

ARHS HAPPENINGS NEWSLETTER



The school year is coming to a close and, with it, the various celebratory activities at Amity Regional High School are in full swing. Along with recent awards nights, last Friday we held the annual POPS Talent Show Concert. This year was the 50th Anniversary of the show, which makes it one of the longest-running continuous programs at ARHS. The producers put together this [slide-show](#) compilation highlighting and celebrating the last 50 years and used it to kick off this year's show, aptly called "Golden POPS." This talent show is one example of the traditions we hold in high esteem at Amity—for academics, athletics, the arts and all other co-curriculars which enhance our students' and community's experience at Amity. This school year is coming to a close, but the tradition of excellence at Amity will continue on in to next year and beyond. Have a wonderful weekend.

Sincerely,

Anna N. Mahon

Principal

Happenings and Information

Final exam schedule: Please see the final exam schedule for the 2019 school year [here](#). Please review with your child(ren) and take particular note of the cell phone/device policy during exams (students will be asked to turn off electronic devices, place them in backpacks and leave in a designated location in the classroom for the duration of the exam).

Reminder to parents to pick up student medication: Parents/Guardians should pick up student medication from the health office during the week of finals. Medication will not be stored at the school over the summer. Any medication not picked up by Friday, June 14th at 10:00 a.m. will be disposed of. Please contact the health office at 203-397-4850 for any questions.

PTSO Senior Breakfast: The annual Senior Breakfast sponsored by the PTSO will be held on June 13 at 9:30, prior to graduation rehearsal. This rehearsal is mandatory for all seniors. The PTSO is looking for donations of food items, volunteers and raffle prizes. Sign up to help or donate [here](#). All food should be dropped off at the school office Wednesday, June 12 or Thursday morning June 13 by 8:00 am. Contact Wendy Frieden, wendy.frieden@yahoo.com, with any questions. Thank you for your support!

Senior Service Learning Program Presentations will be held in the cafeteria: Monday, June 10th from 10am-11am, Monday, June 10th from 5pm-6pm, Tuesday, June 11th from 10am-11am. Parents and SSLP mentors are welcome to join us to learn about our participating seniors' experiences outside of

the classroom. Current Amity students who are scheduled for study hall during those particular exam times are also encouraged to attend.

OBOA Invitation: This summer, the OBOA committee invites you to...

-follow us on Instagram @onebookoneamity and direct message us a picture of yourself with your copy of Dear Evan Hansen over the summer – with your pet, on the beach, in a hammock, wherever in the world you and your book end up this summer, so we can share them on Instagram.

- join us for OBOA ala Mode on Monday, August 26th, from 6-7:30. We'll be meeting in the AHS Media Center with students and community members to eat ice cream and discuss the novel in a relaxed setting.

2019 Governor's Summer Reading Challenge: Students are encouraged to participate in this year's CT Governor's Summer Reading Challenge. Information can be found [here](#).

Student Obligations: All student obligations for library fines, unreturned books, or other items must be settled by June 13. All student obligations will be entered into PowerSchool and can be paid through [MyPaymentsPlus](#).

Outstanding Cafeteria Balances: Summer is quickly approaching and we would like to remind you to pay any outstanding cafeteria dues. You may view your child's balance and replenish the account by going to [MyPaymentsPlus](#). If you have questions concerning remaining funds on the account or if your student is graduating or leaving the district, you may contact Peter Ferrara, Director of Chartwells Dining Service, by calling: work 203 -397-4853 or by emailing him at peter.ferrara@amityregion5.org.

Senior Happenings

Graduation rehearsals-Graduation rehearsals will take place next Wednesday, June 12th, at noon and Thursday, June 13th, directly following the senior breakfast (around 10:30). Students will receive their caps and gowns along with their tickets after the first rehearsal provided are obligations are previously resolved.

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Notes from Counseling Department

Summer Camp: Girl Scouts of Connecticut is offering **Camp Laurel** in Lebanon, CT for girls ages 14-18 the week of **June 26-29th, 2019**. Camp will include hiking, horseback riding, swimming, etc. Cost is \$305 and financial aid is available. For more details, please visit this [site](#) or call 1-800-922-2770. Last day to register is June 22, 2019. Please see website [here](#). There is also an opportunity

for the [“Camp CEO”](#) program, where participants interact and are mentored with women business leaders every day.

Volunteers Needed:

- **Become a Teen Volunteer at Woodbridge Library:** The Woodbridge Library Reading Together Summer Program will begin 4 sessions on **Thursdays @ 5:00pm from on July 11, 18 and August 8, and 15th**. This program is open to all student entering 9th-12th grade. Students will be trained to interact with children as they read stories together. Reading Together will fulfill community service obligations. Register online for training June 21 or 28th at 1:00pm. For more information, please stop by a lunch table during all lunch waves coming soon!

Important Reminders

Graduation Ceremony-2019: Every year, we send a letter to the parents of seniors and 12th grade students regarding the commencement ceremony. Please find the parent letter [here](#) and the student letter [here](#). If you have any questions, please contact the main office.

Athletics

Congratulations and thanks: Congratulations to all of the spring athletes and teams on an amazing spring season! Thank you to everyone who came out for Fall Sports Information Night. Have a great summer and see you in the end of August! Go Spartans!

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

Community Happenings

- **Job Bank Needs Teens-Calling all Woodbridge High School Students:** Join the Woodbridge Youth Services Job Bank and earn money for jobs like raking, yard clean up, weeding, babysitting, or animal care for residents. To join, call 203-389-3429 to schedule an interview or email NPfund@Woodbridgect.org. Residents may call the Job Bank to hire Woodbridge teens at 203-389-3429.

Babysitting Basics: Babysitting over the summer? We have a great course to get you prepared to babysit! Amity Adult Ed is offering a babysitting course for the summer. The course will include CPR and First Aid training and is offered at Amity High School on June 18th from 6 - 9pm. Follow the [link](#) to register!

Drivers Education: Elite driving will be offering a summer session of Drivers Education. The course will run July 15 through August 7, Monday through Thursday 12:30 - 2:30pm. Registration must be done through Elite Driving. Follow the [link](#) to register.

Amity Summer Theater Camp: Summer 2019 is almost here! Time to register for our 12th annual theater camp. Sign up [here](#) for a summer to remember with the award winning Amity Theater Department.

