

## **ARHS COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS NEWSLETTER**

As we wrap up this school year and I say goodbye as principal, I want to extend a thank you to everyone who has supported me throughout my tenure at ARHS. I began as an English teacher here in the year 2000 and have spent almost half of my life growing, learning, working, and enjoying the amazing community of Amity Regional High School. I am truly thankful and proud to be from Amity. I am so excited for the future of ARHS because I know what an amazing group of educators, students, and community members comprise this learning community. Best wishes for a wonderful summer and a highly successful 2022-2023 school year!

Sincerely,

*Anna N. Mahon*

Principal

### **Happenings and Information**

**ARHS Summer Office Hours:** Please note, the main office and counseling department will be open between the hours of 7:30am to 2:30pm during the summer months. Regular office hours will resume during the final full week of August when teachers and counselors return.

**Re-enrollment for 2022-2023:** Please be reminded that guardians of all returning students must complete the student registration form available on PowerSchool. Directions were sent on Wednesday, June 1.

**Update on School Food Service:** The last full meal service at the High School will be June 9, 2022. There will be no breakfast service in the Café or bagged lunch service during the final exam days. For School Year 2022-2023: Based on information from the CSDE Child Nutrition Program school districts will be going back to operating under the NSLP, which means that Chartwells **will begin charging for breakfast at the high school and lunch at all schools at the beginning of the 22-23 school year.** On early dismissal, days there will be no service at the High School. There will no longer be bagged breakfast or lunch service at any of the schools in the 22-23 school year.

## **PTSO News:**

- Attend our last monthly meeting: Our last meeting will take place on Thursday, June 16 at 7:00pm in the school library media center. We hope to see you there!
- Support the PTSO when shopping on Amazon Smile: Please support us when you shop by visiting this site and selecting Amity High School PTSO Inc. as the charity of your choice.

## **Senior Happenings**

**The Senior Service-Learning Program (SSLP) and Senior Interest Project (SIP) programs concluded successfully last week with seniors giving presentations to the juniors in the cafeteria.** Eighty-three percent of our seniors participated in the programs this year. Presenting seniors shared their excitement and knowledge gained from their experiences.

The College & Career Center would like to thank the following people for their time, hard work, dedication to our seniors and the SSLP/SIP programs:

- ALL the job site mentors, for donating their time and energy in teaching our students about the "world of work"
- Robert Musco and Vicky Hulse for the countless hours spent assisting the SIP students
- SIP teacher mentors and committee members
- Michelle Shoop, for piloting "option 3"
- Jill LaPlante and the counselors
- Anna Mahon and the associate principals
- the entire faculty and staff for their support
- In addition, Paula Vallie, my trusted assistant and friend.

It truly does take a village!

Congratulations to our graduates! I wish everyone a happy, healthy, and relaxing summer!

## **Notes from Counseling Department**

**SCSU is hosting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual College & Career Readiness Summer Institute on Tuesday, August 2, 2022 between 9am to 3pm.**

**All CT High school students** are invited to participate in One FULL-DAY On-Campus Comprehensive College and Career Readiness Training that includes “Hands-on experiential learning activities”, “lunch on SCSU Campus” and a “Certificate of Completion”. Participating students will also have full access to 30 College and Career Readiness Self-Paced Online Modules. Interested students are required to complete the [pre-registration form](#) by July 20. Please find more information [here](#).

**COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY - Amity High School needs SUMMER help with maintaining and weeding our Pollinator Gardens. There will be additional volunteer opportunities involving trail maintenance along local land trust trails! If you are interested in helping, please contact Mrs. Nork at [alison.beres-nork@amityregion5.org](mailto:alison.beres-nork@amityregion5.org)**

### **Important Reminders**

**OBOA 2022 Reveal:** The [OBOA Reveal announcement](#) focuses on the specific theme for this coming summer—exploring different places through books. Please note, this “traveling through books” can be to other countries, or lands that do not exist (fantasy); students can read science fiction or biography. Students will complete an in-class writing assignment and have classroom discussions next fall regarding their summer reading OBOA books of choice. Please use this link to watch the reveal video.

**Calliope 2022:** Every year, our student-led literary magazine publishes original works by ARHS students. This year’s online edition of Calliope can be found [here](#).

### **Athletics**

**Please remember to check the athletics website for important information about fall sports.**