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Thanksgiving 2016

### Thanksgiving 2016

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### ARHS Happenings Newsletter



This [TedTalk](#) focuses on the benefits and necessity of saying “thank you.” There are so many people I feel the need to say thank you to because of the work they do to make Amity Regional High School such an amazing place. While it would be impossible for me to thank everyone personally, I want to thank the ARHS parents for their support, through such things as PTSO and other extra-curricular activities, and through your feedback in such forms as emails and the climate survey. Without your work, our school would not be the place it is today. Thank you, also, to our students. I have been so impressed with the work they are getting done in and

out of the classroom. As an example, this past weekend's Homecoming Dance was the most widely attended and best organized in my experience at Amity. Another example is today's Day of Gratitude program along with the month-long focus on fighting hunger, which were both largely supported by students volunteering to help with the details. Finally, thank you to the teachers, staff and administrators who continue to work tirelessly on all fronts at ARHS. There is a strong sense of community that continues to grow throughout the school. The Penny Wars culminated in a flurry of activity on Tuesday, with a total school-wide collection of over \$1500, all of which will be donated to Goods For Good and fight hunger in Malawi. Thank you for working to make our day of gratitude be the culmination of a month of making it happen.

Sincerely,

Anna N. Mahon  
Principal

### High School Happenings and Information

**Student Health Survey:** All 9th and 11th grade students will be taking a health survey sponsored by the Bethany Orange Woodbridge Local Prevention Council and Alliance for Prevention & Wellness. The survey will be given during Spartan Seminar on December 6th.

**BOW Parent Breakfast:** Please join us in this community conversation and learn more about your local BOW collaborative and the supports that are available to parents and families. Information can be found [here](#).

**PTSO Holiday Basket Donations Needed:** Every year the Amity High School PTSO collects donations for 3 families from the high school community who need some support during the holidays. If you wish to contribute cash, gift cards or gifts, please drop off your donations to the main office by December 9<sup>th</sup>. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

**Amity Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Visiting Day/Fall Play:** On December 9<sup>th</sup>, the 8<sup>th</sup> grades from each middle school will be visiting the high school to begin the orientation process to the Program of Studies and to watch the ARHS fall play *Our Town*. More details will follow.

**Amity High School Trident Newspaper:** The Trident school newspaper can now be found [online](#). It is posted by Valley Publishing; the November issue is currently available.

### Important Reminders

**Parent Climate Survey:** This year, we have moved our climate survey to a little later in the fall to give everyone a chance to settle in to the school year. Please take a few minutes between now and November 30<sup>th</sup> to take the annual fall [climate survey](#) to provide us valuable feedback on our school and community.

**Parent-Conference Sign Ups:** The parent-teacher conference sign up is now open through [Virtual Paragon](#). Please take some time to review your child's report card and have a discussion with your child. Please also remember that teachers are available for conversations, by appointment, after school or to have a phone conversation at any point. If you are unable to meet with a teacher during the allotted parent-conference schedule but would still like to set up a time to talk, please contact that teacher directly and he/she will get back to you to set up a time to talk.

**Amity Theater Fall Play:** The Amity High School Theater Department is happy to announce that tickets are now on sale for Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize-winning drama *Our Town*. The public performance will take place on Friday December 9<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 8pm. *Our Town* presents a timeless tale of everyday life in the fictional

Grover's Corners, New Hampshire. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.amitytheaterdepartment.com](http://www.amitytheaterdepartment.com) or by calling (203)-392-2019.

**AmityTalks:** AmityTalks is back! We will hold our first round of AmityTalks on December 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 in the Black Box Theater. We invite anyone interested in speaking to [apply](#). We plan on holding at least 2 AmityTalks this year. Thank you!

**School Spirit Gear:** Are you interested in having more ARHS gear? If so, please visit the [online store](#) before the end of the day today (11/23) and follow the instructions.

### Notes from the Counseling Department

**College Visits:** There are no college visits next week.

**UNH Field Admission Day:** [University of New Haven](#) will hold a Field Admission Day at Amity Regional High School on Monday, December 5th. Interested seniors may meet with a UNH admission's representative on-site. UNH admissions representatives will review completed applications and provide on-the-spot admission notifications. Students must apply through [The Common Application](#) by November 28th. Interested seniors are asked to speak school counselors or see Mrs. Vallie in the Career Center to schedule a meeting.

**WCSU Direct Admission Day:** [Western Connecticut State University](#) will hold a Field Admission Day at Amity Regional High School on Friday, December 16th. Interested seniors may meet with a WCSU admission's representative on-site. WCSU admissions representatives will review completed applications and provide on-the-spot admission notifications. Students must apply through The Common Application or the WCSU application by December 9th. Interested seniors are asked to speak school counselors or see Mrs. Vallie in the Career Center to schedule a meeting.

**Gateway Community College Field Trip:** The Counseling Department is offering a free field trip to interested juniors and seniors to the New Haven campus of Gateway Community College. On Thursday, December 1st, students will be given a tour by an admissions representative and will learn more about the admission's process. If you feel your child would benefit from this field trip, please contact your child's school counselor for details.

**Community Service Texts:** If your child is interested in learning about upcoming community service opportunities, please have them sign up for Remind notifications from the Career Center. Please have your child **text the message @amityserve to 81010**. When the Career Center hears about a community service opportunity, we will share it with our service-minded students.

### What's Happening in Athletics?

**Annual Thanksgiving Football Game vs North Haven:** The Amity Regional High School Football team will compete against North Haven tomorrow morning at 10am for the annual North Haven vs Amity Thanksgiving Game. Come to support the Spartans in their last game of the 2016 season!

**Athletic Department Website:** For all information regarding practice and athletic schedules for winter sports,

please refer to the athletic department's website [here](#).

### Community Happenings:

**Student volunteer opportunity:** There are various volunteer opportunities, such as child care, food pantry help and senior center holiday fair, open to ARHS students and toy donation initiatives. If you are interested, please contact Nancy Pfund at 203-389-3429, or email [NPfund@woodbridgect.org](mailto:NPfund@woodbridgect.org) or Woodbridge Senior Center Director Jeanette Glicksman at 203-389-3430.

**Community Service Opportunity:** If anyone would like to help Woodbridge Human Services sort and organize the many boxes of food items that have been received., please contact Nancy Pfund ASAP at 203-389-3429 or email [NPfund@woodbridgect.org](mailto:NPfund@woodbridgect.org).

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