The Dragon Update
Principal Gannon
January 20, 2023

2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

IMPORTANT DATES
by: HHS Administration

❖ Semester 2 begins Wednesday, January 25
➢ Please remind students to check their semester 2 schedule as their classes may have changed.
❖ Thursday, January 26: Early Dismissal (PD Day) Periods 5-8 will meet and students will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

MIDTERM EXAM SCHEDULE:
January 23 and 24

CLICK HERE for important information about Midterm Exams policies and procedures.

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* Dates may change due to school cancellations.

COUNSELING CORNER
by: Dan Cocchiola

ROBERTA B WILLIS NEED–MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
Complete this google form by Friday, January 27, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. if your child meets the following criteria to be eligible for the Roberta B Willis Need-Merit Scholarship Program. CLICK HERE for details. If you have any questions or concerns, please direct them to Laurie Robyn (lrobyn@hamden.org), your child’s school counselor, or the School Counseling Dept. Chair, Loretha Felton (lfelton@hamden.org).

HEALTH ASSESSMENT – All parents, students and staff should engage in the Daily Health Assessment (ENGLISH or SPANISH) before arriving at school to reduce the risk of COVID-19 exposure in school.

STUDENT CELL PHONE POLICY
REMINDERS
Please remind your HHS student(s) about the current cell phone policy. Students must keep cell phones away during instructional time unless an adult requires the cell phone use as part of the classroom assignment and for educational purposes. Cell phones should not be visible during instructional time, including study halls.

AP EXAM REGISTRATION - The cost of each AP Exam is $100.00 and is payable through our third party vendor, MySchool Bucks. Payments are due by February 1, 2023. Students who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals also qualify for an exam fee waiver. Please contact Emily McClain as soon as possible should your child qualify.

Thornton Wilder Writing Competition
December 2022
Now in its thirty-seventh year, the Thornton Wilder Writing Competition is open to all New Haven County public, private and parochial high school students. The entries for the competition may be any work of fiction and are due by February 10, 2023. For more detailed information and the application form, CLICK HERE.

Rosa DeLauro announces $425,000 in Community Project Funding for Town of Hamden Energy Efficiency

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As part of the post-secondary planning process, ALL seniors and parents/guardians are encouraged to complete the Free Application For Student Aid (FAFSA) form related to college financial aid. Click the link to get started: https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa HHS will be offering FAFSA completion support in the coming weeks. Stay tuned!!

ROSA DELAURO ANNOUNCES $425,000 IN COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING FOR TOWN OF HAMDEN ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Junior Capstone Advisory:
Capstone advisory periods have been added to Juniors’ schedules. Please check your PowerSchool schedule and attend accordingly. Questions, please contact Capstone Advisor: James Pechet
UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS
January 19 - HPS Fine Arts/HEF - VOICE of HAMDEN 3
January 31 - Symposium of Sound 9, "TIME"

JAZZ ORCHESTRA
January 24 - rehearsal 5:30-7:30 p.m.

PIT ORCHESTRA (Legally Blond)
January 26 (Thursday) - rehearsal 5:30-7:30 p.m.

CMEA (Connecticut Music Educators Association)
January 13-14 - Regional Festival (Maloney High School)
January 20-21 - Regional Festival SNOW DATE (Maloney High School)

HHSMPO - Music Parents
Contact Liz Brennan (liz@ctbrennans.com) or Bob Gribbon (bobgribbon61@gmail.com)
January 11 - Board Meeting (new members are welcome)

SOCIAL MEDIA
Follow us on Facebook and Instagram @hamdendragonsmusic and HHSMPO Music Parents
Facebook @hamdenhighmusic and Twitter @hhsmpo

Tri-M
February 1 - General Meeting 2:15 p.m.

REMIND APP
Sign up for our Remind app. Information will be texted to your device.
Text these codes (choose your section) to 81010
- woodwinds/brass -- @7894bk
- percussion/drumline -- @2dk9g4
- guard - @76bb6ac

UPCOMING VARSITY HOME GAMES
Friday, 1/20: Girls Basketball vs North Haven HS at 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, 1/21: Girls Indoor Track SCC Coaches’ Invitational at 9:00 a.m.; Boys Indoor Track SCC Coaches’ Invitational 2:00 p.m.; Boys Basketball vs Greenwich HS at 1:30 p.m.; Girls Ice Hockey vs Amity at 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, 1/24: Boys Basketball vs Xavier at 7:00 p.m., SCC West Track Championship for Indoor Boys and Girls Track (Away - Floyd Little Athletic Center) at 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 1/25: Boys Hockey vs West Haven at 8:00 p.m.
Friday, 1/27: Girls Basketball vs Sacred Heart Academy at 6:00 p.m. (Senior Night)

SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION
Spring sport registration will open on Monday, January 16, 2023 for the following sports:
High School - Baseball, Softball, Golf, Boys Tennis, Girls Tennis, Boys Outdoor Track, Girls Outdoor Track, Boys Lacrosse and Girls Lacrosse
Middle School - Baseball and Softball

For more information, please visit our website:
https://www.hamden.org/departments/athletics

MUSIC DEPARTMENT
by: Aaron Barkon

ATHLETICS
by: Tom Dyer

VISIT HHS ATHLETICS website to get more information on our high school/middle school sports
https://www.hamden.org/departments/athletics

STAY UPDATED ON YOUR TEAM
Schedule Changes, Game Scores, Tournament Results - The CIAC has got you covered!
Click on the link for more information
https://www.casciaco.org/pdfs/ciacsportsflyer.pdf