Friday, December 6, 2019 As we head into the final two weeks before winter break...

1. Can you believe we're at the midpoint of second term already? The year is flying! Don't forget the **portal should be updated** with midterm grades **today**.

2. Our fearless yearbook advisors, **Maryellen Holler** and **Denise Stanley**, recently collected some hardware for the 2019 HHS Yearbook. In their first year at the helm, they won the "**Best Use of Theme Graphics Award**" from Herff Jones, the company that publishes our yearbook. Can't wait to see what they accomplish in Year Two!

3. We hear a lot about the success of our school's athletic teams, but did you know our **math team is undefeated** so far this year? Led by coaches **Tara Blake** and **Peter Healey**, the HHS math team has won both of its six-team meets. After defeating five opponents in each meet, it's like they're 10-0. Very impressive numbers!

4. A recent <u>WGBH radio series</u> ("Stressed and Depressed on Campus") delivers a powerful message, especially in a community like ours. Check it out if you get a chance.

5. As always, the fifth biannual **Andrew Warhaftig ''Catching Kindness'' Awards** delivered a huge dose of inspiration yesterday morning. For which we owe a large debt of thanks, not only to **Andy Hoey** and **Erica Pollard**, whose leadership made it possible, but also to the many teachers and other staff members who submitted nominations. Because of that collaborative effort, we now have a great new tradition that underscores some of our school's most essential values.

Have a great weekend, everybody!

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