

ARHS COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS NEWSLETTER, May 26, 2023



We will have Monday off from school for the Memorial Day holiday, and to help ensure that our students understand the significance of the holiday, we listened to this message during our morning announcements today:

“Good morning, everyone. This weekend we celebrate Memorial Day. We often focus on the fun aspects of this long weekend: the parades, the beginning of cookout and beach season, the return of long, hot days, and the approach of summer vacation. And that’s fine, because these are the quintessential American summer traditions that the real meaning of Memorial Day helped make possible.

“But as you celebrate this weekend, please keep in mind the extraordinary sacrifice that makes all this possible. The true purpose of Memorial Day is to honor those service men and women who have given their lives in defense of our nation. We often think of wars as being long ago and far away, but in one way or another Memorial Day touches all of us. Whether it is parent, sibling, or other loved one serving in uniform today, a grandparent who served long ago, one of the many members of the Amity faculty and staff who served in the military, or a graduate coming back to visit in uniform, each of us has a connection to the selfless men and women who protect our lives and our liberty.

“So go to a parade or a picnic this weekend and have a great time. But when you see a veteran or an active service member there, make sure to thank them for their sacrifice. Because without it, we would have nothing to celebrate. Today’s moment of silence is dedicated to honoring all those who have fought to defend our country.”

Go Spartans!

Andre Hauser

Principal

Amity Happenings and Information

- **Deadline to Return Library Materials:** All library books and materials are due on Tuesday, May 30th. At that point, students will be issued fines in PowerSchool for any materials that have not been returned.
- **Student Health Forms During the Summer – a message from our School Health Office:** Health forms being dropped off over the Summer need to be in the form of a print copy and will need to be placed in the lockbox located at the District Office. Medications cannot be placed in the lockbox; those will need to be dropped off to the nurses on the first day of school with the proper medication authorization form attached. Please do not email any medical information or forms to the nurses over the Summer.

College and Career of the Week

The [University of New Haven](#) (UNH) is a private university located in West Haven, Connecticut. UNH enrolls approximately 5,000 undergraduate students and offers over 100 [majors & programs](#) in fields such as business, engineering, criminal justice and communication. UNH is also test-optional - no SAT/ACT scores are necessary for admission. There are an abundance of extracurricular opportunities on campus, including many [clubs and activities](#). The “Chargers” sponsor 19 [athletic teams](#) (including E-sports) that compete in the [Northeast-10 Conference](#) (NCAA D-2). [Annual tuition, room and board](#) is \$64,932 (2023-2024). To learn more, visit UNH’s [admissions website](#), read about their [facts and figures](#) or take a [virtual tour here](#).

“[Dental hygienists](#) examine patients for signs of oral diseases, such as gingivitis, and provide preventive care, including oral hygiene (Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2021). [Dental hygienists](#) work in dental offices and may work either full or part time hours. An associates degree is needed to work in this profession and [state licensure is required](#). The median salary is \$77,810 and *faster than average job growth is expected at 9%* through 2031 (BLS, 2021). For more information, please visit the following websites: the [American Dental Hygienist Association](#), the [International Federation of Dental Hygienists](#) and the [National Dental Hygienists Association](#).

Some colleges that have dental hygiene programs include:

Univ of New Haven	University of Bridgeport	Tunxis Community Coll
Goodwin College	Mass Coll of Pharmacy & Health Sciences	SUNY/Farmingdale
Regis College	Springfield Tech Comm Col	Hudson Valley Comm Coll
Rutgers University	University of Rhode Island	SUNY/Canton
Rowan College	Manor College	PA College of Technology
Rhode Island College	Harcum College	Comm College of Rhode Island

or search in Naviance for more choices!

Notes from the Counseling Department

- **Local Events in the Community Need Volunteers!** Please click [here](#) for a list of opportunities.
- **Green STEP Summer Certification Program** sponsored by the United Illuminating, Southern CT Gas and CT Natural Gas will be offering a paid-to-train program for all high school students in

the New Haven area from **July 6-28th**. This program is for students interested in the green-building industry. A stipend of \$15.00 an hour will be paid to each student. Space is limited to 100 students and will take place at High School in the Community in the City of New Haven. Please [click here](#) for more information and registration.

- **EMT Summer Courses are available in Seymour!** The Seymour Ambulance Association is offering summer day and night EMT Courses. Please find more information [here](#).
- **Attention UELP/SIP Students:** We encourage **ALL** students to check your google classroom daily throughout the duration of the programs.

Athletic Department Happenings

- **Fall Sports Information Night:** YOU ARE INVITED TO THIS MUST-ATTEND, IN-PERSON EVENT. At 6:30 pm on Monday, June 5, Athletic Director Ernie Goodwin will welcome Spartan Families and share updated sports guidelines for the upcoming season. Immediately following, students/parents will transition to sports specific breakout meetings with our coaches. We look forward to seeing everyone.

Amity HS Athletics Booster Club

- Please join us for our Annual meeting on Thursday, June 1. We will be meeting to vote in our new Executive Board for the 2023-2024 school year. Our meeting will take place at 5:30pm in room 501.
- JOIN OUR TEAM! We are currently still looking for a VP and treasurer. No experience necessary, just a desire to have fun! We have plans to raise money and fund important projects for our athletes and school, and we need someone to count every penny to help us do it. Excellent record keeping is a must. As Vice President, you'll work behind the scenes to help build the Booster Club membership and be a part of decision making on issues throughout the year. We are a non-profit organization whose sole purpose is to support our student athletes that participate in sports at Amity High School. Your membership dollars help fund equipment purchases, facility improvements, scholarships and more. Please contact Carrie at goamityspartans@gmail.com to express your interest and for more information.
- LAST CALL! This week is your last chance of the school year to purchase your Amity "A" decal sticker and Amity "PROUD" yard sign. Decals are \$5 each and yard signs are \$15 each. PayPal and cash accepted. Please email goamityspartans@gmail.com to order. Thank you for spreading our Spartan Spirit!

Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO) Information

- **Graduation Balloons:** We have decided to extend balloon sales until tomorrow, Saturday at midnight. Please use this [link](#) to place your order.
- **Senior Breakfast:** The annual senior breakfast celebrating our graduates will be on Thursday, June 8th from 8:30 to 9:30am in the cafeteria. This is such a fun event for our seniors, and in order to make it happen we need volunteers to help set up and clean up as well as donations of food items & beverages and gift cards for the senior raffle. To sign up to contribute your time and/or items, please click [here](#).
- **Volunteers Needed:** We are looking for parent volunteers for the school year 2023-2024 to continue our work to support the school and our children. We are in need of chairs for teacher

appreciation week, graduation balloons, college fair, among others. If you are interested in helping, please email arhsptso@gmail.com.

- **Join Our Facebook Group:** Be a part of our virtual community by visiting [this page](#) and answering the security questions required to gain access.

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