



Message from the Principal

Here at Norwood High School, we are extremely fortunate and grateful to have an amazingly diverse student body. Each day, I see a community of learners come together as NHS Mustangs and learn from each other in meaningful ways. As we celebrate Black History Month, take a moment to reflect on the value that cultural, racial and linguistic diversity bring to the educational experience.

"The time is always right to do what is right." - Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Best Wishes,

Hugh Galligan
NHS Principal

Distractology

Norwood High School is pleased to announce that we will again be welcoming the "**Distractology**" program to campus. This special driver-training program for teens is funded by the Arabella Insurance Foundation, and is aimed at ending the distracted driving epidemic among inexperienced drivers.

"Distractology" will be at NHS on March 11 - March 15. *The program is open to any Junior or Senior student who has their Learner's Permit and/or have had their license for 3 years or less. Students and families are encouraged to speak with their insurance company, as completion of the program, plus an online module, may entitle students to a discount on their car insurance.*

Sign-ups for appointments to participate will begin next week in Junior Health classes and Senior PE classes...Space is limited, don't wait!

Please visit www.distractology.com for more information.

Guidance

SAT Registration

The late registration deadline for the March 9th SAT is February 19th. NHS is not a test site for this administration but there are many local schools that are. You can register by going to www.collegeboard.org. Students taking mainly honors and AP level coursework are advised to take the March SAT because they will have had almost all of the material.

Course Selection for 2019-2020 School Year

Students will begin to meet with their guidance counselor after February vacation to select courses for next school year. Teachers are currently in the process of entering course and level recommendations for next year. We strongly urge students to meet with their teachers about that placement. In the event that a student or parent/guardian does not approve of the teacher's placement, he student should first meet with the teacher for clarification. If there is still no agreement, the parent/guardian can call the respective department chair. Please know that this does not guarantee that an override will be granted; it will be a conversation about what's best for the student.



National Foreign Language Week

March 4-8

National Foreign Language Week is March 4-8. NHS students will be celebrating with lots of events during the school day, and don't forget to save *March 7th* for our 14th annual Celebration of Languages and Cultures. Tickets are \$5. Come sample foods from around the world, enjoy great music, and make arts and crafts.

AP Exam Reminder

Reminder for all students interested in taking AP Exams in the spring: sign ups and initial deposit of \$20 are due to Ms. Giordano in Guidance by **Friday March 8th**. This deposit is non-refundable and will ensure a test will be ordered for your student. If a student does not sign up by Friday March 8th, they cannot take the exam.

All checks should be made out to Norwood High School and should have the student's name on it, along with the names of the test he/she is taking.

AP Exams will take place May 6-17, 2019. The remaining fee of \$74 will be due by April 26th.

SAT Prep Course

The SAT Prep Program will once again be offered at NHS. The program will begin the week of March 5 and will last eight weeks. Students will have the option of choosing between attending Tuesday afternoon sessions or Thursday evening sessions.

The description and registration form is available on the Guidance website under "SAT Prep Course": <https://www.norwood.k12.ma.us/nhs/guidance/sat-prep-course>. Registration is due this **Friday, February 15**. Please email Lindsey Connolly with any questions.

Spirit Club

Spirit Club is getting ready for the winter rally by sending congratulations to all the winter teams! Stop by and send a message to your favorite mustangs. Good luck to all tournament bound athletes!

Go Mustangs!

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Senior Class

Cap and gown slips are being filled out in homeroom this week. Please submit \$20 payment in cash or check payable to Norwood High School.

We the People

Congratulations to the Honors Civics students for their excellent performance at the annual We the People competition at the Edward Kennedy Institute! We are very proud of their achievement.



Town Government Day

This year's Town Government Day will be on April 10, 2019. Information regarding elections will be coming out prior to February break. All students in grades 9-11 are invited to run for Town Government Day.



Athletics



Spring Sports Registration will be available through the Aspen parent portal beginning on Friday 2/15. Spring sports begin on Monday 3/18.



The Spring Sports Information Day for coaches and student athletes will be held in the auditorium at NHS on Tuesday 3/5 at 2:45pm.



Winter Sports Awards Night will be held on Tuesday 3/12. Refreshments will be available for student athletes and coaches at 6pm in the dining hall followed by the awards ceremony at 6:30pm in the auditorium. Parents are encouraged to attend the awards ceremony.

Please go to www.norwoodmustangs.com for details regarding NHS sports and the activityscheduler app for schedules is available as well.

Style on the Hill

March 14, 2019

Come see Style on the Hill featuring the Man on the Hill competition on Thursday March 14th at 7:00 pm in the NHS Auditorium! This Student Council and the Post Prom Committee sponsored event combines donations from local dress, tux, hair, and floral vendors with a prom fashion show where senior students are showcased in their best looks in front of their family and friends.

The 11th annual Man on the Hill competition will take place after the fashion show, where the senior boys compete in not only fashion, but knowledge, agility, and talent! This year's event will feature over 60 seniors. Tickets will go on sale in March, and all proceeds will benefit Student Council and the Post Prom Party. Anyone interested in helping with or donating to the show, please contact kcurtin@norwood.k12.ma.us.



Annual Boston Bruins PJ Drive

In conjunction with the Boston Bruins and Cradles to Crayons, the Town of Norwood is participating in a Pajama Drive. There is a collection outside the main office at NHS. NHS is competing to collect the most PJs against Coakley Middle School but the entire Town of Norwood has challenged the Town of Bourne! Either way, some lucky kids will be warm with your generous donations! Any size kids PJs are welcome! Locations that offer under \$10.00 pajamas include: Old Navy, 5 Below, TJ Maxx, Kohls, Target and Amazon.

#beatbourn #beatcms

Check out our town PSA

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J7baOkJ5hHo>

EYC

E.Y.C. will be meeting on February 12 at 2:30 in room 318. We will be planning our Earth Week celebration for April! Additionally, we are still selling stainless steel water bottles for \$5. Please contact a member of E.Y.C. or email leichtman@norwood.k12.ma.us to purchase.

If you would like to sell Mustang Water Bottles at your Norwood Public Schools event, please contact us--- we can sponsor water bottles sales at your event for \$5 a bottle and give \$1 a bottle back to your club or organization!

Calendar

- 2/15 Winter Rally
- 2/18 February recess begins
- 2/25 Students return to school
- 3/4 Foreign Language Week begins
- 3/8 11:30 Dismissal – Prof. Development
- 3/12 Winter Sports Awards Night
- 3/14 Style on the Hill





Fine Arts Update

Jazz Classic – 2/14/19

NHS to host the Jazz Classic in the NHS auditorium on February 14th featuring ten high school jazz ensembles from the commonwealth of Massachusetts.



Massachusetts All-State Concert

Three music students have been selected to participate in the Massachusetts All-State Concert. Performing from February 28th through March 2nd ending in a concert at Symphony hall.

- Emili Serratore - Clarinet
- Alex Ice - French Horn
- Mark Larrivee - Timpani



New England Scholastic Press Assoc.

Three Mustang Magazine stories from NHS-TV were recognized recently by the New England Scholastic Press Association. The segments were part of a "Localizing" competition where students submitted stories that show how issues affecting people in our state, country or world also affect people in the Norwood community. NHS-TV has been recognized in this Special Contest on Localizing for seven straight years. Congratulations to those hard working student-journalists for producing their award-winning stories!

- Julie Salvaggio, "Cop Cards"
- Sophia Serratore, "EYC Marker Drive"
- Adelene Jeneid, "The Survivor"

All three of these stories, as well as our other entries can be found by visiting this page our website: <http://www.mustang.media/nespa-fall18>

2018-2019 Boston Globe Scholastic Winners

The **NHS Visual Arts Department** is proud to announce its 2018-2019 Boston Globe Scholastics winners. These students' artwork was chosen from over 12,000 entries to be recognized for their excellence. All of the Gold Key winners will have their work exhibited at Tufts University in March as well as their work judged nationally. Here is a list of the winners:

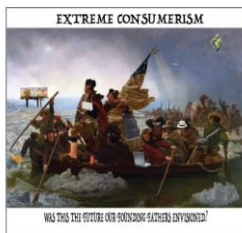
James Beauchemin
Nariya Benjamin
Tara Bilotta
Fiona Campbell

Isabella Inzodda
Cristina Lussier
Sara Mohiuddin

Dennys Perez
Evan Van Hoesen
Amelia Wilson

Evan Van Hoesen Gold Key

Nariya Benjamin Gold Key



Sarah Mohiuddin Gold Key In A Pickle



Check out the February 6th [School Committee Meeting!](#)

Drama Dept. hosting METG One Act Play Festival on March 2nd. Tickets \$15 jquinn@norwood.k12.ma.us

Next Post Prom Party Meeting is Monday, Feb. 25th.