

Principal's Newsletter



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October Calendar

- 4 HSPA Mathematics and Language Arts Literacy Testing
Music Association Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 123
- 5 HSPA Mathematics and Language Arts Literacy Testing
Pilot-EOP Parent Open House, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Rooms 121-122
- 6 HSPA Mathematics and Language Arts Literacy Testing
Booster Mum Sale
- 8 Yom Kippur
NHHS Lions Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet, 11:00 a.m., Beaver Brook Country Club
- 10 Booster Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m., FDR
PTSA Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Café B
- 11 HSPA Make-Up Testing
- 12 HSPA Make-up Testing
Staff in-Service, 11:55 a.m. dismissal
- 13 HSPA Make-up Testing
Captain's Club A.D.
NHHS Fall Theater Production, 7:00 p.m., Theatre
- 14 NHHS Fall Theatre Production, 7:00 p.m., Theatre
- 15 PSAT Administration
NHHS Fall Theatre Production, 7:00 p.m., Theatre
- 19 School Photo Re-takes
Math League, 2:25 p.m., Café A and B
- 20 Parent Advisory Meeting, Room 114, 9:30 a.m.
- 21 Sophomore Dance
- 25 Financial Aid Night I, 7:00 p.m., Theatre
- 28 1st marking period ends
- 31 2nd marking period begins

October News



Michael P. Hughes,
Principal

Week of Respect October 3-7

North Hunterdon High School continually strives to create an environment in which students learn to respect themselves and those around them. During the course of this week students will be presented with a variety of lessons on respect in each academic department: responsibility, equality, sensitivity, peace, earning respect, community and trust. Click [here](#) for the principal's letter.

Cell & iPod Usage

Students and parents should be aware that cell phones and iPods are prohibited during the instructional day (7:40 a.m. through 2:30 p.m.) pursuant to New Jersey statute and the North Hunterdon Handbook. They are to be turned off and placed in backpacks or lockers during the instructional day. Cell phones and iPods will be confiscated from students who use or have items out in the open. First offense will be loss of item for 1 week and student extended

detention. Click [here](#) for parent/student handbook details.

Punctuality

Part of the high school experience is to learn how to be punctual. Students should report to school no later than 7:40 a.m. It is critical for students to understand the importance of promptness and reliability in preparation for college and/or the workforce. Thank you to parents who encourage their children to be responsible and report to school on time.

New Staff

North Hunterdon High School has welcomed a few new and returning staff members to our faculty. Please join me in welcoming the following individuals to our school community:

Mr. Andrew Conforti, Special Education

Ms. Leslie Edwards, Media Specialist

Mr. Charles Hopta, Music

Ms. Jennifer Jordan, Guidance

Ms. Kerby Lopez, World Language

Mr. Robert Manney, Health & PE

Ms. Raime De Shazo-Miller, English

Ms. Debbie Oliver, CST

Ms. Jessica Ortiz, World Language

Ms. Allison Schaible, Special Education

Ms. Zena Tredinnick, Art

From VHS: Mr. Steve Schultz and Ms. Rachel Wander

Special Education ESPs:

Mr. Matt Bisco, Ms. Kaitlyn Escott, Mr. Mike Fleming, Mr. Ryan Lachner, Ms. Dina Marron and Ms. Carrie Rountree

We continue to add depth and experience to our staff each year. Thank you for your continued support of our school community.

Resource Center

I would like to remind you that each department has a resource center available for students who are seeking extra academic help. Curriculum instruction time is available during the school day and from 2:30-3:10 p.m. Students should check their teachers' web sites for staff availability and resource room location.

Booster Club

Booster Club currently has 496 families as members!

All new NH Spirit Wear is available: sweatshirts, short and long-sleeved T's, stadium seats, rain ponchos, string bags, hats and more. Spirit Wear is available to the left of the Snack Shack during home football games. We also have Spirit Wear available in the mall during October (see note below regarding varsity jackets). Email Jill Prakopcyk at NHHSBC@gmail.com to place an order.

The Snack Shack is ready to go for all of our Fall Sports. Stop by for a hotdog on our freshly baked Martin's Potato Rolls or a slice of pizza from Rosato's Pizza. Philly Pretzels are fresh from the factory.

"Lucky Fan of the Game" is open to all NH students who wear anything NORTH to the game. Pick up a free ticket at the concession stand for your chance to win a free meal and a free North T-shirt.

There will be representatives in the Mall on October 3rd and October 4th for anyone wanting to purchase a varsity jacket. Bring a \$100 deposit check made out to the NHHS Booster Club. Any questions see Mr. Flynn.

Music Association



The North Hunterdon Music Association welcomes all students back for an exciting new year. We urge parents of all music students to join us and take part in their child's music experience here at North. Our membership forms are available for download from the Music Association's webpage. Receive a free "North Hunterdon Music" car magnet if you are a new member. All are welcome to join us at our next meeting on October 4, 2011 at 7 p.m. in Room 123.

Click [here](#) for the NH Music Association webpage for more information.



PTSA

The PTSA is sponsoring a **Pasta Night**. The event will take place on November 4, 2011 in the Cafeteria from 4:30-7:00 p.m before the Homecoming Game.

\$5 for students and senior citizens and

\$8 for adults! Everyone is welcome!

Battle of the Bands will take place on January 20, 2011. All bands interested in participating should place a demo CD in the Class of 2012 mailbox in Athletics or post a message on the 2012 NHHS Facebook page.

Click [here](#) for the PTSA Zumba Flyer

Click [here](#) for the PTSA Calendar Flyer

Lions Cheer Organization

The NHHS Cheerleaders will be sponsoring a Clothing Drive on October 7th from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. and October 8th from 9:00 – 1:00 pm. at the Clinton Public Safety Building (old Municipal Building), 1370 Route 31 North, Annandale. The following donations will be accepted: clothing, bedding, stuffed animals, linens, shoes, belts, hats, mittens and soft toys.

NHHS **Spooktacular** Cheerleading Competition will take place on Saturday, October 29th from 9:00 a.m.— 2:00 p.m. in the Main Gym. Please support the cheerleaders by watching their competition routines. Admission is \$8.00, seniors are half price and children under 3 are free!

Homecoming Dance Information



The theme of the Homecoming Dance 2011 is "The Haunted Homecoming" (however, it is not a costume party). It will be a spooky good time! [Click here](#) for permission forms.

The dance will take place on Saturday, November 5 in the New Gym.

The evening will begin with a welcoming hour from 6:00 -7:00 p.m. and continue with dancing from 7:00 -10:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 per person and will be sold on October 12, 13 and 14 during all lunch mods in Café B.

Homecoming Guidelines 2011:

- You must bring your photo ID to the Homecoming Dance.
- You may not bring water bottles or other containers into the dance.
- Once you are checked in, you are expected to stay for the entire event. If you leave the building for any reason, you may not return.
- A reminder: State law prohibits smoking on school grounds by anyone, including non-students.
- All students must be academically eligible to participate in this co-curricular event.



This year's theme:

**The
Haunted
Homecoming**

Are you in good academic standing and free from all outstanding obligations?

If you are not in good standing, you cannot attend the homecoming dance.

[Click here](#) for details and for forms to purchase your tickets.

Bullying Prevention Month



Bullying Prevention Month occurs during the month of October. It is important to bring awareness to students, staff and parents regarding this issue in order to prevent it before it starts and address it if it has occurred.

Click [here](#) for detailed information regarding our bullying policy at North Hunterdon.



Gary Pyner Helps a Classmate

On September 21st during a mods 3-4 cafeteria study hall, Gary Pyner, Class of 2013, performed the Heimlich maneuver to prevent a classmate from choking. Gary stated, "I saw him having a hard time breathing so I knew that I had to help." Gary explained that he attended Emergency and First Aid training including the implementation of the Heimlich procedure because he felt it was important to know. Gary is an unsung hero! We recognize and appreciate his quick response to the situation in helping his fellow classmate.

Departmental Students of the Month



Fine Arts

Dylan Colon '12 & Kara Maul '12

Practical Arts

John Walsh '12 & Julia Bistis '12

English Grace Plassche '15 & Bernard Zhang '15

Mathematics Allison Lane '14 & Niklas Sjoquist '13

Music Tommy Vacca '12 &

Katie Burns '12

PE & Health Tom Aprovato '13 & Liz Burger '13

Science Nick Skelton '12 and Kelsey Scott '12

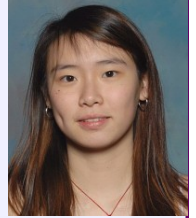
Social Studies Andrew Wong '13 and Charlotte Talis '13

World Language Joshua Sgroi '12 & Raphaelle Gamanho '13

September Students of the Month



Congratulations to Ken Jarvis '12 and Janice Ho '12 for being named as the September students of the month!



National Merit Students



Ashley Weaver is the 2012 National Merit Semifinalist.

Outstanding Student Awards



Academic Achievement

The Academic Achievement Awards ceremony was held on August 25. Students were recognized for achieving a 3.5 Grade Point Average or better.

Click [here](#) to see individual names.

Community Service

The Community Service Awards ceremony was held on August 25.

14 Seniors recorded 1,732.5 hours of service. 80 Juniors recorded 7,549.8 hours of service. 166 Sophomores recorded 14,287.5 hours of service. 149 Freshmen recorded 6,863 hours of service. The total hours recorded was 30,432.8.

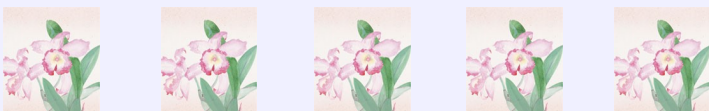
Click [here](#) to see individual names.

School Counts

The School Counts Awards ceremony was held on August 25.

School Counts encourages students to make the most of their important high school years, and acquire the learning habits they will need to succeed in the new millennium.

Click [here](#) to see the individual names.



Advanced Placement Scholarships



148 students at North Hunterdon High School have earned AP scholar awards in recognition of their exceptional achievement on AP exams taken in May 2011. To see the names of the award winners, click [here](#).

The College Board's Advanced Placement Program (AP) provides motivated and academically prepared students with the opportunity to take rigorous college-level courses while still in high school, and to earn college credit, advanced placement, or both for successful performance on the AP Exams. About 18 percent of the 1.6 million students worldwide who took AP Exams performed at a sufficiently high level to also earn an AP Scholar Award.

Each exam is developed by a committee of college and university faculty and AP teachers, ensuring that our exams are aligned with the same high standards expected by college faculty at some of the nation's leading liberal arts and research institutions. More than 3,600 colleges and universities annually receive AP grades. Over 90 percent of four-year colleges in the United States provide credit and/or placement for qualifying exam grades. Research consistently shows that AP students who score 3 or higher on AP Exams (based on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being the highest) typically experience greater academic success in college and higher graduation rates than students who do not participate in AP.

All 2011 award recipients will be invited to an AP Scholar Awards Night on December 19 at North Hunterdon High School.

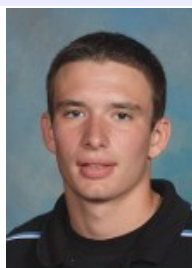
Athlete of the Month Field Hockey



Rachel Longenecker is a senior member of the 2011 North Hunterdon High School Field Hockey Team. Rachel started playing field hockey during her freshman year here at North.

This is Rachel's first year playing at the varsity level and she has shown off her skill by scoring the first goal of the 2011 season with a successful stroke against Watchung Hills. Her stroke tied the score until her teammate, drilled another goal in for the first win of the season. Rachel has played center midfield in the past but has recently moved to center forward this year to add to the Lady Lions scoring power.

Athlete of the Month Football



Terry Popa is off to an explosive start for the 2011 North Hunterdon High School Varsity Football Team. Terry, #2, is a Lions wide receiver, and is starting his third season on the varsity line-up. In the first two games of the season, Terry has had 14 receptions for

230 yards, including 2 touchdowns. In the game against Watchung Hills, Terry caught a 48 yard pass in the 2nd quarter, resulting in a touchdown. In the game against Phillipsburg, Terry had a 43 yard touchdown reception in the 2nd quarter. He also had an incredible total of 10 completed receptions during the Phillipsburg game. Terry has greatly aided his team to a fantastic start of the season!

Lion Pride Athletic News

Our athletes are starting off their seasons with much success. Click [here](#) for the latest information about our outstanding North Hunterdon fall athletes.

Lion Pride School Spirit

Do you have Lion Pride and want to show school spirit? Come and join the new and improved Jungle! Support NHHS and our athletes through energetic cheering at the games. Jungle cubs will be required to sign a contract and RDT forms prior to game participation. Meetings will be held on the 1st Monday of every month. Please contact Ms. Jordan for further information.

Winter Impact Testing Schedule

All current Juniors (Class of 2013) and Freshman (Class of 2015) who have **NOT played a fall sport** will need to be tested. Testing takes about an hour to complete. If you have an athlete that is unable to take the test at the scheduled time please contact Mrs. Korbul in the Athletic Training Room or email kkorbul@nhvweb.net. Some test sessions are at capacity. Mrs. Korbul will try and make the change if there is a seat available.



ALL TESTS ARE AT 3:00 P.M. IN THE MEDIA CENTER

Wrestling	Monday, October 17, 2011
Girls and Boys Swimming	Wednesday, October 19, 2011
Boys Fencing	Thursday, October 20, 2011
Boys Track and Girls Fencing	Tuesday, October 25, 2011
Cheer/Dance	Wednesday, October 26, 2011
Girls Basketball	Tuesday, November 1, 2011
Boys Basketball	Thursday, November 3, 2011

PSAT

PSAT Information

The **PSATs** will take place on Saturday, October 15. Deadline for students to sign up to take the exam has passed, but students can still sign up in Guidance as long as test booklets are available. The registration fee is now \$25, payable by check and made out to NHHS Activities.

Registered students should report to North Hunterdon at the cafeteria entrance (ramp) at 7:45 a.m. Please bring a picture ID, two #2 pencils and a calculator.

Test begins promptly at 8:00 a.m.

Theatre

The NHTO fall show is *Stage Door*, Edna Ferber and George S. Kaufman's light-hearted look at the Broadway community of actors, writers, directors, and producers in the 1930's. The cast is large, featuring roles for 11 men and 21 women.

The show is directed by Mary Meo and produced by theater coordinator Perry Andrews. Performances are on October 13, 14, and 15 at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. They are for reserved seating, and may be purchased at the door. For more information or to order tickets, email Mrs. Meo at mmeo@nhvweb.net.

Marching Band

In addition to all home and away football games, the Golden Lions Marching Band will be performing at the following events:

The NYC Columbus Day Parade on October 10. The parade begins at 12:00 noon.

The Randolph High School Marching Band Festival on October 22 at 6:30 p.m.

The Phillipsburg High School Band Festival on November 2, at 7:00 p.m.

The Clinton Christmas Parade on December 2 at 7:00 p.m.



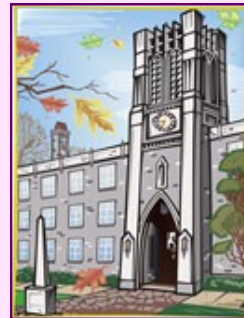
Financial Aid



Part I – Tuesday, October 25, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Theatre

Federal and Institutional Aid.

Additional information will be forthcoming regarding the evening's presentation.



Good Citizenship Student Recognition: September

As a part of our new discipline policy, each department nominates one male and female student each month for being a good citizen. These students reflected one or more of the following characteristics: **caring, citizenship, fairness, respect, responsibility and trustworthiness**. Congratulations to the following students!

Fine Arts Gary Pyner '13 and Hannah Wingler '14

Practical Arts Taylor Morano '12 and Kathryn Sinko '12

English Gavin Blaszkas '15 & Ashley Holdaway '15

Mathematics Rachel Lubbe '15 & Luke Fogel '15

Music Tom Maggio '12 and Sarah Meo '12

PE& Health Brian Decker '13 & Jacqueline Bataille '12

Science Shane Booth '12 & Brette Wilson '13

Social Studies Ben Wright '13 and Becky Clinebell '14

World Language Philip Chen '14 & Kelsey Bower '15

