

10/17/2021

Greetings,

I hope you have had a good weekend and have been able to enjoy the warm temperatures. October is a fun and busy month. Athletics are in full swing, the drama club is rehearsing for their production in early December, the band and chorus practice for Friday Night games and future performances, clubs are active in planning activities from weekly chess club gatherings to morning meals celebrating our diverse student body to community awareness campaigns regarding social justice, personal wellbeing and the environment. Academics are in full swing as observed by dynamic and engaging classroom discussions and activities.

Parents / guardians are reminded to frequently review their students' PowerSchool for current academic progress and to contact a teacher directly with any questions or concerns. Students are encouraged to continue to make use of FLEX block opportunities to support their coursework.

Have a good week!

### **Communication**

**We kindly ask that you utilize the following links as first resources to find the information you are seeking prior to contacting the Main Office.**

**[SHS Handbook Here](#)**

#### **Daily Bulletin**

- [10/12/2021](#)
- [10/13/2021](#)
- [10/14/2021](#)
- [10/15/2021](#)
- [10/18/2021](#)

**[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>

### **Save the date**

Friday, 11/5; End of Quarter 1  
Thursday, 11/11; No School / Veterans Day  
Wednesday, 12/1; Parent / Teacher Conferences

### **Drama Club Fall Production / James and The Giant Peach / Show Dates**

James and The Giant Peach  
Performance Dates:  
Friday, 12/3; 7pm  
Saturday, 12/4; 2pm and 7pm

Tickets:  
Adults / \$12  
Students / \$9  
Children 5 and under / \$5



### **School Culture / Students**

We remind our students of their part in creating and maintaining a safe, healthy and positive school climate. With this in mind we remind our students the following:

- Assist in maintaining our building security by not exiting, opening or pegging any external school doors.
  - Exit and entrance from SHS during school hours is through the main entrance doors only.
  
- Please appropriately discard all of your lunch trash in any of the provided trash barrels.
  - Special attention to the outside cafe eating area.

Thank you for your attention to these simple, but important and impactful expectations.

## YearBook / Senior Picture UPDATES

### The deadline for Prestige sittings is November 15th

- Prestige Portraits will come to SHS on Friday, November 12th from 9:00am - 2:40pm
  - 40 Appointments available
  - For appointments parents/students should email Mr. Von Sneidern; [kvonsneidern@stonehamschools.org](mailto:kvonsneidern@stonehamschools.org)
  - \$20 fee
    - Checks should be payable to Prestige (no cash).
    - Refundable once students return the proofs.

Information for Josten's picture upload link and other important Yearbook information and deadlines can be found [HERE](#).

## Picture Day / Rescheduled

Picture day for all students and faculty has been rescheduled to

- 11/18/21

## Senior Privilege

To promote the development of independent life skills of balance of work and self care, planning and organization and prioritization and time management Stoneham High School permits Senior Privilege for eligible Seniors. Senior Privilege has been approved for the Class of 2022 by the School Committee for the 2021-2022 School Year.

Privileges include the ability to leave school grounds during lunch and Flex Block.

- Students will sign in and out through the QR code system as they currently do for PE Independent Study, Work Study or Internships.
- The Senior Privilege option to leave school grounds during FLEX on days 2, 4 and 5 will require that they register in advance on the preceding Day 1.
  - Teacher requests to meet with a Senior will override a senior privilege sign up.
- Minimum requirements for eligibility is passing of all classes, in good behavioral standing and a parent / guardian signed permission form.
  - Administration holds the right to limit privilege as situations arise.
- Senior Privilege will be active starting with the 10/25 Flex Cycle
  - **1st day of Senior Privilege is Tuesday, 10/26; Day 2**

A Senior Class meeting will be held on Friday, 10/22, to review expectations and details with Seniors. Please be on the lookout for Senior Privilege Permission Form which will be available to seniors on 10/22.

A big thanks and recognition to the Senior Class Officers of the Class of 2020, who first initiated this request, and the Class Officers of the Class of 2022, who continued the work of presenting the program to the School Committee and receiving their approval.

## Athletics

- The Week in Athletics: [10/18 - 10/24](#) [HERE](#)

### Winter Sports Registration and Winter Sport Meetings

- Opens Monday, November 1 st

- Online registration through FamilyID
  - <https://www.familyid.com/organizations/stoneham-high-athletics>
- FamilyID, physical and payment must be completed and received by the Athletic Office no later than 11/29
  - No student will be permitted to participate in any Winter Sport tryout, practice or competition without a complete registration packet

### **Winter Sport Athlete and Coaches Meeting**

- Tuesday, November 9th
  - After school in the gymnasium
  - Mandated for all Winter Sport Student Athletes

### **First day of winter sports**

- Monday, November 29
- FamilyID, physical and payment must be completed and received by the Athletic Office no later than 11/29
  - No student will be permitted to participate in any Winter Sport tryout, practice or competition without a complete registration packet

### **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: [AP Testing FAQ HERE](#)

### **Counselor's Corner**

#### **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:
  - <https://www.mefa.org/events>

#### **SAT / PSAT Information**

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

### **Parent / Guardian Support**

**Stoneham Coalition for A Safe and Healthy Coalition:** Join us for this year's *Parent University*, a fun, half day event for parents with students of any age that provides knowledge and advice from community experts through a series of free workshops focusing on student's educational experience and well-being

More information on the *Parent University* can be found here:

- <https://www.stonehamcoalition.org/parent-university>

**Students of the Month Recognition / September**

Teacher recognition for participation, behavior and / or performance which demonstrated one or more of Stoneham High School's Core Values of <i>Curiosity, Integrity, Responsibility and Community</i> .	
Quinn Nial	Physical Education
Anesti Duka	English Department
Mohamad Chalabi	Social Studies Department
Michael DiMaria	Family and Consumer Science
Julianna Vittorioso	Science Department
Camilla DeSano	Mathematics Department
Grace Azzarello	Health Education Department
Peyton Breda	Music Department
Nylah Musisi	World Language Department
Nicholas Robinson	Technology Education Department
Laci Martinson	Art Department
William Maurer	Spartan Spirit