

Principal's Message
November 13, 2018

Dear Stoneham High School Families,

Lifetouch Studios will be at the school on November 15 to retake photos and to take photos of students who were absent on the October picture day.

On Wednesday, November 14, SHS will host Parent-Teacher Conferences from 6-9 pm. Last week, we mailed a copy of your student's report card, a letter from me and a set of directions for scheduling conferences. This year, we are using Sign-Up Genius as our scheduling tool. Many of you used this to schedule conferences at Central Middle School. Please remember to schedule conferences by **10:00 pm on November 13**. SHS students will be dismissed at noon on November 14. During conferences, representatives from the Stoneham Substance Abuse Youth Coalition will host "Hidden in Plain Sight," a replica of a teen's bedroom in the lobby of Stoneham High School. The sample bedroom offers parents and guardians the opportunity to learn more about how teens conceal substances and how to keep teens safe. All are welcome to stop by to visit with Coalition members. In addition, our cafeteria staff will have samples of the school lunch offerings available to parents and guardians in the main lobby of the school. Please stop by for a light snack in between conferences.

The SHS Drama Club will present *Curious Savage* on Friday, November 16, at 7 pm and Saturday, November 17, at 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm. Tickets will be available at the door at a cost of \$5.00 for students and \$10.00 for adults. Student tickets will be available at both lunches all this week and are \$5.00. Please support the SHS Drama Club!

The freshman-sophomore semi-formal dance is on Friday, November 30. It will be here before we know it! The dance is for SHS students in Grades 9 and 10 only. Students are encouraged to attend with or without a date. The cost of admission is \$30.00 per student, the theme is *Winter Wonderland*, and students will need to sign up and pay for the dance during lunch on November 16, 19 or 20. We will have pizza, fruit salad and water available throughout the dance. A photo booth will be available to students during the dance at no additional cost. There are no dismissals on the day of the dance for students who are attending.

Here is some information about registration for winter sports:

Go to our school website: <http://www.stonehamschools.org>.

Under schools scroll down and click Stoneham High School.

Go to department and scroll down and click Stoneham Athletics

Registration information will be right on this site.

If you have any other questions, you may contact the athletic office at 781-279-3810 x 1314.

Athletic office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to noon and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

Here is a scholarship opportunity for seniors. Each year the AFL-CIO offers a Labor History Exam for seniors who wish to compete for AFL-CIO scholarship opportunities. All interested seniors are eligible, while students who have a labor union affiliation may be eligible for additional opportunities. Registration is ONLINE ONLY at www.massflcio.org/scholarships. Online registration must be completed by Friday, December 14. The exam will be given at Stoneham High School on Wednesday, February 6, 2019.

The Stoneham Council on Aging, along with the Stoneham Senior Center, is sponsoring the 5th annual "Socks for Seniors" drive. Their goal is to provide all seniors in need (shut-ins, nursing home residents and elderly housing residents) with a warm pair of socks for the holidays. We will be working with Stoneham volunteers and local programming to sort and deliver to those in need in our community. There is a drop box in the front lobby of our school SHS and all donations will be accepted through December 14. Thank you for your continued support!

I hope to see many of you at conferences on Wednesday evening!
Donna Cargill
Principal
Stoneham High School