

January 2020-School Committee Student Report

Spirit Rally

The Friday before we left for Christmas vacation, 12/20, Student Council held our annual Winter Spirit Rally! In this event, there was a High School competition, as well as a separate middle school competition. High school grades and middle school teams competed in games such as an obstacle course, and trivia, in order to earn points. In the end the Sophomore Class of 2022 won, but the excitement was a fantastic way to kick off break for everyone!

Improv

This past month HRHS's own improv troupe, The Improvers Anonymous, hosted their annual winter show. The show was held on Friday, December 13th, and Saturday, December 14th. Audience members exchanged lots of laughs, and the performance was enjoyed by all who attended.

College Update

Seniors are still submitting applications to colleges! Many Regular Decision Applications were due on January 1st, and others are due throughout the first half of this month. Many seniors have already heard back from colleges regarding the status of their early action, or early decision applications!

Juniors have started to talk about with colleges with their guidance counselors. Last week in English classes, Juniors reviewed their PSAT scores and PreACT scores in addition to exploring 2 or 4-year colleges or other post high school plans.

Musical Auditions The musical for the spring is "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying." Auditions were the week before break and everyone who auditioned earned a spot in the production. The majority of roles have been cast and the rest will be filled by chorus members as rehearsals start.

Advisory Update-Building your Personal Toolbox

During advisory in December, students worked on "Building their personal toolbox." The activities included looking at real emails of varying formality and worked on constructing appropriate emails for communicating with our teachers or bosses or other people who we would treat professionally. Students also worked on important skills like following directions and interview skills.

January's advisory theme is "How the Brain Works"

Winter Sports

We are about half-way into our winter sports' seasons! Overall our teams are doing really well. Both the boys and girls basketball teams even have games tonight!

Band Performances

Lots of band updates for tonight! First of all, the jazz band and Chamber singers are visiting New Hingham and Anne T. Dunphy schools on January 9th. Additionally, there will be a winter concert for all bands next Wednesday, January 15th, here in the HRHS auditorium. Lastly, the Western Mass. Districts Jazz Band will be performing this Saturday at UMASS. This concert is particularly exciting because we have a record 3 musicians participating in it from HRHS: Ryan Bell on trombone, Kala Garrido on vibraphone, and Annie Curran on alto saxophone. These musicians all auditioned to gain entry, and have been working very hard throughout the past few weeks.