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ARHS Happenings Newsletter



“If you can't fly then run, if you can't run then walk, if you can't walk then crawl, but whatever you do you have to keep moving forward.” –Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

This weekend, we honor as a nation the great leader and civil rights advocate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. During these past few weeks, we have focused on the idea of grit and persistence through Spartan Seminar and other programming. Next week, we will end the 1st semester with the midterm exam period. The core belief of

persistence is an essential skill to accomplishing our goals. Dr. King set an amazing example not only in his work for equality and justice, but also through his demonstration of how important perseverance is in leading a successful life. One example of our strong community that values perseverance was evident on Wednesday night at Link Crew's annual "Cocoa and Cram." As one of the advisors put it, "we had the most well-behave and studious groups ever." I'm proud of the work our students and faculty have accomplished so far this academic year, and am excited to see what they can "make happen" next week during exams and on through to the second semester, starting January 23rd. Have a great weekend.

Sincerely,

Anna N. Mahon
Principal

High School Happenings and Information

Midterm Exam schedule and information: Midterm exams will begin on January 17th and run through January 21st. The midterm exam schedule can be found [here](#). If, for any reason, a student needs to reschedule an exam (due to sudden illness, emergency, etc), the student must receive written permission from his/her associate principal before rescheduling with the teacher. Please call the main office, 203-397-4830, if you have any questions.

8th Grade Parent Night: Save the date! Parents of current 8th grade students are encouraged to attend an informational session on **Thursday, January 26th at 6:30 pm** in the Brady Center. Amity High School department chairs and administrators will provide an overview of the courses and programs offered at the high school. This event will provide important information as we begin the 2017-2018 course selection and registration process.

Yearbook Purchases: Pre-order your yearbook today before it's too late! The price of the yearbook will increase to \$80 on January 16th! To place your order, visit our website at amitymembers.com. For further information on purchasing a yearbook, e-mail the yearbook advisors, Ken Clark and Tim Gaipa, at embers@amityschools.org.

2nd Marking Period/Midterm Exam Grades: January 20th also marks the official end of the 2nd marking period, with 3rd marking period scheduled to begin on January 23rd. The PowerSchool parent and student portals will be disabled on January 18th for teachers to input 2nd marking period and exam grades. Grades for 2nd marking period and midterm exams will be posted on PowerSchool by 5:00 p.m. on January 26th.

Independent Study Info: Juniors and seniors who are interested in doing an Independent Study for second semester need to hand in completed applications to Courtney Campbell by Friday, February 3rd. Students can obtain applications from Mrs. Campbell or download it from the [website](#).

Senior Section:

Seniors: All volunteer hours need to be completed by March 31st and turned in to Mrs. Vallie in the Career Center if you are looking to fulfill the 100 hour designation at graduation.

Seniors: Mid-year transcripts will be sent to all schools listed in your Naviance list beginning the first week of February.

Yearbook Senior Dedication Ads: The deadline for senior dedication ad purchases has been extended to Friday, January 27th. Don't miss out on your chance to honor and encourage your graduating senior in a book that he or she will keep for years to come! We have several size options for your special message and photograph(s)—see our website information and pricing. Need some inspiration? Visit our website at amityembers.com to see examples of past senior ads. Questions? Contact the yearbook advisors, Ken Clark and Tim Gaipa, at embers@amityschools.org.

Early Dismissal/Late Arrival: Reminder to all seniors that would like to have early dismissal or late arrival for the second semester. You must print a copy of your semester 2 schedule, circle the days that you would like to arrive late or leave early during a STUDY HALL, have a parent sign the sheet, and submit it to the attendance clerk in the main office. Even if you had this privilege first semester, you MUST do it again for the second semester. You may not use this privilege until the paperwork is completed. Once you have handed your completed sheet in to the office, you may begin leaving early or arriving late.

Important Reminders

Student Government Annual Clothing Drive: The Amity Clothing Drive is underway! Please consider donating any new or used clothing items. All items go to help families in need from domestic violence. Please see this [flyer](#) for more information.

2017 AP Exam Registration: For the 2017 AP exams, students at Amity Regional High School will be **registering online**. This registration will take a few minutes and can be completed from any computer with internet access. This year, each AP exam costs \$97.00. Students requiring financial assistance should contact Mrs. Gerilyn Ferguson (Gerilyn.Ferguson@reg5.k12.ct.us) in the Amity Counseling Dept. Online Exam registration will begin on Fri, Jan 20, 2017 at 3:00 PM and end on Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 11:59 PM. A late fee of \$10 will be assessed for any registrations that come in after Fri, Feb 10th at 11:59 PM. In order to register, students should click on [this link](#) to register. To complete registration, students must answer all of the required questions. Registration is not complete until students have printed the PDF of the confirmation page that is provided at the end. We strongly recommend that parents and students are both present while registering to ensure that the correct exams are ordered.

Notes from the Counseling Department

Career and College of the Week: This year the Career Center will highlight a complementary career and college of the week. This week, the career is [Petroleum Engineer](#) and the college is [Colorado School of Mines](#). Students will receive an e-mail that details aspects of the varying careers and colleges. Students can also view the bulletin boards in the Career Center and/or speak with the Career Center staff for details.

Senior Service Learning Program (SSLP) Information: Seniors that have applied and been allowed to proceed with the prospect of participating in the 2017 SSLP will need to complete and turn in a work-related resume by Friday, February 10th. Karen Waterman will offer resume writing workshops during the following dates: February 6-February 9.

Naviance Parent Workshop: Parents who want to learn more about Naviance Family Connection may come to the Naviance Family Connection Parent Workshop on Thursday, February 16 at 7:30 am or 2:30 pm in computer lab room 501. College and Career Counselor, Karen Waterman, will walk parents through the benefits of Naviance. To sign up, please contact Paula Vallie in the Career Center at 203-397-4836 or by email at Paula.Vallie@reg5.k12.ct.us

ASVAB Career Exploration Program: The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) is a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. The ASVAB will be administered at Amity High School on Tuesday, February 7th beginning at 8:00AM to interested sophomores, juniors and seniors. We will ask the students to arrive at 7:34AM. If your child takes the ASVAB, they do not have any obligation to the US Armed Services. It is a comprehensive battery that will look at ability, along with interests to explore possible career choices. For more information, please contact Karen Waterman in the Career Center at Karen.Waterman@reg5.k12.ct.us or you child's school counselor. It is recommended that students prepare for the test; student can access the free ASVAB practice [test](#).

Local Scholarship Opportunities: The **Orange Scholarship Fund Association** is awarding scholarships to help students further their education after high school. Applicants must be an Orange resident. The award is based on need, academic achievement, and service to the community. Scholarship money has been raised through the generosity of Orange businesses and professional and resident donors. The deadline to apply is April 15, 2017. Applicants can obtain an application in the Career Center.

The **Bethany Lions Club** Scholarship Committee has established four scholarships of \$2,000 each and one scholarship of \$3,000 for high school seniors attending college in the fall of 2017. Applicants must be a Bethany resident. Applications are available at the Clark Memorial Library, the Bethany Town Hall and the Amity High School Career Center. The deadline to apply is May 1, 2017.

What's Happening in Athletics?

Athletic Department Website: For all information regarding practice and athletic schedules for winter sports, please refer to the athletic department's website [here](#).

For a copy of next week's competition schedule, see [here](#).

For a copy of this week's results, see [here](#).

Community Happenings:

Woodbridge Town Library: The library is offering a free practice test for the ACT local area high school students. Take a full-length practice test given under the same testing conditions as the actual exam and get a personalized score report that shows your strengths and weaknesses. The practice test will take place on Saturday, January 21, 2017 from 10:30am -2:30pm. Students will receive detailed feedback within three weeks. Seating is limited. Please register [here](#).

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