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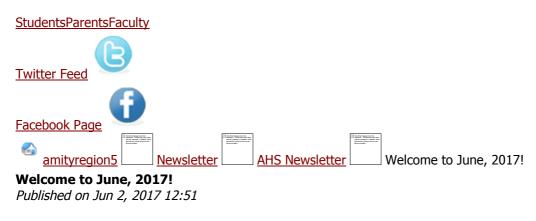
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This has been another busy week of celebrating and end-of-year activities. We held our final PTSO meeting of the year on Tuesday, the Link Crew Tie Dye Day on Thursday along with the annual Board of Education Dinner in honor of retirees sponsored by the superintendent's office and <u>senior awards night</u> on Thursday, and the 2017 yearbook dedication/senior distribution on Friday during the last session of the day. Finally, tonight we will hold this year's Pops Concert-Pops Unplugged- in the Black Box Theater starting at 7:00.

Pythagoras is quoted as having said, "Friends share all things." It is under the auspices of that sentiment that we have instituted a new component to this year's Senior Service Learning Program (SSLP). At the conclusion of the program, all students will be required to share a poster presentation during the first three exam slots at the end of next week. The format will be similar to a science fair and **we encourage all juniors** who do not have an exam during session 1, 2 or 3 **to come by the cafeteria to visit the SSLP stations** and learn from their senior peers about the program and the various placements from this year. For more information, please contact Karen Waterman in the Career Center. Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

Anna N. Mahon Principal

High School Happenings and Information

POPs Unplugged: Join us tonight in the Black Box theater at 7:00 for the annual POPs concert. This year's theme is "POPs Unplugged." Come enjoy the amazing talents of some of our students under the direction of our amazing new choir director, Marcia Rizzotti.

Graduation letters to seniors and parents: The official letters for graduation to <u>seniors</u> and <u>parents</u> will give you information regarding the procedures leading up to and including graduation. As a brief reminder, graduation will take place on Wednesday, June 14th at 4:00. Seniors have 2 mandatory graduation rehearsals (see attached letters) on Monday, 6/12 and Tuesday, 6/13 following the senior breakfast.

Thank you for senior awards: Many thanks to our PTO, alumni, community members and organizations, and the US Military for helping us have a successful Senior Awards Night. We presented 98 awards and 182 scholarships totaling \$93, 799.00 to 107 members of the Class of 2017!!!

Seniors: Please be sure you go into Naviance to complete the Senior Graduation Survey and update the college/university you will attend. Final transcripts will be sent to schools beginning on June 19th.

Awesome Opportunity-Duality School of Music: Next fall, Amity alumni Jeff Gitelman (class of 2000) will be offering a 6-8 week long after-school class for New Haven area students who are interested in learning about the music business. Please see <u>this attachment</u> for more information. <u>This link</u> also has more information about Jeff and his program.

Important Notice - Returning Student Registration: On June 5th all Amity families will receive an email on how to fill out your child's information for PowerSchool. The email will go to all guardians that are listed in PowerSchool, however you only have to fill out a reregistration form once for each child that you have in the district. You can make an appointment with the technology department, located in the high school, if you do not have access to a computer. Call (203)397-4830 to make that appointment. When filling out all the information on InfoSnap, please use either Google Chrome or Firefox as your browsers. Internet Explorer and Safari sometimes do not load all the information correctly. It is also better to use a Mac or a PC rather than your phone to fill out this information. All Acceptable Use policies and handbooks will be accepted online through this process. Please have all the information filled out as soon as possible, so your child will have access to all programs including PowerSchool in the fall. PowerSchool access to fourth quarter and final grades will not be available to students or parents until this process has been completed.

Final Grades in PowerSchool: As the end of the school year approaches, it is time for teachers to begin entering final grades and comments in PowerSchool. The PowerSchool Parent/Student Portals will be

unavailable starting 8:00am, Tuesday, June 6. Fourth quarter and final grades will be available in PowerSchool by Friday, June 16 at 8:00am, except for students who have outstanding obligations and for parents who have not completed the returning student registration process as outlined above.

Class of 2018 Senior Portraits: This past Tuesday during a junior class assembly, the class of 2018 was provided with information regarding their upcoming senior portrait sessions. These sessions will be held in the district presentation room next week (June 5th-9th) from 2:30 until 4:30. Juniors should be on the lookout for letters from Robert Taylor Photography with appointment dates and times as well as other important information; these letters will be mailed home. Appointment dates are also posted by both the main office and the yearbook office. We want all seniors to be in the yearbook, so please note that there is no charge for a single sitting. If your child cannot make his/her appointment, please call Robert Taylor Photography directly at (203) 377-0739 to reschedule. If you have any questions about senior portraits, please visit the yearbook website or contact the yearbook advisors, Ken Clark and Tim Gaipa, at embers@amityschools.org.

Medication pick-up reminder: Parents/Guardians should pick up student medication from the health office by Tuesday, June 13th 12 p.m. Medication will not be stored at the school over the summer. Any medication not picked up by this time will be disposed of. Please contact the health office at 203-397-4850 for any questions.

PTSO NEEDS YOUR HELP: The PTSO is in need of volunteers to help inflate and deliver Amity Senior Graduation Balloons. We need an army to help make this event a great success. Operation Senior Balloons begins on Saturday, June 10th at 9:00 a.m -3:00 p,m. and Monday June 12th 9:00 am - 9:00 pm in the ARHS cafe Please consider sign up for a time. If you can only do an hour, that is fine. Please include your email address in the comment section of the doodle sign up. We appreciate any time you can give to this event. Any questions can be directed to Kathy Sabitsky at ksabitsky@gmail.com. Thank you to everyone who has signed up for a time slot already!

Important Reminders

Final Exam Schedule: Final exams for the 2016-2017 school year will begin on June 8th and run through the last day of school, June 14th. We will have 2 exams per day, with each exam running 2 hours a piece. Make-up sessions are built in to each day after the regularly scheduled exam period and on the last day of school (June 14th). If a student misses an exam for any reason, he or she needs to receive written permission from the associate principals authorizing the switch. The exam schedule can be found here.

PTSO Senior Graduation Balloons: Do you know a Graduating ARHS Senior? Make that senior smile by sending a "Congratulations Amity Grad" Balloon. The Amity High School P.T.S.O. is once again sponsoring "Operation Graduation 2017 Balloons" for Amity Seniors. The balloons will be delivered and tied to the graduate's mailbox before graduation over the course of 2 days June 10th and June 12th. Proceeds go to the Amity High School P.T.S.O., including the P.T.S.O. Scholarship Fund. We now have two ways to order balloons. You may order online or by using this order form. Orders have been extended to June 7th.

Senior Breakfast: The annual senior breakfast sponsored by the PTSO will be held on June 13at 9:30 prior to mandatory graduation rehearsals. The PTSO is looking for donations from families or local restaurants of food and drink items, volunteers for set up and serving, and gift card for raffle. If you would like to donate, please contact Eileen Babbitz. eileenebean@aol.com

OB/OA Big Reveal: We had the big reveal for this year's book *Everyday* on Tuesday, May 23rd. Students who are the youngest members of their families received the book during our final Spartan Seminar. In addition, teachers from the high school met with all 8th graders to present the book. Please see this link to watch the

reveal video. Along with our OBOA book, we invite all students to participate in the <u>Governor's Summer Reading Challenge</u>.

ECA Dance Program: Please see this flyer for more information about the dance program at ECA.

What's Happening in Athletics?

Athletic Department Website: For all information regarding athletics, please visit the department's website here.

Please note that there is a mandatory meeting for all students interested in participating in 2017 fall sports on Monday, June 5th, at 5:30 in the Amity Regional High School main gymnasium. Please contact the athletic office if you have questions.

For a copy of next week's schedule, please click here.

Results-Unfortunately, scores are not yet posted on the CIAC for the State Tournaments that happened this week. The teams continuing with States are reflected in the schedule for the upcoming week.

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