Haddam Killingworth High School
Jan|Feb 2025 Newsletter



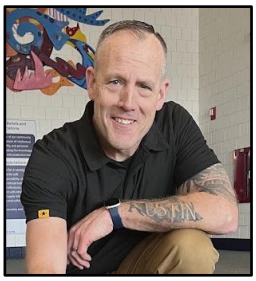
From the Principal:

At long last, a long, cold January is behind us and we are cruising into second semester. As ever, HKHS students are impressing the greater community through their performances in regional music festivals, in the athletic arena, and in their internships in area businesses. Their work in classes has naturally progressed to more advanced topics and more in-depth projects and assessments. The seniors have met with their school counselors and administration to share how they have met Learning Expectation #1: demonstrating personal responsibility, character, cultural understanding, and ethical behavior. Our underclassmen have begun to choose their classes for next year! This time of year can be intense, and we continue to encourage our students to enjoy our co-curricular program as a way of finding a little balance between work & play.

This month, our faculty committee will dive into the work of considering the question of cell phone use in our school. We have been purposefully gathering research on the topic, asking for parent and student input on the question of whether or not to place greater restrictions on their access to their phones in school, and reviewing the cell phone infraction data to determine the best course of action for our school community. Thank you to the parents who joined the collaborative conference with our partners at HKYFS on January 30th and to those who have volunteered to be involved in this discussion!



We are thrilled to welcome Hannah & Don to the HKHS team!



Don Austin [Security]: Don served as a K-9 officer and K-9 instructor with the Connecticut Department of Correction from 1999-2019 working four different K-9s over the years and training countless more. Prior to joining HKHS, Don worked as a Campus Security Officer and was the Assistant Softball Coach at Beman Middle School in Middletown. Don spends his off-time camping and traveling with his wife and their 2-year-old granddaughter.



Hannah Correa [School Nurse]: Hannah graduated from Capital Community College in 2017 with her Associate's Degree in Nursing. Shortly after she returned to school for her Bachelor's Degree of Science in Nursing through Grand Canyon University. She graduated with her BSN, earning a place in the National Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau in 2022. Hannah has worked in several area hospitals with a focus on Cardiology and critical care. She briefly moved to Pennsylvania where she specialized in post-op cardiac surgery. After moving back home to CT, Hannah decided she was ready to explore a new avenue in her nursing career, hence the move to school nursing. She looks forward to advancing her career and learning new skills! Hannah is a mom of two young boys, loves summer, sunshine, being outdoors, & the beach! She also enjoys traveling and her best trip was to South Korea which was an amazing experience. She learned about other cultures and ways of living, which is truly an important concept to understand as a nurse providing care to people of all backgrounds. Hannah looks forward to getting to know the staff, students, and parents of RSD 17!

PJ Day for the Kids through the Connecticut Children's Medical Center (CCMC) was a huge success! **RSD17 raised $3,543** to support kids battling cancer; exceeding our district goal of $2,500. HKHS donated the 2nd most through in-person donations during the December 13th pajama event with **$456** - only surpassed by Burr Elementary who's in-person total was $501. This statewide initiative raises funds, spirits, and awareness for kids battling cancer and [you can learn more about this great program here!]

Thank you to all who donated for your generous support!



Santa Isn't Such a Secret!



On Friday, December 20th, the HKHS Student Council members hosted their annual school-wide Secret Santa event which was a huge success! With over 75 participants, Santa and his many elves were busy delivering presents and spreading holiday cheer before winter break.



National Mathematics Honor Society Inaugural Induction!

The newly established chapter of Mu Alpha Theta held their inaugural induction ceremony on Friday, January 10th. These 13 founding members are all remarkable honor students and we are thrilled to celebrate their accomplishments. Each one has a deep appreciation for mathematics and is committed to the chapter's goal of opening minds to the power, beauty, and real-world impact of mathematical knowledge, far beyond simply solving equations.



Mu Alpha Theta
National High School and Two-Year College Mathematics Honor Society

Culinary Adventures!

The HKHS culinary classes appeared on WTNH Channel 8 on Dec 19th to showcase tips for building a sturdy gingerbread house and to formally announce **the winners of the 2024 HKHS Gingerbread House Contest** - ***seniors Ally Hubbard & Jeff Thebeau!***



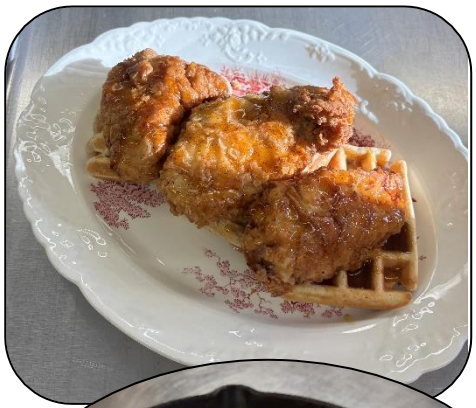




Visiting Channel 8 is always a great trip and our students love seeing their friends at the news station. [You can watch their segment here!]

As the semester came to a close, culinary arts students spent time researching, prepping, preparing, and presenting their final dishes to a panel of judges made up of HKHS teachers.

Students put in a lot of hard work while having fun. Both students and teachers alike greatly enjoyed themselves (*and all the delicious food*)!









36th Annual HKTV Holiday Telethon Was a Success!



Haddam Killingworth High School students demonstrated extraordinary leadership and commitment, raising over **$10,711** during the 36th Annual HKTV Holiday Telethon held on Dec 20th, 2024 to benefit Haddam Killingworth Youth and Family Services (HKYFS). This initiative is entirely student-run and highlights the power of youth-driven community engagement.



The three-hour broadcast featured an impressive array of RSD17 students and faculty, personal testimonials, and special appearances by community leaders, captivating thousands of viewers across the region. The funds raised will directly support vital mental health resources, after-school programs, and family outreach initiatives provided by HKYFS.

On behalf of the HKYFS Board of Directors and staff, heartfelt thanks are extended to the HKTV team and the entire Haddam Killingworth community. "The funds raised will ensure the sustainability and growth of programs that serve our youth and families," remarked a representative. "This event has also provided an invaluable platform to highlight the importance of prevention, mental health awareness, and community resources."

YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES OF HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH INC.
Strong families equal strong communities

Jen Favalora, Director of Operations at HKYFS, expressed her gratitude, stating, **"We are truly thankful for the overwhelming support during the HKTV Telethon.** Your generosity enables us to expand our reach, assist families in need, and foster a thriving, connected community where youth can grow and succeed. Thanks to this event's success, we can continue building programs and services that create a lasting positive impact."



The telethon's success underscores the power of collaboration and the unwavering dedication of HKHS students in supporting critical community services. **For more information about HKYFS or to get involved, please visit www.HKYFS.org.**

THOMAS "THE TANK" PERRY

alumni SPOTLIGHT



Thomas Perry graduated from HKHS in 2021 and was a four-year starter for the Haddam Killingworth High School football team and a member of the wrestling team. He went on to earn All-Conference honors his junior season, but missed his senior season due to COVID shutting down high school football in CT.



Thomas has since gone on to play for four years at Middlebury College where he is a molecular biology and biochemistry major with a minor in math. Outside of the classroom, he has earned **All-Conference** honors as an underclassman, was named to the College Sports Communicators (CSC) **Academic All-America** squad, as well as being named to the **AFCA All-America Teams** his senior year with **First Team** honors.



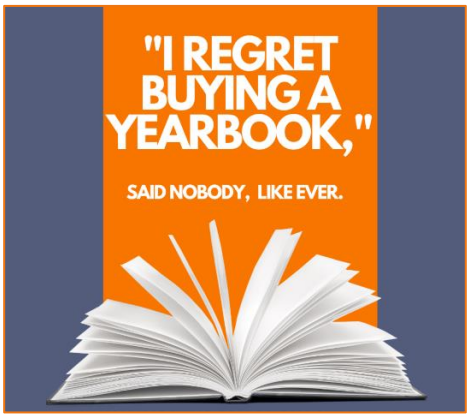


Thomas was invited to participate in the **East-West Shrine Bowl** in Arlington, TX that was held on Jan 30th at the Dallas Cowboys stadium. The East-West Shrine Bowl is a postseason college football all-star game that has been played annually since 1925. Thomas was the **ONLY** Division III player invited to play and he helped lead the East to a **25-0 victory**! ***HK is so proud of you Thomas! Read more about this story here from NBC and watch this amazing recap on YouTube!***

2024-2025 YEARBOOK!

Yearbook sales are ongoing! Remember: ALL students who want a yearbook must order one as senior dues no longer include a yearbook. There is a finite number of yearbooks available so once those have all been spoken for, no further orders can be placed. **Don't wait and miss out!**

Click HERE to order yours today!





REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE!



Did you know that **25 billion pounds** of textiles, including **200 million pairs of shoes,** are thrown away in the United States each year? Please consider sending in your old sneakers (in any condition!) as well as cleats, hiking boots, and even single shoes to the **HKHS Environmental Club's shoe collection campaign** – which is ongoing through June 2025!

Donations of other textile goods such as clothing, accessories, linens, etc. can also be dropped off in the Bay State Textiles recycling bin next to the HK Park & Rec building year-round! Bay State collects and processes the textiles and **provides a rebate check directly to HKHS <u>each month</u>** based on the weight of those donations. Helping the planet and HKHS – *truly a win/win!*

Standardized Testing Dates & Report Cards

Please make sure you are familiar with these important dates!

Parents & guardians should also look out for an email from Assistant Principal Apicella in the coming weeks regarding testing dates with further details on the tests themselves, schedule changes, and transportation information.

2024-2025 TESTING DATES

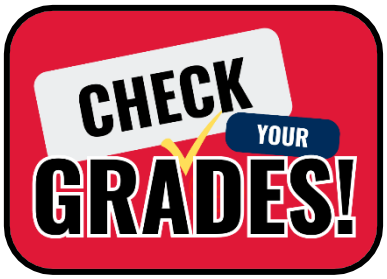
PSATS	SATs *[11th graders only]* Practice SATs *[9th & 10th graders]*	NGSS
October 23, 2024 Grades 9th-11th *[seniors stay home for post-secondary planning]*	March 26, 2025 *[in the morning]* *Make-Up Testing: April 9, 2025*	*[11th graders only]* April 2, 2025

SENIOR DIGITAL PORTFOLIO PRESENTATIONS
March 26, 2025 [in the afternoon]

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) EXAMS

Mon, 5/5/2025	Tue, 5/6/2025	Wed, 5/7/2025	Thu, 5/8/2025	Fri, 5/10/2025
Biology (@ 8am)	Human Geography and Chemistry (@ 8am) United States Government & Politics (@ 12pm)	English Literature & Composition (@ 8am)	Statistics (@ 8am)	United States History (@ 8am)
Mon, 5/12/2025	**Tue, 5/13/2025**	**Wed, 5/14/2025**	**Thu, 5/15/2025**	**Fri, 5/16/2025**
Calculus AB and Calculus BC (@ 8am)	French Language & Culture (@ 8am) Physics 2 (@ 12pm)	English Language & Composition (@ 8am) Physics C: Mechanics (@ 12pm)	Spanish Language & Culture (@ 8am) Computer Science Principles and Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism (@ 12pm)	Physics 1 (@ 8am) Psychology (@ 12pm)

ACTFL Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency in Languages (AAPPL) EXAMS
May 20, 2025 - May 22, 2025
[applicable to some but not all upperclassmen World Language students]



Quarter 2 report cards are ready! Parents & guardians were emailed their student's report cards on Monday, Feb 10th. Honor Roll & High Honor Roll are also available on the HKHS website under the Home & Info tab. Please remember that you can log into your PowerSchool Parent Portal account at any time to check your child's grades. If you have any questions about their grades, please reach out to individual teachers. The format for teacher email addresses is firstinitiallastname@rsd17.org.

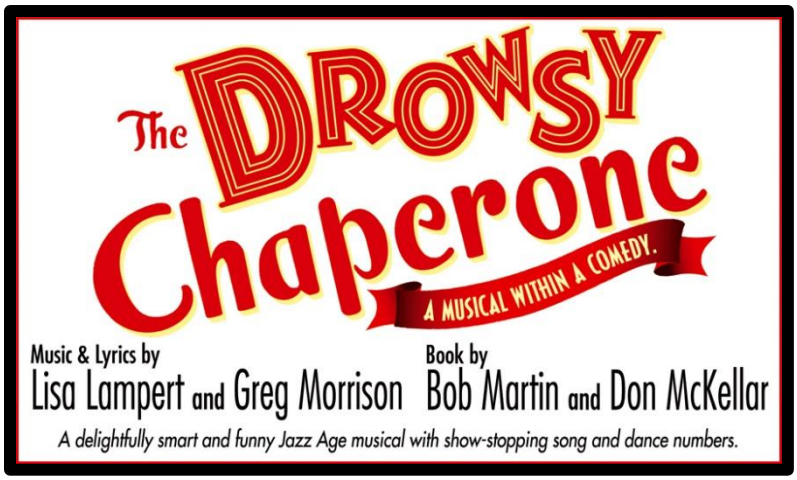
If you need assistance setting up or accessing your PowerSchool Parent Portal account, please email agiarnella@rsd17.org.

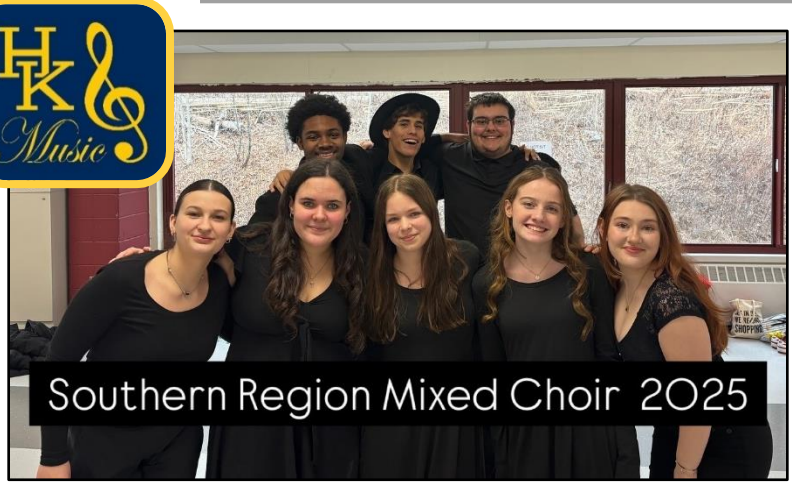
News from the Stage

HK Drama would like to announce that the 2025 Spring Musical will be…

The Drowsy Chaperone is a musical comedy that parodies 1920s American musical theater. A middle-aged musical theater fan plays the cast recording of a fictional 1928 musical, **The Drowsy Chaperone**, which then comes to life on stage! Auditions were held this week and we are so excited to bring this amazing show to life!

Coming to an auditorium near you on May 2nd & 3rd @ 7pm!





Southern Region Music Festival Performance!

Congratulations to the 15 band and chorus students from HKHS that travelled to Naugatuck on January 17th & 18th to meet up with the best singers and instrumentalists in the Southern Region! They rehearsed and performed a stunning concert in front of over 600 audience members. Memorable selections included "Still I Rise" by Rosephanye Powell, "Bogoroditse" by Rachmaninoff, and the concert band's performance of "Golden Foliage" written by Jason DeGroff. ***Congratulations to all!***







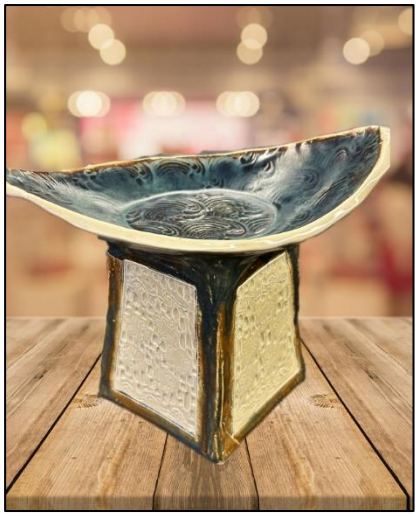
We've Got Spirit! How 'Bout You?!

On Friday, January 31st, members of the HK Pep Band performed at the varsity girls' basketball game vs. Cromwell. The pep band also performed at the boys' basketball's senior night game on Tuesday, February 11th.

Pictured (*from back to front, left to right*) is Jackson Bucko on the snare drum, Desmond Thompson on the bass drum, our very own HK physics teacher Ms. Maselli on the F horn, Devin Weems on the alto saxophone, Maxim Bergman on the tenor saxophone, Christopher Sanders-Roberts on the trombone, Olivia Panzella on the clarinet, with Skylar Hale & Ayiana Maikowski both playing the flute. Last but certainly not least is our Director of Bands, Ms. Legman, who is conducting! ***Thank you to our students (& teachers!) for helping to liven things up!***

Scholastic Art Awards

Two distinguished students won scholastic art awards this year from the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards. Margaret Robinson won Honorable Mention for her clay candle holder and Norah Ridgeway won Honorable Mention for her acrylic painting titled "Edelweiss". Both artworks were on display in an exhibit at the Silpe Gallery at the University of Hartford during the month of January.





The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards are the nation's longest-running, most prestigious recognition program from creative teens. You can read more about this program and see amazing student artwork here!

Congratulations to both Margaret & Norah!

HKHS DOMINATES ON THE FIELD & THE COURT!





ALL STATE GLORY!

HKHS is thrilled to announce that senior Ryan Rafferty has earned **All-State** honors for football, the first HKHS player to do so since 2018! He was recently recognized for this fantastic achievement by the Connecticut High School Coaches Association at their annual awards banquet on held January 12th. *Read more about the full list of awardees here!*

Ryan has been a four-year player and three-year varsity starter for the HKHS football team. He has played numerous positions but excelled on defense as a defensive back. Ryan led Class S in interceptions with 5 and contributed on offense as well scoring 6 touchdowns this season. He was also selected as an All-Conference player in December prior to earning his All-State honors. **Congratulations Ryan!**



ONE THOUSAND POINTS!

HKHS can now boast that senior Andrew Crayton has accomplished what very few high school athletes have – **scoring 1,000 career points**! Scoring 1,000 points in high school basketball is a rare and significant achievement that shows a dedication to overall skill development and consistently showing up offensively year after year. Andrew has played basketball for 11 years and has plans to continue playing at a prep school after graduation.



Andrew hit this huge milestone during HK's next to last game of the season against Valley Regional on Tuesday, Feb 11th. This also happened to fall on Senior Night where HK won with a final score of 73-59! You can watch Andrew sink his 1,000th shot here!

Canine Cuddles!



Students were thrilled to be visited by therapy dogs during the week of mid-terms for some much-needed stress relief! On Friday, Jan 17th Tiffany Riggs brought in her adorable 3-legged pup Daisy and on Tuesday, Jan 21st we got to spend time with Ace brought in by Tim Crowley.





Therapy dogs have numerous benefits to offer students, including improving attendance and problem-solving abilities as well as helping them to feel calmer and more connected.

Haddam Killingworth Youth & Family Services [HKYFS] coordinates volunteer therapy dog teams for RSD17 schools as needed which is a great example of the valuable support HKYFS offers to our students!



Grants and donations (*such as those made during the recent HKTV Holiday Telethon!*) are critical to support the coordination and direct services in and out of our schools for programming, education, and resources for youth of all ages and their families. **If you are interested in volunteering with, or donating to, HKYFS** please contact Allison Behnke at alli.behnke@hkyfs.org or Jen Favalora at executivedirector@hkyfs.org.

DISMISSAL PICK-UPS



Please note that if you are picking up your child at the end of the school day, it is important you are aware that school buses arrive around 1:55pm and do not leave until approximately 2:15pm. If you have pulled in during this time frame you will not be able to leave until the buses do. **It is vital that cars not block in or cut off the buses or attempt to drive the wrong way out of the school in order to avoid them.** We regularly see vehicles doing so during this time period and it is a safety concern for students and staff alike.

MR. 2025 HK

Auditions have taken place and practices are underway for the much-anticipated annual **Mr. HK** contest sponsored by HKTV and scheduled for **Wednesday, March 6th at 6pm** in the HKHS auditorium. Tickets will be sold at the door for $5.



Please join us for a fantastic night of music, comedy, and much more!

PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES

HKHS uses a service called pick◦A◦time to schedule conferences between parents/guardians and teachers twice per year. **The next set of conferences will take place from 12:30pm to 3pm on Monday, March 10th and Tuesday, March 11th.** Both days are ½ days for students.

There is an online scheduling portal that will open on Saturday, March 1st at 8:00am and it will remain open until Saturday, March 8th at 8pm. You will be able to schedule/reschedule with your child's teachers only while the portal is open. You will need to create an account on the pick◦A◦time website (or login if you've previously created one) and you will need your child's six-digit district ID number for this process. *Each student knows their ID number as it is their RSD17 username for their email address and is also used as their PowerSchool username. Student ID numbers are also listed on report cards and transcripts.*

Further instructions, including a spring conferences-specific link, will be sent out in the coming weeks. All parents/guardians should have a PowerSchool Parent Portal account set up to make sure they receive all important communications such as this. If you need assistance setting up or accessing your account, please contact Amy Giarnella at agiarnella@rsd17.org.

→ → → **Please note that the pick◦A◦time system will not allow multiple sets of parents/guardians to schedule separate conferences with the same teachers for the same student. If multiple conferences are needed, please reach out to your child's teacher(s).** ← ← ←

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Q3 Progress Reports** | Wednesday, Feb 26th – ***Check PowerSchool for grades!***
- **Student Council Blood Drive** | Friday, Mar 7th
- **SATs** | Saturday, Mar 8th
- **Daylight Savings Time Begins** | Sunday, Mar 9th – ***Time to SPRING ahead!***
- **Parent/Teacher Conferences** | Monday, Mar 10th & Tuesday, Mar 11th
    - Slots available from 12:30pm to 3pm – ***Early dismissal for students!***
- **Professional Development Day** | Friday, Mar 14th – ***No school for students!***
- **St. Patrick's Day** | Monday, Mar 17th
- **Professional Development Day** | Tuesday, Feb 18th – ***Early dismissal for students!***
- **Middle School Band Day @ HKHS** | Wednesday, Mar 19th
- **1st Day of Spring** | Thursday, Mar 20th
- **Spring Athletic Season Begins** | Saturday, Mar 22nd
- **Quarter 3 Ends + School Day SATs** | Wednesday, Mar 26th
- **Senior Portfolio Presentations to Staff** | Wednesday, Mar 26th
- **All State Music Festival** | Thursday, Mar 27th to Saturday, Mar 29th
- **NGSS Testing** | Wednesday, Apr 2nd
- **College & Career Fair** | Thursday, Apr 3rd during Advisory
- **Mr. HK Contest!** | Thursday, Apr 3rd @ 6pm
- **ACTs** | Saturday, Apr 5th
- **World Language Honor Society Induction** | Monday, Apr 7th @ 7pm
- **School Day SAT Make-Ups** | Wednesday, Apr 9th @ 7pm
- **National Honor Society Induction** | Wednesday, Apr 9th @ 7pm
- **Spring Break!** | Monday, Apr 14th to Friday, Apr 18th - ***No school for students!***

We look forward to seeing you at our school events and around campus.
Thank you so much for all you do to support our students!

Respectfully,

Donna L. Hayward,
Principal

◦ Guidance Counseling Dept Update ◦

Senior Families!

The current simplified version of the FAFSA that was released in early 2024 is again open and available to complete with a **deadline of June 30th, 2025** for students pursuing post-secondary education this fall. Luckily, there seems to be far fewer issues than last year! Please see this FAQs page available on www.studentaid.gov for answers to commonly asked questions for this year's version of the FAFSA. Please note that we are unable to assist with the completion or updating of a student's FAFSA.

<<< Reminder: FAFSA Completion Graduation Requirement >>>

Starting with the Class of 2025, the RSD 17 Board of Education has set completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as a graduation requirement. ALL members of the Class of 2025 are **required** to complete the FAFSA **or** complete a waiver exempting them from completing the FAFSA in order to graduate from HKHS as stated in the 2024-2025 Opportunities Book. The school counseling office will provide waivers this spring and will notify senior families once the waivers are available. If you have not yet completed the FAFSA, we will be reaching out to you in the coming weeks about completing a waiver prior to graduation.

Scholarships Information!

The counselors met with all senior students on February 12th during Advisory for a presentation on scholarships. Naviance is the program we use to compile local, regional, and some national scholarship information. Students use a single sign-on process on their Chromebooks to log in so there is no separate account to access. Please see our Naviance | Find & Track Scholarships Reference Guide for assistance as well.

It is vital that students and parents/guardians understand that all available scholarships are **not** going to be listed in Naviance (only the ones we are told about) and that we do the best we can to update deadlines, requirements, etc. as we find out more information. Students have been told that it is **their** responsibility to review and confirm scholarship details. Many scholarships are available to apply to online but many others can only be completed on paper and mailed or handed in to the school directly. It is important that students take the time to read the requirements ahead of deadlines, many of which are 3/1, 3/15, or 3/31. **PLEASE encourage your student to apply for scholarships!** We have found in recent years that many scholarship committees receive few to no applications so there is money being left on the table. Seniors interested in scholarships should be checking Naviance regularly and all seniors are encouraged to explore BigFuture.org for career, college, and scholarship opportunities.

EFC vs. SAI? What does it all mean?



Many scholarships are need-based and require some type of financial information. The most common financial requirement you will see on scholarships is for your **Estimated Family Contribution (EFC)** which was listed on the **Student Aid Report**. The EFC was replaced last year however by the **Student Aid Index (SAI)**. This will be located on the **FAFSA Submission Summary** which has

replaced the Student Aid Report. Please note that a student's FAFSA Submission Summary will not be available until their FAFSA has been completely processed.

Regardless of what the requirements state, scholarships should only need the single page listing your Student Aid Index (SAI) – not the entire report or summary with other private information. We continue to work with scholarship committees to have the language updated in their materials but most still list the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC). Families can also refer to our Understanding Financial Aid Packages handout that includes these terms and many others.



Junior Families!

Our post-secondary planning process continues as we schedule individual meetings with each of our junior students this semester. Meetings are held during the school day, typically during a class that a student will be able to catch up in if they miss it. Parents and guardians are invited to attend, either in-person or virtually. These meetings are tailored to students' individual plans, be that college, the workforce, or another path.

For those considering college, **the spring of your junior year is a great time to plan campus visits!** It's best to visit when the school is in session so you can really get a feel for what the campus is like. If you are considering applying under *Early Action* or *Early Decision* plans, or if you plan sports in the fall, you may want to visit as many campuses as you can during the spring of your junior year.

Also, on the horizon is our **College & Career Fair** which will be held on Thursday, April 3rd during our Advisory period. All students will attend but this is especially relevant for the junior class. Please note that Mercy & Xavier hold a joint college open to the public that is scheduled for the following week on Thursday, April 10th from 6pm-8pm at Xavier High School.

Freshmen Families!



Counselors will be meeting individually with all 9th grade students to review their course requests for next year and discuss plans for meeting graduation requirements. Schedules will not be finalized until later in the semester however. If you have questions about available courses or graduation requirements, please refer to the 2025-2026 Opportunities Book as well as the 2025-2026 Opportunities Book | Summary of Updates document, both of which are available on the Home & Info tab of the HKHS website.

Alumni Day!

HKHS held its annual Alumni Day on Wednesday, Jan 8th! This event allowed our current seniors to learn about the college and work experiences of our recent graduates. We were joined by ten of our former students from the classes of 2024, 2023, and 2022 for an informative session to discuss what they're doing now, the positives and negatives of the matriculation process, and things to be aware of while planning next steps for after graduation. **We are so happy to have the support of recent alumni!**

When is sick too sick for school?

School is better with you, even if you're a little under the weather!



Send me to school if:

- I have a runny nose or just a little cough, but no other symptoms.
- I haven't taken any fever reducing medicine for 24 hours, and I haven't had a fever during that time.
- I haven't thrown up or had any diarrhea for 24 hours.

Keep me at home if:

- I have a temperature higher than 100 degrees even after taking medicine; keep me home until I am fever-free for 24 hours without medicine.
- I'm throwing up or have diarrhea.
- My eyes are pink and crusty.





Call the doctor if:

- I have a temperature higher than 100 degrees for more than two days.
- I've been throwing up or have diarrhea for more than two days.
- I've had the sniffles for more than a week, and I'm not getting better.
- I still have asthma symptoms after using my asthma medicine (and call 911 if I'm having trouble breathing after using an inhaler).

REMINDER! **If you think your child may have COVID-19, please test them prior to sending them to school.**

CSDE thanks New London Public Schools in the development of this flier.

February 2025

Project Graduation Newsletter



Butter Braids & More Sale

Our first fundraiser of the year is our annual Butter Braid sale which begins February 17th and includes cookie dough, snacks, and soups in addition to the famous butter braids. These items are great for a holiday or when you just need two cookies (ok, maybe four). Orders need to be placed by March 17th and the items will be ready for pickup on April 7th. See page 3 for details.

Annual Appeal

This month you will receive a mailing requesting a donation, this is our Annual Appeal to the community for financial support. It costs approximately nearly $25,000 to host this event. This equals over $150 per senior! Please support the cause to the extent that you can, as this is the only fundraiser where we are able to use 100% of the proceeds.

Checks: HKHS, 95 Little City Rd., Higganum 06441 (Attn: Project Graduation)

Venmo @hk-projectgraduation

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, March 12th
7:00 p.m., lower media center

Contact Us:
hkprojectgraduation@gmail.com

Winter Greetings HKHS Families

5 months down, 4 to go! The Project Graduation Committee is busy planning a fabulous celebration for our 2025 graduates, and we would love for you to be part of it! Even if you do not have a student in this class, your student will one day become a graduate who will be part of this memorable experience.

There are many ways to help, including chaperoning or set up, take-home or in-person decorating, or by supporting a fundraiser.

We consist of a group of 9-12th grade parents and we would love to meet you! Meetings are on the second Wednesday of the month in the lower media center at 7:00 p.m. Even if you can't commit to every meeting, feel free to pop in to say hi. We are always welcoming new members to share their ideas and talents with us.

Thank you for your support to help keep our kids safe on graduation night!

Cindy Pitts and Keryn Felder, Co-Chairs

Volunteer from Home!

The extremely talented Decorating Committee is busy planning and already has got started creating amazing decorations for this year's surprise theme (to be announced at a later date). **Take-home decorations are available**, which consists of cutting and taping, an easy task to do while watching TV. Please send an email to Jen or Karen at jllsavoy@gmail.com or rileynolan@hotmail.com to be part of this great committee.

Photos Needed

Senior parents/guardians - we will have a senior photo slide show at the Project Graduation celebration. Please email all photos to hkprojectgraduation@gmail.com. Ideally, photos of your graduates from school age and up .... no baby photos! Group photos are welcome. It's not too early to begin submission and 3 - 5 photos per family is ideal.

Follow Our Socials

Facebook: HKHS Project Graduation

Instagram: hkhsprojectgrad

Web Site: Project Graduation

PG LOGO CONTEST FOR STUDENTS
See page 2 for details

HK PROJECT GRADUATION

STUDENT LOGO CONTEST

We are looking for a student created logo to brand Project Graduation

MORE INFORMATION:

WIN A GIFTCARD FOR

$50

DEADLINE: MARCH 5

REQUIREMENTS

GRADUATION THEMED

SIZE: 8 1/2 X 11 LANDSCAPE

2 COLORS MAX
WHITE BACKGROUND PLUS 2 MORE

DO NOT INCLUDE GRADUATION YEAR

Email submissions or questions to
hkprojectgraduation@gmail.com





Help Support HKHS Project Graduation!

Butter Braids
Cookie Dough
Cake Rolls

Coffee
Beef Jerky
...and more!

Please follow the instructions below to log into your e-fundraiser! From here you'll be able to make your own purchases, plus pass along your fundraiser to family and friends!

Start Date: 02/17/2025
End Date: 03/17/2025
Delivery: 04/07/2025

Profits will go to Program Expenses.

Please consider donating soup to families here at Haddam Killingworth.
Thank you for your support!!

Scan to Order:

Participant to do: Follow this link to begin the following steps:
https://my.mcmfundraising.com/signup/8XD3
Questions? contact: Lore Lina at lorelena1125@yahoo.com

1. Click the link above to register to participate in your online fundraiser-You will need to create a password.
   - Your email will be your user ID

2. To access your storefront, and make purchases click on "Your Store Link". You and your friends can purchase directly from there.

3. Invite buyers to purchase. Click the invite buyer's link on the left hand side of the screen. See the 3 options.
   Option 1 text the link to and then retext all the people you would like to invite to purchase.
   Option 2 Copy and paste all your contact email and cell number into the box. This will send them an invite to purchase from your store.
   Option 3 copy the link and email/text it to your friend and family. This link can also go on your social media sites. It will bring them directly to your store to purchase.

Upcoming Fundraisers



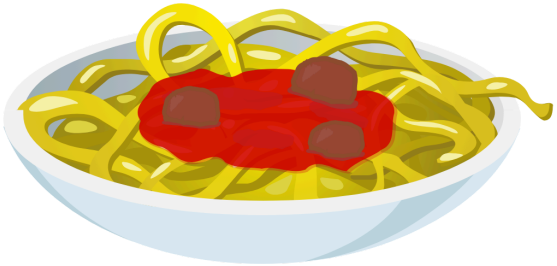
Oh Fudge!
March 1 – March 25
April Delivery, ready for Easter

Senior Yard Signs
April



Salsa Sale
April





Dino's Dinner Night
May



Flamingo Flocking
May