

Principal's Message
January 2, 2019

Dear Stoneham High School Families,

The Stoneham Coalition Against Substance Abuse in partnership with Stoneham Public Schools invites you to attend an evening with Sam Drazin. The event will be held on Tuesday, January 8, 2019, from 6:30-7:30 pm at Colonial Park School. Sam Drazin is an educator born with Treacher Collins Syndrome, a rare congenital disorder resulting in both facial anomaly and hearing loss. Sam underwent seven surgeries as a child while attending the local public school. Sam presents to a wide array of audiences across the country sharing his story and facilitating meaningful conversations around what it means to be different. Sam connects his experience to the character Auggie in the book *Wonder* who had the same syndrome. His presentation with parents/guardians focuses on disability awareness, empathy and how to talk with your children about differences. In addition, Sam will be visiting with students at the three elementary schools.

Stoneham Public Schools is hosting a unique workshop series open to any/all Stoneham residents. It is a personal finance series. This workshop series is offered through the National Campaign for Financial Literacy and there is no cost to take the course. There is a \$6.00 fee for the course workbook and associated text, "Saving Your Future." The \$6.00 fee is payable at the first class. This six part workshop series ([click here for details and registration](#)) will run from January 9 through February 13, 2019 (6 consecutive Wednesdays), from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. and is open to all members of the public. Participation is limited to 30 seats. The registration deadline is January 8, 2019. For questions about this workshop series, please contact instructor Andrea Polcaro: apolcaro76@gmail.com [REGISTER HERE](#)

The SHS Booster Club will meet on Monday, January 7, at 7:00 pm in the SHS Cafeteria. All are welcome!

The Grade 10 ELA MCAS dates were moved after our calendars were printed. The testing dates are now **March 26 and March 27**.

Preschool registration for the 2019-2020 school year is now open! You can find the registration form on the district website or by following the link below. Please note that registration packets should be returned by January 4, 2019. Registration packets received after January 4, 2019 will be acted upon on a rolling basis, if there are openings. Returning students should use the returning student registration form, which was sent to you via email. The form is also available through your child's teachers. Kindly return by January 4, 2019.

http://www.stonehamschools.org/files/_ueCeP_/a1b7e11cce312bb83745a49013852ec4/Preschool_Registration_Packet.Complete_11.30.18.pdf

The SHS Student Handbook has been updated recently and is available online under the “Parent Resources” on the SHS website, which may be found at www.stonehamschools.org. The handbook is available in print in the SHS Office. Please be advised that this revised handbook includes updates/revisions to the school code of conduct.

Here is our midterm exam schedule:

Friday, January 11 (Day 1)

Period 7 exam 8:15—10:00

Period 2 class 10:04-10:37

Period 3 class 10:41-11:14

Periods 4, 5 and 6 as usual

Monday, January 14, last day of Quarter 2

Period 1 exam 8:15—10:00

Period 2 class 10:04-10:37

Period 3 class 10:41-11:14

Periods 4, 5 and 6 as usual

Tuesday, January 15

Period 3 exam 8:15-10:00

Period 4 exam 10:15- noon

Wednesday, January 16

Period 5 exam 8:15-10:00

Period 6 exam 10:15- noon

Thursday, January 17

Per. 2 exam 8:15-10:00

Make-up exam 10:15-noon

Friday, January 18 all seven periods meet and the last Day of semester 1

This is an early-release day.

8:15-8:44 Per. 1

8:48-9:16 Per. 2

9:20-9:49 Per. 3

9:53- 10:22 Per. 4

10:26- 10:54 Per. 5

10:58-11:27 Per. 6

11:31-noon Per. 7

Monday, January 21

Martin Luther King Holiday

Tuesday, January 22 (Day 1)

Semester two and quarter three begin.

I wish you a happy, healthy 2019!

Donna Cargill

Principal

Stoneham High School