

Friday, March 6, 2020

As we wrap up the first week of March Madness...

1. If you look beneath the "Hingham Pride" sign in this photo taken at the **All-Town Band Concert** last night, you'll see **Brian Cincotta** with baton in hand. He's commanding that entire room (and a massive band comprised of students in grades six through twelve) all by himself. This was probably the most impressive sight I saw all week. And the performances were awesome!



By the way: If you missed that event last night, come on out to the middle school on Tuesday at 7 PM for the **All-Town Orchestra Concert**, where you can see **Phaedre Sassano** work the same kind of magic.

2. Looking for something fun to do tomorrow? Feel like visiting Southeastern Massachusetts? Well, here are three great options: 1) cheer on the **HHS girls' varsity basketball team** (our last sports team standing) when they play Foxboro in the Division II South Finals at Taunton High School at 11:45 AM; 2) the **robotics team** competes in the ["Infinite Recharge"](#) contest at Bridgewater-Raynham High School; and 3) the **Drama Club** will again perform "The Actor's Nightmare" in the second round of the annual festival competition, this time at Joseph Case High School in Swansea, at 11:30 AM. It's shaping up to be a very memorable weekend for HHS students and their dedicated faculty coaches.

3. Don't forget we will host several performances of ["Mr. Joy"](#) (brought to us by ArtsEmerson and a METCO grant) here at HHS next week. As noted earlier, all freshmen and sophomores will see the play on **Thursday 3/12**, while all other students will see it on **Friday 3/13**. In both cases, students will be called to the auditorium at the beginning of F Block and remain there until the end of G Block. A third performance (free and open to the public) will be held on Thursday night at 7 PM.

4. You may recall that we were originally planning to hold a **lockdown drill** during passing time at some point during the week of March 9th. However, due to delays in completing the PA improvements, that drill will be **postponed** until that work is completed.

5. If you see **Pria Parker** (HHS Class of 2021) or **Conrad Davis** (HHS Class of 2020) today, be sure to congratulate them on their contributions to the [White Ribbon Day ceremony](#) at the State House yesterday. Pria and Conrad were selected by [Jane Doe, Inc.](#) (and their track coach, Fred Jewett) to speak on behalf of high school student-athletes who are joining the fight against gender-based violence. If you know them, you won't be surprised to learn that they more than held their own while joining an impressive list of speakers that included the lieutenant governor and Celtics star Enes Kanter.



Have a great weekend, everybody!

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