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A Patriot's Look Ahead

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Announcements

- **New! Decision Day 2022:**

We want to celebrate our Senior's hard work by giving them the opportunity to display their post-secondary plans with the school. Every Senior will get a train to decorate/write their post-secondary plans. Trains will be distributed during senior English classes. Seniors can bring their trains to their lunch on May 2nd. The counselors will collect the trains for display. Are you going to work, joining the military, or going to a college? Please let us know on Decision Day, Monday, May 2nd.

- **Family Life Opt-Out Forms**

Family Life Education will be taking place in 9th and 10th grade physical education classes April 14th-May 26th. Parents desiring to exclude their child from the Family Life objectives must complete the attached opt-out form. You are encouraged to review the Family Life materials either on the division's website.

It is the parent/legal guardian's responsibility to sign and return this opt-out form ONLY if you do NOT want your child to participate. You will be notified of instruction prior to classes beginning. Any student who has opted-out will be instructed in a health-related area during Family Life Education.

9th Grade Form

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1WrTT2pkIPFDUjPVNnZ8Vg25Qs_gB3Pdr/view?usp=sharing

10th Grade Form

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1F8muDqanu0rTzJ7lg5-x-c5kL6U5lvsz/view?usp=sharing>

- **Color Guard Tryouts**

Do you like music? Have an interest in performing? Auditions for the PH Colorguard are starting soon! Come try it after school April 19, 21, 26, and 28 and see what it is all about. Pick up a permission slip from the band room door and bring it with you. If you have any questions, you can email Ms. Colville at mcolville@hcps.us. See the flyers around school for more information!

- **Volunteer Opportunity - Ashland Train Day**

Ashland Train Day on Saturday, April 30 needs volunteers. We invite friendly folks aged 14 and over to serve as greeters helping visitors navigate the event. Students can earn community service hours and have fun at this family-friendly street festival and railfan extravaganza! Visit bit.ly/ATDvolunteer to sign up.

- **Junior & Senior Prom Date Announced!**

Prom will be held on Saturday May 21, 2022 at the Hippodrome Theater

Tickets are \$35 each and can be purchased through the school's Online Payment System.

If your guest is from another school, you must fill out the attached form and return it to Mrs. Nuckols in the Old Gym. [PHHS Dance Guest Permission Form](#)

- **Required immunizations to senior year, Meningococcal (MenACWY)**

In 2020, the General Assembly passed House Bill 1090 that requires....**all students entering their senior year are required to have a booster dose of the meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MenACWY).**

Please note that you are required to provide documentation of your child's booster MenACWY shot to your child's school nurse or front office staff.**The school must have proof of this vaccination by the start of the 2022-23 school year.**

Vaccines can be limited, and you must make an appointment to schedule a vaccination. If you have any questions about this law/new requirement, please contact the Hanover Health Department or your child's school nurse - Kim Vivaldi 365-8015

- **Senior Class Meeting Information**

Here is the link to the slideshow of information from the Senior Class Meeting on 3/25/22!

Remember to pick up AND drop off permission forms in the main office by Friday 4/1/22 for the elementary schools cap and gown visits on Thursday, April 28th, and be sure to fill out BOTH sides of the permission form.

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/13DRY1pQfvBz-BgJOKZw6oTnqLLluCwvYM51ol1t9EiA/edit?usp=sharing>

- Be sure to follow Patrick Henry on our social media accounts! [Facebook](#) [Instagram](#) [Twitter](#)

Counseling Corner

- **New! College Jump Start Event -**

Join us at Mechanicsville High School on Tuesday, May 3rd to hear from college representatives on the application process.

[Event information located here](#)

- **Teens Care Too Applications are Live!**

Teens Care Too is recruiting rising 9th through 12th grade students who live in and/or attend school in Hanover County, Virginia! The purpose of Teens Care Too (TC2) is to empower teens to keep their schools and community alcohol and drug free by taking positive peer leadership roles. The group recognizes that building a community of healthy and informed youth is vital to the sustainability and improvement of our community. The group is sponsored by Hanover Cares Coalition and Hanover County Community Services Board. Teens Care Too meets monthly and coordinates awareness projects and activities that promote healthy alternatives to drug and alcohol use.

Learn more and apply by April 29, 2022 at <https://www.hanover-cares.org/tc2recruitment>.

- **Summer School Information Announced!**

Summer School information has just been posted on the county website. You can find it at this link http://hcps.us/parents_students/summer_school . Registration opens April 25th.

- **6th Annual Hanover Salutes program**

Attention Seniors! If you are enlisting in the Military, have received an ROTC Scholarship, or an appointment at a Military Academy, Hanover County Public Schools wants to honor you at the 6th Annual Hanover Salutes program. Hanover Salutes is an evening to recognize students making a commitment to serve in the United States Armed Forces after graduation. The program will take place on Friday, May 20 at Hanover High School, beginning with a reception (including a full dinner) at 5 p.m., followed by a ceremony at 6 p.m. in the auditorium. Please schedule an appointment to see your Career Counselor, Mrs. Shannon Edwards, by messaging her thru

Schoology or by emailing spedwards@hcps.us, as soon as possible to RSVP and fill out a registration form. Thank you!

- **HCPS Career Expo 2022:**

We are excited to announce that we will be holding a Career Expo on Monday, April 18 to give students an additional opportunity to learn more about the valuable skills they will utilize beyond high school. The Career Expo will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Patrick Henry High School during the April 18 Flexible Learning Day and will include a job fair and valuable mini sessions focused on interviewing, resume writing, work etiquette, and more, as well as a keynote speaker. The event is open to all high school students. Please visit this link <https://bit.ly/3M3PHHB> for more information and registration details.

- **Outside Scholarships/Awards - Senior Awards 2022:**

Attention Seniors: We are beginning the process of collecting outside scholarship and award information for Senior Awards 2022. Senior Awards provides us with the opportunity to recognize our graduating seniors receiving honors, awards, and scholarships from Patrick Henry High School, alumni and families, universities, and state and national organizations. Seniors are recognized for their many special gifts and talents, from academic distinction to athletic excellence, for personal character, dedication to service, and more.

Outside Scholarships: If you have received a scholarship award and/or grant from the college/institution you will attend or from an outside organization not related to your high school (e.g. military, businesses, etc.), and wish to be acknowledged for it, you must fill out the following Google form and upload a copy of your official award letter confirming the scholarship no later than Sunday, May 1, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.

<https://bit.ly/SeniorAwardsDataForm2022>

Additionally, we want to recognize seniors that have received their Eagle Scout rank by the Boy Scouts or the Gold Award by the Girl Scouts. In order to be recognized, you must complete the following form and upload your official documentation confirming your achievement no later than Sunday, May 1, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.

<https://bit.ly/SeniorAwardsDataForm2022>

Any Outside Scholarship and/or Award information received after **Sunday, May 1, 2022** will not be included in Senior Awards or in other forms of communication. Please contact your Career Counselor, Mrs. Shannon Edwards, at spedwards@hcps.us or via Schoology with any questions. Thank you!

- **Scholarships Alert! Attention Seniors!**

Several new scholarships have been posted to our Scholarship Opportunities Spreadsheet. These scholarships are for students desiring to obtain money for college, trade and technical schools and other postsecondary opportunities. Current award amounts range from \$500 to \$6,500. Click <http://bit.ly/ScholarshipOpportunitiesHCPS> to access the spreadsheet that includes scholarship criteria, award amounts and application links.

Review the criteria/apply and check back each week for new scholarship opportunities! Contact Mrs. Edwards, Career Counselor, with any questions via Schoology or at spedwards@hcps.us.

Listed below are just a few of the currently posted scholarships:

Mechanicsville Elementary School PTA Cardinal Scholarship Program (2 @ \$250) – Due by Friday, April 29

- **Comfort Zone Camps**

Comfort Zone Camp is a national nonprofit organization that provides a safe and fun place for kids grieving the death of a parent, sibling, or significant person in their life. They offer FREE 3-day weekend camps, family camps and virtual programs. All programming empowers children to grieve, heal and grow in healthy ways. Please [see the attached flyer for details](#).

- **Hanover Virtual Career Center:** <https://bit.ly/HCPSTVirtualCareerCenter> - includes links for students to register for our virtual Career Cafes and College/Military Visits along with several other career and postsecondary planning resources.

Hanover Career Counseling YouTube page: <http://bit.ly/HanoverCareerYouTube> - has videos for students and families to access including our virtual Career Cafe events, College/Military visits, College Bootcamp resources, instructional videos on FAFSA, Scholarships, ordering transcripts with Parchment and more!

Stay Connected! Bookmark these links and follow HCPS Career Counseling on Instagram, Twitter, or Facebook for updates throughout the school year!

- a. Career Quick Links: <https://bit.ly/CareerCounselingQuickLinksHCPS>
- b. Follow Career Counseling on Twitter: @HCPSCareers
- c. Follow Career Counseling on Instagram and Facebook: @hanovercareercounseling

- **Attention Seniors:** Be sure to check out the Class of 2022 Senior Handbook at <https://bit.ly/HCPSSeniorHandbook2022> . This document includes valuable information that will help you successfully navigate your senior year. Some of the items include important senior events, career counseling resources, postsecondary planning information and much more. Please take time to read it and contact your School Counselor or Career Counselor with any questions. We look forward to working with you this school year and helping you reach your postsecondary goals!

Save the Dates

[Upcoming Athletic Events listed here](#)