



Hollis Brookline High School

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Some thoughts from the Principal ...

The 2008-2009 school year opened on August 27th with a successful welcoming day for our new freshmen, transfer and exchange students. All had the opportunity to learn the layout of the building and meet their new teachers, sign up for our many school organizations at the Club Fair, and finish the day with an ice cream social in the cafeteria.

As the year began, we welcomed many new faces to our staff, including: Chemistry – Linda Saari & Deborah Maloney; Biology – Kristin Donaldson & Trudi Thompson; Computer Science & Math - Diane Kramer; Business - Jannine Farrar; Art – Celeste Wyrosdic; Special Education – Michelle Sacco & Mary Young; Job Developer - Kristin Desborough; Music - Jennifer Bissonnette; English – Nerissa Calo; School Nurse - Susan Patz; Paraprofessionals: Amber Mayville, Bistra Botcheva, Patricia Pendoley, Bee-Jaye Powers & Kate Malagodi; Co-op Computer Coordinator – Carol Mamczak. Also, some veterans who changed names and/or titles: School Nurse, Cathy Saunders is now Cathy Burbee, Jean Soucy is now Jean Mammola, Christine Haight has returned from leave as a Reading teacher and Jessie Brougham is now Assistant to the Athletic Director.

Individual class meetings were held to review changes that had taken place since last June. Students received copies of the student handbook, which is also available on our school website at <http://www.hbhs.k12.nh.us>. For those new to our school, you will find our website an excellent source of information, including the daily announcements, newsletters, sports schedules and upcoming events. The site is maintained by Mr. John Boucher of our Science Department. Two important items, cell phone usage and dress code, were discussed at the class meetings, and we would appreciate any assistance that you can give us on the home front as we work with our students. The cell phone policy, which falls under the Electronic Device Policy (p. 6), has not changed from last year, except the consequences are now listed. We continue to remind students that our interest is in preserving the instructional time of our staff. With respect to the dress code (p. 5), it is clear that we are not interested in the display of undergarments. These expectations are similar to what students adhere to at their after-school employment.

Parking permits were distributed last week with few remaining on the waiting list. The permits allow students to park in the rear lot during school hours. The front lots are reserved for visitors and staff and the baseball field lots for those students who do not purchase a pass. The money collected from the sale of passes will go towards the purchase of outside security cameras and fund other improvements in parking throughout our campus. More information on parking, including a Frequently Asked Questions segment, can be found on the school website.

Preliminary enrollment numbers indicate that we remain above 900 students this year and space continues to be a challenge. The building is again scheduled at close to capacity, with one classroom available two periods during the day. We are using the library classroom and the mini cafeteria four periods during the day. All study halls are within classrooms. In the cafeteria, students are getting through the lunch line with about 10 -15 minutes to spare; however, seating is tight with 70 eating outside and 25 in the gym lobby each lunch. There is a concern that it will be a challenge once the weather gets colder.

School Pictures will be taken on September 23rd. For the past two years, we have not distributed student ID cards as part of the school picture package due to the fact that we did not require them and many did not pick them up. Lately, a few students, usually underclassmen, have requested school ID cards for use as a photo ID for SAT's, check cashing, store discounts etc. This year we will offer school IDs at no charge to students, but only to those who request them beforehand. Orders will be taken with school picture orders. Information will include the student's name, DOB and year of graduation.

Our athletic teams are in full swing and we are looking forward to **Homecoming Weekend (October 17th & 18th)**, where many of our teams will have home games, an outdoor Movie Night extravaganza Friday night, and a dance Saturday night. Our theatre department successfully started off the year with a presentation of "Spring Break," written and directed by Mrs. Elyse Tomlinson, on September 5th and 6th.

Please note that our annual **Open House** is scheduled for the evening of **Thursday September 25th** beginning at **6:30pm**. Details of the Open House program were in the last newsletter. Remember that teachers will be available for individual parent conferences, on the evenings of Thursday November 20th and Tuesday November 25th. Parents may begin signing up at Open House up to the conference dates.

In closing, **congratulations** go out to six of our seniors: Andrew Doberstein, Allison Langley, Laura Lumbard, Patrick McDaniel, Tollan Renner and Kylie Witt, who were recently named National Merit Semifinalists. This is the most we have had in recent memory. Over 8,000 New Hampshire students took the qualifying test (PSAT) last fall. Within the state, 73 were named Semifinalists from 107 high schools, including some which draw from an international student body such as St. Paul's and Phillips Exeter. The odds that schools have one scholar named is lucky, and we had 8% of those named state-wide! We also have a number of students who received recognition for their outstanding performance on their SATs and AP tests, and we will recognize their accomplishments in an upcoming newsletter. These accomplishments are a source of pride for our school, the SAU and our two communities.

GO CAVALIERS!!!

A Message from your PTSA Presidents

As the year gets underway, everybody's lives are crazy busy. Booster Club has its golf tournament on Monday September 15 at Overlook Golf Course. Hollis Old Home Days is the weekend of September 12 & 13. Sports teams are already busy on the playing fields. Life is good.

Our first PTSA meeting was well attended, including our new Superintendent Susan Hodgdon and Principal Kelley. Questions about this year's schedule, school policies, and the status of space issues were addressed. This year's PTSA is going to focus on being a communication vehicle between the school and community on important issues presently facing our school district. Please, if you are interested in receiving information on these communications, join the PTSA. Make sure we have your email address. This is how we will share what we learn.

Student directories will be coming out in October. If you have not ordered one, send your form in to the HBHS front office for Donna Cormier. Also, PTSA is looking for volunteer forms for our many yearly events. At Open House on September 25, stop by our PTSA table and say hello.

Our next meeting is October 9th at 7pm in the HBHS cafeteria. See you there!

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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 a name, address, phone number, and other related information about one's self. It is a civic and 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. If you have any questions, please see Mr. Winslow in Guidance.



Book Brunch Bunch

The HBHS Book Brunch Bunch has an ongoing fundraising activity selling used books. We welcome donations of all kinds of books, for any grade level or interest, in good condition. Just leave them at the office marked "Library". Thanks to all who have donated in the past.

Barb Boucher
HBHS Library

SAT Prep Course Registration

To the Parents of Current Seniors:

Registration for the Fall SAT Prep Course has begun! Students interested in taking the HBHS SAT Prep Course should click on the link below. All information about the Fall course is in the Guidance portion of the HBHS web page (click on the SAT Prep Course tab on the top). The

course begins next Tuesday, September 23rd.

If you have any questions, please email me directly at plumers@sau41.k12.nh.us.

Stacey S. M. Plummer
Mathematics Teacher

LINK:

http://www.sau41.k12.nh.us/Guidance/SAT_Prep/SATPrep.htm.

Work Experience Program Fundraiser At HBHS Open House—Sept. 25th

Wondering how to squeeze in dinner before the Open House on September 25th? Let us help!

Students from the Work Experience Program here at HBHS will be selling cheese pizza, cookies, coffee and water from 6-8pm or until sold out. By visiting us, you'll be helping students gain customer service experience, and the money we raise will go to a local charity.

We'll be located at both entrances to the high school, and on the second floor outside Room 270. Stop by early to make sure we don't sell out, and thanks for supporting us!

Kristen Desborough
HBHS Job Developer

Library News

The HBHS Library has subscribed to Britannica Online this year. Check it out on the library webpage. We have also added new e-books which are available both online and in print. These resources, as well as our other online databases, can all be accessed from home. Instructions are on the library webpage.

Barb Boucher
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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.

Hollis/Brookline String Ensemble

The Hollis/Brookline String Ensemble is a String Orchestra for Middle and High School students. It provides both an ensemble experience and some semi-private instruction. All ability levels are welcome. The repertoire is carefully selected to cover a wide range of technical ability in order to accommodate all students.

Rehearsals: Tuesdays, 6:20 PM, HBMS Band Room.

For more information and registration forms, please contact:

Deborah Jordan, Coordinator
(603) 465-9509 strings@netjordan.com

Notes from the Guidance Department

Greetings from the Guidance department! We are looking forward to working with students, parents, and teachers to have a successful school year. Please feel free to call or email us with any updates or questions you have regarding your son or daughter. The beginning of the school year can be a fun and sometimes stressful time as students transition to the next grade with new classes, friends, and activities.

Orientation Day was a success in welcoming the freshmen and transfer students to our school. We were overwhelmed and impressed with the student volunteers that helped make the day one to remember. Almost fifty students showed up on their day off (and various days in the planning stages!) to decorate, greet, cheer, and introduce the new students to HBHS. Each staff member was on a committee to truly show how we work together as a community.

September is a busy month in the Guidance Department. The add/drop period has ended and students are full swing into their classes. Counselors meet with their seniors regarding the college application process, both individually and in small groups. We had a chance to meet with our freshmen on Orientation Day and will be in the wellness classes at the end of this month.

The newsletter will contain important updates throughout the year. In addition, please be sure to check our website and read the daily notices (www.hbhs.k12.nh.us) for all new information. We try to update both of these sources of information on a weekly and sometimes daily basis.

Internship Opportunities

Internships are a great way to experience and explore a career interest for Juniors and Seniors. Now is the time to start planning! Please set up an appointment with Mrs. Demarest in Guidance to begin the process. There are many internship opportunities available for next semester in areas such as business, politics, health and medicine, communications, culinary, hospitality and tourism, engineering, manufacturing and education.

Senior News

College Admissions Information

Colleges expect that the letters of recommendation are confidential. This means that a student has not reviewed the recommendation of either a teacher or a school counselor. Guidance will be responsible for putting together a packet to be sent to the student's colleges that includes the following: official transcript, school profile, teacher(s) and counselor recommendations. The student is responsible for sending in the application, application fee, essay, supplements, and having the official SAT scores sent to the college directly from the College Board.

Visits and Interviews

College interviews can be a very important part of the admission process. If you have not scheduled visits, please do so as soon as possible. Students often comment that the visit played a large part in their decision to apply or attend a college. Keep in mind that colleges are very busy this time of year and may need at least a 2-4 week reservation for an interview. Many colleges have a week-

end Open House program throughout the Fall. These Open Houses are a great way for students and parents to get a complete overview of the college.

College Fairs

UNH and SNHU are hosting the annual NEACAC college fairs on their campuses. The UNH fair in Durham will be held Thursday, September 25th from 7-9 pm, and Friday, September 26th from 9-11:30 am. SNHU's fair in Manchester, NH will be Tuesday, September 30 from 7-9 pm and Wednesday, October 1st from 9-11:30 am. Over 250 colleges from all over the country will be in attendance. College fairs are a great way for students to obtain information about post-secondary opportunities. Not only is this a good time for seniors and their parents, but for juniors and their parents as well.

Financial Aid Night

Mark your calendars - **Financial Aid Night will be December 4th at 6:30.** If you have immediate concerns regarding financial aid, you may make an appointment with college financial aid offices when visiting. Another great source of information is the NH Higher Education Assistance Foundation (NHHEAF) in Concord. NHHEAF can be reached online at www.nhheaf.org or by calling 1-800-525-2577. Please check the guidance website for up to date scholarship information.

All colleges require the FAFSA form from families that are considering financial aid. The FAFSA can be accessed through www.FAFSA.gov.org. The FAFSA cannot be submitted before January 1, 2009. 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. The PROFILE can be submitted during the Fall. Colleges have very strict deadlines for financial aid, so it is important to adhere to these deadlines.

Scholarships

Throughout the school year, opportunities for scholarships become available. Interested students should check the Guidance website for updated scholarships. The bulk of the scholarships arrive during the second semester. A few, including some highly competitive national scholarships, have Fall deadlines. Seniors interested in ROTC scholarships should begin the application process in early Fall. Students should also check with the financial aid office of the college or university they are interested in. Schools may have school- or major-specific scholarships that you could apply for.

NCAA

Senior athletes interested in participating on Division I or Division II athletic teams in college must register with the NCAA. This may be done online at www.ncaaclearinghouse.net. The NCAA Clearinghouse will require that transcripts be sent through the mail. Guidance is happy to send the transcript to the Clearinghouse if you provide us with the NCAA forms (downloaded from the website) that need to accompany the transcripts. One form must be sent when you submit your initial eligibility form and another must accompany your final transcript when you graduate. If these forms are not submitted to NCAA, it will delay the ability to compete at a collegiate level, so it is important to get these to Guidance as soon as possible.

College Visits Fall 2008 (for Juniors and Seniors)

This is a great opportunity to learn more about the schools visiting HBHS this Fall or ask additional questions. Seniors, Juniors, and Parents are all welcome to attend.

In order to attend, you must:

1. Obtain a pass from Guidance.
2. Get a signature from the teacher of the class you will be missing.

Reminder: You are responsible for any missed work.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>College/University</u>
Mon., Sept 15	8am 10am 11am 12pm	Lesley College, MA Newbury College, MA Stonehill College, MA Colby-Sawyer, NH
Mon., Sept 22 MA	7:15am	College of Holy Cross,
CT	8am	University of Hartford,
	9am 10am	Fitchburg State U., MA Providence College, RI
Wed., Sept 24	8am 9am 10:30am 12pm	Dickinson College, PA Assumption College, MA Johnson & Wales, RI U.Maine/Farmington,
ME	1:30pm	Colorado State, CO
Mon., Sept 29	7:45am 8:30am 9:30am	U. of Rhode Island, RI Ithaca University, NY U. of MaryWashington,
VA	10:30am 11:15am 12pm	St. Michaels College, VT Suffolk University, MA Bucknell University, PA
Wed., Oct 1	8am 10am 12:30pm 1:15pm	Connecticut College, CT Univ of Maine, ME Castleton State Coll., VT Wheelock College, MA
Mon., Oct 6	8am 8:30am 9:30am	Univ. of So. Maine, ME Univ. of Rochester, NY Univ. of New England,
ME	10:15am 11am	Dean College, MA Lakes Region, Laconia
NH	12pm	St. Anselm College, NH
Wed., Oct 8	8am 1pm	Curry College, MA Pomona College, CA
Wed., Oct 15	8am 9am 10am 12noon 1pm	Johnson State Coll., VT Keene State Univ., NH Daniel Webster Coll., NH Worcester Polytech, MA Quinnipiac Univ., CT
Mon., Oct 20	8am	Husson University, ME

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>College/University</u>
Mon., Nov 3	8am 9am 10am 11am 12noon 1pm	Clarkson Univ., NY Emmanuel College, MA Bryant University, RI Marist College, NY Western NE College, MA NE School of Communication, ME
Wed., Nov 5	8am 10am 11:45am 12:45pm	Eastern University, PA Fisher College, MA UMass Lowell, MA St. Joseph's College, ME
Mon., Nov 10	8:15am 9:15am	Nicols College, MA Wagner College, NY
Wed., Nov 12	10am 12noon	Chester College of NE, NH Champlain College, VT
Mon., Nov 17	10am	Plymouth State U., NH

Junior News

PSAT – The PSAT will be offered to all Junior students at HBHS on October 15th. The test is 3 hours and 20 minutes long and will start at 7:15. Students will be assigned and advised as to what testing classrooms to go to. Students need to bring two Number 2 pencils and a calculator. This test will only be given to Junior students. Any interested 9th or 10th grade students will need to register to take the test at one of the local schools offering the testing on Saturday October 18th. Schools offering the test on Saturday are Nashua High School (North and South), Milford and Alvirne. Anyone interested must call the specific school as soon as possible.

Sophomore and Freshmen News

Challenge Program at Rivier College –

HBHS has agreed to participate in the Challenge Program at Rivier College. This program is designed for 9th and 10th grade students who would like to experience a college atmosphere while taking an enriching course. The program meets once a week for 7 weeks starting in late September. Interested students are encouraged to pick up more detailed information in the Guidance Office.

Freshmen News

The Guidance department will be going to the Wellness classes at the end of this month to discuss goal-setting and creating a positive climate in the school. Freshmen are always welcome to make individual appointments with their counselors in Guidance.

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: Visit your PTSA at www.hbhs.k12.nh.us/ptsa,
: where you'll find the list of officers & commit-
: tees, back issues of newsletters, and much
: more!
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Please be sure to check our website and read the daily notices for all new information!

www.hbhs.k12.nh.us/guidance/guidancehome.htm

Community News

Apple Festival High School Volunteers Wanted:

The Hollis Woman's Club & Hollis Town Band need help during the annual Apple Festival, from 2-4 p.m. on Sunday, October 5, on the Town Common in Hollis. Your help will count towards community service hours for college applications! If interested, please email your contact information to HollisAppleFestival@gmail.com.

Apple Festival & Band Concert Extravaganza

The annual Apple Festival and Band Concert will be held from 2-4 p.m., Sunday, October 5, on the Town Common. The rain location will be the Hollis/Brookline High School. Come and enjoy homemade apple pie or apple crisp topped with Doc Davis ice cream!

There will be activities for the kids, as well as the Sweet Shoppe offering candies, face painting, festival aprons, \$1 apple cookbooks, Hollis stationery and more. There will be an authentic apple press in action, so come and enjoy freshly made apple cider! Artisans will be along the road with their works: oil paintings, fabric art, hand-painted tiles, hand-turned wooden bowls, jewelry of different designs, felted purses and clothing, and some quilted items. The Band will entertain all with their favorite and new pieces, and will once again hold a raffle that gives the winner the opportunity to lead the band in the "Stars and Stripes Forever." Proceeds from the festival will go toward scholarships and to worthy local charitable organizations. For more information, contact Diana Kroeger at 465-2392.

Dance The Night Away at The Hollis Hoedown!

Calling all square dance enthusiasts! The Hollis Woman's Club is sponsoring its first-ever community barn dance, **The Hollis Hoedown, 6:30-9:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 22**, at the historic Lawrence Barn on Depot Road. This family event will feature the professional calling of Frank Woodward and his band of musicians. Come and learn to square or contra dance - no experience needed! Cost is \$15 for adults, \$10 for ages 13-19, \$5 for children ages 6-12, and free for children 5 and younger. Proceeds will go toward two \$1,000 college scholarships to Hollis Brookline High School seniors.

Tickets will be sold on a limited basis due to the capacity of the barn. To purchase tickets, contact HollisHoedown@gmail.com or call Diane at 670-5764. Get yours today!

The HWC has a rich history of donating to the community. The organization was founded in 1906. The club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, one of the world's largest and oldest nonpartisan, nondenominational, women's volunteer service organizations. Our non-profit organization is dedicated to enriching the social, philanthropic, and educational life of the community. All who are interested in finding out more about this active club and its 14 activity groups should visit www.holliswomansclub.org or contact President Jane Taylor at 465-2849.



Hollis/Brookline Middle & High School

October Lunch Menu

Student lunch is \$2.25 and includes milk.

<p>Please be sure to include your student's first/last name and student ID # on all checks. Thank you!</p>	<p><u>MENU'S ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE</u></p>	<p>1 Chrysanthi's Pizza or Cook's Choice Chips Veggie Sticks & Dip Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>2 Hot Ham & Cheese Melts Oven Potatoes Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>3 Chicken Fajita Subs Onions & Peppers Cheesy Refried Beans Assorted Fruit</p>
<p>6 Buffalo Chicken Wrap Pretzels Garden Veggies Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>7 Pasta w/ Meat Sauce Crusty Dinner Roll Green Beans Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>8 Chrysanthi's Pizza or Cook's Choice Garden Salad Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>9 Grilled Chicken Melt Sandwich Lettuce & Tomatoes Corn Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>10 French Toast Sticks w/Syrup & Cinnamon Apples Sausage Patty Hash Brown Assorted Fruit</p>
<p>13 Columbus Day No School!</p>	<p>14 Crispy Chicken Tenders Pasta & Broccoli Salad Carrots & Dip Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>15 Chrysanthi's Pizza or Cook's Choice Corn Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>16 Chili in a Breadbowl Mixed Veggies Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>17 Oven Baked Chicken Rice Sweet Green Peas Assorted Fruit</p>
<p>20 Mozzarella Cheese Sticks w/ Sauce Baked Beans Garlic Breadstick Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>21 Meatball Subs! California Veggies Pretzels Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>22 Chrysanthi's Pizza or Cook's Choice Caesar Salad Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>23 Cheese or Chicken Quesadillas Sour Cream & Salsa Rice Baby Carrots & Dip Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>24 Pasta Bar! Marinara or Alfredo Sauce Dinner Roll Broccoli Assorted Fruit</p>
<p>27 Grilled Cheese & Bacon Wrap Tater Tots Green Beans Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>28 Cheeseburger/Bun or Veggie Burgers Lettuce & Tomato Spicy Oven Fries Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>29 Chrysanthi's Pizza or Cook's Choice Veggie Sticks & Dip Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>30 Chicken Patty/Bun-Crispy or Spicy Corn Chips Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>31 Taco Bar! Beef & Cheese Lettuce, Salsa, & Sour Cream Spanish Rice Assorted Fruit</p>

A variety of snacks & beverages are available for sale daily
Pizza is available daily

Student Lunch is \$2.25 & includes milk

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DAILY ASSORTMENT OF SANDWICHES - On Sub Rolls or Wraps

DAILY SALADS INCLUDE - Garden, Chef, Chicken Caesar, Mandarin Orange