years of COVID dominating our day to day activities, we are finally at a point where we can act without immediately worrying about whether or not our actions will make us carriers of the virus. This doesn't mean we can be carefree. The virus is still out there, and the impact on our students, our staff, and our families can still be catastrophic. But it does mean that we can start to return to what we used to call "normal" behavior again. And that should be good news for all of us.

Last year, our students started to come around to the understanding that being at the high school requires some self-discipline. As we completed the year, we had more students making positive choices when it came to school work and behavior. We don't want to backslide; we want our returning students to pick up where they left off, and our incoming Class of 2026 to begin their high school careers in a positive manner. We want all of our students to remember that high school is the place where they start to practice the habits of adulthood; being responsible for their actions and behaviors, learning to work with people regardless of how they feel about them personally, learning to prioritize the important tasks from the mundane, and understanding that one doesn't always get everything one wants. These are important lessons, and we want all of our students to embrace the value these lessons will provide in their years after graduation from XHS.

We look forward to working with our students and families, from the first day of the school year right up to the last day of undergraduate exams on Thursday, May 25. We're here to help your students work on the transition from childhood to adulthood. We need your support and your help to prepare your students for life after high school. Please don't hesitate to contact your student's teachers, guidance counselor, or any of the administrators if you have questions or concerns. Together, we can help your student make a smooth and successful transition into adulthood.



Student Early Dismissals for 2022-23

School Year

For the 2022-23 school year, Xenia High School students will be released two hours early from school (at 12:33pm) on each of the following dates to accommodate professional development for staff members: Wednesday, September 21, 2022; Wednesday, October 19, 2022; Wednesday, November 16, 2022; Wednesday, January 11, 2023, Wednesday, February 8, 2023; Wednesday, March 15, 2023; Wednesday, April 12, 2023; and Wednesday, May 10, 2023.

New Staff Members

XHS is welcoming to the building several new faces this year. Our "brand new" staff members include school psychologist Maggie Longberry, social studies teacher Brian Bogenschutz, language arts teacher Rebekah Yates, science teacher Matthew Gnau, engineering teacher Anne Kleinhenz-Ott, student interpreter Amy Ferguson, custodial team members Susan Bush, Rick Furay and Matt Shampton, and cafeteria staff members Heather Engle, Kristen Liming, and Brittany Shelley.

We also would like to welcome individuals that are either returning to XHS or moving to XHS from within the District: athletic director Nathan Kopp, para professional/building security assistant Laura Lovingshimer, and custodial lead Kelly Lawson.

Parents

If you have not created a Parent Account to view your child's grades and attendance online via Progress Book, letters were mailed to you on August 30, 2022. The letters contain instructions and a registration key to assist you in creating a Parent Account.

Please call 937-372-6983 if assistance is needed in creating your account.

Immunization Requirement For 2022-23 Seniors

The Ohio Department of Health now requires that all students entering 12th grade have a second dose of meningococcal vaccine (MVC4) prior to the first day of the school year. If the first dose of the meningococcal vaccine was administered on or after the student's 16th birthday, a second dose is not required.

Please contact your child's physician, the Five Rivers Health Center (Xenia) (708-3400) or local pharmacies such as Walgreens (376-0631) or Walmart (376-3700) to schedule an immunization. If you have additional questions, please contact the Greene County Health Department or the Ohio Department of Health website and type "immunization" in the search engine box.

All XHS 2022-23 Grade 12 students must provide a record of this immunization (via a receipt or vaccination record) on or before August 17, 2022. Students will be excluded from attendance at school on September 7, 2022 if the immunization record has not been provided.

XHS Athletics

The Xenia Buccaneers fall sports season is upon us. This year all of the Xenia home athletic events will be cashless and no tickets will be sold at the gate. You must purchase your tickets prior to the game online at www.xeniaathletics.com. At the top right hand corner, click on "Ticket Spicket". Your electronic ticket can be printed out or you can save the QR code on your phone to be scanned at the gate. Nine of the ten schools in the Miami Valley League are using cashless entry beginning this fall.

Xenia All Sports Passes are on sale in the Athletic Office. The Miami Valley League has increased prices for all events this fall. There has never been a better time to purchase an all sports pass for all home events!

Please visit www.xeniaathletics.com for more information regarding Xenia Community Schools athletics.

School Pictures for Underclassmen

Underclassmen pictures will be taken at the high school on Thursday, September 8, 2022 from 7:35am to 11:00am (***students with last names of A through K***) and Friday, September 9, 2022 from 7:35am to 11:00am (***students with last names of L through Z***). Picture order forms will be distributed to students in Homeroom on Friday, September 2, 2022. Additional forms will also be available in the Main Office.



Senior Parent Planning Night

The Guidance Department will host a Senior Planning Night on Thursday, September 22, from 6:00pm to 7:00pm in the XHS Auditorium. This meeting, for Grade 12 students and their parents or guardians, will help students in their preparations for life after graduation.

XHS 2022 Homecoming Dance Info

The XHS 2022 homecoming dance is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2022 from 8:00pm to 11:00pm in the XHS gymnasium.

Tickets for admission to the dance will be sold from September 12, 2022 through September 21, 2022. Cost per ticket is \$15.00. Tickets will be sold online and during most lunches.

XHS students requesting to bring a guest to the dance who is **NOT** a XHS student must provide a completed and approved Dance Guest Form to the Main Office on or before September 19, 2022. Tickets for the student's guest cannot be purchased until the completed form has been approved by XHS Administration. XHS Dance Guest Forms can be found in the Main Office.

2022-23 Meal Changes for XHS

Students

Xenia High School students must have a Free and Reduced Priced Meals application submitted to determine eligibility for free/reduced meals for the 2022-2023 school year.

It was previously communicated to our high school families that students had up to one month to complete paperwork. This is not the case. The end of the Seamless Summer Option expansion that was in place during the pandemic means that our high school families must now complete this paperwork for the coming school year at the start of the year to see if they qualify. We apologize for the misunderstanding and any inconvenience this may have caused.

You can find the link to complete the application through PaySchools Central under the Food Service section in Final Forms, or go directly to this link: <https://payschoolscentral.com>.

Families of XHS students who need to apply for free/reduced meals for the 2022-2023 school year should complete this process as soon as possible.

2022-23 XHS Meal Costs: Breakfast is \$2.00 (Reduced Cost: \$0.30); Lunch is \$3.00, or \$3.50 for the made-to-order deli sandwiches (Reduced Cost: \$0.40).

If you need assistance with completing your paperwork, please contact the Student Nutrition Office at (937) 562-9019.

2022-23 XHS Yearbooks – Order Yours Today!

Orders are now being accepted for the XHS 2022-23 yearbook. Orders can be placed online at www.jostens.com, at the XHS fee office, or with Mr. Frank. The price depends on when the yearbook is ordered. The sooner the better! If ordered **by October 14, 2022**, the cost is \$69.00; if ordered **by December 21, 2022**, the cost is \$73.00; if ordered **after December 21, 2022**, the cost is \$77.00. Please contact Mr. Frank at pfrank@xeniaschools.org with any questions.

Senior Info for 2022-23 XHS Yearbook

This Is YOUR Yearbook. Be In it!!

Senior Headshots: *(Please pay attention to the dates. Last year, only 60% of seniors met the deadline).* Senior headshots must be scheduled for your photo to appear in the yearbook. Headshots are different than Senior portraits which include several outfits and poses.

Option 1 - Schedule with Mr. Frank's Interactive Media students from **September 12-21, 2022**. The cost is \$20.00, and you will receive a print of your headshot. Scheduling can be done through [this calendar](#) or by emailing Mr. Frank at pfrank@xeniaschools.org.

Option 2 - Schedule with BetterImages Portrait Studio for one of the following dates: **October 17, 24, or 25 or November 2, 2022**. The cost is \$25.00. Schedule your appointment [online through this link](#) (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e4ba4ab2ca7ff2-senior>), the form on their website at <http://www.betterimagesonline.com/>, or by calling (937) 562-3205.

NOTE: *This is a portrait on a blue studio background that will be used in the Senior section of the yearbook. Please dress nicely. No hats or t-shirts. Dress to show that you are proud to be a graduating Senior.*

Senior Baby Pictures: These will be collected digitally or as a printed photograph. There is no charge for this, but it's fun to have a baby picture included in the Senior section. E-mail pictures to pfrank@xeniaschools.org or bring them to XHS Room C119.

Senior Ads: Show your love by buying a space in the yearbook to recognize a Senior. Design and pay for your ad at www.jostens.com or by contacting Mr. Frank at pfrank@xeniaschools.org. Please correspond with Mr. Frank with any questions.

Important Info For Parents of Grade 12 Students

- Seniors who want to try to improve their ACT scores for university admissions and scholarships should register for the test that will be administered on Saturday, October 22, 2022 at 8:00am at Xenia High School. The deadline to register for this testing date is September 16, 2022.
- Guidance Counselors will be meeting with XHS Grade 12 students attending in the building on September 14, 2022 **at XHS**.
- Guidance Counselors will be meeting with XHS/GCCC Grade 12 students on September 15, 2022 **@ the GCCC**.
- Parents please ask your Grade 12 student to show you the Senior Newsletter that they will receive during the above mentioned Senior Sessions.

Important Jostens Dates

- 09/01/22-Sophomore Class Ring Meeting-7:40am @ **XHS Aud**
- 09/08-09-Ring Order Days- During Lunches-**XHS Café**
- 09/22/22-Senior Graduation Meeting-7:40am @ **XHS Aud**
- 09/22/22-Senior graduation meeting-1:00pm @ **GCCC**
- 09/30/22-Graduation order day during lunches-@ **XHS Cafe**
- 09/30/22-Graduation order day during lunches @ **GCCC**
- 05/23/23-Delivery of caps & gowns after completion of graduation rehearsal @ **XHS Gym**.

Interim Reports and Report Cards

Because guardians have access to an up-to-the minute look at their student's grades, ***the High School will only be generating paper interim reports for students who are failing one or more classes.*** And, ***we will only sending home a printed report card at the end of each semester.*** We encourage students and their guardians to take advantage of the Parent Viewer function in Progress Book, and check regularly to check student grades in all classes. If you have any questions regarding a student's progress in any of your student's classes, you can call or e-mail your student's teacher for further information. First semester report cards will be mailed home on November 10, 2022 and second semester report cards will be mailed home on June 2, 2023.



Student Drop-off and Pickup Reminder

- A reminder for all families who will be dropping off or picking up students this year. When you enter the parking lot to drop your student off, you should turn right, and proceed along the outside of the parking lot until you reach the sidewalk in front of the building. Once there, you can safely release your passengers onto the sidewalk. After your passengers have left your vehicle, you can then proceed to the end of the lot, turn left, and exit the lot.
- When you come to school to pick your student up, the same path should be taken. You should drive along the outside of the parking lot until you are in front of the building, pick up your student, and then proceed to the end of the lot, turn left, and leave through the lot exit area.
- Students should not be dropped off in the staff parking lot, the bus loading zone, or at the apartment complex behind the staff parking lot.
- We ask that you do this because it is the safest way for your student, yourself, and other drivers to drop off and pick up students. We do not want to put students or drivers at risk of an accident. So, please, for the safety of all of our families, follow this procedure. Thank you all in advance for your cooperation.

Fall Play - It Came From The Student Lounge

**IT CAME FROM
THE STUDENT
LOUNGE**



Just when you thought it was safe to go back into the student lounge, you discover Marcus has come home! Years before, on prom night, he lost the election for student body president and burned down the gymnasium, and since then, he has spent his days in a nearby asylum plotting revenge. This delightful, easy to produce play is a wild spoof of all the teenage horror films ever made, from *Halloween* to *Nightmare on Elm Street*. The roles are great fun to play; everything from Elmo the clod who gives campus security a bad name to Carrie Bisquitbarrel who gives school cafeterias something even worse. Plus, there's the "killer" lawnmower that stalks the campus, and ski-masked maniacs who drop in with chainsaws. It's up to Audrey,

Fall Play - It Came From the Student Lounge (continued)

the brightest girl in the school, to come up with a method to catch Marcus!

The play will be held in the Bob Hope Auditorium on the following dates and times: October 27, 28 & 29, 2022 at 7:00pm, and October 29, 2022 at 3:00pm. Ticket prices are \$13.00 for adults and \$10.00 for students. Tickets can be purchased online by going to the following web address: xeniahsbooktix.com. Tickets will also be sold at the door beginning an hour before each show time.



FirstView App

In partnership with First Student, the district launched the FirstView® app last spring, which allows families to track their student's bus in real time throughout the day, setting up notifications when the bus is close, as well as setting up push notifications or email messages for any alerts about your student's bus.

It is important for families to note that you must track your student by their route number, not their bus number.

FAQs About The FirstView App:

- Note that you do not need to download an app if you do not have a smartphone. The app is accessible through your browser at firstsviewapp.com!
- Having technical issues? Support for the app is available from FirstView by calling 888-889-8920 from 7:00am to 5:00pm (M-F), emailing their Customer Support at support@firstviewapp.com, or by using the in-app "✉" button.

Note that we will no longer use OneCall to notify families of bus changes. The FirstView app will provide the most timely information for families using their preferred method of communication (text, push notification, or email). Just be sure to set your preferences in the app!

New Districtwide Telephone System

A new telephone system has been installed in all buildings in the District.

- All incoming calls to XHS must be placed through the XHS general number of 937-372-6983.
- If known, the caller may enter the appropriate extension number to reach the staff member with whom they desire to speak.
- The standardized extension list is as follows:
 - 0 Main Office
 - 1 Principal
 - 2 Counselor
 - 3 Nurse
 - 4 Attendance
 - 7 Board of Education
 - 8 Transportation
 - 9 Dial by last name directory
 - * Repeat menu
- Individualized Office Staff numbers are as follows:
 - Assistant Principal Matt Bartley-8004
 - Assistant Principal Molly Corrado-8006
 - Assistant Principal Jeff Keadle-8003
 - Athletic Director Nathan Kopp-8096
 - Attendance Secretary-Gwen Matthews-8410
 - Bookkeeper Belinda Daye-8098
 - Clinic Assistant Shannon Dunn-8411
 - Clinic Assistant Susan Hill-8411
 - District Nurse Alesha Stringfellow-8408
 - Guidance Counselor Amy Biggs-8407
 - Guidance Counselor Jasmine Tolbert-8404
 - Guidance Counselor Shawn Rudegeair-8406
 - Guidance Office Secretary Judie Spitz-8400
 - Main Office Secretary Charlese Rose-8000
 - Main Office Secretary Karen Williamson-8001
 - Principal David Torrence 8008
 - School Psychologist Maggie Longberry-9040
 - School Resource Officer Dean Margioras-8126



*Parents & Students
Please complete your portions of the beginning of the year Final Forms documents online ASAP. Please call 937-372-6983 (Ext 8001) if assistance is needed.*

School Fee Information

- **To help you in planning ahead** – 25% of ALL FEES should be paid by October 10, 2022; 50% of ALL FEES should be paid by December 10, 2022; 75% of ALL FEES should be paid by March 10, 2023; 100% of ALL FEES should be paid by May 5, 2023.
- **Payments can be made:**
 1. Online by credit card at www.PaySchoolsCentral.com (a nominal fee is charged);
 2. In the XHS Bookkeeper's Office by check, money order, credit card or cash (Monday through Friday, 8:30am-3:30pm);
 3. By mailing a check or money order payable to XHS, ATTN Bookkeeper; or
 4. By calling Mrs. Daye at (937) 372-6983 (Ext 8098) to make payment by credit card.
- Please contact the XHS Bookkeeper's Office if you need assistance in planning your payment frequency and amounts. All payment amounts accepted no matter how small or how frequent. A receipt will be issued to you for all payments received. For example, \$3.00 per week, \$12.00 per month or \$25.00 per 9 weeks, etc. is acceptable. Please adjust payment amounts to be sufficient to completely pay balance by May 5, 2023.
- Fees follow your student year after year.
- Only current school year fees can be waived if qualified.
- Students cannot receive their grade cards, diplomas, transcripts at graduation or transfer to a new school until all fees are paid in full.
- IF you qualify for **FREE LUNCH**, a portion (**NOT ALL**) of this year's fees **MAY** be waived **IF** the correct forms are completed. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Daye at (937) 372-6983 (Ext. 8098).

XENIA HIGH SCHOOL 2022-23 IMPORTANT DATES & INFORMATION

09/01/22	Jostens Sophomore Class Ring Meeting-7:40am-Aud	12/10/22	ACT-8:00am
09/02/22	Order Forms for Underclassmen Picture Day Distributed in Homeroom	12/12/22	Board of Education Meeting-6:30pm-Board Office
09/05/22	NO SCHOOL -Labor Day	12/16/22	XHS Choirs "Alumni" Christmas Concert-7:00pm-Aud
09/07/22	Exclusion Date for Grade 12 Students Without MVCR Vaccination	12/20/22	First Semester Exams (Periods 5A, 5B, 6, 7 & 8)
09/08/22	Underclassmen Picture Day-Students With Last Names of A-K-7:35am-11:00am-Aud	12/20/22	Concert & Symphonic Band Concert-7:00pm-Aud
09/08 & 09	Josten's Ring Order Days During Lunches-Cafe	12/21/22	End of Second Grading Period
09/09/22	Underclassmen Picture Day-Students With Last Names of L-Z-7:35am-11:00am-Aud	12/21/22	First Semester Exams-Periods 1, 2, 3 & 4
09/11/22	ACT-8:00am	12/22-1/2	NO SCHOOL -Winter Break
09/12/22	Board of Education Meeting-6:30pm-Board Office	01/03/23	Return from Winter Break
09/12/22	First Day of Homecoming Dance Ticket Sales	01/05/23	CCP Parent Meeting-6:00pm-Aud
09/16/22	Last Day to Register for 10/22/22 ACT Exam	01/06/23	Last Day To Register for 2/11/23 ACT Exam
09/19/22	Homecoming Dance Guest Forms Due to Main Office-2:30pm	01/10/23	First Semester Report Cards Mailed Home
09/21/22	Staff Development- Student 2 Hour Early Dismissal -12:33pm	01/11/23	Staff Development- Student 2 Hour Early Dismissal -12:33pm
09/21/22	Last Day To Buy Homecoming Dance Tickets	01/16/23	NO SCHOOL -Martin Luther King Day
09/22/22	Jostens Senior Graduation Meeting-7:40am- @ XHS Aud	01/24/23	Med Tech Blood Drive-7:35am-1:30pm-Gym
09/22/22	Jostens Senior Graduation Meeting-11:00am-1:00pm-@ GCCC	02/08/23	Staff Development- Student 2 Hour Early Dismissal -12:33pm
09/22/22	Senior Class Parent Meeting-6:00pm-Aud	02/11/23	ACT-8:00am
09/23/22	Homecoming Football Game vs. Tippecanoe	02/17/23	NO SCHOOL -K-12 Conferences
09/24/22	Homecoming Dance-8:00pm-11:00pm-XHS	02/20/23	NO SCHOOL -Presidents' Day
09/29/22	Parent-Teacher Conferences-4:00pm-7:30pm	02/28/23	Parent-Teacher Conferences-4:00pm-7:30pm
09/30/22	Josten's Graduation Order Day-During Lunches @ XHS Café	03/01/23	Local Scholarship Applications Due
09/30/22	Josten's Graduation Order Day-During Lunches @ GCCC Café	03/14/23	Concert & Symphonic Band Concert-7:00pm-Aud
10/10/22	Board of Education Meeting-6:30pm-Board Office	03/15/23	Staff Development- Student 2 Hour Early Dismissal -12:33pm
10/11/22	Concert & Symphonic Band Fall Concert-7:00pm-Aud	03/17/23	End of Third Grading Period
10/14/22	End of First Grading Period	03/20-24	NO SCHOOL -Spring Break
10/19/22	Staff Development- Student 2 Hour Early Dismissal -12:33pm	04/06/22	Med Tech Blood Drive-7:35am-1:30pm-Gym
10/22/22	ACT-8:00am	04/07/23	NO SCHOOL -Good Friday
10/25/22	Trunk or Treat-4:00pm-7:00pm-XHS Parking Lot	04/10/23	NO SCHOOL
10/27/22	Fall Play Performance-7:00pm-Aud	04/12/23	Staff Development- Student 2 Hour Early Dismissal -12:33pm
10/28/22	Fall Play Performance-7:00pm-Aud	04/29/23	XHS Prom-8:00pm-11:00pm-Schindler Banquet Center
10/29/22	Fall Play Performance-3:00pm-Aud	05/03/23	Senior Awards Program-6:00pm-Aud
10/29/22	Fall Play Performance-7:00pm-Aud	05/05/23	Last Day to Register for 6/10/23 ACT Exam
11/01/22	Fall Choir Concert-7:00pm-Aud	05/10/23	Staff Development- Student 2 Hour Early Dismissal -12:33pm
11/03/22	Marching Band "Last Blast" Concert-7:00pm-Aud	05/16/23	Senior Final Exams-Periods 5A, 5B, 6, 7 & 8
11/04/22	Last Day to Register for 12/10/22 ACT Exam	05/16/23	Concert & Symphonic Band Concert-7:00pm-Aud
11/11/22	Xenia Community Schools Bingo Event-6pm-10pm-XHS Cafe	05/17/23	Last Day for Seniors
11/13/22	Student Council Powder Puff Game-2:00pm-Doug Adams Stadium	05/17/23	Senior Final Exams-Periods 1, 2, 3 & 4
11/14/22	Board of Education Meeting-6:30pm-Board Office	05/19/23	NO SCHOOL -Staff Professional Development Day
11/16/22	Staff Development- Student 2 Hour Early Dismissal -12:33pm	05/23/23	Graduation Rehearsal-7:40am-Gym (And Cap & Gown Pickup After Completion of Rehearsal)
11/17/22	Parent-Teacher Conferences-4:00pm-7:30pm	05/23/23	Senior Picnic-11:30am-2:00pm
11/21/22	NO SCHOOL -K-12 Conferences	05/24/23	Graduation-7:00pm-Nutter Center
11/22-25	NO SCHOOL -Thanksgiving Break	05/24/23	Underclassmen Second Semester Exams-Periods 5A, 5B, 6, 7 & 8
12/08/22	NHS Induction Ceremony-7:00pm-Aud	05/25/23	Underclassmen Second Semester Exams-Periods 1, 2, 3 & 4
		05/25/23	Last Day of School
		06/02/23	Final Report Cards Mailed Home
		06/09/23	Final Transcripts Mailed to Colleges
		06/10/23	ACT-8:00am