

April 2018 Parent Newsletter: High School for Health Professions and Human Services

OUR INSTRUCTIONAL FOCUS:

If teachers create intellectually engaging opportunities for students to take ownership of their learning and use evidence from varied sources by modeling critical thinking in reading, writing, and speaking, then we will improve the rigor, quality and richness of students' command of language in written and spoken communication. This will ultimately promote greater college and career readiness amongst students at HPHS.

Principal Message to Parents/Guardians:

Welcome parents and guardians to April 2018. I am excited to start April because it is College & Career month at HPHS. This month we will have our annual College Fair where college and university recruiters will be in our gymnasium to distribute information to our 10th & 11th graders about their schools. Also this month, our partners CDI will be conducting Career Week the week of April 23rd. There will be panel discussions with professionals from a variety of fields that students may speak with to gain insight into a particular field of employment. Students should stop by B-10, the Career Office, or the Library, the College Office, for more information.

April is also the month when College & University acceptances are sent to students. I am pleased to announce that HPHS Seniors have been accepted to Colleges & Universities all over the country. Just to highlight a few acceptances we have five Posse Scholarship winners this year with students being accepted to Lafayette College, Smith College, Franklin & Marshal College and The University of Wisconsin @ Madison. We also have a CUNY McCauley Honors Scholar accepted to Queens College as well as acceptances to Cornell University, NYU, Skidmore College, Fordham University, University of Massachusetts @ Amherst, Hunter College, Albany University, Brooklyn College, University of Buffalo, Stony Brook and University of Buffalo. This list is not complete by any means but should give you some indication of the schools our seniors will be attending in the fall.

Parents and guardians, your contributions are invaluable to the school. I look forward to continuing to work with you and to developing a relationship that will assist in the growth of your child. Please encourage your child to attend Saturday and after-school tutoring; teachers are here to help all of our students. This is also a reminder to log into your PupilPath account as a way of monitoring your child's progress.

I look forward to seeing you at the next PTA meeting, which is on Wednesday, May 9th in the Library at 6pm.

Best,

Robert A. Gentile

Principal



The CDI College and Career Corner

Sophomore Class Visits- CDI staff will host College and Career presentations will be held in partnership with the English Department. Staff will discuss college application components, the importance of being well-rounded and involved (sign up for summer programs!), staying connected to teachers, and going to tutoring. Be sure to ask your child what they learned! They are welcome to stop by the college and/or career office to speak to an advisor and gather more material.

College and Career (CAC) Week 23rd-27th: CDI has their annual College and Career Week with a lot of exciting events. Please encourage your child to attend. If you'd like to attend/participate, please reach out to Fatimah Shalash at Fatimahshalash@cdi-ny.org.

The events are: Criminal Justice Panel (4/23, 3:30 PM), **College Fair** (4/24 1-2:30pm. Sophomores are invited 4th period and juniors 5th period. If your child's class was not invited due to spacing, they can get a pass from the college office), **Women's Group Field Trip to Credit Suisse** (4/25, 3:30pm), **9th/10th grade College Exposure Panel** (4/25, 8th period- your child can pick up a pass from B10 to attend), **What Should I Major In Workshop** (4/26 7th or 10th period- learn about what is a major and take a quiz! Sign up in B10), **College Kick Off (seniors)** (4/27 1-4pm, celebrate senior's college/post-graduation commitments, speak to alumni, and learn about college life!)

College Bridge for All Coaches begin working with seniors April-August to assist with college matriculation. The three coaches (Rahin Ahmed, Belky Ochoa, and Bonny Calderon) are HPHS alumni who have been trained through CUNY's College Bridge 4 All program to work 1:1 with students on next steps to successfully matriculate into college. They'll hold office hours at HPHS and be available via text and email as a support. Welcome, coaches!

Young Women's Leadership Group (YWLG): *College and Career Exploration month.* This month includes a college visit to NYU, career aptitude quizzes, summer plans, and more! **They meet Wednesdays at 3:30 in Room 318B. New members are welcome** and can sign up in B10 with Ms. Joy.

Young Men's Leadership Group (YMLG): *Stress Management/Self Care Month.* They'll create self-care plans, learn about healthy eating, exercise, take a trip to NYU, and have fun! They're also planning a fundraiser/tournament for May to highlight their leadership skills. **They meet Tuesdays at 3:30 in B10. New members are welcome and** can sign up in B10 with Ms. Nicole.

CDI at HPHS is now a team of five! We welcomes a **new staff member, Ashley Falzone**, who will start working with us part-time on April 23rd in B10. She will increase post-secondary alternative opportunities for our seniors by building intentional partnerships with outside programs (tech, health, etc.), along with cultivating more pathways for our students to find meaningful jobs.

Looking ahead:

- College Commitment Day- May 1st! Must submit your deposit and commit to one school.
- SUNY Albany Trip, May 2nd for juniors
- Juggling Your Junior Journey, May 15th: Summer Seminar info session, alumni panel, and more!
- Freshmen Class CDI Presentations, mid-May



Our PTA Elections will be held on May 9th, 2018 at 6pm. Please come and vote!

SLT meeting is May 16th at 5pm. We are stronger together.



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Student guide to: **College & Career Week: April 23-27**

- Visit the College Office in the library or Career Office in B10 to RSVP for events
- See us if you have questions!
- Spread the word!!

MONDAY (23rd):

Criminal Justice Panel, 3:30pm

Learn from a variety of professionals the field—
Bring your questions!



WEDNESDAY (25TH)

WHY COLLEGE MATTERS NOW: A PANEL FOR 9TH + 10TH GRADERS (8TH PD)

Stop by the **library** to learn from a panel of teachers and senior/alumni students. Hear about their high school and college experiences. Sign up in B10.

THURSDAY (26TH)

WORKSHOP: What should I major in?

Undecided? Unsure about your career interests? Confused about what a major is?

Learn about majors and take a career aptitude quiz! 7th / 10th ~~gd~~
Sign up in B10.

TUESDAY (24th): PSAT/SAT DAY + College Fair

10th and 11th graders will take the P/SAT in school! 55 colleges will be in attendance at the College Fair!

Select junior and sophomore classes are invited 4th or 5th ~~gd~~ to the fair. If your class wasn't invited, you will need a pass from the college office to attend.



FRIDAY (27TH) COLLEGE KICK OFF FOR SENIORS!

1-4pm, Library

Celebrate your college or career commitment!

Talk to college students + learn how to navigate a college campus.
There will be food and prizes!



Please
RSVP.

Regents Review

Our Saturday Regents Review tutoring began on April 14th. Please encourage your child to attend the Regents tutoring that will prepare them for the tests in June.

Schedule

All Saturdays April 14th, 21st, 28th, May 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th June 2nd and 9th

Math and Science 9am-1pm

History and English 11am-2pm



Tuesday, April 24th will be PSAT and SAT Day! Please come prepared with #2 pencils.

The Visit from the International program from Shenzhen China

The School of Professional & Continuing Studies at the College of Mount Saint Vincent, through its Center of International Teacher Training, offers an intensive program for educators from abroad. The participants from this program study on a full-time basis, work alongside experienced faculty members from the College, and engage in a wide variety of school “learning walks” at public urban schools in New York Metropolitan area. The High School for Health Professions and Human Services hosted these teachers with a tour and visit to the classrooms on April 17th. The goal is that through its Center for International Teacher Training, an opportunity for teachers from other countries to study the concepts, practices, institutions, policies, and learning strategies embedded within the educational systems of the United States and of New York City in particular.

NYC Chief Medical Examiner's Office Hosts 1st 'Creating Our Own Wakanda' Science Fair

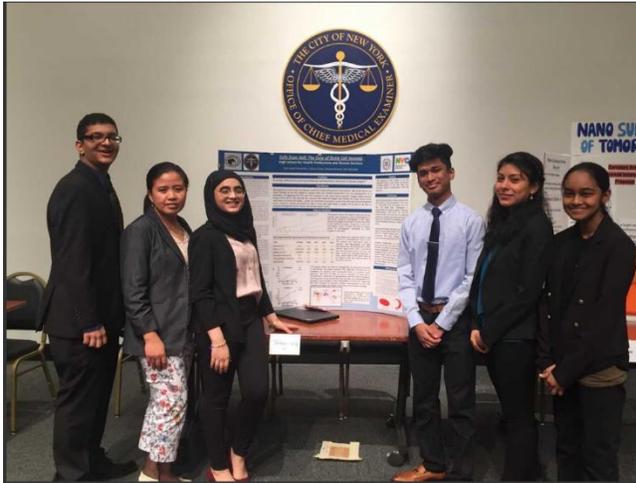
5 teams representing health and science schools citywide presented projects based on historic discoveries made by Black doctors, scientists. High School for Health Professions and Human Services participated in this Science Fair and they won first and second place with the guidance of Ms. Ramos. The students examined constrictive pericarditis through the lens of Dr. Daniel Hale Williams' first successful open-heart surgery; transfusions and sickle cell anemia through the lens of Dr. Charles Richard Drew's integral research on blood transfusions and storage; and cholesterol and heart disease through the lens of Dr. Marie Maynard Daly's studies on the mechanics of the heart and arteries.

High School for Health Professions and Human Services won first place for project **Sanguis Diagnostic**.



Congratulations to Michelle Madera, Justin Icaza, Rhea Pineda, Francesca Tan and Angelica Toribio.

Second Place Winners for **All Hale the Wakandans** Project



Congratulations to Farhana Tanee, Arlet Montalvo, Hasnat Nuri, Saira Saeed and Wasiq Mahmood.

The Winner of the Parent Survey Raffle is **Rohie Drammeh**. Thank you to all the students that participated.

