

SCHOOL COUNSELING NEWSLETTER

February 2019

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From the Director's Chair

Spring is the perfect time to get acquainted with the guidance department. Counselors are meeting with all underclassman to select courses for the 2019-2020 school year. Course selection sheets are to be signed and returned to the guidance office by March 15, 2019. If they are not returned, students will be given courses agreed upon when they met with their counselor. Course requests may be altered up through May 1, 2019. Please have your child see his/her counselor to make any necessary changes.

Marking Period 3 will be ending April 5th, so please encourage your child to continue to keep up with his/her studies. Remember to check students' progress regularly in PowerSchool. It is never too late to turn things around. As always, the guidance department is here to assist you. Please call or email us if you need anything.

Four year colleges and universities have already sent letters to applicants of their decisions for admission. Remember to inform your counselor of college responses as soon as possible. This includes: acceptances, rejections, and waitlisted placements. In addition, inform your counselor of any and all merit scholarship awards which have been offered to you. Keep up the good work! College Day at HHS will be observed on May 1st.

Counselors will be meeting with juniors and their parents to explore college and career plans in March and April. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend, and appointments will be posted outside the guidance office in late March. Discussions will include student and parent responsibilities, researching colleges, *Naviance* overview, and the college application process. In most instances, this is the first step on the road to selecting colleges that are right for the student. Parents who are unable to attend appointments may call their child's counselor to schedule an alternate date/time.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards,

Jaime Walker

ACT and SAT Testing Dates and Registration Deadlines

| ACT Date | Registration Deadline | Late Registration Deadline | |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|--|
| April 13, 2019 | March 8, 2019 | March 9-25, 2019 | |
| June 8, 2019 | May 3, 2019 | May 4-20, 2019 | |
| July 13, 2019 | June 14, 2019 | June 15-24, 2019 | |

| SAT Date | Registration Deadline | Late Registration Deadline |
|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| March 9, 2019 | February 8, 2019 | February 27, 2019 |
| May 4, 2019 | April 5, 2019 | April 24, 2019 |
| June 1, 2019* | May 3, 2019 | May 22, 2019 |

^{*}SAT will be offered at HHS. Register for the ACT at act, org and SAT at collegeboard.org.

AP Exam Schedule

| AP Exam | Date | Time | |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------|--|
| Environmental Science | Monday, May 6 | Noon | |
| Spanish Language and Culture | Tuesday, May 7 | 8 am | |
| Physics 1: Algebra Based | Tuesday, May 7 | Noon | |
| English Literature and Composition (AP English 4) | Wednesday, May 8 | 8 am | |
| Chemistry | Thursday, May 9 | 8 am | |
| Psychology | Thursday, May 9 Noon | | |
| U.S. History | Friday, May 10 | 8 am | |
| Studio Art | Online | Submittal due date is: Friday, May 10 | |
| Biology | Monday, May 13 | 8 am | |
| Calculus AB | Tuesday, May 14 | 8 am | |
| Calculus BC | Tuesday, May 14 | 8 am | |
| English Language and Composition (AP English 3) | Wednesday, May 15 | 8 am | |
| Music Theory | Friday, May 17 8 am | | |

Scholarship Bulletin

The Scholarship Bulletin is a running list of national, state and county scholarships that are available on *Naviance*. Go to "Scholarships" in *Naviance Student*, http://student.naviance.com/hopatcong.

Seniors are encouraged to apply for all applicable scholarships. Applications for scholarships can be obtained through *Naviance*. Please see the description of each scholarship for directions on how to apply. Please contact your school counselor with any questions.

In addition, local scholarship packets will be provided to all seniors in March. Seniors will have approximately 10 days to complete the local scholarship applications. No applications will be accepted after the established deadline - **NO EXCEPTIONS**. This information will be available at *www.hopatcongschools.org* once the packets have been distributed to all seniors.

School Counseling Department Contact Information & Student Assignments

Director of Guidance

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Counselors

| | Class of 2019 Grade 12 | Class of 2020 Grade 11 | Class of 2021 Grade 10 | Class of 2022 Grade 9 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
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