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As we passed the midpoint of the school year...

- We learned that <u>Nora Andrews '24</u> will represent MA as a 2024 U.S. Presidential Scholar Nominee. She is the first HHS student to advance to the national round of the Presidential Scholar program.
- After an audition of more than a thousand music students from across the state, two HHS students, vocalists <u>Nicholas Roche and Ethan Warhaftig</u>, were accepted into the MMEA All State Music Festival. They will perform in the All-State Concert at Boston Symphony Hall on Saturday 3/23. This is an incredible achievement, and a great honor, not only for Nick and Ethan, but for our whole school!
- Paul Canniff, veteran HHS math teacher and head wrestling coach, earned his <u>300th career</u> <u>victory</u> in a meet on Saturday 1/20.
- We learned that <u>Ryan Chang '25</u> topped all local competitors in the MA Mathematics Olympiad and will advance to a second competition next month. He is the first HHS student to do so in at least 17 years!
- HHS was featured in an important <u>Boston Sunday Globe</u> article about Holocaust studies.
- HHS students completed midyear exams on Tuesday 1/23 and started the second semester the next day.
- 24 HHS students departed for the <u>Harvard Model UN</u>, the nation's "oldest, largest, and most prestigious UN simulation for high school students," yesterday. For three days, they will represent China and Pakistan, while further developing their skills as leaders and peacemakers!
- Nick Seibel won the Photo of the Week award. There is no new survey this week since Term 3
 is just getting started. Photo of the Week returns next week. For all your up to the date arts
 images and news, check out these <u>instagram accounts</u>.
- Our "Friday Show" crew concluded the semester with one of their best segments of the year.
 The "Take the Lead" message delivers a clear vision about the kind of community we want at our school.

This morning, HHS students shared the following message during our morning announcements: "As we approach January 27th, we want to take a moment to reflect on an event in history that

profoundly shaped the world we live in today. The United Nations General Assembly designates January 27—the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau—as International Holocaust Remembrance Day. Holocaust Remembrance Day honors the memory of the six million Jewish men, women, and children who lost their lives during the Holocaust, as well as the millions of other innocent lives impacted by this dark chapter in human history. At HHS, we believe in the power of education and remembrance to ensure that such atrocities are never forgotten."

Looking ahead...

- The HHS chorus program will hold its <u>mattress sale fundraiser</u> at HHS on Sunday 1/28 from 10 AM 4 PM.
- School the World will share information about upcoming service trips at an information session at HHS (Room 131) on Monday 1/29 at 6:30 PM. STW's Student Service Program provides an inspiring service experience for high school students. While traveling to Guatemala, Panama, or Honduras, students will get to experience a new culture, make new friends, fulfill service hours, and create lasting relationships with children in the community, all while supporting infrastructure growth by building a school and/or playground.
- Report cards will be posted online on Wednesday 1/31.
- The music department will hold an all-town chorus concert in the middle school auditorium on Thursday 2/1 at 7 PM.
- <u>Registration remains open</u> for the preschool operated by HHS students in our Child Development program.
- Our school's third annual "<u>Unity Week</u>" will include a third annual Open Mic Night on Monday 2/5 at 7 PM. The event is free and open to the public. Interested participants should <u>register</u> online by Friday 2/2.

In other news: Like many other area high schools, HHS will pilot a school-day administration of the SAT this spring. We will offer the new computer-based version of the exam on Friday 4/12 from 8 - 11 AM. The "SAT School Day" is for juniors only, completely optional, and requires online registration. Juniors who do not take the SAT that day will attend their regular classes; meanwhile, class absences for those who take the SAT will be considered exempt.

Finally: As we begin the second semester, now is a perfect time for students to take stock, renew goals, and consider our school's many sources of support. In that spirit, our counseling department has developed a new infographic that summarizes the many supports available to HHS students. Now, on to the second semester!

The <u>daily notices</u> and <u>full school calendar</u> can always be viewed on the HHS website. Look for details on the <u>website</u> and in our <u>weekly PTO newsletter</u>.

Principal Swanson



January Gym All-Stars

Congratulations to our "Gym All Stars" for January: Jack Carleton, Noel Eigenmann and Kelsi Henning. Nobody can BUY these T-shirts; you have to EARN them!



Model UN Field Trip

The delegates from China and Pakistan will soon be arriving at the Harvard Model UN, the nation's "oldest, largest, and most prestigious UN simulation for high school students." Further proof that, here at HHS, core values like Global Citizenship are more than words!



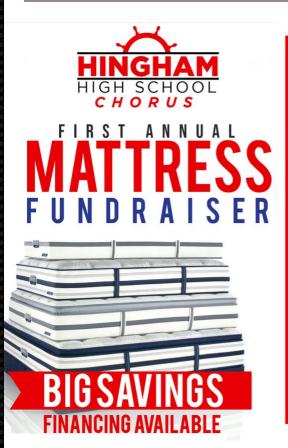
Hingham Public Library Art Show

It's not too late to catch HHS artwork on on display at the Hingham Public Library.

Stop by between now and the end of January to check out their fantastic work!















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