



What's New?

All Ignite seniors will be able to take the ACT at Ignite on Tuesday, October 17 with the exception of Walton Verona seniors.

WALTON VERONA SENIORS- You will be taking the ACT at Walton Verona High School that day. You will need to report to the gym by 7:55am. After the ACT you may return to Ignite for the rest of the afternoon or stay at Walton. (There will be no bus service to return you to Ignite).

Ignite seniors taking the ACT on this day need to communicate to their internship provider that they will be taking the ACT instead of going to internship.

Student Council and Yearbook

Any Ignite scholar who would like to be on Student Council or Yearbook Club can sign up by clicking on the links below. The deadline for signing up is Friday, September 1.

Student Council : <https://forms.gle/hBgxqN1BwJFFCJ4k6>

Yearbook: <https://forms.gle/NZxpmz2SB8KZkzAX8>

First Day Forms

Parents and guardians, please click on the link below (if you haven't already) and complete the First Day forms. These forms are required to be filled out and submitted by a parent or guardian from our scholars. Thank you for your cooperation with this!

Senior parents and guardians- included in this link is the MyACT paperwork that you will need to fill out giving consent for your senior's ACT scores to be sent to colleges.

<https://forms.gle/Q33M8y2ZwHUHYeDf8>

Professional Habits

From the Desk of the Assistant Principal

Welcome to a new school year. We are looking forward to another great year at Ignite!

Please let me introduce myself. My name is Don Black. I am one of the Co- Assistant Principals at Ignite. I have over seventeen years in Education as well as over 20 years in the private sector. I am looking forward to working with the scholars and staff at Ignite this year.

When you decided to attend Ignite, you made the choice to go to a school that values professional habits and skills that go beyond our basic core curriculum. One of the key success factors in a professional environment is being punctual and prepared. Developing good habits can be challenging but they are vital to success in life. Punctuality, turning assignments in on time, and being present will be emphasized this school year. This year we will be focusing on systems that promote punctuality and preparedness. To that note, one item that has to be addressed at the start of the school year is being on time for the school day. Our doors open at 7:30 AM and our school day starts at 8:00 AM. The students should be in their classroom and ready to learn prior to that time. If a scholar, who does not ride the bus, needs breakfast they should arrive 15 to 30 minutes prior to the start of school. There are multiple routes to get to Ignite and students are expected to be on time and in the classroom regardless of traffic issues.

Students who do not take the school buses to school, that arrive after 8:00 AM will receive progressive discipline that may include the following:

- Conferencing
- Letter and phone call home
- Lunch detention
- After school detention
- Loss of parking privileges
- Parent teacher conference

It is also important to note excessive absences, including tardiness, can affect your child's ability to get and retain their drivers permit. This is state law and there is nothing the school district can do to alter these rules. This year this affected 45 students.

Students at Ignite have an hour less instructional time as the students at their home schools. It is important that we make every moment count.

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From the Nurse's office

If your scholar requires medication or has a medical condition that requires emergency medication or care, please complete the required forms. This includes asthma, seizure disorders, diabetes, severe allergies (anaphylaxis), and syncope. Scholars are not allowed to carry medication on them at school unless it is in their emergency plan. All other medications must be locked in the First Aid Room with the appropriate documentation.

These forms can be located on the [Ignite Family Dashboard](#) or on the Boone County Schools website under health services. Please note that these forms need to be completed every school year. Information from your scholar's previous or home school may not have carried over. It is imperative for the safety of your scholar that you communicate any pertinent information with me. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out!

Thank you,

Nurse Lori

Lori.goodridge@boone.kyschools.us

Family Dashboard

Parents and guardians will want to utilize the Ignite Family Dashboard. This is where you can find lots of information such as:

- Scholar Handbook
- Free and Reduced lunch forms/ How to set up an Ignite lunch account
- How to set up a parent portal in Infinite Campus
- Boone County district calendar
- Counselor request forms/ schedule change forms
- Dual Credit Website
- And many others!

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1t7Z6XIC5iZ5paafnTS9ssZPWyzoz7_EaeD8MneEaQGk/edit?usp=sharing

You can also access the Family Dashboard by going to the website- www.igniteinstitute.org. click Information, then click Ignite Family Dashboard.

Senior KEES Scholarship Reminders

Seniors, please make note of the information below regarding KEES Scholarship money.

1. You must earn a minimum GPA of 2.5 each year of high school to qualify.
2. You will earn money for your **best** ACT score only. The minimum score to earn money is 15. There is NO Super scoring for KEES money.
3. You must earn a **minimum of 5 credits** your senior year to qualify. If you are taking less than 5 credits this school year, contact Mr. Davis to sign up for Edgenuity. Mike.Davis@boone.kyschools.us.
4. You **DO NOT** apply for this scholarship, your KEES money will automatically be sent to your Kentucky college/university after you start attending.
5. Go to KHEAA.com and make yourself an account. You can check there to make sure there are no errors in your KEES money. If there are, email Mike.Davis@boone.kyschools.us so he can check and make any corrections that are needed. You should check it now AND after you graduate. Corrections can be made over the summer, if needed. Be sure to use your PERSONAL EMAIL and password.
6. You will receive KEES money for 8 semesters (as long as you meet the college GPA requirements), you have a **MAXIMUM** of 5 years to use this money.
7. Students must be enrolled in a Kentucky school for 140 days.
8. Your INTERNSHIP counts for 2 CREDITS!

Gateway/ Dual Credit Reminders

Gateway Dual Credit students,

Just a reminder, classes have started, and you should be logging into your Blackboard account. Attached is an info document that was sent out earlier in the month, please take some time to review it:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Ma0AjLrgP8kxcoDyPMgwKBfyvNo3nNFb-mWr9CU_Xwk/edit?usp=sharing

Dual Credit scholars and families,

We are pleased that your scholar has chosen to take advantage of the Early College Program or Dual Credit classes offered through our local colleges and universities. Please review the following information provided for your review. By checking the understand box, you are acknowledging the statement, and the final question is an approval to participate in the classes offered as dual enrollment. If you have already completed this, please disregard, and thank you.

Regards,

Jerome A. Gels

Principal

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfzy8q4AeQHYcokabfjVE_KTiw_yD7MK4XynE9lv0x7OmYeUA/viewform

Ignite Events

We have lots of events scheduled this year! We will keep you updated as dates get closer.

Added events are in **bold**.

- Sept.12 8am-2pm Hoxworth Blood Drive
- Sept 20 2-5pm Chess Tournament and Board Game Night
- **Oct 11 4-8pm PTSO Fundraiser @ Chipotle, Crescent Springs**
- Oct 25 6-10pm FrightNite (open to the community)
- **Oct 26 Early Release Day (more information to come)**
- Nov 9 2-5pm Video and Board Game Night
- Nov 10 7-11pm Semi-Formal Dance
- Dec 5, 7 School Day Elf Institute
- Dec 15 6-10pm Winterfest
- **Dec 20- Jan 2 Winter Break**
- Jan 17 2-5pm Chess Tournament and Board Game Night
- Feb 2 7-11pm Dance
- **Mar 1 Early Release Day (more information to come)**
- Mar 14 2-5pm Video and Board Game Night
- May 20 TBD Senior Awards Night
- **May 23 Last Day for Scholars**
- May 20-24 TBD End of Year activities and celebrations.

** Dates and times subject to change

Attendance

If your scholar will miss school for any reason, we must receive a parent or doctor note to excuse the absence. You may email the note to Heatherm.Johnson@boone.kyschools.us, or send it in with your scholar.

Please be aware of the attendance policy at your scholar's home high school. Official attendance records are kept there and are based on the policies of that school. Thank you!

Blood Drive



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Ignite Institute Blood Drive

Tuesday, September 12, 2023
8:00 am - 10:15 am
11:30 am - 2:00 pm

Donor Bus will be in the parking lot

All donors will receive a Cincy Favs Tie-dye T-shirt!

For an appointment, go online:
www.hoxworth.org/groups/ignite
or call Hoxworth at 513-451-0910

Appointments requested / Walk-ins welcome

SCAN TO SAVE A LIFE



FREE Donor Gift



Requirements to donate:

- Photo ID
- Weigh at least 110 lbs.
- Age 17+
- Age 16 with parental consent
- Comply with donor eligibility requirements

Learn more: hoxworth.org/donors/high-school

Hoxworth Blood Center, University of Cincinnati
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Be a Superhero, Donate Blood. Earn \$500 Grant!



THE CHALLENGE:

Gather 50 or more students, family, friends, or alumni to donate blood in your high school's name at any of Hoxworth's seven Neighborhood Donor Centers or an upcoming blood drive at your high school during the high school football regular season through October 27th and your school will earn a \$500 grant!

Winning schools will be presented a check live on Local 12 TV.

Schedule Donation

hoxworth.org | (513) 451-0910



Where to Donate

Donate blood at your school's upcoming blood drive

Neighborhood Donor Centers

- . **Anderson**
7715 Five Mile Road
- . **Blue Ash**
9708 Kenwood Road
- . **Ft. Mitchell, Kentucky**
2220 Grandview Drive
- . **Tri-County**
11812 Springfield Pike
- . **Central**
3130 Highland Avenue
- . **North**
7844 Kingland Drive
- . **West**
6323 Glenway Avenue

Parking Passes

Any scholar who drives to and from Ignite MUST have an Ignite parking pass visible in their car. Parking passes are free, and forms are in the office or on the Family Dashboard.

Scholars park in the upper lot at Ignite. Scholars may keep their passes from last year, but need to let the front office know if any information on the form needs to be updated (vehicle, insurance, etc).

Ignite PTSO

We have an awesome group of parents who have organized a Parent, Teacher, Student, Organization for Ignite!

The PTSO was created to assist Ignite teachers, staff and scholars in things like:

- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Senior events
- YLP's
- Ignite Clubs
- Field Trips
- Fundraisers
- Other school events

They are looking for parents who are interested in helping out, and who are interested in being on the PTSO board. There are lots of ways to be involved! Please email igniteptso@gmail.com if you are interested.

If you do not have a current background check on file in your scholar's district, please check with their home high school to get one filled out. You must have one on file to go on field trips, and work directly with the scholars.

Check out the PTSO [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) page.

Miscellaneous

- Scholars are not permitted to bring outside food in (other than bringing their lunch to school, or a classroom lunch activity, which is led by their teacher). If they have to eat lunch outside of the normal lunchtime, they are permitted to eat in the office.
- Please make yourself aware of activities going on at your scholar's home high school. We have scholars from many different home high schools, which makes it very hard to know what's going on at each.
- If your scholar is getting their drivers permit, a "No Pass No Drive" form needs to be filled out. You can get those from your scholar's home high school.

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