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A Patriot's Look Ahead

May 1, 2022

Announcements

 New! AP Information letter with dates and locations: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Pt4hCuydVIRCg8CC BQ9phkzHTVUuA2in1zs5tBD4aM/edit

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.

New! Catching Up with Mr. Martinez

We will be hosting a Catch up with Mr. Martinez, PHHS principal, on Tuesday, May 17 from 6 -7 p.m. in our auditorium. During this meeting, we will review with our families information and data from this school year as well as focus areas for this coming school year . Should you have any questions, please reach out to Mr. Martinez, cmartinez@hcps.us

New! Senior Quote Deadline Extended!

Attention Class of 2022! The deadline has been extended to submit your senior quote and senior stats for the senior magazine. We want to cover all our seniors, so please complete the survey no later than Wednesday, May 4th. bit.ly/phseniormag

New! Order your Yearbook!

Attention Students! Order your copy of the 2021-2022 Yearbook today using the Online School Payments System or go to yearbookordercenter.com and use school code 14725. We anticipate selling out of yearbooks again this year, so order now to secure your copy!

New! Updated Senior Meeting Information

Here is a link to the Senior Class Meeting from 4/28/22 about upcoming Senior Events https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/13n4kRGcqBY7547hCbbFui3Oc7Qil_xqwzG3bzQpL7Hl/edit?usp=sharing

New! May is NF month.

Neurofibromatosis (NF) is a genetic disorder that causes tumors to grow on nerves throughout the body. It impacts 2.5 million people worldwide. NF Type 1 is the most common of the three types of neurofibromatosis, and is also one of the most common inherited neurological disorders, affecting about 1 in 3,000 people throughout the world. May 17th is NF Type 1 day.

Please help us raise awareness for this disorder by wearing blue and green on Tuesday, May 17th. You can also support research for NF by participating in the annual Shine A Light NF Walk. Help annually in the Richmond area. Visit this link for more details- https://www.ctf.org/get-involved/nf-walk/2022-shine-a-light-nf-walks

Or view a short video explaining the disorder here- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fN0eWKkjwYo

• 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/1F8muDganu0rTzJ7lg5-x-c5kL6U5lvsz/view?usp=sharing

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 he Hanover Health Department or your child's school nurse - Kim Vivaldi 365-8015

• Be sure to follow Patrick Henry on our social media accounts! Facebook Instagram Twitter

Counseling Corner

• New! College Jump Start Event -

Rising juniors and seniors: Mechanicsville High School will be hosting College Jumpstart on Tuesday, May 3 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m (MHS Auditorium). Admissions representatives from seven Virginia colleges will be there to share info about the admissions process. Come join us to learn more!

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 <u>Senior Awards or in other forms of communication</u>. 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 or 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/HCPSVirtualCareerCenter - 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!

- 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