

HHS SCHOOL COUNCIL

February 28, 2024 (5 PM) in the HHS library and via [Zoom](#)

1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM [DECEMBER](#) AND [JANUARY](#)

2 - SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GOAL #2 (COMMUNITY SERVICE)

Updates and discussion of next steps.

3 - SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GOAL #5 (SENSE OF BELONGING)

Discussion and feedback about [Unity Week](#) (2/5 - 2/9) at HHS.

4 - MIDYEAR AND FINAL EXAMS

HHS department directors and coordinators have discussed 1) administering exams by *period* instead of by *department*; and 2) reducing the value of the exams from 10% to 5% of the final grade. The second change has also been recommended by the Student Advisory Committee. What do you think?

5 - UPCOMING MEETINGS

Next HHS School Council meetings: 3/20, 4/24, 5/15, and 6/12

Addendum

School Council Members 2023-2024

1. Accettella, Laura - Parent*
2. Besser, Renee - Parent**
3. Blidner, Griffin - Student, Grade 9
4. Garland, Glenda - HHS Faculty
5. LaFond, Grace - Student, Grade 12
6. Lee, Jasper - Community Representative (HHS Class of 2023)
7. Lefort, Alexis - Parent*
8. Manning, Kaitlyn - Student, Grade 10
9. Mathews, Jessica - HHS Faculty
10. O'Horo, Susan - Parent***
11. Sutton, Katie - Community Representative

12. Swanson, Peter - Community Representative
13. Swanson, Rick - HHS Principal
14. Varholak, Ava - Student, Grade 12
15. Whitlock, Isabella - Student, Grade 12

School Committee Liaison - Michelle Ayer

*Elected to membership in 2023 and now in Year 1 of a 2-year term

**Elected to membership in 2022 and now in Year 2 of a 2-year term

***Elected In October 2023 to complete the final year of Josh Ross' 2-year term

Chair (1) - Swanson

Co-Chair (1) - TBD

Secretary (1) - TBD

Parents (4) - Accettella, Besser, Lefort, O'Horo

Students (5) - Blidner, LaFond, Manning, Varholak, and Whitlock

Community Reps (3) - Lee, Sutton, P. Swanson

Faculty & Staff (2) - Garland, Mathews

The School Improvement Plan for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years:

1. Promote civic engagement for HHS students.
2. Expand community service opportunities for HHS students.
3. Explore the creation of "Pathways" for HHS students.
4. Bolster the school's commitment to and practice of "Environmental Stewardship" as a Core Value.
5. Build community and strengthen school culture in ways that promote a genuine "sense of belonging" for all members.