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As we returned from the holiday break ...

- With the start of the winter sports season on Monday, 475 HHS students began tryouts and practices for our 20 winter teams.
- On behalf of the [HHS School Council](#), Principal Swanson provided an update about the two-year [School Improvement Plan](#) at the [School Committee](#) meeting on Monday night.
- The Drama Club delivered a preview of the [Fall Musical](#), "Little Shop of Horrors," to the entire student body on Wednesday 11/29. The show debuted at Hingham Middle School Last night and will continue tonight and tomorrow night. Tickets can be purchased [online](#).
- Our own Jim Quatromoni represented Athletic Directors statewide at a panel webinar for MA superintendents called "Athletics: A Key Lever to Advance Equity" on Wednesday morning.
- With no new photo of the week to vote on because of the Thanksgiving Holiday, the survey is still open for the current theme, "&." [Get your vote in!](#)
- HHS English teacher Phil Struzziero was named "Official of the Year" by the Eastern MA Association of Interscholastic Football Officials. The Murray-Lewis Award proves that Dr. Struzz's talents extend from the classroom to the gridiron!
- We learned that nine HHS music students were accepted into the MMEA Southeastern Senior District Music Festival and four of them received recommendations to audition for All-State. The All-State nominations went to Josh Bradshaw on the viola; Azariah Price on the flute; and singers Nicholas Roche and Ethan Warhaftig. Also accepted for the festival were Brân James on the string bass; Zakary Robbins on the violin; and singers Ruby Blake, Alexa Harris, and Breanna Weiss.



Looking ahead...

- The winter concert season begins next week, with two 7 PM shows in the HHS auditorium. HHS choral groups will perform on Tuesday 12/5, followed by the bands on Thursday 12/7. The series will conclude with the orchestra on Tuesday 12/12. All three performances begin at 7 PM in the HHS auditorium.
- Students will be dismissed at 11:30 AM on Wednesday 12/6 so teachers can spend the afternoon in professional development workshops. No lunch will be served at school that day.

- HHS science teacher and former track coach, Dawn Diedricksen, will receive a regional “Coach of the Year” award from the [NFHS](#) at the MIAA’s annual banquet in Milford on Wednesday 12/6.
- The work of HHS artists will be displayed at an “Art Showcase” in Room 103 from Monday 12/11 through Friday 12/15.

Please note: As a security enhancement, HHS has eliminated the rear door between the gym and auto shop as an entrance for students before school. This door will remain locked in the morning and throughout the school day. Before 8 AM, all students should enter the building at the main Union Street entrance or the side Pleasant Street door. After 8 AM, any late arrivals should enter at the main door.

A message from the HPS Social Studies Program Review Team: “Hingham Public Schools is currently undergoing a program review of our K-12 social studies curriculum, instruction, and assessment. As part of this process, we are seeking feedback from students, teachers, and community members. In this [survey](#), we are asking you to reflect on your child(ren)’s social studies classes taken in the Hingham Public Schools. Your responses are anonymous. The estimated time to complete the [survey](#) is three minutes. Thank you!

Finally, a message from the six HPS principals that will be included in every Hingham school’s newsletter this week: “We know that making ends meet can sometimes get difficult for some of the families in our HPS community. Therefore, we want to let you know that there are individuals in each of our schools who are ready to provide information and assistance. With that in mind, please be aware that access to government programs and other resources that are donated by a very generous Hingham community may be available to help families in times of financial or other need. Some examples of such outreach include the state supported free breakfast/ lunch program (free for all permanently) and assistance with costs such as with athletics, bus/field trips, school pictures, and tuition fees. As well, because of the generosity and caring of parents and others in our community, we are able to support families during the holiday seasons. Please don’t hesitate to contact an administrator, the school nurse, or counseling personnel in your child’s school if you need any kind of assistance. Please be assured that your request will be managed in a way that respects your rights for confidentiality.”


The [full school calendar](#) can always be viewed on the HHS website. Look for details on the [website](#) and in our [weekly PTO newsletter](#).

Have a great weekend!

Principal Swanson


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 PHOTO OF THE WEEK

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At  we think small



FRUITKINSTEIN'S MONSTER
by DAVID BENNION



SALT & PEPPER
by LOGAN TRAYNOR



CORNER 3
by NICK SEIBEL

WE NEED COUPONS!

We are going to complete an "Extreme Couponing" project in **Algebra 1 Linear Emphasis**.

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Please consider donating the newspaper coupon inserts to our project including P&G brandSAVER, SmartSource and Save.

Coupons can be dropped off in **Room 225** or in the **HHS Main Office** until December 5, 2023.

Other coupons (catalinas, online coupons, manufacturer coupons, etc.) are also appreciated! We will be purchasing items at Stop & Shop and donating them to the Hingham Food Pantry.





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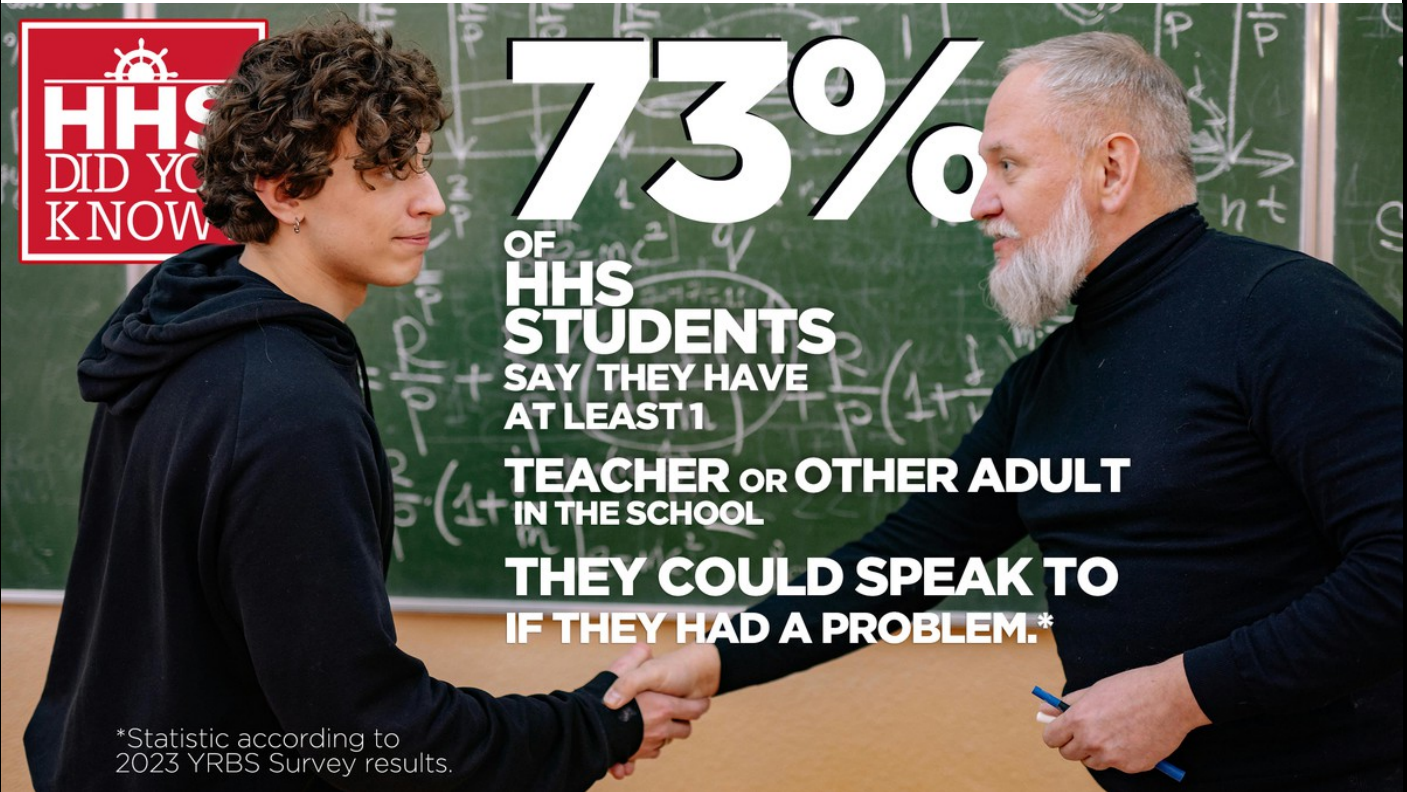
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**OF
HHS
STUDENTS
SAY THEY HAVE
AT LEAST 1**

**TEACHER OR OTHER ADULT
IN THE SCHOOL**

**THEY COULD SPEAK TO
IF THEY HAD A PROBLEM.***

*Statistic according to
2023 YRBS Survey results.






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 —CLASS OF 2024—

The **Class of 2024** Holiday Wreath Fundraiser deadline has been extended to **DECEMBER 17!**

Easy online ordering at
www.devaughnsridgeflorist.com

Fundraising efforts for the Class of 2024 and Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

Click here for the order form.

FRI	DEC 01 7:00 P.M. LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS	SAT	DEC 02 7:00 P.M. LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS	SAT	DEC 02 SAT TESTING ALL DAY
SAT	DEC 02 SE JUNIOR DISTRICT AUDITIONS FURNACE BROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL	TUES	DEC 03 STUDENT/PRINCIPAL FORUM 2:45, ROOM 103	TUES	DEC 03 CHORUS WINTER CONCERT 7 P.M. HHS AUDITORIUM
WED	DEC 06 EARLY RELEASE 11:30 A.M.	THURS	DEC 07 BAND WINTER CONCERT 7 P.M. HHS AUDITORIUM		

DECEMBER SPORTS CALENDAR



Mr. Swanson
Principal



