

ARHS HAPPENINGS NEWSLETTER



What an exciting day we had today! Throughout the day, the students who attended school participated in various workshops—some grade or school-wide, some small groups by choice—but all of them relevant to the life and times of an Amity Regional High School student. You can read descriptions of the various workshops [here](#) and see some pictures [here](#). Huge thanks to all of the students, teachers and administrators who helped make today happening through organizing the day, leading workshops and demonstrating such enthusiasm for the ARHS community. As Gandhi once said, “The best way to find yourself, is to lose yourself in the service of others.” We are ending the day with our annual Student Government Pep Rally before sending everyone off for the Thanksgiving break. What an awesome way to close out our month of collaboration and service!

Have a very happy Thanksgiving!!!

Sincerely,

Anna N. Mahon

Principal

Happenings and Information

Parent-Teacher Conferences: Please be reminded that there are two more parent-teacher conference dates/times: November 29 from 5pm-7:30pm and December 6 from 12:45pm-3:15 pm. If you encounter any problems signing up or have questions, please send an email: helpdesk@amityschools.org.

Junior class school counselor lessons: From November 30-December 5, the junior students will meet with the counseling department to complete a personality-type inventory in Naviance. This lesson will include: students discovering their four letter Myers-Briggs personality code, an explanation of the various codes,

strengths and blind spots pertaining to their personality codes, and potential careers of interest.

Attention Sophomores: ARHS will sponsor one sophomore student to attend the annual Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Seminar to be held from June 1-3, 2018 at the University of Bridgeport. Students spend the time on campus engaging in leadership development activities, collaborating with like-minded students from throughout the state, and exploring leadership from three perspectives: individual, group, and society. For more information about HOBY, please visit this [link](#). Interested students should see their counselor. Applications are due by Monday, November 27, 2017. Please be aware that the selected student is required to stay overnight on the campus of the University of Bridgeport under the supervision of HOBY for the entire duration of the event.

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.

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 8th. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Senior Happenings

Grade 12: Please be aware that December 11th is the transcript request deadline for any students who would like transcripts sent out for a 1/1/2018 application deadline.

UNH Field Admission Day: [University of New Haven](#) will hold a Field Admission Day at Amity Regional High School on Monday, December 11th. 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 December 4th. Interested seniors are asked to speak school counselors or see Mrs. Vallie in the Career Center to schedule a meeting.

Here are the minimum criteria that UNH shared. If you do not meet these criteria, please speak with your school counselor:

- 2.7 GPA
- 980 new SAT

Notes from Counseling Department

SAVE THE DATE-Post-Secondary Planning Night for juniors: A planning night for current juniors will be held on January 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the Brady Center. Parents and students are strongly encouraged to attend. Ann Fleming-Brown, Director of Admissions at Union College will be presenting on the college and university search and application process.

SAVE THE DATE-Gap Year Fair: Amity Regional High School will host a Gap Year Fair on January 10, 2018 from 6-8:30 pm. USA Gap Year Fairs is organizing the event which provides students with a broad exposure to Gap Year Programs and the opportunity for face-to-face conversations with professionals in the field. Many of these programs also offer summer opportunities for students. For more information and to register, please visit this [website](#).

Yale College Partnership: Amity juniors and seniors may enroll in one undergraduate course at Yale University as part of the Yale-New Haven/Area High School partnership program. Participants are responsible for tuition cost/fees and transportation to/from these college campuses. Students wishing to take a class at Yale, in addition to their required courses at Amity, during the Spring 2018 term must sign up for the mandatory orientation session scheduled at Yale on **Tuesday, December 5, 2017, from 3:00-4:00 p.m.** You must sign up for the orientation in the Counseling Office by December 1st.

Hamden Adult Education: The next registration for Semester 2 for the **Hamden Adult High School Credit Diploma Program** will be held Mon-Wed, Dec 18-20, 2017 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Hamden High School, Rm. D-102. Eligible students must be at least seventeen years of age and be officially withdrawn from high school.

Yale Summer Program: The Yale Young Global Scholars Program is offering a summer academic enrichment and leadership program for outstanding high school students from around the world. The YYGS offers six sessions at Yale's Campus in New Haven and one session in Beijing, China. Admission to the program is very selective and is offered to sophomores and juniors only. **The application deadline is February 6, 2018 at 11:59 PM.** For additional information, please **visit the [website](#)**.

Important Reminders

Amity Creative Theater Presents-*The Laramie Project: 10 Years Later*: The authors of the original play, *The Laramie Project*, the members of the Tectonic Theater Company, revisited Wyoming ten years after the murder to investigate if real change had occurred in Laramie. What does change look like? Have we progressed as a nation? How do we stop hate? The Amity Creative Theater presents *The Laramie Project Ten Years Later* on December 8th, 2017. This production is Sponsored by the [Jamie Hulley](#) Arts Foundation. Tickets can be purchased at this [link](#).

Amity Enterprises Catalog: Amity Enterprises is a collaborative effort between Amity's FBLA and manufacturing classes. Take a look at this year's [catalog](#) and begin your holiday shopping early!

Athletics

Congratulations to our **volleyball** and **swimming** teams for their amazing post-seasons this fall! Way to go, Spartans! Come out and support the football team as they take on North Haven at HOME tomorrow morning for their final game of the season. Game time is 10:00 am.

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

Mission Statement

The mission of Amity Regional High School is to create an inclusive community that affirms the contributions, strengths, and talents of all of its members. We bear a responsibility to ourselves and to the school community to develop in all students the skills and the desire necessary to become contributing members of a just society.

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