

# Snow Hill High School's EAGLES SOAR

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**JANUARY 4, 2017** 

### IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday, January 5
Boys JV & V Basketball @ Washington
5:00pm, 6:30pm

Girls V Basketball (H) vs. Washington 5:30pm

Saturday, January 7

V Wresting Tournament @ North
Dorchester 9:00am

Monday, January 9
ASA Session II Begins
Unified Bowling @ Pocomoke Lanes
3:30pm

Tuesday, January 10
Girls JV & V Basketball (H) vs. CSD
4:00pm, 5:30pm
Boys JV & V Basketball @ CSD
5:00pm, 6:30pm

Wednesday, January 11
Track vs. CSD @ Wor Rec 2:00pm
Wrestling @ SDHS 5:00pm

Thursday, January 12
Boys JV & V Basketball (H) vs.
Pocomoke 4:00pm, 5:30pm
Girls V Basketball @ Pocomoke
5:30pm

Friday, January 13
V Wrestling @ Trojan Arena vs. Kent
County 5:00pm
Media Expo Entries Due

Saturday, January 14
MCJROTC Drill Meet @ SHHS 9:00am

Monday, January 16
Schools Closed- MLK Day

Tuesday, January 17
Board of Education Meeting 12:30pm
Girls JV & V Basketball (H) vs.
Parkside 4:00pm, 5:30pm
Boys JV & V Basketball @ Parkside
4:00pm, 5:30pm

Wednesday, January 18
Track Baysides @ Wor Rec 2:00pm
V Wrestling vs. Col. Rich. 5:00pm
WCPS Science Fair @ WTHS

# **NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **Testing Continues!**

January is packed full of important exams for many students. For PARCC and HSA schedule information, go to our school's website and click Academics, then Testing Resources. Finals exams for semester classes begin the week of January 30th. Classroom teachers will communicate final exam information to students. Please remember, for applicable courses, final exams are worth 20% of the student's final course grade.

# TESTING RESOURCES

# **Upcoming Dates**

We hope everyone is well rested after Winter Break! In addition to the many scheduled testing and exam days, we have several other important dates in January. First, After School Academy 100 Session II begins next Monday, January 9th. Please visit our school website for registration information or contact Ms. Tara Downes, 410-632-5270.

The Parent Teacher Conference Night scheduled for Thursday, January 12th has been cancelled. Please be sure to communicate with your student and with teachers regarding grades and any upcoming exams. Semester 1/ Ouarter 2 ends on Thursday, February 2nd.

Please remember that schools are closed on Monday, January 16th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Additionally, February 1st and 2nd are half-days for students and schools are closed on Friday, February 3rd for Professional Development.

# Wifi Hotspots

As the semester comes to an end, many students may need Internet access to complete projects or papers at home. Free wifi hotspots are available for students to check out in the media center. The loan period is 3 days. Students must have a permission form filled out by a parent/guardian prior to checking out a hotspot. These are available online or in the media center. We currently have holds on hotspots, so students are encouraged to plan ahead and place a hold to check out a hotspot in advance! Students who wait until the last minute may not be able to loan a hotspot when they need it! Please contact Mrs. Sills in the Media Center for more information.



# **NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **WCPS Media Expo Deadline Extended**

The deadline to turn in Media Expo entries has been extended to Friday, January 13, 2017! This year's Worcester County Media Expo is on February 16, 2017. This is an opportunity for Worcester County students to display their skills and talents in media and technology. Students entries can be completed inside or outside of the classroom. Below is a brief description of each of this year's categories:

- \* Through the Lens: Student photography
- \* On Paper: computer designed poster, sign, banner, brochure, pamphlet, etc.
- \* On Screen: PowerPoint, videotape, animation or any combination of media designed to be displayed to a group
- \* Online: website, webquest, e-portfolio, blogs, or interactive PowerPoints that are interactive and take viewers online
- \* Computer Programming: games and functions created using developmental software or original code
- \* Through CAD: designs and technical drawings created using computer programming



Please visit the county's Media Expo website for detailed information about a particular category or the expo in general. You can also contact Mrs. Sills at <a href="mailto:jlsills@mail.worcester.k12.md.us">jlsills@mail.worcester.k12.md.us</a> or 410-632-5270. Entry forms are

also available from Mrs. Sills in the Media Center. All students are encouraged to enter!

## Construction is Coming to an End!

Our building is now fully open! All classrooms are officially inside and in their permanent locations. Construction on the fields/outside portions of the school campus will continue into second semester. The new section includes the art and technology education classrooms, ROTC instructional area, weight room, health classroom, additional English classrooms, athletic training room and the renovated auxiliary gym. Please see Page 3 of this newsletter for pictures of our newest phase!

# **Special Alert-**

# When it Comes to College Planning, Beware of Scams!

by Rose Zollinger

Recently a parent alerted SHHS to a scam in which they were contacted by a company alleging to be a SAT Prep service. The company claimed to be a partner of Worcester County Public Schools, and told the parent that her child had signed up for their services. Ultimately the caller wanted the parent to pay over \$200 to receive test prep materials, saying they had a 30-day money back guarantee. Thankfully the parent refused to pay.

This is just one example of the many scams out there seeking to take advantage of students and parents when it comes to college planning. Understandably, parents want their children to be prepared as possible for what lies ahead after Snow Hill High School. However, this preparation does not have to come at a price necessarily. While there are costs associated with some aspects of the college planning process, (SAT/ACT fees, college application fees, etc.), there are many services that are free, and even some opportunities to obtain fee waivers for the services that are not. Parents and students are encouraged to talk to their school counselor before they pay for anything associated with college planning, as there may be a free or reduced fee option to take advantage of instead.

# The following is a list of free and reduced fee opportunities for students and parents when it comes to college planning:

SAT (College Entrance Exam)

Cost: \$57 with essay/ \$45 without\*

Study/ Prep Materials: FREE at www.khanacademy.org AND FREE resources available in the Guidance/ Counseling Office

ACT (College Entrance Exam)

Cost: \$58.50 with essay \$42.50 without\*

Study/ Prep Materials: FREE at act.org AND FREE resources available in the Guidance/ Counseling Office

College Applications

Cost to apply: Varies, depending on the college

There are many opportunities for fee waivers for college applications. (Some students meet financial need eligibility, some students receive invitations to apply for free by the colleges themselves.) Speak to your counselor to see if you qualify.

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

Cost to apply: NOTHING

Many resources are available to help students and parents complete the FAFSA without cost. Speak to your counselor for more information.

\*Fee Waivers available for students who meet financial need eligibility. Speak to your counselor to see if you qualify for fee waivers.

## **SHHS School Counselors:**

Rose Zollinger (Students with last names beginning with A-K) 410.632.5282 rtzollinger@mail.worcester.k12.md.us

JR Ward (Students with last names beginning with L-Z) 410.632.5281 jrward@mail.worcester.k12.md.us

# "The Little Mermaid" Rehearsal Schedule

The Rehearsal Schedule for "The Little Mermaid" will be posted on the Theatre page of our school website later this week. Check the site for information!



# LINKS, SALES, AND EVENTS!

# **Volunteers Needed!**

The PBIS Team is looking for volunteers to scan receipts in the Shoparoo app for purchases you are already making! Join our team in raising funds—download the app, upload receipts and earn points! IT IS THAT EASY! Use the code

**Shoparoo** 

**Gass6039** to get started today! Please contact Mrs. Benson with any questions.

# **School Store Now Open!**

Items are available for purchase during lunch shifts each Friday, as well as all home varsity basketball games and wrestling matches. The SGA is currently selling sweatshirt blankets! The blankets are 50"X60" and cost only \$35. They are in stock now and available for purchase in the school store. Quantities are limited, so don't delay! Stay up to date on SGA news by visiting us on Facebook!



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# **Addiction Hurts**

Atlantic General Hospital is sponsoring a program on January 17, 2017 to raise awareness of the risk of addiction and provide resources for support. Vendors, speakers and local community service personnel will be present. The event starts at 6:00pm at Stephen Decatur High School Please

Stephen Decatur High School. Please contact Donna Nordstrom at 410-632-6820 for more information or check out the flyer posted on Peachjar.



# **Baseball Bingo Fundraiser**

The Annual Baseball Bingo Fundraiser is Friday, February 17th at Snow Hill Middle School. Doors open at 6:00pm and the first game begins at 7:00pm. Win Thirty-one bags and also

bid on items in side auctions! Contact Coach Lampman or a baseball parent for tickets and information. All proceeds go to support the Snow Hill High School Baseball Program.



# Phase 4 is Now Open!

Teachers are busy moving into their new classrooms and spaces! Stay tuned for a Grand Opening date in the future!







Art Room





