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A Patriot's Look Ahead

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Announcements

- **New! Important Attendance Waiver Information**

As we move closer to the end of the school year, we wanted to remind our families that if your child has exceeded more than 10 absences in one class block, no matter if they are excused or unexcused, you must submit an attendance waiver. Parents/guardians can submit their request by completing the Google form below or filling out the [PHHS Parent Attendance Waiver Request 2021-22 document](#) that is attached to the communication and returning to the front office.

[PHHS Parent Attendance Waiver Request 2021-22](#)

The attendance team will review all waiver requests prior to the end of the school year and communicate the team's decision to families. Additional attendance plans may be determined for students who have not recovered the required seat time prior to the end of the 2021-22 school year. Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to Mr. Martinez, cmartinez@hcps.us.

Thank you,
PHHS Administration

- **New! Senior Trip Update**

Based on feedback from seniors, there has been a change to the senior trip to Kings Dominion and we will now be returning to PH at 6:00 pm. Because of this change, you will need a new PINK permission form. You may pick one up in the cafeteria during lunch on Friday, May 6th, from the front office, or from Mrs. Cobb in room 408. Money and permission forms can be turned in to Mrs. Cobb starting on Monday, May 9th.

- **AP Information letter with dates and locations:**

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Pt4hCuydVIRCq8CC_BQ9phkzHTVUuA2in1zs5tBD4aM/edit

- **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

- **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!

- **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_xqwzG3bzQpL7HI/edit?usp=sharing

- **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/1F8muDqanu0rTzJ7lg5-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](#)

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

Counseling Corner

- **New! Hanover Youth Service Council**

All students who may be interested in applying for the Hanover Youth Service Council can click the link below. It contains information on the organization as well as the application itself.

[HYSC Application - Due May Mon May 23](#)

- **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!

- **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/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!

- 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](#)