9/26/2021

Good Evening,

I hope you enjoyed this last weekend of September. As we close out this month and enter October we will be approximately half way through the 1st Quarter. Students are reminded and encouraged to make effective use of their **FLEX blocks** to support their academic achievement. Parents are also encouraged and reminded to utilize their Power School Portal access to observe student academic progress and work completion. Teachers update Powerschool at a minimum of every 10 days. Please contact the teacher through email if you have any questions or concerns with your students' academic performance.

Thank you to all the parents and guardians who attended last week's Parent Back to School Night. We hope it was informative and is helpful to support your students' academic success.

It will be a busy and fun October with Fall Sports in full action and Club activities; see you around!

Have a great week! Go Spartans!

Save the date

Thursday, 9/30: Senior Parent Night; 6:00 pm

Friday, 10/8: Half Day Dismissal; 12:15pm; District Professional Development

Monday, 10/11; No School; Columbus Day

Communication

We kindly ask that you first utilize these resources to find the information you are seeking before calling the Main Office.

SHS Handbook Here

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5 Day Schedule HERE

SHS School Year Calendar HERE

SHS Web Page:

https://www.stonehamschools.org/schools/stoneham-high-school/index

FaceBook

https://www.facebook.com/Stoneham-High-School-113064453732609

Seeking SHS School Council / Class of 2025 Parent / Guardian Needed

The SHS School Council is composed of one student and one parent of each class (2022, 2023, 2024, 2025), teacher representatives (3), one community member and the Principal. The School Council meets monthly from August to June assisting the Principal with the approval process of the Student Handbook, development of School Improvement Plan and initiatives and budget considerations and planning.

The School Council is seeking a parent representative for the Class of 2025. If you are interested in joining the SHS School Council as the Class of 2025 Parent Representative please email Bryan Lombardi (blombardi@stonehamschools.org) for further information.

Advanced Placement (AP) Testing Information / Parents

Advanced Placement May Test deadline is November 15. A \$40 late fee is applied after November 15.

Further information including for those students qualifying for financial assistance can be found: <u>AP</u> <u>Testing FAQ HERE</u>

Counselor's Corner

SENIOR PARENTS

- Senior Parent Night
 - The Guidance Department is hosting a Senior Parent Night on Thursday, Sept. 30 at 6:00 pm at the high school.
 - Discussion will focus on the four-year college application process and review the information shared with seniors in school that week.
- Bentley University Financial Aid Webinar
 - o Bentley University is offering a webinar on October 6th at 6:00 p.m
 - Focus on the Financial Aid Application Process
 - Hour-long webinar will cover the following topics:
 - o Starting the process,
 - Required information for completing the FAFSA and CSS Profile forms
 - Important deadlines to remember. This event is open to students also.
 - o To register:
 - https://ugadmission.bentley.edu/register/FA?utm source=slate&ut m medium=email&utm campaign=guidance&utm content=finaid
- College Fair
 - The 2021 PVMHS (Peabody Veterans Memorial HS) College Fair will be held Thursday evening, October 7th from 6:30 to 8:30 in the PVMHS Field House.
 - Representatives from Universities, Colleges, Business Schools, Nursing Schools, Vocational Schools, Armed Forces and Banking Institutions.
 - For a complete list of representatives attending <u>click here</u>.
 - Please check this link daily for updates.
 - Masks are required at all times.

ALL PARENTS

- MEFA (Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority) is offering a variety of upcoming webinars related to college planning and financing. More information and registration here:
 - o https://www.mefa.org/events

SAT / PSAT Information

- SAT test dates at SHS
 - o October 2, 2021
 - Registration closed
 - November 6, 2021
 - Registration deadline: October 8, 2021
 - o March 12, 2022
 - Registration deadline February 11, 2022
 - o June 4, 2022
 - Registration deadline: May 5, 2022

• PSAT

- The PSAT will be offered at Stoneham High School on Saturday, October 16th at 7:45
 a.m. for any sophomore or junior interested.
- Registration information is as follows:
 - Cost \$32.00 check written out to SHS Activity Fund
 - Please register with Mrs Polizzi in the guidance office by Monday, September 13th.
 - *Fee waivers are available, please reach out to your counselor if you think you may qualify.*

Athletics

• The Week in Athletics: 9/27/2021 - 10/3/2021 **HERE**

Library

September SHS LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

Picture Day

SHS Student Picture Day

• 10/13/21

Picture Makeup Day

• 11/18/21

SEO / SPARTAN ENRICHMENT ORGANIZATION / 1ST MEETING 2021-2022

- First SEO meeting, parents welcome, Wednesday, 10/13/2021, 7:00pm in SHS Library
- Spartan Enrichment Organization Newsletter HERE

Community Mental Health Support / INTERFACE

• Interface is a free service for Stoneham residents.

- Anyone who needs an outpatient mental health referral can call the helpline and will be connected with a specialist who will take their contact information and insurance information.
 - o Once they have all of this information, they go back to their database to find providers who take their insurance and have appointments available.
 - o This can take around 3 weeks, usually it takes around 2 weeks.
 - Once a match is made, they reach back out to the resident with the provider information.
 - It is up to the resident needing appointments to reach out to the provider.
 - If the service does not work out, callers can call again, there is no limit on the number of calls that can be made.
- This is not a crisis line, only a service for finding providers that match needs.
- More Info HERE