



This Saturday, September 23!

Alumni, parents, and friends of the Academy join us to cheer on our Volleyball and Soccer athletes and enjoy our annual Cookout and Games together...



Hello,

You are invited to join us this Saturday for Houghton Academy's annual "Family Cookout/Homecoming!"

Here is the schedule for the day:

 11:00 am - <u>Volleyball</u>: Girls Varsity Match vs. Hinsdale Central

1:00 pm - Soccer: Boys Varsity Game vs. Friendship-

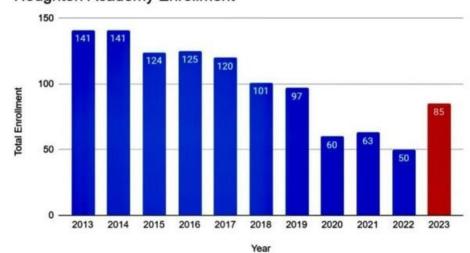
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- 2:15 pm Cookout: The Academy provides grills, meat, and fixings. Please bring a dessert or side dish to share.
- 2:45 3:45 pm Games

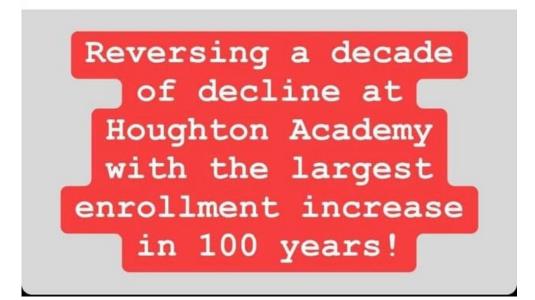
As part of our 180-day school calendar, the Cookout/Homecoming is a required "school day" for students.

Parents, families, and alumni, we hope you can join us!

## A HUNDRED-YEAR RECORD



Houghton Academy Enrollment



We are praising God for this milestone in the history of the Academy. Thank you all for your continued prayers and support as we continue to experience the blessing of God on the mission and vision of Houghton Academy.

## STAFF SPOTLIGHT

WELCOME Rebecca Hodgson, LPN, Academy Nurse

Mrs. Hodgson has an extensive background and proficiency in:

- Nursing
- EMR Systems
- Medication Administration
- Vital Signs
- Maintaining Health Records
- Student Safety



She also joins the staff of Houghton Academy with a background in serving international students:

"I served as the Local Coordinator for Academic Year in America for several years. This agency placed Foreign Exchange Students in American homes and High Schools. I was blessed to work with students from Europe, Asia, and South America. These experiences allowed me some of my greatest blessings as I discovered that with our cultural differences, we are all so much alike." - RH

# COMING SOON...

- September 23 (11 am) Family Cookout /
  Homecoming (Student Attendance Required)
- September 30 Board of Trustees Meeting
- October 2-6 Spirit Week!
- October 9 No Classes
- October 11 SAT Testing
- October 13 Gordon College Recruiter on campus
- October 17 PSAT Testing

View times and details on the Academy Calendar HERE.

View the Athletic Calendar HERE.



## **NEW DIPLOMA TRACKS**



We are excited to announce that starting this year, Houghton Academy is <u>now offering four unique diploma tracks!</u>

The following diploma tracks are available to Houghton Academy students:

#### COLLEGE PREPARATORY DIPLOMA (22 Credits)

- Meets minimum NYSED graduation requirements.
- Twenty-two credits (minimum) are required for graduation, including:
  - 4 credits (each) English, Social Studies
  - 3 credits (each) Math, Science

- 2 credits (each) Foreign Language, Physical Education
- 1 credit Fine Arts
- 0.5 credit Health
- 2.5 credits Electives

NOTE: 1 Christian Studies/Bible credit is required for each full year of Houghton Academy enrollment.

#### ADVANCED COLLEGE PREP DIPLOMA (25 Credits)

• This diploma requires three (3) additional credits in upper-level courses (e.g., AP, Honors).

#### DIPLOMA OF EXCELLENCE (28 Credits)

- This diploma requires:
  - Three (3) additional credits in college-level dual enrollment
  - A minimum G.P.A. of 3.0 or weighted G.P.A. of 83 or higher

#### DIPLOMA OF EXCELLENCE AND EMPHASIS (30 Credits)

- This diploma requires:
  - Two (2) additional credits in an area of emphasis (e.g., STEM, Fine Arts)
  - A minimum G.P.A. of 3.0 or weighted G.P.A. of 83 or higher

Contact Dr. Travis for more information.

### **Support the Annual Fund**

Since 1883, Houghton Academy has prepared students to **live authentically, learn deeply,** *lead globally, and love boldly for the Glory of God.* Your support allows the Academy to continue this honored tradition.



Please click <u>HERE</u> to donate to the Houghton Academy Annual Fund today! Thank you!

### **Adult Volunteers Needed**



There are multiple areas of ministry in which we need adult volunteers to ensure our ministry to students is robust. For example:

- Event / Retreat Chaparones
- Study Hall Monitors
- Substitute Teachers
- Tutors
- Kitchen

Please contact Dr. Travis if you are interested in serving as a volunteer. Thank you!

Note that there is an application and that a background check is required.

### Did you miss an earlier communication?

Visit the Academy website's <u>"Recent News"</u> page to catch up on recently published Head of School Memos, Newsletters, and Ministry Updates.



"...that they might be called trees of righteousness." - Isaiah 61:3



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