

Principal's Corner – April 2022

Dear Caregivers and Friends of SHHS:

Hello Everyone! Spring is finally here, and we are getting ready to enter into the last quarter of the 21-22 School Year! This has been a challenging year filled with lots of unexpected obstacles. We all dug deep, found a sense of community, and have powered through. We are in the home stretch and excited about this next phase!

We will have a mold make-up day on Friday, April 15th. This will be a half-day for all staff and students. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of our staff and students for their hard work and flexibility as we are now near the end of the make-up days!

Our Winter Cotillion was held on March 12th and a great time was had! It was wonderful to see our students interacting and having fun! Our Best Buddies Prom will be held on April 8th and tickets are on sale now. Finally, our Junior/Senior prom will be held on Saturday, May 7th, at the Log Cabin and tickets are on sale now!

The high school will have a late bus for the remainder of the year for students needing to stay after for extra help. This bus will stop at Door 3 (gym Doors) for pick up promptly at 2:30 from SHHS and have four stops throughout town. The stops are the Police Station, Brainerd and Lathrop, Spring Meadows, and the Common.

As a reminder, the lower student lot is reserved for students who had purchased a pass. Student cars must have the school-issued hang tag that corresponds with the numbered space. The upper lot is first come first served and no pass is required.

The last day for Seniors will be 5/23, with final exams 5/24 through 5/27. Senior week starts 5/31 and Graduation is scheduled for June 3rd, rain or shine at Mount Holyoke College!

Also, please remind your students to dress appropriately for school, as the warmer weather approaches. Revealing outfits and short shorts are distracting and inappropriate for the learning environment. Visible undergarments and bare midriffs are also prohibited, as are garments promoting drugs, alcohol, or cigarettes. While it can be challenging to find shorts that are appropriate lengths for school, students need to know that beach attire and school attire should differ. Although we recognize that this is an ongoing battle with many teens, we will continue to do our best to enforce appropriate attire.

** As a reminder: as of March 7, 2022, wearing a mask in school is optional. We respect and honor each individual's decisions regarding mask-wearing.

Student of the Month winners for April are:

Grade 9: Tyler Denison

Grade 10: Brayden Diaz

Grade 11: Alex Jackson

Grade 12: Henry Tran

Faculty of the Month for April is:

Tad Desautels

SHHS remains committed to maintaining a safe place for our staff and students. As we continue to find ourselves in unprecedented times, it is more important than ever to hold a safe place for difficult conversations. Our words are powerful and can cause harm that may not be visible on the surface but have lasting effects on our school community. It is beyond necessary to create an environment that listens, supports, and validates each of our diverse identities. We recognize that we are all on a journey of education. I feel fortunate to have the ability to be a listening ear, but also provide our students with learning opportunities and teachable moments that will allow them to become proactive members of our community. Please know that if you find yourself in need of additional support, we are here.

Respectfully,
Ms. Elizabeth Wood
Principal