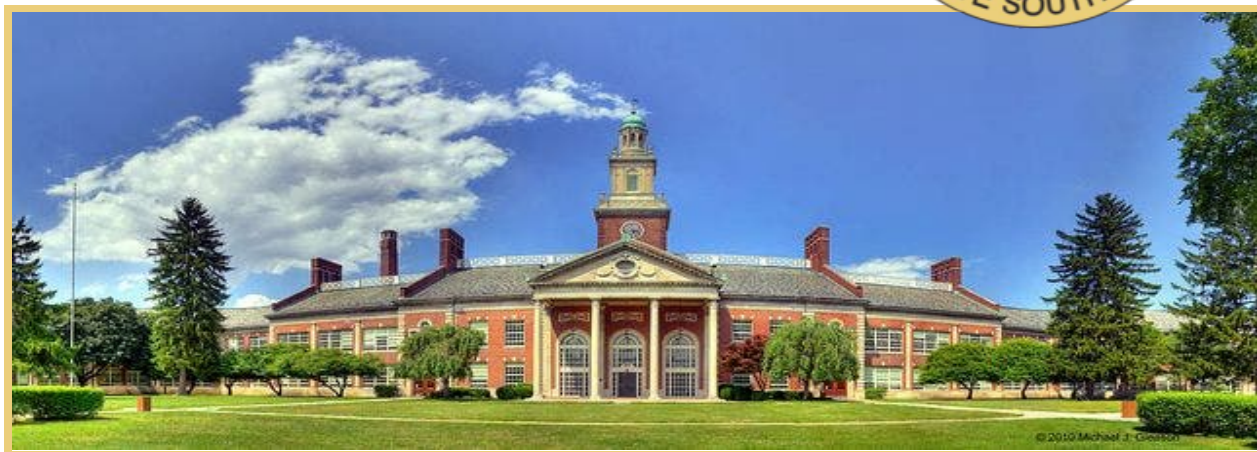


# HIGH POINTES



~ Sponsored by the Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South ~

## *Important Dates*

**August 12**

Online Pre-Registration Begins

**August 16**

Classes Begin Work on  
Homecoming Floats/Spirit Day

**August 23-26**

Student Registration  
(see page 12)

**August 25**

Freshman Parent Meeting  
South Auditorium 6:30 pm

**August 25**

Freshman LINK Crew & Orientation  
Main Gym Entrance 8am-12pm

**August 26**

Freshman Registration: 8am-3pm

**August 31**

Late Registration: 8am-2:30pm

**September 7**

First Day of School

**September 15**

Mothers' Club General Membership Meeting  
Cleminson Hall  
Meet and Greet 6:30 pm/Meeting 7pm

**September 16**

Back-to-School Night  
6:30 - 8:30 pm

**October 4-9**

Homecoming Week

**October 8** - Homecoming Parade & Game

**October 9** - Homecoming Dance



# Community Partnership/Annual Development

**You support Grosse Pointe South. We support your business.**

If you would like to partner with the Mothers' Club to help provide scholarships, classroom enrichment, and funds for the preservation of South's historic building, please consider joining the Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South High School Community Partnership Program.

There are various ways your business or organization can participate:

**Sponsorship Opportunities:** There are various levels of sponsorship which include premier advertising placements in assorted publications (School Directory and other event programs), monthly parent newsletter, High Pointes, and on our Mothers' Club website. Several of these levels also include the opportunity to sponsor a college scholarship in your business's name for one of our graduating seniors at the Mothers' Club Scholarship Night in May.

**Advertising:** Promote your business by advertising in our School Directory, Spring Benefit program or with logo recognition on our website with URL click-through. Various ad sizes and pricing are available to meet your needs..

For more information, please contact:

Christina Garberding at [communitypartnership@mothersclubgps.com](mailto:communitypartnership@mothersclubgps.com)

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**DON'T FORGET ONLINE PRE-REGISTRATION BEGINS AUGUST 12.**



**STUDENT REGISTRATION IS AUGUST 23-26.  
(BY GRADE)**

**LATE REGISTRATION IS AUGUST 31.**

**FOR MORE DETAILS ON REGISTRATION TIMES, SEE NEXT PAGE.**

## A Warm Welcome from the Mothers' Club

Welcome Back!

On behalf of the Mothers' Club, I would like to welcome all of our new and returning South students and families, with a special welcome to the Class of 2025! We are looking forward to a fantastic school year!

The Mothers' Club is South's Parent Organization. We are a family organization comprised of dads, grandparents, guardians, alumni, staff, and moms as active members. For more than 90 years, we have supported Grosse Pointe South and its student body.

We are looking forward to having a "normal" school year, full of our usual activities and events. In essence, we are welcoming two classes of parents into the halls this year – the Class of 2024 and 2025! If you would like to find out more about what is going on at South, meet some great people and maybe get involved, please join me for our first Mothers' Club meeting on Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in Cleminson Hall. All are welcome – you just need to want to be a part of making your child's high school experience and school the best it can be. If you don't have time to volunteer but want to know more about what the Mothers' Club does here at South, please join us for any of our meetings – we would love to meet you! The meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month, except for December and May. Check the monthly High Pointes and our Facebook page for location.

Of course, the Mothers' Club isn't just work, it's also fun! Look for information about our upcoming social event, Date with the Devil. This is an adults-only event where we can forget about all the hustle and bustle of daily life and just enjoy each other's company. Plans are in the works so look for details soon.

It is my pleasure and an honor to serve as president of this amazing organization which has done and continues to do so much for Grosse Pointe South. Membership in the Mothers' Club goes directly back to supporting student scholarships, classroom enrichment and preservation of our beautiful building. Every year, over 900 families join our membership. I hope you will be one of them!

I look forward to meeting you and serving this amazing school community.

Sincerely,

Laura Wholihan  
Mothers Club President  
President2021@gpschools.org

# The Mothers' Club

## 2021-2022 Executive Board

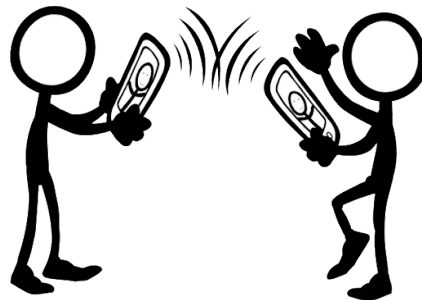
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### **STUDENT DIRECTORY INFORMATION: FALL REGISTRATION HEADS-UP!!**

Remember to provide the most up-to-date information that you wish to share in the printed Grosse Pointe South High School 2021-2022 Student Directory by completing the GPPSS Family Directory pages during K12 Online Registration.

It's the only way to get your student's information included in the  
2021-2022  
Student Directory.



## **THE MOTHERS' CLUB**

The Mothers' Club is South's Parent Organization. Founded in 1929, the purpose of the Mothers' Club is to enhance and enrich the student experience at Grosse Pointe South High School. This is made possible through various endowments and fundraising activities, including Date with the Devil, our annual Spring Benefit, Community Partnership and Friends mailings, and in-kind donations. Support is distributed under three categories:

- The Past: **PRESERVATION** of our historic building and grounds
- The Present: **ENRICHMENT** the classroom and educational experience of our students
- The Future: Awarding **SCHOLARSHIPS** to our graduating seniors

Money raised has recently been used to restore the windows and doors in Cleminson Hall – the beautiful face of our building, help with conference room renovation and toward the creation of our secure Fisher Door vestibule. We support classroom enhancements and field trips, as well as awarding scholarships to our deserving seniors every May.

In addition to these three areas of support, the Mothers' Club also:

- Produces a monthly newsletter called High Pointes to help facilitate communication between South and our school families. These issues will make you aware of what is happening at South and provide useful information. This month's issue is the only one that will be printed and mailed to your home. All other issues will be emailed home at the beginning of the month, as well as placed on our website. ([www.mothersclubgps.com](http://www.mothersclubgps.com))
- Produce the South Student Directory.
- Manages and staffs the School Store. The School Store sells small food items and our widely popular Otis Spunkmeyer cookies. We also sell South spirit wear and collectible items. Open daily from 10:30 am – 12:30 pm during student lunch hours.
- Maintains the Mothers' Club website and Facebook page to keep families informed.
- Supports and staffs various student activities, Homecoming, and the Seniors All Night Party. Please **JOIN** the Mothers' Club during online registration. You can find information under the Mothers' Club webstore tab.
- Active Membership plus a student directory: \$30
- Patron Membership plus two student directories: \$50
- Benefactor Membership: \$100

You (or your family and friends) may join as an Alumni Member at the above rates and benefits. Alumni Members have no current students at the school but are either graduates or have children who are graduates of Grosse Pointe South.

All dues and donations are tax deductible (as allowable by law)! If you have any questions regarding membership please contact Elizabeth Cleland at [membership@mothersclubgps.com](mailto:membership@mothersclubgps.com). For questions about joining as an alumni member, please contact Laura Wholihan at [president2021@mothersclubgps.com](mailto:president2021@mothersclubgps.com).

## Grosse Pointe South 2021-2022 Student At School Registration

**PLEASE NOTE:** FRESHMEN PARENT MEETING, REGISTRATION AND ORIENTATION ARE ON DIFFERENT DAYS

<b>Monday, August 23rd</b>	<b>SENIOR CLASS</b>	<b>Entrance/Location</b>
8:00am to 9:00am 9:00am to 11:30am 11:30am to 12:30pm 12:45pm to 3:00pm	All 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Athletes & Choir Seniors A-L Closed for Lunch Seniors M-Z	Entrance B – Main Bldg.
<b>Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>JUNIOR CLASS</b>	<b>Location/Entrance</b>
8:00am to 9:00am 9:00am to 11:30am 11:30am to 12:30pm 12:45pm to 3:00pm	All 11 <sup>th</sup> Grade Athletes & Choir Juniors A-L Closed for Lunch Juniors M-Z	Entrance B – Main Bldg.
<b>Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm</b>	<b>Freshmen Parent Meeting</b>	<b>South Auditorium</b>
<b>Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>SOPHOMORE CLASS</b>	<b>Location/Entrance</b>
8:00am to 9:00am 9:00am to 11:30am 11:30am to 12:30pm 12:45pm to 3:00pm	All 10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Athletes & Choir Sophomores A-L Closed for Lunch Sophomores M-Z	Entrance B – Main Bldg.
<b>Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> 8:00am to 12:00pm</b>	<b>Freshmen Link Crew Orientation &amp; Schedule Pick Up</b>	<b>Entrance B Location TBD</b>
<b>Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>FRESHMEN CLASS</b>	<b>Location/Entrance</b>
8:00am to 9:00am 9:00am to 11:30am 11:30am to 12:30pm 12:45pm to 3:00pm	All 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Athletes & Choir Freshmen A-L Closed for Lunch Freshmen M-Z	Entrance B – Main Bldg.
<b>Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Late Registration All GRADES</b>	<b>Location/Entrance</b>
8:00am 11:00am 11:00am to 12:00pm 12:15pm to 2:30pm	All Grades A-Z Closed for Lunch	Entrance B – Main Bldg.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Date with the Devil



Our annual adults only social event will be upon us before you can say Blue Devils! Plans are underway to make this a fun night out where we can get together as friends and enjoy some good food, good fun and good company. If you would like to volunteer on the planning committee, please contact Erika Page at [page\\_erika@hotmail.com](mailto:page_erika@hotmail.com) or Jennifer Whorf at [jenwhorf@gmail.com](mailto:jenwhorf@gmail.com).

## Calling All Volunteers

Every other year, the Mothers' Club hosts the always popular Holiday Walk. This pre-holiday event boasts a tour of beautifully decorated Grosse Pointe homes as well as a raffle of holiday items. Plans are underway and we have already secured a few wonderful homes to be featured on this year's Walk. If you are interested in opening your home for the tour or can help with ticket sales, publicity, printing, or working the day of the event, please contact Laura Wysocki at [llwyssocki@me.com](mailto:llwyssocki@me.com)



## Spring Benefit



Our annual Spring Benefit is always a highly anticipated event. The afternoon includes lunch, a fashion show (with South student models), tin can auction, live music and much more! We would love to have you be a part of this year's committee. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information as to how you can help, please contact Jacqueline Mathis Knuth at [jacquelineknuth@me.com](mailto:jacquelineknuth@me.com) or (917) 647-7096.



## **Senior Parents!**

Plans will soon be underway for this year's Senior All Night Party! Please mark your calendars and plan on joining us on graduation night, **Thursday, June 9th** for this special celebration. Many volunteers are needed to make this huge event a success. Be sure to buy your senior's ticket during online registration - it will be one less thing to worry about. Be sure to look for information in the Spring of 2022 for information on volunteer opportunities and donations. Until then, if you would like to be a part of the planning committee, please contact Laura Wholihan at [president2021@mothersclubgps.com](mailto:president2021@mothersclubgps.com) or Jennifer Hurst at [agj3@att.net](mailto:agj3@att.net).

Let's make this a party - and night - our seniors will remember!

A graphic for Spirit Week featuring the word "SPIRIT" in large, white, serif capital letters. Each letter is contained within a vertical banner that alternates between blue and yellow. The banners are strung together on a black line. Below the banners, the word "WEEK" is written in large, blue, sans-serif capital letters.

# SPIRIT WEEK

Monday, October 4 ~ JUNIOR SPIRIT DAY  
Tuesday, October 5 ~ SOPHOMORE SPIRIT DAY  
Wednesday, October 6 ~ FRESHMEN SPIRIT DAY  
Thursday, October 7 ~ SENIOR SPIRIT DAY

Friday, October 8 ~ UNITY DAY  
Pep Assembly - End of School Day  
Parade - 6pm begins at Maire Elementary  
Football Game - 7pm at South Field

Saturday, October 9 ~ HOMECOMING DANCE  
8-11pm Tickets sold during lunch.

Classes begin work on class homecoming floats before school begins.  
Please continue to follow specific class emails/social media outlets for times,  
locations, and dates. ALL grade level students are welcomed at these events.

# UNDER THE SEANIORS

Class of '22 Homecoming:  
Upcoming Dates and Information

## Float Parties:

The Siddiqui Family  
1042 Audubon, GP Park

August 16-September 4:  
Tuesday 2-5 p.m.  
Wednesday 4-7 p.m.  
Sunday 2-5 p.m.

September 12-September 26:  
Sundays 2-6 p.m.

September 28-October 6:  
Tuesday 4-7 p.m.  
Wednesday 4-7 p.m.  
Sunday 2-5 p.m.

**Class Officers:**  
President - Aleena S.  
VP - Evie K.  
Treasurer - Megan D.  
Secretary - Sophie C.

## Contacts:

Class Adviser: Meg Pierce  
Adviser Email: [piercem2@gpschools.org](mailto:piercem2@gpschools.org)  
Instagram: @gpsouth.22  
Facebook: GPS Class Of 2022



## JORDAN JUNIORS



Join us for float and poster parties!

Instagram: @gpsouth.2023

Location: 27 Whitcomb, GPF, Sundays 1-4pm, Tu / Th 3-5pm



## Important Dates

September 10— Spirit Pack orders due  
September 29— Junior spirit pack pickup  
October 7— Final float party  
October 8— Parade / game  
October 9— Dance

## Important Information:

Parent volunteers needed for many homecoming duties. Please consider signing up during online registration.

Please consider helping us with float party supplies by donating items on our Amazon Wishlist: [www.tiny.cc/gps2023](https://www.tiny.cc/gps2023)

Class advisor: Katie Parent  
[ParentK@gpschools.org](mailto:ParentK@gpschools.org)

## Parent Sponsors:

If you are interested in becoming a parent sponsor, please contact Mothers Club member Marica Ostrowski. Parent sponsors are needed to help with various homecoming duties, large and small!

Remind Account— Students: text @23Council to 81010 for updates on meetings and float parties



# SAFARI SOPHOMORES

**Important Dates:**  
September 10th: Spirit pack orders due  
September 28th: Spirit pack distribution  
October 5th: Class of 2024 spirit day  
October 7th: Final float party  
October 8th: Homecoming parade & game  
October 9th: Homecoming dance

**For updates:**  
Text @gps2024 to 81010 & follow @gpsouth2024 on Instagram

**Float Parties:**  
Jakubowski household, 797 Bedford

**Class Advisor:**  
Shannon Sugamele  
[sugames@gpschools.org](mailto:sugames@gpschools.org)  
**Mother's Club President:**  
Laura Wholihan  
**Class President:**  
Maddy Zann

# futuristic freshmen

INSTA: @GPSOUTH2025  
ADVISER: KENDRA CARALIS  
[CARALIK@GPSCHOOLS.ORG](mailto:CARALIK@GPSCHOOLS.ORG)

PARENT FB PAGE:  
GPSOUTH CLASS OF 2025 PARENT PAGE

CLASS OFFICERS ELECTED AFTER HOMECOMING

FLOAT HOUSE: THE PARIKH FAMILY - 76 LOTHROP

AUGUST 16-SEPT 2ND  
TUES, THURS, SUN 1-4PM

SEPT 12-SEPT 25  
SUN 1-4PM

SEPT 26-OCT 7TH  
TUES, THURS 5-8PM  
SUN 1-4PM

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP  
[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/GPHOCO2021](https://tinyurl.com/GPHOCO2021)

HOMECOMING DONATIONS:  
[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/HOCODONATIONS](https://tinyurl.com/HOCODONATIONS)

# GROSSE POINTE SOUTH SCHOOL STORE

## "100% Back To You"

Located in the cross hall near the Commons and MPR.

New merchandise for the 2021-2022 school year.  
All of our profits go back to the school, teachers and students through Mothers' Club support of enrichment, scholarship and preservation.

Fall hours will be during lunch times:  
Monday 11 am - 12:45 pm  
Tuesday - Friday 10:30am - 12:30pm

Students: stop in at lunch to purchase our famous homemade cookies, snacks, drinks, gum/mints and spirit wear!



The store will also be open for Back to School Night and is open during Alumni building tours and other special events.



Be sure to look for us at the North/South Community Tailgate.

**NEW THIS YEAR - FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY**



Welcome Back t-shirt is available for pre-order during registration until mid-September. Order form can be found at:

<https://www.mothersclubgps.com/back-to-school-tshirts/>

Co-managers of the school store are happy to assist.

Sara Koch [sarakoch@gmail.com](mailto:sarakoch@gmail.com)

Helena Carroll [hjcarr13@gmail.com](mailto:hjcarr13@gmail.com)

# Bell Schedule 2021-2022

PLC MONDAY 1ST LUNCH		
PERIOD	TIME	
PLC	7:50	- 8:35
Period 1	8:42	- 9:26
Period 2	9:31	- 10:15
Period 3 - Announcements	10:20	- 11:08
1st Lunch	11:08	- 11:46
Period 4	11:51	- 12:38
Period 5	12:43	- 1:27
Period 6	1:32	- 2:16
Period 7	2:21	- 3:05

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PLC MONDAY 2ND LUNCH		
PERIOD	TIME	
PLC	7:50	- 8:35
Period 1	8:42	- 9:26
Period 2	9:31	- 10:15
Period 3 - Announcements	10:20	- 11:08
Period 4	11:13	- 12:00
2nd Lunch	12:00	- 12:38
Period 5	12:43	- 1:27
Period 6	1:32	- 2:16
Period 7	2:21	- 3:05

TUESDAY-FRIDAY 1ST LUNCH		
PERIOD	TIME	
Period 1	8:00	- 8:50
Period 2	8:55	- 9:45
Period 3 - Announcements	9:50	- 10:44
1st Lunch	10:44	- 11:22
Period 4	11:27	- 12:20
Period 5	12:25	- 1:15
Period 6	1:20	- 2:10
Period 7	2:15	- 3:05

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TUESDAY-FRIDAY 2ND LUNCH		
PERIOD	TIME	
Period 1	8:00	- 8:50
Period 2	8:55	- 9:45
Period 3 - Announcements	9:50	- 10:44
Period 4	10:49	- 11:42
2nd Lunch	11:42	- 12:20
Period 5	12:25	- 1:15
Period 6	1:20	- 2:10
Period 7	2:15	- 3:05

HALF DAY SCHEDULE		
PERIOD	TIME	
Period 1	8:00	- 8:21
Period 2	8:26	- 8:47
Period 3	8:52	- 9:13
Period 4	9:18	- 9:39
Period 5	9:44	- 10:05
Period 6	10:10	- 10:31
Period 7	10:36	- 10:55

# COUNSELOR'S CORNER

## SEPTEMBER 2021

Welcome back! We look forward to working with returning families as well as our new families from the class of 2025.

Ms. Hawkins, who worked with students and families at the tail end of the alphabet, has accepted a position at Parcels Middle School this year. In her place, we are happy to welcome Mrs. Ashley Hester. This is a homecoming of sorts for Mrs. Hester who graduated from Grosse Pointe South and comes to us with many years of teaching and counseling experience from Chicago. Please join me in welcoming her home to South!

### **Who is my student's counselor? How do I get in touch with my student's counselor?**

- Counselors' emails and phone numbers be found on Grosse Pointe South's Counseling Center webpage at
  - **Parents/Students>Counseling Center**
- Look for the hyperlinked "Click Here" to be directed to the Counselor Contact webpage

### **How do I request a schedule change?**

The following are eligible reasons or a schedule change:

- Scheduling error
- Lack of prerequisite class/grade requirements
- Moving to a more challenging course level
- Failure to complete a course in the spring semester or in summer school which would make the student ineligible for a chosen course
- A transcript for a new student indicates a schedule change is necessary

Requests for any other reason, including those based on extenuating circumstances will be reviewed and must be approved by the administration. You may complete this form to request a change. Generally speaking, level change requests like Honors Freshman English to traditional Freshman English or AP US history to traditional US history require a month or so of honest effort before those requests will be reviewed.

**~Counselor's Corner continued on next page**

## How does your student feel about returning to school?

Students may be feeling a bit different about their return to school this fall. We anticipate that some kids may be concerned about a return to standard academic pace and rigor. Maybe they are worried that their academic experiences over the past couple of years have not prepared them. This has certainly been a discussion among educators as well. Teachers are mindful that academic preparedness will vary and will be working closely with students to support their success. Parents can support this as well by encouraging kids' good study habits and life balance with nutrition, sleep, and social activities.

Counselors will also work to build and sustain emotional support with our families. Expect that we will be reaching out to all of our students regularly throughout the year to check in on them and following up individually with concerns and challenges. However, if you see that your student is struggling please connect with us. We want to help. We all must build in good self-care and healthy habits to model a positive life balance for our children.

## SENIOR PARENTS:

Counselors will be meeting with all Seniors on Friday, September 10th to review the college application process and to make sure that all seniors who still need to make testing arrangements for the ACT or SAT have the information they need. During this important information session we will cover the following topics:

- Using Naviance for the College Application Process
- Timetable for college preparation
- The College Application Process
- Important dates for College Night and Financial Aid Night
- The Letter of Recommendation process
- Important testing dates for Senior year
- How to Request an official High School Transcript
- Early Decision and Early Action possibilities
- How to share important information for your counselor Letters of Recommendation

Everything that we share with your student in this meeting is also easily referenced online at the counseling center website.

We will follow up with a **Senior Parent Evening** on **Monday, September 13** auditorium. We will cover all of the same items stated above in our student meeting.

~Counselor's Corner continued on next page

### **An important message on college application timing.**

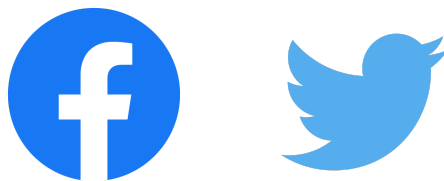
When college advisors suggest that you “apply early” to a school for your best chance that date is by October 15. We strongly encourage applications for seniors who intend to apply to the University of Michigan (Ann Arbor) or Michigan State University by October 15 to meet the **Early Action deadline of November 1.**

**JUNIOR PARENTS:** Friday, September 17th counselors will meet with all juniors in small groups. At the meetings, we will provide the juniors with information about making the most of this important high school year. This will include understanding the impact of grades and test scores, standardized testing in the junior year, college night, post-high school planning, and more. We will follow up with a **Junior Parent Evening on Monday, September 20 @7:00.** We will cover all of the same items stated above in our student meeting.

**FALL PSAT/NMSQT ADMINISTRATION:** Wednesday, October 13th is the day that the PSAT/NMSQT will be given at South. All juniors will take this test in preparation for the Spring state-required SAT. While this is the practice test for the SAT, it is also the test that juniors take to determine eligibility for the National Merit Scholarship Program. Freshmen and sophomores will also take this test for practice. Registration for the test will be done in school. If students are interested in preparing for the PSAT or SAT a fantastic and FREE resource is on Khan Academy ([www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org)). They are the only test prep partner of the College Board so they will have the very latest in SAT test preparation. The best part is that it is all free.

**FRESHMAN PARENTS:** Welcome to Grosse Pointe South! Counselors are happy to meet with you and your student. Parents and students can make appointments by calling **432-3519**. Please check here regularly to see important information from the counseling team.

Don't forget that GP South Counseling has a page on facebook and **@SouthCounseling** on Twitter. Please “like” this page for great updates between issues of High Pointes!



# SAVE THE DATE!

The first Mothers' Club meeting of the year will take place in Cleminson Hall on

**Wednesday, September 16th @7PM**

**Meet & Greet begins at 6:30PM**



## CONNECT WITH US!



