



## DHS UPDATES: April 26, 2019

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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!

*\*Reminder: Wednesday, May 1st is an **Early Release day**. DHS students will be dismissed at 12:45 pm.*

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. [#WhyYouMatter](#) - The DHS #WhyYouMatter campaign launched this week to rave reviews! Check out the press coverage from CBS Boston ([CBS WhyYouMatter Video and Article](#)) and the front cover of the Salem News ([#WhyYouMatter Salem News Cover](#)). Huge thank you to our students and faculty advisors in SADD, SUFA and DanversCares. Thanks to our amazing teachers who made this project a reality, including Heather Carnevale, Will Ford, Lyle Harrod (DanversCares), Julie O'Neill, and Lindsay Rescott. THANK YOU to all of the students and staff for participating in this project and to our ELA teachers for providing students time to create their statements and photos. This project is a wonderful reminder of why we all matter and why DHS is such a special place to learn and work!

2. [Innovation Pathways Designation](#) - we are proud to announce that Danvers High School received designation from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (MA DESE) for Innovation Pathways in five industry sectors. For more information, please see the recent article in the Salem News ([Salem New Innovation Pathways Article](#)) as well as the press release from Governor Baker's office ([Innovation Pathways Press Release](#)).

3. [2019 AP Exam Schedule and Testing Policies](#) - Payments are due by the end of school on Friday, April 26th. Please contact Mr. Emberley ([emberley@danvers.org](mailto:emberley@danvers.org)) if you did not submit payment. Exams begin on May 6th and end on May 17th. Exam policies and procedures along with the exam schedule can be found here: [DHS AP Exam Information and Schedule](#)

4. [Senior Internship Overview and Expectations](#) are available on our website here: [Senior Internship Overview and Expectations](#). For additional information, including a video of last year's Internship Fair and our Database of internship opportunities, please see our [DHS Internship Page](#). We are so excited to hear about the wonderful experiences and skills students learn from their internships!

**5. 2019 Graduation Cap and Gowns** - we wanted to clarify that we will have traditional blue and white cap and gowns for the Class of 2019. Any student who would like to change their cap and gown color (from blue to white or vice versa) may do so by contacting Karin Chmura in person or by email at [karinchmura@danvers.org](mailto:karinchmura@danvers.org) as soon as possible. We will continue to gather feedback from students, staff, families and other community members around future graduation ceremonies.

**6. 10th Grade Screenings** - on Monday April 29th the nurses, health and PE teachers will be screening the remainder of the sophomore class for height, weight, vision and hearing. Parents are able to opt out of any part or all if they so wish by emailing Jennifer Carter ([jennifercarter@danvers.org](mailto:jennifercarter@danvers.org)) and/or Sue DeBenedictis ([susandebenedictis@danvers.org](mailto:susandebenedictis@danvers.org))

**7. DHS Band Mattress Fundraiser - Saturday, April 27, 2019**

7th Annual Mattress Sale! On Saturday, April 27th, the Danvers High School Band will sponsor the 7th annual mattress sale. For the past 6 years, we have sold over 400 mattress sets to members of our community! Quality at reasonable prices! The mattress sale will be in the Danvers High School Vye Gym from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

COUPON & EVENT LINK: <http://www.danversband.org/annual-mattress-sale.html>

There will be 24 name-brand sets by Simmons Beautyrest, Restonic and Therapedic on display to try out and a team of experts to answer any question you might have.

From 30-50% below retail - If you are in need of a mattress set (or mattress) or if you know of any family or friends that need of one, PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD and stop by on Saturday, April 27th.

**8. Volunteers & Sponsors Needed - Project Graduation** - Project Graduation is a parent volunteer committee. We are currently seeking volunteers to help put on this great event. If you are available and interested in helping out please visit our online sign up here: [Project Graduation Volunteer Sign Up](#). Danvers High Project Graduation costs about \$10,000 to run and it is funded almost entirely through the generosity of businesses and individuals with connections to Danvers. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. Please visit [www.DHSProjectGrad.org](http://www.DHSProjectGrad.org) for more information. The next Project Graduation Committee Meeting on Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at DHS at 6:30pm. If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact Mary Beth Verry at [mbverry@comcast.net](mailto:mbverry@comcast.net); Follow us on Facebook Page @DHSProjectGrad; Twitter @DanversHighPG; Instagram Danvers Project Graduation; Website: DHSProjectGrad.org

**9. Junior Picnic - Save the Date:** The **DHS Junior Picnic** is scheduled for Thursday, May 30th from 10 am - 1 pm at Endicott Park.

**10. 2019 Keys to Success Program** - As always a huge thank you to Jill and Kevin Michaud from Michaud Mitsubishi for their generosity. The car has been delivered to DHS, and the "Key Off" will be on May 23, 2019 @ 1:00 PM in the Field House, with television and radio personality and special guest Billy Costa once again hosting!

**11. Community Service:** Spring is here and so are multiple opportunities for completion of Community Service! There are lots of events in April and May that need DHS student's help. Please see the [Current Community Service Sheet](#) for a varied selection of upcoming events to sign up for. Students should see Mr Black in B101 to sign up for events. He can also be reached by email at [williamblack@danvers.org](mailto:williamblack@danvers.org)

**12. [NHS Tutoring](#)** - Hello DHS students! We are now into the 4th and final quarter of the school year! Our National Honor Society members would love to tutor students in any subject area. These students are experienced and extremely helpful. Please fill out a tutoring form on the DHS website or email [lorianketell@danvers.org](mailto:lorianketell@danvers.org), Advisor of NHS, or [kjordan19@danvers.org](mailto:kjordan19@danvers.org), President of NHS. You can also just drop by A122, to speak with Ms. Anketell or to speak to an NHS member about tutoring. We would be thrilled to assist you! Here is the link to sign up for tutoring: [NHS Tutoring Request Form](#)

**13. 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.

### **Closing**

As this is the last day with all of the seniors in the building before internship, I would like to thank the Class of 2019 for all of their contributions to our community. Thanks to the teachers and staff who provide all students with the access to challenging curriculum and instruction as well as caring and kindness. And thanks to all of the families and community members whose relentless and unwavering support of the Class of 2019 is invaluable and so much appreciated. Enjoy the weekend everyone!

Best,

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