



# GUIDANCE NEWSLETTER

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## *From the Director's Chair*

As we wrap up another great year at HHS, I would like to remind you of a few items. The Guidance Office will be open during the summer months, Monday through Friday 7:30am until 3:05pm. Please call the office to make an appointment so that we may assist you with your needs.

Please be sure to refer to our website for important summer opportunities, summer assignments and community service ideas. We will be offering summer college courses through Sussex County Community College (SCCC). Check out this link for more information: <http://www.hopatcongschools.org/files/hs/SCCC%20Summer%202017%20Course.png>

If you have any concerns about your child's 2017-2018 schedule, please contact his/her counselor. Schedules will be available on PowerSchool in August. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

*Jaime Walker*

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## *Community Service: Graduation Requirement (beginning with the class of 2018)*

*Submit your record of ten community service hours to your guidance counselor by June 1. This is a part of your total forty hour community service requirement for graduation. Access the following link for details:*

<http://www.hopatcongschools.org/hs/p/guidance/communityservicerequirement>

## *End of Course Biology Exam*

As part of a statewide initiative, we will be administering the NJ Biology Competency Test (NJBCT). All students enrolled in Biology Honors, Biology CP, and Study of Life, must take the NJBCT. Below is the testing schedule:

DATE	TEST	MORNING TESTING TIME
May 31	NJBCT, Day 1	approx. 7:30am – 11:00am
June 1	NJBCT, Day 2	approx. 7:30am – 11:00am

*“The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.”*

*~ Eleanor Roosevelt*



*“Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined.”*

*- Henry David Thoreau*



**Working papers are available in the Main Office!**



*“Nothing ever comes to one, that is worth having, except as a result of hard work.”*

*~ Booker T. Washington*

All students planning to attend Sussex County Community College (SCCC) or County College of Morris (CCM): Be sure to take the Accuplacer in order to register for courses in the Fall 2017.

**Upcoming Events:**

- May 31 & June 1 – NJ Biology Competency Test
- May 29 – Holiday/No School
- June 3 – SAT administration, HHS
- June 6 – Senior Awards, 7pm
- June 7 – Faculty Night Live, 7pm
- June 7 & 8 – NJ Biology Competency Test Make-ups
- June 15, 16, 19, 20 – Half Days /Final Exams
- June 21 – Half day; Graduation, 6pm

**College Acceptances**

Congratulations to seniors who have been accepted to post-secondary institutions. Please be sure to notify your guidance counselor of any new acceptances, and of the school you wish to attend once you have made that decision. Please also inform your counselor of all merit scholarship awards which have been offered to you. If you have yet to decide on a school, consider some of the following variables:

- \*Location (surrounding community) and Size (school population)
- \*Living Accommodations (residence halls and off campus housing)
- \*Scholarship Opportunities and total cost (tuition, room and board)
- \*Level of Athletic Participation (Division I, II, or III)

**College Planning for Juniors**

Counselors are still accepting appointments to assist juniors and their parents with college and career planning. In this meeting, discussions will pertain to student and parent responsibilities, researching colleges, internet information, and the college application process. In most instances, this is the first step on the road to selecting appropriate colleges. Please call the guidance office to schedule an appointment with your son or daughter’s counselor.

**Final Examinations**

See the Final exam schedule below which is also posted on our school website. The school will be running on a half day schedule during exams.

TIME	Thursday, June 15	Friday, June 16	Monday, June 19	Tuesday, June 20	Wednesday, June 21
7:25 – 9:25 am	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 8	Last Day/
9:30 – 11:30am	Period 4	Period 5	Period 6	Period 7	Early Dismissal
7:25 – 1:55pm	No Make-Up Exams	Make-Up Exams (Library)	Make-Up Exams (Library)	Make-Up Exams (Library)	Make-Up Exams (Library)

**Bus Transportation:**

Busses arrive at school regular time.

**Thursday, June 15 – Wednesday, June 21**

- Early dismissal busses pick up at 9:30 am.
- Regular dismissal busses pick up at 11:30 am.
- There are no late busses on the above dates.

**Summer School**

If your child anticipates having to attend summer school, please be aware of the following guidelines:

1. All courses must be approved by the counselor.
2. Summer school credit will not be accepted without the **“HHS Summer School Review Course Approval”** form (available in Guidance).
3. Students are permitted to attend the approved summer schools, as listed below. Specific applications and approval forms for each school are required, in addition to the HHS summer school approval form.

SCHOOL	PHONE	WEBSITE
Mount Olive	973-691-4006 X 5682	<a href="http://www.mtoliveboe.org">www.mtoliveboe.org</a>
NJ Virtual High School	732-389-5555 X 1074	<a href="http://www.njvs.org">www.njvs.org</a>
Penn Foster High School	800-961-6407 X 6780 Linda Boczar	Register over the phone with Linda Boczar
Lenape Valley Regional High School	973-347-7600 X 5120	<a href="http://www.lvhs.org">www.lvhs.org</a>
Acellus Virtual School	Register with school counselor	Register with school counselor