



**DHS UPDATES: October 5, 2018**

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Below are reminders and updates for the week! For previous DHS Updates please visit our website here: [DHS Weekly Updates](#). All are encouraged to follow DHS on Twitter at [@TweetDHS](#) and to use the Danvers Public Schools app. and the [DHS website](#) to keep up to date on all things Falcons. Parents are always welcome to visit and/or call DHS with any and all questions and concerns. We are here to help and to be sure every student is getting what they need to succeed!

***\*Please note that this Monday, October 8th school is closed in observance of Columbus Day.***

Dear DHS Families,

DHS Updates are sent out on Fridays during the school year through Connect-Ed. We use the DHS Updates to keep families informed of events, activities and announcements to the DHS community. These updates can also be accessed on our website under the [Quick link button / Newsletters](#). Please also utilize the [DHS Calendar](#), [DHS Athletic Calendar](#) and the Danvers Public Schools mobile app. to keep up to date on all things Falcons.

**1. DHS PSAT/College Day 2.0** is Wednesday, October 10th. Faculty and students are encouraged to wear their college and/or DHS gear! We are making some revisions to this year's College Day to maximize time on learning for ALL students. Here is the plan:

**-12th graders** - regular school day. Any senior who has already scheduled a college visit for October 10th are encouraged to keep the visit. We are asking that all senior who are not on a college visit be at DHS for a regular school day as classes will run as normal. For more information on the college process and all things guidance, please see the [Fall Guidance Newsletter](#)

**-10th and 11th graders** will take the PSATs at Danvers High School. The registration deadline for the October 10th, 2018 PSAT's is today, **Friday October 5, 2018**. The cost is \$20.00, and NO student will be turned away due to financial hardship. Registration forms can be picked up in the Guidance Office.

**-9th graders** will have a regular school day on October 10th

**2. 5th Year Mass for Colleen** - There is a 5<sup>th</sup> year anniversary mass for Colleen Ritzer on October 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at St. Augustine's in Andover.

**3.** We are hosting a **Blood Drive** run by the Red Cross for students and faculty on Tuesday, October 26th in the DHS Vye Gym from 7 am - 2 pm. Students who are 16 or younger need a signed parent permission form to donate blood (permission form is attached to this email).

**4. Chromebooks Reminder** - please remind your child(ren) to bring their charged Chromebook to school every day. We have a limited number of chromebooks we can lend to students in the library each day, but recently there have been a number of students who have come to school either forgetting their chromebook or not charging the chromebook. Thank you for your support and attention in ensuring all students have access to the technology they need to succeed! We have additional chromebook chargers available for purchase for \$27.

**5. DHS Late Bus** - The late bus runs on Tuesdays and Thursdays each week. Students are asked to sign up in advance for the late bus with Mrs. Mansfield in the Main Office. The Late Bus departs DHS from the front entrance by the atrium at 3:15 pm.

**6. Student Sports Passes** - The Danvers High School Athletic Department is now offering Seasonal Student Sports passes to all students throughout the Danvers Public School District. The cost of each season pass is \$25. Please note that students must purchase a pass for each separate season. Payment should be made through your E-fund account, and passes can be picked up at the Danvers High School Athletic Office.

Fall season passes are available now through November 1<sup>st</sup>, and will provide admission to ALL HOME football games (including HOME postseason and Thanksgiving), as well as ALL HOME postseason games for girls and boys soccer, field hockey and volleyball.

Please contact Colette Hennessey at [colettehennessey@danvers.org](mailto:colettehennessey@danvers.org) or at 978-774-7133 x2288 with any questions.

**7. Yearbook and Senior Portraits** - The deadline for submission of your student's senior portrait is Friday, November 30th. Pictures can be emailed as a jpeg, png, tif or gif attachment to the yearbook adviser, Christian Mielcarek, at [christianmielcarek@danvers.org](mailto:christianmielcarek@danvers.org). If emailing is not an option, students can hand deliver a standard-size photo (3X5, 5X7, 8X10) before or after school to Room A105. Students should put their name on the back of the picture, and it will be returned as soon as possible. Photos taken by any studio/photographer are accepted, and for those who had pictures taken by WEPS, Mercer, Precious Details or Prestige Portraits by Lifetouch, no action is necessary. Your photographer will supply the school with the photo. If you have already submitted your student's photo, thank you and please disregard this message. If no photo is supplied, the yearbook staff will use your student's most-recent DHS identification photo.

Monday, October 15th, is the next and final opportunity for students to have their senior portraits taken at Danvers High School by Prestige, which is the school's contracted photographer. If you would like to schedule a session, please go to [www.photoappointment.com](http://www.photoappointment.com) or call 800-426-9533. For parents/guardians of students who already have an appointment with Prestige, the company asks that you confirm the appointment at the aforementioned email address or phone number.

Throughout the year, additional yearbook information and deadlines will be posted on your student's Class of 2019 Google Classroom page. Lastly, please feel free to contact Christian Mielcarek with yearbook-related questions at any time. He will be sure to respond in a timely fashion.

**8. Seniors:** The timeline for this year's [Senior Internships](#) are now available here: [Senior Internship Timeline](#)

### **Save the Date**

#### **9. Seniors: Financial Aid Night -**

On Wednesday, October 10th at 6 PM in the DHS Auditorium we will have a speaker from MEFA (Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority) present to parents/guardians about financing your student's education. We will have presentation materials available and a Q & A session at the end of the presentation. We sincerely hope you can make it!

**10. 20th Annual DEEP Wine & Food Tasting** is Thursday, October 25 from 6pm-9pm at the Danversport. Tickets are \$40 and can be purchased at Merchants Liquor Mart, 88 High Street, Danvers on-line at [www.supportdeep2018.eventzilla.net](http://www.supportdeep2018.eventzilla.net) Proceeds from this event go to support the DEEP Teacher Grant Program. Last year DEEP was able to give out over \$20,000 in grants to teachers in Danvers. Please see this flyer for more details: [20th Annual DEEP Wine and Food Tasting Flyer](#) For more information visit [www.supportdeep.org](http://www.supportdeep.org)

**11. Junior Pizza Party** - Candy, pizza, and costumes—what more could you want? Come dance the night away in the decked-out, spooky atrium in your favorite Halloween Costume during the Junior Pizza Party on October 24 from 6-9 pm. Tickets will go on sale next Tuesday after school for \$20. See Mrs. Waldron in A308 with any questions.

Junior long-sleeve class shirts will go on sale next week in A308 for \$15. Images of the shirt will be posted on Google Classroom.

The Junior class will be selling raffle calendars in November to raise money for prom and other class expenses. We are looking for donations of gift cards, tickets, or other prizes to give away on the calendar. Please email Mrs. Waldron if you have any questions at [wendywaldron@danvers.org](mailto:wendywaldron@danvers.org)

Have a wonderful weekend!

Best,  
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