

The Dragon Update

Principal Gannon

December 18, 2020

Next Week at a Glance

December 21, 2020 ~ December 23, 2020

Monday 12/21	Tuesday 12/22	Wednesday 12/23	Thursday 12/24	Friday 12/25
Remote Learning	Remote Learning	Asynchronous Remote Learning Periods 1-8 Early Dismissal	Winter Recess	Winter Recess

IMPORTANT DATES

by: HHS Administration



Asynchronous Wednesday, December 23 (Early Dismissal)

→Students will log into each of their Google Classrooms to complete an asynchronous distance learning assignment. →Attendance questions will be posted in Google Classrooms 15 minutes before the start of the student day. →Students must complete the attendance question posted for all 8 periods by **11:30AM** in each teacher's Google Classroom to be marked present on December 23, 2020.

Winter Recess: No School December 24 through January 3. Remote Learning will resume on Monday, January 4, 2021.

PARENT CORNER

★CONGRATULATIONS HHS CHORUS

and Mr. Balint on their [inspirational musical selection!](#) Watch their video and read the opinion piece (written by HHS sophomore, Christine Kim), published in the [NH Register](#) about how our Music classes have adapted to online learning.

★HHS QUARTER 1 HIGH HONORS & HONOR ROLL

Congratulations to our HHS students who achieved High Honors and Honor Roll for Quarter 1! Please click [HERE](#) to view the full list.

SGC (SCHOOL GOVERNANCE COUNCIL)

The HHS Governance Council (SGC) invites you to participate and vote in the election of our two (2) open parent positions. The link to vote is located [HERE](#). Voting will be open from Dec. 11th - Dec. 31st, 2020. The SGC candidates' statements and election process can be found on [the council's webpage](#). Any questions can be forwarded to hhsgc1@gmail.com

FOOD SERVICE

Click here for Hamden's [*Food Service during Remote Learning](#). For district information and specific information about the food distribution on December 23, please visit www.Hamden.org/meals



HHS TRAVEL CLUB

The HHS Travel Club is pleased to announce the Spring Break 2022 travel destinations: The Netherlands, Belgium, France and England! **The deadline to enroll, (before the price increases), is today, December 18 and space is limited! The cost is \$95 to guarantee a spot on the trip and to lock in the price.** For more information about the HHS Travel Club & Spring Break 2022, please visit their [website](#).



***COVID REPORTING** Our school nurses are still available at each school and we encourage you to continue to communicate any possible exposures to Covid-19, as well as all cases of Covid-19 that might develop in your household. This will allow us to continue our efforts to limit the spread of Covid-19 within our community. The nurses are also available to assist you in any way they can with navigating the complex healthcare system during this Pandemic. [HHS Nurses' Office](#)

PURSES FOR A PURPOSE

Hamden's award-winning DECA program is at it again! DECA students Sircia Levitt, Amanda Dowgiewicz, and Alivia Vivenzio founded **Purses for a Purpose CT**, a charitable organization that is "Lending a Helping Hand(bag)" to people in need. To help them reach their goals and/or for more information, please visit their website.

COUNSELING CORNER

by: Dan Cocchiola



GRADE 9-11 STUDENTS

2021-22 School Year Course Selection is upon us.

There are four steps:

1. Week of December 14th: Teacher Recommendations (Completed)
2. [Week of December 21st: Student Course Selection](#)
 - a. Click the link above to see the lesson students received in today's Connections.
3. [Over winter break: Parent Review](#)
 - a. Click the link above to access PowerSchool
 - b. If you cannot access PowerSchool, then click [HERE](#).
4. January: School Counselor confirmation of course requests.

[The 2021-2022 Course Catalog, listing all of our programs and course offerings, can be found here.](#) Please spend the next week going over it with your children.

☎ Expect a Robocall this afternoon from Principal Gannon. Click [HERE](#) to see a script of the call, which includes important links and information about Course Selections.

GRADE 12 STUDENTS Transcript Release Form - Please [use this Google Form](#) as our official transcript release form. The form collects email addresses. The parent/guardian is responsible for ensuring that the email used is the parent email.

11th Grade Parents School Counseling Department led 11th Grade Post-Secondary planning activities will begin the last week of January. Keep an eye out for updates and details. [School Counselor Assignments](#)

CONNECTIONS PROGRAM (STUDENT ADVISORY)

Parents/Guardians: Today's lesson in Connections focused on [Course Selection for next year](#). Please click the link to view the lesson materials presented during Connections.

ATHLETICS

by: Tom Dyer



❄️ WINTER SPORTS UPDATE

Winter sports registration is now open. If interested, please sign up on FamilyID through our website www.hamden.org > click the **Athletics** tab. Coaches will not be able to contact student athletes unless they are signed up for their sport.

All Winter sports have been delayed until 1/19/20. There is still a good chance some sports may have different start dates. Again, this does not mean winter sports are cancelled. There is a strong chance that some sports will start in January or February and finish by the first week in April. We feel strongly that winter sports will be played at some point during the school year. The Hamden Athletic Department will send out updated guidance on this weekly school email as well as via email (we use email addresses used during signup on FamilyID). If you have any questions, please contact the Head Coach - email addresses are on our website.

Winter Schedules will not be posted until the CIAC updates their guidance sometime in early January.

☀️ SPRING SPORTS

If interested in a **Spring Sport**, please email the Head Coach - emails can be found on our website. Please send them the best contact information so they can communicate with you expectations, updates for preseason conditioning, try-outs, etc. FamilyID registration for Spring sports will open mid-February.

FALL SEASON ATHLETIC AWARDS

Many students were recognized for their outstanding achievements during this past fall season. Hamden High School athletes also excelled in the classroom with 64% (180 out of 279) of fall student athletes making either the honor roll or high honor roll during the 1st marking period. What an amazing job by our student athletes. All of the HHS Athletic Academic Awards are being mailed home. We will set up a day for each program to pick up their varsity letter and pins, once we return to in-person learning.

★FALL SCC SCHOLAR ATHLETES

Congratulations to Sircia Levitt from the Dance Team and Sam Han from the Football Team who were selected as the SCC Fall Scholar Athletes for Hamden High School.

Sircia Levitt 21'
Dance Team



Sam Han 21'
Football



★FALL INDIVIDUAL ATHLETIC AWARDS

Congratulations to our individual award winners from this fall. These student athletes were recognized by the CHSCA (CT High School Coaches Association) and/or the SCC (Southern Connecticut Conference).

- Rae Ada-George** - Girls Volleyball- All-SCC Division C
- Elle Cullinane** - Field Hockey- All-SCC Division B
- Lillian Druvva** - Girls Diving- All-SCC Division 1 Diving
- Indigo Irwin** - Girls X-Country- All-SCC Division D
- Tiatianna Jones** - Girls Soccer- All-SCC Division A
- Georgia Kirkendall** - Girls X- Country- All-SCC Division D
- Christina Logan** - Girls Volleyball- All-SCC Division C
- Ella Miller** - Field Hockey- All-SCC Division B
- Kaitlin Moran** - Girls Volleyball- All-SCC Division C
- Ariana Mullin** - Girls Soccer- All-SCC Division A
- Emma Panaroni** - Girls Swimming- CHSCA All-State, All-SCC, All-SCC Division 1- 100m Freestyle and 100m Backstroke
- Josh Venditto** - Boys Soccer- CHSCA All-State and All-SCC Division A
- Jack Wagne r**- Boys Soccer- All-SCC Division A
- Amanda Wojenski** - Girls Swimming- CHSCA All-State, All-SCC Division 1- 100m Freestyle and 50m Freestyle
- Andrew White** - Boys X-Country- CHSCA All-State, All-SCC and All-SCC Division D

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

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