### Good Afternoon Falcons!

Future Falcon Night is Monday, January 25th at 6:30PM in the Performing Arts Center.

**Graduation Cap and Gown:** The last day for Seniors to order graduation cap and gown is Wednesday, January 27. Herff Jones will be here during all lunches in the main commons to take orders. Please remind your Seniors that this is a custom-made gown, and in order for it to be made in time for graduation, orders must be placed by January 27.

**Yearbooks:** Guaranteed yearbook sales end Sunday, January 31. No extras will be ordered. Students can order on line at <a href="https://www.smart-pay.com">www.smart-pay.com</a> or they can call 1-800-853-1337.

Students and Parents...Check out the online newspaper, The Nestline – <a href="http://thenestline.com">http://thenestline.com</a>

## Tompkins High School Fine Arts Department presents Into the Woods

An epic fairytale about wishes, family and the choices we make.

## February 4-6, 7pm Tompkins High School Performing Arts Center

Tickets available for purchase January 16 @ www.tompkinstheatre.com, or at the door.

Advance Tickets: \$12 Door Tickets: \$15 Rated PG

### **Counselors Corner**

**Course Selection Parent Nights** 

Current 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night: Tuesday, February 9 6:30pm OTHS PAC
Current 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night: Wednesday, February 10 6:30pm OTHS PAC
Current 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night: Thursday, February 11 6:30pm OTHS PAC

## **College Board PSAT/SAT/AP Test Accommodations**

Accommodations for these tests require a separate process from test accommodations which may be offered in a student's IEP or Section 504 plan within Katy ISD. Even if your student has accommodations specified within his or her Katy ISD- developed IEP or Section 504 plan, there is no guarantee he or she will be allowed them during the administration of the College Board and ACT tests. The allowance for test accommodations are determined solely by the College Board and ACT testing services. Families, and not Katy ISD staff, are ultimately responsible for obtaining these accommodations. Although Katy ISD will assist with the applications as a courtesy for all students with IEPs and 504 plans for families who timely follow the application process, families have the ability to submit their requests directly to the College Board and ACT test services. Any additional educational and neuropsychological testing needed for or requested by the College Board or ACT testing service offices is the responsibility of the family and will not be provided by Katy ISD staff. Families will receive notification directly from the College Board or ACT testing services on the accommodations granted. It is important for families to adhere strictly to the specified or recommended timelines for submitting all requests for accommodations and to provide whatever documentation is specified. This includes making requests to the appropriate Katy ISD staff within designated timelines as well as the timelines requested by the College Board or the ACT test services offices. Failure to timely submit the requested information to either the testing services or Katy ISD staff may result in your student's inability to be allowed accommodations on his or her test.

If you are interested in your child's counselor submitting test accommodations, complete the parent consent form and return to the OTHS counseling office. Parent Consent Form:

https://www.collegeboard.org/pdf/ssd/ssd-consent-form-accommodations.pdf

Deadlines: https://www.collegeboard.org/students-with-disabilities/calendar

The Miller Career Center Counselor spoke to interested students during enrichment. If your child missed the presentation, feel free to view the information below. Miller has some outstanding programs. There is an application process. The application deadline is February 12, 2016. Students may pick up more information from the OTHS counseling office. Accepted students attend half the day at Miller Career Center and the other half at Tompkins High School. Transportation is provided.

http://www.katyisd.org/campus/MCTC/Documents/MCTC%20Course%20Catalog%202016-2017.pdf

Do you want to see the programs for yourself? Attend the Miller Career Center Open House on February 2 from 6-7pm. Miller Career & Technology Center 1734 Katyland Drive Katy, TX 77493

## **Cheer Tryout Meetings:**

CHEER Candidate Try Out Meetings OTHS 2/3 7:00 a.m. 2003 OTHS 2/3 2:40 p.m. 2003

CHEER Parent Try Out Meetings \*Mandatory\* 2/4 OTHS LGI @ 6:30 p.m.

**Game Day Shirts:** The Senior women and Junior Girls will be selling game day shirts at all girls basketball games here at OTHS against Katy On Tuesday January 12th, 2016. All proceeds will go to help us support our





Falcon athletic teams.

**Project Graduation** is conducting a recycling fundraiser. There's nothing to buy. We are simply asking you to protect the environment by donating your used consumer electronics. Your used item(s) will be recycled in accordance with EPA regulations. 100% of the proceeds will help fund Tompkins Project Graduation. We are currently collecting the following items:

Cell Phones Inkjet Cartridges iPads Smart Watches

Please drop off any items you would like to recycle at the Tompkins High School Main Office.

We greatly appreciate your support!

Tompkins High School PTSA has partnered with Delicate Design Couture for an ongoing PTSA fundraiser. 20% of all purchases made through Delicate Design Couture will go to our PTSA throughout the year with the use of the school code OTHSFALCONS when placing your order. Items available for purchase include stationery, picture frames, luggage tags, fleece sweatshirts, and more. Special stationery, spirit gear, and other items have been designed specifically for Tompkins—great for thank you notes, communications, gifts, and more! Please consider Delicate Design Couture for holiday cards, stationery, etc...Check out the offerings at <a href="https://www.delicatedesigncouture.com">www.delicatedesigncouture.com</a>, and select the School Fundraiser tab to see the Tompkins-specific designs.

 Congratulations to our 3 students advancing to the state level in the Reflections Contest in dance choreography, film, and literature!

- A special general meeting will be held on Friday, February 19, following the 9 AM Coffee With the Principal. The business of the meeting will be the election of the 5 members and 3 alternates for the Nominating Committee.
- Elections for next year's PTSA Board will take place at the regular general membership meeting at 7 PM on Monday, March 28.

#### **Nominate Now!**

The Texas PTA Honorary Life Membership award is one of the highest honors given to individuals for outstanding service to our youth.

Take a moment and nominate the person(s) you believe should be recognized for their contribution to the well-being of children and youth.

Note: The person does not need to be a member of a PTA to be nominated.

We have MANY people who have made a difference in our school and our student's experiences.

# RECOGNIZE SOMEONE TODAY

Nominations must be submitted by Friday, January 29.

Thank you to all of our amazing Falcon families!

# Nominating Committee



We are looking for volunteers for our Nominating Committee. This requires only a small time commitment yet plays an important role. If you have time for two meetings, please consider joining this committee.

The committee will review candidates for our PTSA and then present recommendations for the the 2016–2017 school year PTSA Board at the next general meeting.

Please let us know if you are interested! Email us at nominatingcommittee@tompkinshsptsa.org.

### **Athletic Booster Club Golf Tournament**

Mark your calendars for the Fourth Annual Athletic Booster Club Golf Tournament, Friday May 6th at the Cinco Ranch Golf Club. Enjoy a day of golf while raising money for our teams and the scholarship fund. If you don't golf you can still join us for the reception and silent auction where you can bid on some of our great auction items donated from our sports teams and/or join us for dinner following. If you would like to donate an item, service, gift card or gift basket to be auctioned off at the dinner, please contact the booster club. All proceeds help support our Falcon athletes!

<u>Study Secrets Seminar</u>- Katy ISD, Community Education, is sponsoring a seminar offered by Sycamore Learning Company that will help students learn new techniques to study, and how to efficiently manage their time. The seminar will discuss: Study Techniques, Goal Setting, Memorization, Note Taking, Essay Writing, Speed Reading, and Scheduling. The seminar will be offered at Seven Lakes High School, on Saturday, January 30th from 9:00am – 1:00pm in the LGI. The cost for this class is \$60. To register go to <a href="https://www.prepforthefuture.com">www.prepforthefuture.com</a> or call 866-223-9691.

### **Monday, January 25**

Regular Bell Schedule

Future Falcon Night, PAC, 6:30. Clubs and organizations set up in Main Commons by 7:15.

### **Tuesday, January 26**

Regular Bell Schedule – jeans and spirit shirts

FFA Exhibitor/Parent Show Meeting, Main Commons, 7:00 p.m.

Girls Soccer vs Seven Lakes @ OTHS. 4:30/5:45/7:30

Boys Soccer @ Seven Lakes. 4:30/5:45/7:30

Boys Basketball vs Cinco Ranch @ OTHS. 4:00/5:30/7:00

Girls Basketball @ Cinco Ranch. 4:00/5:30/7:00

# Wednesday, January 27

Regular Bell Schedule

Herff Jones Senior Cap and Gown orders during all lunches in the Main Commons.

Supper with the Symphony (spirit night), 4:00-10:00 pm at PDQ

# **Thursday, January 28**

**Enrichment Bell Schedule** 

Progress Reports Distributed to students.

### Friday, January 29

Regular Bell Schedule – jeans and spirit shirts

Varsity Swimming District Championships – Prelims. Don Cook Natatorium, FBISD. 10:00 a.m.

FFA @ Klein Invitational CDE's

FFA @ Area III Tractor Tech Contest, Sam Houston State University

Varsity Tennis @ Katy ISD Tournament

Girls Basketball vs Mayde Creek @ OTHS. 4:00/5:30/7:00

Boys Basketball @ Mayde Creek. 4:00/5:30/7:00

Boys Soccer @ Strake Jesuit. 4:30/5:45/7:30

## Saturday, January 30

Wrestling @ Cy Woods HS. 9:00 a.m.

Farrington Houston Foreign Language Competition

Varsity Swimming District Championships – Finals. Don Cook Natatorium, FBISD. 3:00 p.m.

FFA @ Wildcard (Weimar/Columbus) Invitational CDE's

Varsity Tennis @ Katy ISD Tournament