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A Patriot's Look Ahead

Sunday, October 10, 2021

Instructional Highlight

This week's highlight captures students in our Art 2 classes. They started their drawing unit and are learning how their left and right brain hemispheres work, why their brains trick the hands into drawing schemas (or symbols), and the magic behind how our brains process faces that are upside down (known as the Thatcher Effect). Students learned if they were left or right brain dominant by taking the Sommer and Sommer brain test online. Currently, these students are working hard to refine their observation skills by completing non-dominant hand drawings and upside down drawing exercises.



Announcements

Homecoming Spirit Week!

Homecoming Court will be presented and royalty will be crowned at halftime of the Homecoming football game this Friday, October 15.

Students will also participate in "There's No Place Like Homecoming" Spirit Week

Monday (10/11) Lions, Tigers, and Bears, Oh My! = It's Flexible Learning Day. Share a picture of your pet on Social Media. Don't forget to tag @phhs_sca

Tuesday (10/12) Oz, The Great and Powerful = Dress like Mr. Martinez or wear green

Wednesday (10/13) Which Witch is Which Witch? = Twin Day! Dress like a friend and see if we can tell you apart.

Thursday (10/14) It Was All a Dream = Wear school appropriate PJs to school

Friday (10/15) There's a Storm Coming = It's raining red, white, and blue. Wear school colors.

We will also be **collecting supplies for the backpack program all week**. For every item donated, students will receive a flying monkey that they can place on a teacher's door. The teacher with the most flying monkeys on Friday will win a gift card.

Donation items needed: shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothbrushes and toothpaste, cans of soup, cans of veggies, cans of ravioli or SpaghettiOs, sugar, flour and spices, coffee and tea, trash bags and paper products.

Flexible Learning Day

We are excited for our first Flexible Learning Day on October 11th! This is a day for students to explore their passions and participate in learning experiences outside of the classroom. Please enjoy the video below as you learn more about FLD.

https://youtu.be/C48LduwSDTc

FLD consists of three steps:

- Students will select one experience from one of five categories: Carve Your Own Path, Strengthen Your Skills, Be a Trail Guide, Chart Your Course, or Adventures for All.
- o Students will select one artifact from one of five categories: Video, Art, Write, Build, or Present.

Students will submit their artifacts to their A2 class in Schoology. Students with a Study Hall or Senior Release will submit their artifacts to their "Class Of" courses in Schoology.

PSAT Day - Wednesday!

Wednesday, October 13 is PSAT day! All students will go to locations based on their grade level. Testing students are all 9th graders, all 11th graders, and 10th graders who already paid to take the test. Students who are testing are organized in rooms of 25 in alphabetical order by last name. See the attached memo to find your child's testing location: https://tinyurl.com/PSATparents. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Kelly Day, testing coordinator (kday@hcps.us).

• Senior Meeting (all Class of 2022 students required to attend!)

SENIORS!!! PSAT DAY IS WED. 10/13 AND THAT IS A MANDATORY SENIOR CLASS MEETING DAY! Please wear RED for a senior picture and report to the New Gym at 8:45. You will be receiving all information on cap and gown ordering and voting for senior class tshirts and junior marshals and we will be discussing important Graduation information. See you next WEDNESDAY!

Back To School Night - Virtually!

We are excited to provide our students and families with our Virtual Back-to-School Night Videos for the 2021-22 school year. Please use the link below to access videos for school administration, faculty, and staff.

PHHS Back-to-School Night 2021

Tardies will now be enforced for first block each morning

We now feel as if we are at a good spot to begin enforcing tardies for first block each morning. <u>Our bell to begin school rings at 8:45.</u> From here on out, students who drive to school or who are dropped off by parents <u>are expected to be in their class by 8:45</u>. If they arrive after this point, they should report to the Tardy Table in the cafeteria for a late pass.

Students who arrive on late buses will be provided with an excused pass upon entering the building by a staff member.

• Class of 2022 Yearbook & Senior Portraits Information

Attention Class of 2022!!! Here is the link to all things yearbook related. You can find Candid Color senior portrait dates, senior portrait requirements for outside photographers, senior yearbook ad procedures, and more! If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Evans in 506.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1G4ltNBAe2VRkcyncc9ly0KZqJp6c7tLA/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=106473299489696179767&rtpof=true&sd=true

SCA T-shirts and Giveaway

It's time to purchase your patRIOT shirts for the 2021 football season! You can purchase them through the school OSP system for \$10!

Giveaway opportunity: Enter for a chance to win 2 FREE Homecoming Football Game Tickets!

To Enter:

- Follow @phhssca on Instagram
- -Post a picture of you & a friend wearing a patRIOT shirt with the hashtag #patRIOTsca

Backpack Program

For the past few years Patrick Henry has offered a food backpack program for our students who would benefit from having support with food on the weekend. Our food is provided through Hanover Food Outreach. Backpacks (or bags) are distributed to students on Friday afternoons for them to take home. Each bag contains 6 small meals and 3 snacks. If your student could benefit from this program, please contact Jennifer Crowder in School Counseling at 365-8023 or jcrowder@hcps.us. You may leave a confidential voicemail message at the phone number listed above; be sure to include your name and your student's name. Names of students participating in the food backpack program are not disclosed outside of the Patrick Henry faculty directly involved in distribution. Thank you.

Pay Your Class Fees

Once you have received your student's schedule, you may use the school division's Online School Payments system, https://osp.osmsinc.com/HanoverVA/. Here are directions for how to pay for the class fees. If you have any questions, or if you would like to pay in person, please contact our bookkeeper, Anita Floyd, at afloyd@hcps.us

Be sure to follow Patrick Henry on our social media accounts! <u>Facebook Instagram Twitter</u>

Counseling Corner

• Harry F. Byrd, Jr. Leadership Award

Attention Seniors! Mrs. Edwards is currently accepting applications for the Harry F. Byrd, Jr. Leadership Award Scholarship until Friday, October 22nd. This program rewards high school seniors who demonstrate academic accomplishment and who also embody excellence of character, leadership, and good citizenship. Award winners will receive \$20,000. Check your Class of 2022 Schoology updates for more information from Mrs. Edwards.

Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) State Leadership Seminar

Attention Sophomores! Interested in attending the Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) State Leadership Seminar? This multi-day program is proven to provide students with an experience that cultivates growth and leadership development while building new connections and friendships throughout the state. Students return from HOBY with a deeper sense of self-awareness, elevated confidence, and the inspiration and tools to give back to their

communities through leadership and service. Our high school may nominate up to 3 sophomore students to attend this exciting leadership opportunity, however, the registration fee for the event must be paid by the student (cost is \$250). For more information visit http://www.vahoby.org/. Interested students should message Mrs. Shannon Edwards, Career Counselor, via Schoology by November 1, 2021.

Scholarships

Attention Seniors! Don't miss out on Scholarships!! There are several new Scholarships posted on our Scholarship Opportunities Spreadsheet available at bit.ly/ScholarshipOpportunitiesHCPS and more being added each week!

Virtual College Boot Camp Videos

HCPS Virtual College Boot Camp Videos: Attention Juniors/Seniors! Visit our HCPS Virtual College Bootcamp Playlist (https://bit.ly/38ypVIJ) to access several helpful videos for your college planning journey including The Most Important Components of the College Application, Common App vs. Coalition App, Financial Aid, Scholarships, and Money-Saving Tips for College, Ordering Transcripts with Parchment and more!

 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!

Upcoming Virtual College/Military Visits:

- Johnson & Wales University-Providence (RI) Tuesday, October 12
- University of Mary Washington Wednesday, October 13
- Princeton University Thursday, October 14
- Bridgewater College Friday, October 15
- Richard Bland College of William & Mary Monday, October 18
- Virginia Tech Tuesday, October 19
- University of South Carolina-Columbia Wednesday, October 20
- Auburn University Monday, October 25
- Mary Baldwin University Tuesday, October 26
- Elon University Wednesday, October 27
- Capitol Technology University (MD) Thursday, October 28
- Binghamton University (NY) Friday, October 29

<u>Virtual College/Military visits will take place at 12 noon each day.</u> Students (grades 9-12) can register at https://bit.ly/VirtualCollegeVisits21-22 for upcoming Virtual College/Military Visits! If you are unable to attend a visit live, you will receive a link to the recorded session following the event via e-mail and may also view it from our Hanover Career Counseling YouTube page (http://bit.ly/HanoverCareerYouTube).

If you missed a visit, check out the recording of the visit on our YouTube page and view our Career Counseling calendar (https://bit.ly/2V8b0Sv) for additional upcoming virtual college/military visits! Don't miss out on these valuable opportunities to connect with college reps, military recruiters and trade/technical schools!

FAFSA is now open!

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) opened October 1! Seniors and Parents/Guardians of Seniors: View our Scholarships and Financial Aid Panel video (https://youtu.be/vD0EAGfsVEE) to hear information and updates about the FAFSA process. Need help filling out the FAFSA or finding money for college next year? Mrs. Brown is here to help! Mrs.

Brown is our GRASP Advisor at Patrick Henry High School (GReat Aspirations Scholarship Program, Inc.). She supports students and families through the college financial aid process, including the FAFSA and searching for scholarships. You can also view the video How to Fill Out the FAFSA for a step by step overview (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LK0bbu0y5AM). If you would like to schedule an appointment with Mrs. Brown, you can do so by contacting our PHHS School Counseling office at (804) 365-8020. GRASP also offers virtual appointments with an advisor (in Spanish or English) on Wednesdays from 6-8 p.m and the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month from 2-4 p.m. Call (804) 923-0059 to schedule an appointment.

• Senior Scholarship Application is Open!

Attention Seniors: The **2021-2022 Senior Scholarship Application** is now open for you to access! Completing this application will qualify you to be considered for scholarships provided by several area businesses and organizations through the PHHS Scholarship Committee. The deadline to complete the application is **Friday**, **December 31**, **2021**, **at 11:59 p.m.** Use the following link to access the application TODAY!

https://bit.ly/HCPSSeniorScholarshipApp2022

Before getting started, be sure to review the checklist of information you will need to complete your application.

Please contact Mrs. Edwards, PHHS Career Counselor, at spedwards@hcps.us, with any questions. Thank you!

• HEF Serve and Learn Scholarship:

Seniors! In an effort to encourage and acknowledge the importance of volunteer service to the community, the Hanover Education Foundation is awarding a \$1,000 scholarship to one senior in each Hanover County high school who successfully fulfills a 100 -hour commitment to community service in ONE location commencing in their sophomore year. Eligible seniors should click on the below link to make a copy of the Serve & Learn Hours Log and submit the log (along with a paragraph explaining the nature and depth of your service) and send it to Mrs. Edwards, Career Counselor, via Schoology or enail to spedwards@hcps.us by Friday, December 17, 2021. Serve & Learn Hours Loghttps://bit.ly/3iLvE49.

• 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

Follow Career Counseling on Twitter: @HCPSCareers

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!

Community Connections

 Patrick Henry High School is partnering with the Cameron K. Gallagher foundation to help remove the surounding teen mental health. Throughout the school year this partnership will provide resources for students and families to explore and to engage in conversation wisit to explore the tearn more!

We invite you to a live visual podcast on October 20tDatgs and Alcohol: Effects on Teen Mental Health This program is designed for adults, but mature students can attend.

DRUGS & ALCOHOL: EFFECTS ON TEEN MENTAL HEALTH

OCT 20, 2021 07:00 PM EST

Join CKG and Ashley Morgan Soukup, MA, LMFT to discuss the biological effects of drugs and alcohol on the teen brain as well as the effects on overall teen mental health. Learn signs of substance abuse to watch for and popular drugs among teens. In addition, we will touch on the comorbidity of substance abuse and mental health disorders and how to seek help.



Click here <u>leeGISTER</u>

Registration is required to attend.

Calling all Student Volunteers!

Hanover Food Outreach is looking for student volunteers to help pack backpacks on Thursdays after school at 4:00 during the school year. Hanover Food Outreach serves students with food insecurity at Beaverdam, South Anna, Elmont, Gandy and Henry Clay Elementary, Liberty Middle School and Patrick Henry High School. It is a yearlong commitment, and you must have transportation to the Ashland location. For more information contact jinge@hcps.us.

Back To School Health Coverage

- Linked below is an resource available for folks who may need health care coverage
- https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MyimLFU81uao1im9ZTwCKvcKH7XP_1cJ/view?usp=sharing

Save the Dates

Upcoming Athletic Events listed here