



Hollis Brookline High School

December 16, 2011
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Some thoughts from the Principal ...

This weather reminds me of the old New England saying, "If you don't like the weather, just wait a minute". With Snowtober not too distant of a memory, no recent snow and the nice mild weather we have been experiencing, it is hard to believe that we are almost to the winter holidays and first semester is quickly coming to a close. The winter sports season is in full swing, auditions for the spring musical are underway, and talk of mid-terms is in the air (see the schedule included in this newsletter).

Athletic Accolades: Congratulations to Mrs. Becky Balfour for being named by the Union Leader as Volleyball Coach of the Year. This is the third time Coach Balfour has received this award! Kelsey Berry has been named as the NH Gatorade Player of the Year for Volleyball. Congratulations to Kelsey, who was also named to the All-State Team! The New Hampshire Volleyball Coaches Association awards volleyball teams that maintain a 3.0 or better for the previous academic year. The 2010 Girls' Volleyball team maintained a 3.73 average, as a team, for four quarters. Our team has received this award for the past eleven years and our average has never dropped below a 3.4. The team also received the NHVCA's first ever Community Service Award this year for the Dig Pink fundraiser and youth volunteer work. In other sports news, the following students were named as All-State Team Members: Meghan Philpot for Cross Country and Briana Bruinooge for Girls Soccer. We would also like to congratulate Mark and Kyle Lorden who recently ran in the NSATF National Junior Olympic Cross Country Meet in Myrtle Beach.

Performing Arts: Congratulations goes to Elyse Tomlinson, Director, along with the entire cast and crew for the very moving production of The Diary of Anne Frank. Dave Umstead and Julie Formidoni led their students in a wonderful Winter Concert. I do hope you are able to attend some of the outstanding performances our students put on – they continue to amaze me with the many talents they possess!

Habitat for Humanity - I would also like to highlight Ann Melim - 18 students from her Memoirs and Biographies class who traveled to New Orleans in November to help build a home with Habitat for Humanity. This trip was a follow-up to the reading of "Zeitoun," the biography of a man who survived Hurricane Katrina. The students worked extremely hard to make the dream of a home a reality for a family. They made a significant impact on one family's life and came home with a renewed sense of commitment to their fellow man.

The Giving Tree: Once again, the generosity of the Hollis and Brookline school community members has reached new peaks. We had a record number of requests for gifts on our Giving Tree and each and every one has been met. Gifts are being distributed to the Shepherd's Fund and the Nashua Soup Kitchen. Thank you all for your generosity. The kindness of our school community is helping those in our communities and far beyond our community with projects such as this.

ICT Portfolio: A quick reminder that all students must fulfill their ICT portfolio requirement in order to graduate. Mrs. Christine Heaton has done a tremendous job helping our students to meet this goal. The majority of seniors and many juniors have already completed this task. Any student who still needs to fulfill this requirement is encouraged to see Mrs. Heaton in the Writing Lab during any of their lunch times. She will be more than happy to make arrangements to help them complete their portfolio.

New Staff: We are very excited to be able to introduce a new member of the staff. Ms. Jillian Hegarty is a former HBHS graduate and we are pleased she has joined us as a part-time 504 Coordinator. She will be working closely with Guidance and the Special Education department chairs to help meet the needs of our students with 504 plans.

Academic Assembly: On Thursday, December 15th we held our annual fall academic recognition school-wide assembly to highlight student achievement from the past spring through fall. It is a chance for students to be recognized for achievements such as: National Merit Commended Scholars, National Merit Semi-Finalists, perfect scores on SAT's, exceptional AP exam scores, National Honor Society Induction, and All-State Competitions. This is a nice tradition begun several years ago.

Kudos Tree: You may have noticed the "Employee of the Month" sign in the front parking lot. HBHS has so many gifted and talented staff members who go above and beyond on a daily basis. A "kudos tree" has been painted on the staff room wall and leaves with kudos for individuals are posted each month by peers. At our monthly staff meeting, the kudos are read and one is drawn for the coveted parking spot.

Calendar Notes: Please note that there will be no school for students on primary voting day, January 10th. Teachers will have a workshop day. Also note if any delayed openings fall on a Friday, there will be no PLC's and classes will begin at the regularly scheduled delayed opening time (see the schedule included in this newsletter).

News from the Kitchen: Effective January 3, 2012 the cost of lunch for students that are not eligible for a free or reduced lunch will increase from the current price of \$2.25 to \$2.50 per meal at the Hollis/Brookline High School and Hollis/Brookline Middle School. This reflects the federal mandate of the July 1, 2011 Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (section 205), passed by Congress, which states that the average paid lunch price charged to paying students must be at least equal to the amount provided by federal reimbursement for free lunches. For the 2011/2012 school year, if the average cost of a paid lunch is \$2.46 or higher, a price increase is not required. At \$2.25 a paid lunch, we do not meet this requirement and need to raise the price to be in compliance.

At this joyous time of year, I hope you all take time to spend with family, friends and other loved ones. I wish you all a wonderful holiday season and a Happy New Year !!

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Matte

Parent Education Series

Communication and Cooperation with Your Teen

Is communicating with your teen a bit overwhelming at times? Do you find yourself caught in a negative cycle? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, you won't want to miss the January Parent Education session. This will be an interactive program facilitated by Lisa Landolt, MSW, LICSW, of Family-Centered Counseling of New England.

We will be discussing negotiation and active problem-solving strategies, methods of de-escalating conflict, as well as building and maintaining relationships with your teen(s).

This program will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 7pm in Room 221/222 at HBHS. There is no cost to attend, however, pre-registration is requested. Please call Monica Gallant at 672-6115 or email mgallant4@aol.com.

Teen Programs @ The Hollis Social Library:

Fantasy Book Club—Tweens & Teens

1st Tuesday of every month @ 4 p.m.

For anyone who loves books about Harry Potter, dragons, magic, the future, and more! This book club is designed for older children who love reading fantasy books. **Dates:** Jan. 3, Feb. 7, Mar. 6, Apr. 3, May 1, June 5. **Sign-up online or contact Miss Amanda @ 465-7721.**

Craft Days—Tweens & Teens

3rd Tuesday of every month @ 4 p.m.

New and cool crafts will be done each month. Everything from cupcake making to Paper Mache. It's different each month! **Dates:** Dec. 20, Jan. 17, Feb. 21, Mar. 20, Apr. 17, May 15. **Sign-up online or contact Miss Amanda @ 465-7721.**

Wii Fridays—Middle & High School Students

Every Friday from 2:30-4:30p.m.

Play Guitar Hero, DDR, Wii Sports, Wii Play, and more! Snacks provided. Bring your own games to play with friends. **Drop-in program.**

Anime Club—Middle & High School Students

Last Monday of every month from 2:30-4:15

If you love Anime, drawing, hanging out with friends, and anything Japanese then this is the club for you. Watch new and old anime, do Japanese crafts, and share your love of drawing and manga with others! **Dates:** Jan. 30, Feb.27, Mar. 26, Apr.30. **Sign-up online or contact Miss Amanda @ 465-7721.**

Health Office Snippets

Happy and Healthy Holidays to our HBHS families!

Parents and students, please remember when bringing in medications (whether prescription or over the counter) they must be in their original packaging with all necessary documentation

The Health Office continues to need donations of the items listed below. We truly appreciate the ability to provide snacks for our students to help them learn self management skills, making the connection between mind and body. Food is good medicine.

Juice Boxes

Small Water Bottles

Animal Crackers/Pretzels/Saltines/Cheese crackers

Otoscope—We are looking for a donation of an otoscope as our budget cannot absorb the cost of a new one.

Thanks to all who have sent in the above items. Thank you to the Congregational Church of Hollis who continues to support our students and families with their generous donations of gift cards for clothing and food. And we greatly appreciate the generous donation from a parent of various costly diabetic supplies and a glucose meter.

Please be mindful of our student population with **anaphylactic allergies to nuts and latex products**. HB is not allergen free but we strive to create a safe environment for all our students.

Please do not hesitate to communicate with us at any time. **Confidential fax: 465-2485; Phone 465-2269, x137.**

Thank you.

Cathy Burbee, RN *Full Time
Susan Patz, RN *Part Time

Visit hollisbrookline.org to access the Health Office website to find health Office forms and information, fast facts, physical exam/immunization requirements and various health links.

Hollis Women's Club News

The HWC announces a FREE series of investment seminars given by Shelley Gillis, AAMS, a financial advisor with Edward Jones. The investment seminars are open to all and will be held over six (6) consecutive Monday evenings at the Hollis Social Library Community Room from 6:30-8:30pm, except on nights when school is closed due to inclement weather.

- **Jan. 9, 2012—"The Rules of the Road"** — Discussing the Ten Investment Principles and identifying and avoiding the most common investment mistakes.
- **Jan. 16, 2012—"Take Stock in the Market"** — We will cover the basic structure of the stock market and the three (3) key principles to stock investing. We will also discuss how stocks are traded and how dividends work.
- **Jan. 23, 2012—"Focus on Fixed Income"** — A discussion on the basics of bonds and how they work. Why own bonds? Who should own bonds and how? An introduction to the different types of bonds.
- **Jan. 30, 2012—"Start Smart with Mutual Funds"** — An introduction to mutual funds, what they are (and aren't), how they work, and how to select an appropriate fund.
- **Feb. 6, 2012—"Making Sense of Retirement"** — We will discuss strategies for retirement, to include setting goals, risk assessment, tax deferral, and the different types of IRAs available, and how to create retirement income.
- **Feb. 13, 2012—"Protecting What's Important"** — A discussion on long-term care and estate planning basics., as well as an introduction to Wealth Transfer Planning and managing estate taxes. We will include a discussion on New Hampshire's recent change to the Partnership status for Long-Term Care.



BOOSTER CLUB NEWS

Winter season sports are well underway, Good Luck to all of our Winter Athletes. We hope that your seasons are successful. .

We are looking for a Team Liaison/Liaisons as our contact person for each team this season. These individuals from each team will help with communication, correspondence, information for the team, and the end-of-year preparation of pictures for the slide show. Be sure to take pictures during the season and share them with us. Let your Coach and the ABC know if you are interested in helping out this season.

We are excited to see some new faces at our ABC meetings and welcome many more! Join us in our goal to help build a strong support group of volunteers and provide funding for our student athletic programs, money not provided for our student athletes in the CO-OP school budgets. The HBHS Athletic Booster Club fully funds the awards and the Awards Night activities for all three seasons. Without your support the students would not have this recognition.

We have established a NEW Athletic Booster Club website. Please check it out, keep in mind it is still in progress: www.hbhsboosterclub.com.

We would like to invite you to attend our monthly meetings at any time during the year. The club meets on the second Wednesday of each month in the HBHS office conference room at 7:00pm. The next ABC meeting will be January 11th, 2012. Come join us!

Go Cavs!!

Hollis Brookline High School Athletic Booster Club Officers 2011-2012:

Cindy Van Coughnett, President: cwvanc@gmail.com
Lisa Schmalz, Vice President lschmalz@charter.net
Sherri Quinn, Secretary SLQuinn68@tds.net
Regina Kozsan, Treasurer rkozsan@investorcapital.com
Monica Rencken, Trustee renckens@charter.net

Visit your Booster Club at www.hbhsboosterclub.com, where you'll find the list of officers & committees and all that we do for our athletes, and much more!



PTSA NEWS



We'd like to ask for your help in coming up with ideas for an S-Team (alcohol- and drug-free event) either for our graduating seniors or the school as a whole. Past survey results have told us a Prom Night party would not be well attended, and we have seen most students have other plans after the graduation ceremony, so we would not plan an event that afternoon or evening. If you have any ideas, or if your daughter/son has any ideas, please let us know!

Things are moving along with the Co-Op Board and Budget Committee, getting ready for the town meetings in March. Now is the time to find out what they are working on so you can offer some input before the final version of the budget is decided, and be well informed in March when it comes time to vote. We strongly encourage you to plan to attend your town meeting as we (and our kids) will be living with the results of those votes, for better or worse. Many of these issues will potentially affect those students not yet at the high school. Contact Doris Lindgren (doris.lindgren@sau41.org) for copies of approved and draft minutes. The Co-Op Board meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, the Budget Committee on the 3rd Thursday, both at HBMS at 6pm. Public input is allowed for a short time at the beginning of the meetings.

On behalf of the PTSA, wishing you fun, safe and relaxing holidays!

Sincerely,
Maryanne Sango Shanley
HBHS PTSA President
msshanel@yahoo.com

Visit your PTSA at www.hbhsptsa.org, where you'll find the list of officers & committees, back issues of newsletters, and much more!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Dec. 17	Healthy Teen workshop- www.castnh.org
Dec. 26- Jan. 2	School Vacation
Dec. 30	Last date to register for Jan. 28 SAT
Jan. 1	FAFSA forms due (seniors)
Jan. 9	"The Rules of the Road" Investment Principles 6:30-8:30pm, Hollis Social Library
Jan. 10	NO SCHOOL (Voting Day)
Jan. 11	HBHS ABC Mtg. 7pm HBHS Main conf. rm.
Jan. 13	Last date to register for Feb. 11 ACT
Jan. 16	"Take Stock in the Market" investment seminar, 6:30-8:30pm, Hollis Social Library
Jan. 17	"Communicating and Cooperating with Your Teen", 7pm HBHS Rm. 221/222
Jan. 23	"Focus on Fixed Income" investment seminar 6:30-8:30pm, Hollis Social Library
Jan. 26	NHEAAF at HBHS to assist with completing Financial aid forms (Senior parents). Appointment required.
Jan. 30	"Start Smart with Mutual Funds" investment Seminar, 6:30-8:30pm, Hollis Social Library
Feb. 6	"Making Sense of Retirement" investment Seminar, 6:30-8:30pm, Hollis Social Library
Feb. 8	6:30pm — College Info Night (Junior and Parents)
Feb. 16	School Holiday-MLK, Jr. Day
Feb. 20	SCHOOL CLOSED—Primary Voting Day

From Your Guidance Department

We are excited to announce that we have developed a HBHS Guidance page on Facebook. Please “like” us on Facebook in order to receive our updates. And as always, please be sure to check out the Guidance portion of the school website and also read the daily notices (<http://hollisbrookline.org>).

We are inclined to believe that the holiday season is a joyous time of the year. And it is our hope that this is true for all of our families, but we are acutely aware that there are families and students struggling with a number of social, financial and even college issues. Students come to our office showing a mix of emotions – reactions to seeing family and friends over the break, for some the additional stress of money, and others the end of the year reflections.

Please take care of each other throughout the break and holiday season and let us know if there is anything we can do to help.

Senior News

As mentioned in previous newsletters, the admissions process keeps all of us very busy and each year we seem to go above and beyond previous years in sending out information to various colleges. Here are some of our numbers:

For the class of 2012:

- College packets sent to date: 975 (up from 757 at this point last year)
- Number of colleges to which students applied: 353 (up from 262 at this point last year)

Suggestion— Often, your student may receive a postcard, letter or email from the Admissions Office indicating that they did not receive information from our department. Please keep in mind that because the application and supporting documents are coming from different places, some colleges automatically alert students by email or letter that there is something missing. Students should contact the Admissions Office at the college to ensure that their application is complete. This notification can be very unnerving and causes a high degree of anxiety but is often easily resolved with a phone call. It is important to note that colleges do not disadvantage a student if information is misfiled. For this reason, we advise all students to keep copies. If the college confirms that they still do not have the information, please have your student come to guidance immediately so we are able to resend their information.

Early Decision and Early Action decisions should be announced soon. Congratulations to those students who have already received notification and have been accepted to college! For those students who applied early and received notification that they have been deferred – remember that deferral still provides an opportunity to be accepted to the college. Students who have been deferred should see their counselor to determine what information they may want to send to further enhance their application.

For colleges with a February 1st deadline for admission, the *College Supporting Documentation form* (green form) needs to be submitted to the counselor by January 11th. Many other schools operate under rolling admission and will accept applications into early spring. Be aware that the earlier you get your application in, the better chance you may have to receive financial aid and campus housing.

Admissions Decisions—This process is a long and grueling one for students but the fun part is hearing the college decisions. Please come to Guidance and let Mrs. Noel and your counselor know what your college decisions are as well as updating your decisions on Naviance. We are interested and excited about all decisions and have a special golden bell in Guidance for students to ring to celebrate their acceptances. When students give us this information it helps us

counsel future applicants. We also want to hear if the news is not good so that we can help strategize on what to do next. The answer most students want to hear at this time of year is, of course, an acceptance but colleges often defer when evaluating early applications. As mentioned in the last newsletter, being deferred at this point in time is not a bad thing. Being deferred is not a denial and gives students the opportunity to send additional information such as midterm grades and additional testing. Please talk with your counselor if you have any questions.

If you did not get your college supporting document form to your counselor by December 2nd, there is no guarantee information will be sent to the colleges before the vacation break (for a January 1 deadline). However, students should send their applications in to the colleges electronically or by mail even if they have not contacted their counselor before the break and meet with their counselor as soon as we return in January. Do not wait to apply! Many colleges will close their admissions cycle as soon as they have enough applications even though their deadlines are in March. If there are any questions, please contact your son or daughter’s school counselor.

Mid-Term Reports— PLEASE NOTE: Midterm grades/reports will be sent out to all schools to which a student has applied after the semester ends in January. Students do not need to request this from Guidance.

Financial Aid Information— Financial Aid Night was held on Thursday, December 8th for parents of seniors. If you missed this meeting or if you have concerns regarding Financial Aid at this time, an appointment with college financial aid offices when visiting a college is a good way to learn about that particular college’s financial aid opportunities. Another great source of information is the NH Higher Education Assistance Foundation (NHHEAF) in Concord. NHHEAF can be reached by e-mail www.nhheaf.org or calling 800-525-2577.

On January 26, 2012 from 6-8 pm a NHHEAF representative will be available at HBHS to assist with filing of the FAFSA. Two group sessions will be available: 6 pm and 7 pm. The representative will help you sign on and will answer individual questions. Please call Mrs. Noel at 465-2269 x 128 to sign up. Note: The FAFSA form cannot be submitted before January 1, 2012, but should be submitted as close to that date as possible. All colleges require the FAFSA form from families that are considering any type of financial aid including work study. Families can access this website by going to www.FAFSA.gov.org. Some colleges will require the CSS PROFILE. It can only be submitted electronically and can be accessed through the College Board website at www.collegeboard.com. Colleges have very strict deadlines for Financial Aid applications and it is important to adhere to the deadlines.

Graduation Check— Every senior and parent received a letter in September regarding graduation requirements. Another letter will be going home after the semester ends and report cards are distributed. It is vitally important that any senior who is missing a required course or has been unsuccessful in a required course meet with their counselor immediately to determine a course of action. The school policy is that each student carries 6 credits to be considered a full-time student. If a student has fewer than 6 credits, they need to add a course to their schedule for second semester.

NCAA— Go to www.ncaaeligibilitycenter.org. The Eligibility Center requires students to submit an official high school transcript in order to participate in DI or DII college athletics. Failure to submit these forms to NCAA will delay an athlete’s ability to compete at the collegiate level so it is important to get these requests to Guidance as soon as possible.

From Your Guidance Department—Cont'd

College Representative Visits— We have had more than ninety college representatives visit our school this fall. These visits allow juniors and seniors to speak to an individual about a college regarding their school, admission, or a particular program.

The following schools visited HBHS: Albany College of Pharm and Health Sciences, Assumption College, Babson College, Bentley University, Bishops University, Boston University, Bowdoin College, Bryant University, Castleton State University, Champlain College, Chester College of New England, Colgate University, College of St. Rose, College of the Holy Cross, Daniel Webster College, Dean College, Duke University, Eastern University, Elmira College, Emmanuel College, Endicott College, Fitchburg State University, Florida Institute of Technology, Franklin Pierce University, George Mason University, Gordon College, High Point University, Hofstra University, Ithaca College, James Madison University, Johnson & Wales University, Keene State College, Lakes Region Community College, Lasell College, Lesley University, Lyndon State College, Maine Maritime Academy, Marquette University, Mass. College of Pharm and Health Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, McGill University, Messiah College, Middlebury College, Mitchell College, Montana State University, Moravian College, Mount Ida College, Mount St. Mary College, Nashua Community College, New England College, New England Culinary Institute, New Hampshire Institute of Art, New Hampshire Technical Institute, Nichols College, Northeastern University, Plymouth State University, Pomona College, Quinnipiac University, Regis College, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Rivier College, Rochester Institute of Technology, Southern New Hampshire University, Southern Vermont College, St. Anselm College, St. Joseph's College of Maine, St. Michaels College, VT, Sterling College, Stonehill College, Suffolk, SUNY Albany, Tufts University, Unity College, University of Alabama, University of Chicago, University of Connecticut, University of Delaware, University of Maine Orono, University of Maryland CP, University of Massachusetts Amherst, University of Massachusetts Lowell, University of New England, University of New Hampshire, University of Rhode Island, University of Rochester, University of Southern Maine, University of Tampa, University of Vermont, Vanderbilt University, Wentworth Institute of Technology, Western New England University, Wheaton College, Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Junior News

Counselors will begin meeting with juniors to discuss their PSAT test results before our December school vacation. The PSAT is a helpful tool in preparing for the SAT and gives feedback on areas to concentrate on as well as connecting them with career information related to their possible college major. Counselors will be sending out notices with a time and date for juniors to meet with their counselor. Counselors will go over the score report in detail so students will get the most out of this practice test and know how to prepare for the upcoming SAT. We thank you for your patience with this activity as we feel it is very important for students to understand the PSAT results so they will know what to expect when they take the SAT. Keep in mind that these scores are confidential and that colleges do not see them.

Junior College Information Night— On February 8th at 6:30 the Guidance Department will host an information night for juniors and their parents. This evening is designed to help families start the admission process. More information will be on the website and in the January newsletter. Parents are encouraged to attend this event with their students.

SAT Information, SAT Reasoning Tests and SAT Subject Tests— Registration for upcoming tests is ongoing through the College Board website. Deadlines are approaching quickly so be sure to attend to them. Registration for tests on:

SAT Test Dates

January 28
March 10
May 5
June 2

Registration Deadline

December 30
February 10
April 6
May 8

SATs are not administered at HBHS but are available at other local schools. Specific locations are online or in the registration booklet in Guidance. It is important to plan testing around busy sports and activity schedules in the spring. Check with coaches and club advisors before signing up for the Saturday test dates. Colleges like to see a junior SAT and a senior SAT score. Students should plan to take the SAT's at least twice during the college admission process. SAT prep courses are offered here at Hollis Brookline High School and at other agencies. Please see your counselors for more information.

ACT Information—In recent years the ACT has become increasingly popular with New England students. It differs in many respects from the SAT but primarily it offers a Science component. In addition, some colleges will accept the ACT in lieu of SAT subject tests which has also enhanced its popularity. The website for the ACT is www.act.org.

ACT Test Date

February 11
April 14
June 9

Registration Deadline

January 13
March 9
May 4

Destination College— The New Hampshire Higher Education Assistance Foundation (NHHEAF) is sponsoring its annual statewide college convention for high school juniors and their parents. This free event will be held at Southern New Hampshire University on Saturday March 24th, 2012. Pre-registration is required at www.destinationcollege.org starting in January. This is a great program that offers a variety of workshops for students and parents, motivational speakers, mini college fair and an opportunity to enter a scholarship raffle.

Sophomore News

As with the junior PSAT takers, counselors will be meeting in January with any sophomore student who participated in the fall testing.

A career symposium will be held in the spring for all sophomores. See below in the Career Services section.

Freshmen News

Clubs and Activities— Hopefully freshmen have been busy joining clubs and activities. If you would like to get involved, please refer to the club sheet from your counselor or email club advisors for more information.

It's a great idea to make an appointment to meet with your counselor with any questions, concerns, or just to say hello! We stay with you all four years and look forward to working with you and your parents.

News for All!

Tutoring Assistance— For all students grades 9-12, if your son or daughter is in need of assistance in any subject, National Honor Society members are available to help. Teachers and school counselors have lists of peer tutors or students can contact the NHS students directly in order to arrange for tutoring. For students with a study period 1, 3, 4 or 5, we also have a Peer Tutor program in the library. The peer tutors are available to help with organization and subject work. Depending upon demand, students may be able to receive help immediately or can make a future appointment. Please take advantage of these free services!

Selective Service Registration— The Selective Service System is an independent agency within the Executive Branch of the Federal Government. The mission of the Selective Service System is to provide the number of men needed by the Armed Forces, within the time required, should Congress and the President decide to return to a draft, in the event of a national emergency. Registration is the process of providing the Selective Service with name, address, phone number, and other related information about one's self. It is a legal responsibility for every young man to register with the Selective Service within the time period starting 30 days before, and ending 30 days after, their 18th birthday. Register online at www.sss.gov or pick up a registration card at any post office.

Career Services News

Spring Internships and Work Study— All juniors and seniors interested in participating in a spring internship or work study opportunity should make an appt. with Mrs. Sullivan in the Guidance Office by December 23. Students who signed up last spring or fall regarding internships should meet to confirm their interest in moving forward in the process.

Attention Parents! Spring Career Symposium!

HBHS is preparing for our annual **Career Symposium** held for our sophomore students. We recognize that we have a wonderful resource in our parents who are career experts in a fascinating variety of careers.

The morning event will include panel discussions with representation from five career clusters. Career clusters offer a context for learning by linking what students learn in school with the knowledge they need for future success. Your career expertise is needed as panel members.

Please contact Julie Sullivan, School to Career Counselor, at 465-2269 x129 or julie.sullivan@sau41.org if you are interested in sharing your professional experience with our students in a relaxed, conversational environment at our *2012 Career Symposium*.

Communication

In addition to reading this newsletter, please be sure to check out our website at www.hollisbrookline.org - click on the Guidance tab. We are continuously updating our information. As always, we are here to support all the students and families of the Hollis-Brookline community. Please feel free to email or call us with good news and/or concerns.

The Cavalier Chronicle, the HBHS student newspaper, is published the third Friday of every month. Be sure to ask your kids to bring their copy home to share with you. We welcome parent input for story ideas by the first of every month (perhaps your teen is doing something newsworthy outside of school but is too shy to let us know). Additionally, business owners are encouraged to advertise with us. Please email your mailing address, and we'll send you a packet with pricing, sizes, and publication schedule. Contact Lin Illingworth at illingworthl@sau41.k12.nh.us or call 465-2269 for more information

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Please be sure to check the Guidance Department website and read the daily notices for all new information!

<http://sites.google.com/a/sau41.org/hbhs>

**HOLLIS BROOKLINE HIGH SCHOOL
MID YEAR EXAM SCHEDULE
JANUARY 2012**

Monday, January 23, 2012 (Monday Schedule)

7:15 – 9:15	Period 1 Exam
9:25 – 10:03	Period 2 Exam
10:08 – 11:31	Period 4 Exam
First Lunch	10:08 – 10:33
Second Lunch	10:37 - 11:02
Third Lunch	11:06 – 11:31
11:36 – 12:14	Period 3 Exam
12:19 – 12:57	Period 5 Exam
1:02 – 1:40	Period 6 Exam
1:45 – 2:24	Period 7 Exam

Tuesday, January 24, 2012

7:15 – 9:15	Period 2 Exam
9:35 – 11:35	Period 3 Exam
11:40 – 12:10	Lunch
12:10	Dismissal
12:10 – 2:24	Review, Tutorial Time & Make Up Exams

Wednesday, January 25, 2012

7:15 – 9:15	Period 4 Exam
9:35 – 11:35	Period 5 Exam
11:40 – 12:10	Lunch
12:10	Dismissal
12:10- 2:24	Review, Tutorial Time & Make Up Exams

Thursday, January 26, 2012

7:15 – 9:15	Period 6 Exam
9:35 – 11:35	Period 7 Exam
11:40 – 12:10	Lunch
12:10	Dismissal
12:10- 2:24	Review, Tutorial Time & Make Up Exams

***Friday, January 27, 2012**

7:15 – 11:36	Periods 1-7 Schedule
11:40 – 12:10	Lunch
12:10	Dismissal
12:10 – 2:24	Make Up Exams

***No PLC hour on Friday during exams**

BUSES AT 12:10 on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday,

All classes and tests must be attended by all students.

All make up exams must be scheduled with individual teachers.

Students who need transportation home following make up/review/tutorial sessions may take their bus from the middle school.

Any request for an alternative exam date must be submitted in writing and administrative approval must be obtained.

In case of snow – If there is a 2 hour delay, exams will begin at 9:20 and the day will end at 2:24. If school is cancelled, exams will move one day. The cancelled exams will be held the next day.

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