

Greetings,

As this past week has certainly reminded us, New England weather is not predictable. Shorts to shovels all in one January week! For us at SHS it's also the time of midterm exams for year long courses and final exams for semester length courses.

Tuesday, 1/21: Testing blocks C and D , 12:15pm early dismissal

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Wednesday, 1/22: Testing blocks E and F, 12:15pm early dismissal

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Thursday, 1/23: Testing block G and test make ups, 10:05am early dismissal.

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Friday, 1/24: 3rd quarter / Semester 2 begins, Day 4, full day schedule

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### **Food service during midterms / finals**

The Stoneham Food Service Department will continue to provide full breakfast and lunch options for students.

### **PSAT's**

I am writing with an update to families of students who took the 2019-2020 PSAT. The most recent communication with the College Board, the testing agency responsible for the PSAT testing, was Monday 1/13/20. Unfortunately, they did not share any new information, they only reiterated that once the investigation was complete, the scores would be released within a ten day window. **Because of this unforeseen circumstance, we will need to postpone the PSAT - Understanding Score Reports parent night scheduled for January 22nd.** We will be looking to reschedule this parent meeting sometime after the February break, and will be in touch once a new date is planned. We will notify you immediately upon any updates regarding the release of student scores.

### **ASVAB**

Attention anyone interested in taking the ASVAB – **Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery!**  
SHS will be hosting the ASVAB

**When:** Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at

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8:15 a.m.

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**Where:** Guidance Office

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**Anyone interested / need more information?**

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please see Ms. Ronayne

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**Deadline:** 1/31/2020

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**National History Day**

It's National History Day time again! Sophomores and Juniors just finished their research and completed the rough drafts of their exhibits, websites, documentaries, and performances. These drafts count as the midterm exam in US History II. Teachers will review the work with students to help them develop a plan to revise and fine-tune their work so that they prepare for the annual Stoneham High School History Fair. Student final projects will be presented on January 30th and 31st in the library during their history classes. Parents, guardians, families and community members are invited to view the projects on Thursday, January 30, 2020, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM.

**From our Tech Department**



One of the main ways that I stay grounded while raising emerging adults during our tech revolution is by reminding myself of the power of values. No matter what is happening with my kids' time on screens — including exposure to yucky stuff like upsetting media, unappealing role models, manipulative ads, and on and on — I know that my immediate family, our extended family, and friends, are often modeling and talking about positive values. And those values seep into my kids and will guide them through life.

So what values help guide me through my parenting efforts? Some of the many values are encompassed in something I came up with that I call "The 3 Cs: Creativity, Competency, Communication." These are the things I want to make sure my kids get in "real life" and, sometimes, on screens as well. But in today's world, it is work to ensure there is plenty of time to get these things offline.

**Learn about the Three C's [HERE](#)**

**Here are 3 other TTTs you may be interested in:**

[People Share their Rules around Sleep and Screens](#)

[Anxiety, Screen Time and Skills](#)

[How to Talk about Scary and Tragic News with your Kids](#)

[Host a screening](#) of Screenagers or our new film Screenagers NEXT CHAPTER to help spark change.

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**Good Things at SHS**

On Monday, January 13th, Jasmina Cestic, author of [The River Runs Salt, Runs Sweet](#), spoke to Ms. Henderson's Women's Literature ~ Honors class about her memoir and harrowing tale during the Bosnian War. Ms. Cestic was the first Bosnian-born refugee granted permission to seek medical care in the United States. Her story is one of love, loss, and triumph in the face of adversity and discrimination. We thank Ms. Cestic for taking time out of her busy schedule to discuss her message of hope and kindness.



Art Bombed by SHS Art Club...



