



DHS UPDATES: December 11, 2020

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 contact DHS with questions and concerns. We are here to help and to be sure every student is getting what they need to succeed!

- 1. Flu Shot Requirement** - as a reminder, all students (including students who are fully remote) must provide proof of a flu shot **by December 31, 2020**. Documentation can be emailed to our School Nurses Sue DeBenedictis (susandebenedictis@danvers.org) and Jen Carter (jennifercarter@danvers.org).
- 2. DPS COVID Family Information Sheet** - The information sheet was recently updated on December 8th and can be found on our website here: [DPS COVID Family Information Sheet](#)
- 3. Mask Breaks** - With the weather getting colder, we want to remind students to bring coats and warm clothing to school for outdoor mask breaks. We will have mask breaks outside whenever possible.
- 4. Winter Sports Update** - as messaged earlier this morning in a separate email, the start of the Winter season will be postponed until after the School Committee Workshop on Monday 12/14 at 6:30p. The Danvers Department of Public Health and the School Committee will meet to evaluate the most recent data and trends surrounding Covid-19 and its effect on our interscholastic athletics program. The results of this meeting will help guide our plan for the winter sports season.
- 5. School Picture Retakes** will be held next week on Tuesday (December 15th) for Cohort A and on Friday (December 18th) for Cohorts B and C (Fully Remote) in the DHS Auditorium from 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm.
- 6. The Danvers SEPAC** is hosting a free virtual workshop on December 17, 6 pm - 8 pm to help you understand your basic rights surrounding your child's IEP. More information and registration information can be found on our website here: [Danvers SEPAC Basic Rights Workshop](#)
- 7. Reminder: Remote Support Update** - We have developed a [remote support schedule](#) for students to check in with teachers in specific content areas. We are able to provide content expertise and support to your child during the school day. Students are encouraged to continue to schedule office hour appointments with teachers as another means of support.

Because students are working independently, they will be able to access the support when it is available. There is a cohort specific Google Hangout Link which will be monitored by a faculty member at the designated times. We hope this will provide additional support to our students who are working while at home. Please contact us with any questions and/or feedback.

8. Italy, Austria, and Germany Tour - Ms. Aste and Mr. Ford will be leading a tour to Italy, Austria, and Germany during February break of 2022 through EF Tours. They still have a number of openings they are hoping to fill by December 15th. Any student who enrolls before 12/15/20 will be part of EF's risk free enrollment and can cancel with a FULL REFUND up until May 1st, 2021. Please contact Mr. Ford or Ms. Aste for more details. *Travel will be subject to domestic and international restrictions.*
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9. Reminder: Class of 2021 - we want to thank Class Advisor Matt Regis and the Class of 2021 Officers for their hard work and continued presence in making a memorable year for our Seniors. Please see the some reminders below regarding the Class of 2021:

-Yearbook parent ads are a unique way to celebrate student success and achievement and add a personal touch to each child's yearbook. Parents can process orders by clicking on the link attached.
https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/ybAdDesigner/1066095/-/2020091904304117378/CATALOG_S_HOP/ Please see the attached flyer for additional details.

-Mr. Sangermano and Mr. Mielcarek, DHS Yearbook Advisors

-Class Dues - We are asking that everyone get caught up on Class Dues. Class dues are a total of \$120, or payments of \$30 per year. Dues make it possible that every student at DHS receives a Yearbook at no extra charge and helps make the DHS graduation the classy and prestigious event that it has been year after year. Dues can be paid online using [efunds](#) by going to this link ([efunds](#)) and then clicking on "Pay for Optional Fees" For additional directions, please see the attached screenshots that walk through the process of paying dues for the Class of 2021. Dues can also be paid by check made out to "Danvers Public Schools" and dropped off with Class of 2021 Advisor Mr. Regis.

We understand the pandemic has caused financial hardships for businesses and families alike. Please reach out to us directly if there are extenuating circumstances that make it difficult to pay dues.

-Calendar Raffle Fundraiser - We want to remind you about the Class of 2021 Calendar Raffle. This is a major fundraising effort by the Class of 2021 and will help support end of year activities and events for the class. Tickets can be bought from students. Thank you for taking part in this fun fundraiser!

-The **Whoopie Wagon** is now taking orders to support the Class of 2021. Order your Whoopie Pies for the holidays! Place your order by using the link below:

<https://topsfield-bakeshop-inc.square.site/> The link will remain open through Tuesday, December 22nd at 8pm.

Pick up from The Whoo(pie) Wagon at Danvers High School on Whoopie Wednesday, December 23rd from 3-6pm. Pick up for Pre-orders Alphabetical by Last Name:

-A-H 3-4

-I-N 4-5

-O-Z 5-6

Social distancing will be required. Walk up orders will be welcomed.

Thank you for your support of the Class of 2021!

10. [School Committee](#): The next School Committee meeting is Monday, December 14th pm at the MPR at the Holten-Richmond Middle School. The meeting agenda can be found online: [December School Committee Agenda](#)

Closing

Enjoy the weekend everyone!

Best,

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