

The Dragon Update

Principal Gannon

December 11, 2020

Next Week at a Glance

December 14, 2020 ~ December 18, 2020

Monday 12/14	Tuesday 12/15	Wednesday 12/16	Thursday 12/17	Friday 12/18
Remote Learning Student Spirit Week Winter Wonderland	Remote Learning Student Spirit Week HHS Sports & Clubs	Asynchronous Remote Learning Student Spirit Week Staff Appreciation	Remote Learning Student Spirit Week Ugly Sweater	Remote Learning Student Spirit Week Green & Gold



IMPORTANT DATES

by: HHS Administration

Adult High School Completion Program Registration for the spring semester will take place December 15th & 17th at 6:00PM. Please call the Adult Education Office for an appointment (203)407-2028.

Asynchronous Wednesdays
→On Wednesdays, students will log into each of their Google Classrooms to complete an asynchronous distance learning assignment.
→Assignments will be posted in Google Classrooms 15 minutes before the start of the student day.
→Students must complete the attendance question posted in each teacher’s Google Classroom to be marked present on Asynchronous Wednesdays.

PARENT CORNER

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.

2021-2022 BELL SCHEDULE Hamden High School will be implementing a new Bell Schedule for the 2021-2022 school year. This bell schedule will not impact arrival or dismissal times. However, it will increase instructional time, provide more access to courses and provide more opportunities for students to earn credit. Additional information is forthcoming.

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. Parent candidate forms have already been submitted and 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 hhs_gc1@gmail.com

TOY DRIVE Looking to give back this holiday season. Please view the [Toy Drive flyer](#) for more information.

ATHLETICS

by: Tom Dyer



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

HHS TRAVEL CLUB
[The HHS Travel Club](#) is pleased to announce the Spring Break 2022 travel destinations: The Netherlands, Belgium, France and England! For 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. The nurses will utilize this information to assist our local health department in their contact tracing; this will allow us to continue our efforts to limit the spread of Covid-19 within our community. In addition, as the navigation of the healthcare system has become more complex with this Pandemic, the nurses are available to assist you in any way they can. [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. The mission of Purses for a Purpose CT is to empower homeless women in our community by providing them with everyday essentials, while at the same time raising awareness about the growing crisis of homelessness. To help them reach their goals and/or for more information, please visit their website [Purses for a Purpose](#)

FOOD SERVICE
The next Free Food Distribution is Monday, December 14!! View the [flyer](#) for more information. Click here for Hamden's ***Food Service during Remote Learning**. For district information, please visit www.Hamden.org/meals



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.

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

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
2. Week of December 21st: Student Course Selection in English class
3. Over winter break: Parent Review
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.

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.

BRAG SHEETS - The form that students use to ask teachers and counselors for letters of recommendation. Copy and Paste this to form into your own google doc.

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

CONNECTIONS PROGRAM (STUDENT ADVISORY)
Parents/Guardians: Our Connections Program (Student Advisory) will meet monthly - during 3rd period. The next Connections date is December 18th. If your child has a 3rd period study hall, they must join the teacher’s study hall Google Classroom, and log on to make sure they do not miss important content (ex. - schedules and course selections). Please look for the Zoom link their 3rd period study hall teacher posted for their study hall/Connection students.

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