

Summer Update, Volume I

Friday, June 26, 2020

A few items to share...

1. Here's one of the two best things that happened this week: We got a visit from **Robert David Jacobson** (a.k.a., Jake, HHS Class of 2038) and **his mom, Sarah**. Needless to say, the masks in the photo below are hiding some very big smiles.



2. If you're at all interested in serving on DESE's "**Teacher & Principal Advisory Cabinet**," the deadline has been extended to July 6th.

3. You surely heard [the news](#) about DESE releasing [new guidance](#) yesterday about the reopening of schools in the fall. Endless questions remain but you can be assured that we're already hard at work in trying to find the answers. More than twenty Hingham administrators participated in a Zoom meeting yesterday to begin analyzing the new documents. Numerous subcommittees will continue that work next week.

4. In case you're trying to decide what to read next, I'd like to offer a suggestion: *The Person You Mean to Be: How Good People Fight Bias* by Dolly Chugh. Inspired by a recommendation from the [Hingham Unity Council](#) (HUC), I started it a few days ago and it's excellent. I plan to participate in the HUC's [online book discussion with the author](#) on July 9th and I hope some of you will join me.

5. The other best thing that happened this week? **Jessica Mathews** has signed a contract to return to HHS after a three-year absence! The incredibly talented former special educator (who is actually certified to teach almost everything!) will return to HHS as a member of our Family & Consumer Sciences (FCS) department. This is VERY exciting news!

I hope your summer is off to a great start!

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