Danvers School Community:

The following are our updates for the week of May 25th:

**Texas Tragedy:** As outlined in the message sent last night, we are aware that your child(ren) may have concerns and anxiety about the shooting in Texas. We have support in place today for students and staff who may be struggling with yesterday’s tragedy, and will continue the services as needed. Please contact your principal, social worker, school psychologist and/or guidance counselor if your child or someone you know needs assistance.

**Healing & Unity Experience (HUE):** *HUE is on Saturday, June 4th, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Danvers High School!* We hope you will join DanversCARES and the Danvers Human Rights and Inclusion Committee for a brand-new event – [The Healing & Unity Experience (HUE)]. The goal of this free, family-friendly event is to bring Danvers residents together to share cultures and promote friendship.

**Entertainment:** Dominican pop duo, Irish folk singer, Grupo Fantasia, Odaiko New England, R&B band

**Activities:** African Drumming & Dancing, Origami, Flower Power Identity Exploration, Storytime, Create Your Own Flag, Therapy Dogs, Learn Sign Language, Learn Spanish and French, Tie a Ribbon on the Tree of Hope, and much more.

**Food:** Trucks and tables will offer gyros, falafel, tacos, empanadas, roast beef and chicken sandwiches, ice cream and bottled water. The first 300 people that register are guaranteed free food.

**Register Here:** [https://danverscares.org/hue/](https://danverscares.org/hue/).

**Smith School Mural Unveiling:**
Smith School revealed their new mural this morning that was created by students, staff, and families and guided by artist Yetti Frenkel and Mrs. Groberio, Smith School’s art teacher. The mural represents the school’s values and expectations – B.R.A.V.E. – Believe in each other, Respect others, Accept and Value relationships and differences, and Engage in school work and take ownership of learning. We hope you have the opportunity to drive by Smith School to see it!

Theater: The Danvers High School Academy Theatre Society is performing Seussical, The Musical this week. Seussical is a musical comedy based on stories written by Dr. Seuss. The show is family-friendly and runs approximately 1 hour and 45 minutes, with a 15-minute intermission. The shows are Thursday, May 26th at 7 pm; Friday, May 27th at 7 pm; and Saturday, May 28th at 2 pm and 7 pm. Tickets can be purchased at the door.
or online at TicketStage.com. General admission tickets are $18 for adults and $15 for students and seniors.

**Danvers Recreation Summer Programs:** Summer will be here soon! Don’t miss out on the exciting programs that are being offered by Danvers Recreation. Danvers Public Schools is partnering with Danvers Recreation for 6 weeks of the Falcons program. We will enhance the program with morning project-based learning sessions for rising first through eighth graders. **Reminder: Early Bird Registration special – $10.00 discount per program if you register before June 1.**

**COVID:** As COVID cases continue to be a concern, please know that students and staff are welcome to wear masks and that extra masks are available in all of our schools. It is important to continue to monitor your child for symptoms and to keep them home if they are not feeling well.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to the principal of the school your child(ren) attends or contact the Central Office.

We hope you have a nice Memorial Day weekend!

Keith Taverna and Mary Wermers
Acting Co-Superintendents