VERMONT COMMONS SCHOOL

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News & Notes
Vermont Commons School
April 9, 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, April 12th

- **Final Day of Regular Classes** for seniors going on Senior Projects

Tuesday, April 13th

- **Senior Exam Review Day** for those going on Senior Projects
- 6:30pm: **VSAC Financial Aid Planning Meeting for Parents/Guardians** (Zoom link forthcoming)

Wednesday, April 14th

- **Core Group Gatherings** (see announcement below for drop-off locations)

Thursday, April 15th

- 9:30am - 11:30am: **Senior Math Exam**
- 1pm - 3pm: **Senior World Language Exam**

Friday, April 16th

- **Full Comments sent home** (all students)
- **Last Day of School for Seniors** going on Senior Projects
- 9:30am - 11:30am: **Senior Science Exam**
- 12:10pm: **Early Dismissal for grades 6-8** (no afternoon classes or activities)
- 1pm - 1:30pm: **Do Ya Know Yer Senior?**
- 1:30pm - 3pm: **Senior Send-off**

April 19th - April 23rd

- **Spring Break** (VCS CLOSED)

YEARBOOK SALES LINK COMING SOON
Keep an eye out for information next week!

You can view all of our upcoming events on the **Calendars** page of our website, and find updated Zoom links by clicking "**More Details**" under individual events.

Amy's School Counseling Office

Virtual IT Help Request

Core Group Wednesday 4/14

Next Wednesday, 4/14, will be an in-person core group day. This will give core groups a solid block of time to be with each other and capitalize on the in-person class days. Drop-off will be 9:00-9:30 and pickup will be 2:00-2:30. Core groups will be at the following locations. Core group leaders will be in touch with you with any specific requirements for the day.

6th and 7th grades: **Farrell Park**
8th and 11th grades: **Oakledge Park**
9th grade: **Starting at Echo**
10th grade: **Waterfront Park**
12th grade: **VCS campus, 75 Green Mountain Drive**

Farewell to Class of 2021

Next Friday, 4/16, we will celebrate our illustrious Class of 2021 with two time-honored events. The first is intended for students, a quiz contest titled "Do Ya Know Yer Seniors", conducted via Zoom and Kahoot at 1:00. The second is the Senior Send-Off and will run from 1:30-3:00. This is an event at which each senior is lauded and celebrated by their advisor. The Senior Send-Off is open to all and of particular interest to students and the parents of seniors.

To enable the seniors to be in-person for these events, Middle School students are dismissed at 12:10, immediately after their 3rd period class. They will not have lunch, 4th, or 5th period classes that day. Parents of MS students, please pick up your child by 12:30.

All students are invited and encouraged to participate in both events! Links to both Do Ya Know Yer Seniors and the Senior Send-Off will be on the community calendar. Tim will also send out the links to students and senior parents via email on Thursday.

National Honor Society

Applications for the Vermont Commons chapter of the National Honor Society are currently available to interested 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students who did not apply in the fall of 2020. The submission deadline for the Spring application cycle is **Sunday, May 2nd**.

Membership in the National Honor Society recognizes students for excellence in four central pillars of student life: Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Character. At VCS, chapter members take on responsibility for a number of service activities within and outside the school, such as peer tutoring, organizing food and clothing drives, and spearheading our Green-Up Day activities. More about NHS can be found at their website: www.nhs.us

Students wishing to apply should contact the NHS Chapter Adviser, Mark Keegan, for application details.

Hannaford Helps Schools Program

The 2021 Hannaford Helps Schools Program will run from March 14 - May 29th this year. Every 4 Hannaford Helps Schools Program earns 3 School Dollars, which can be deposited to help VCS.

Shopping Online with Hannaford To-Go

- Look for the red apple icon to shop more than 1,500 products online and earn money for your school!
- Turn in any School Dollars you collect to the collection tower in-store by **Saturday, May 29th**.

Shopping In-Store

- Look for "**helps schools**" shelf tags on more than 1,500 products in-store and earn money for your school!
- Collect your School Dollars from an associate at checkout, then deposit your School Dollars in the collection tower in-store marked for Vermont Commons School.

2021 - 2022 Enrollment Reminder

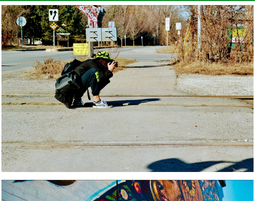
Reminder that the following items are now due:

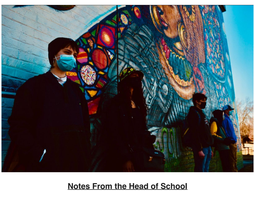
- Online paperwork for 2021-2022 (includes: medical forms, emergency contacts, photo/video permissions, etc)
- First tuition payment for 2021-2022
- Financial Aid applications & all required forms

To complete your enrollment forms, log into your RenWeb account on Family Portal, and select the Enrollment link on the left-hand tab.

NOTE: RenWeb is only able to allow 1 parent access to the full enrollment documents at a time. If you do not see your child's documents, please check all custodial parents' accounts.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda Bursell at lbursell@vermontcommons.org.





Notes From the Head of School

The Class of 2021 has 17 members.

Two of them are National Merit Finalists.

Collectively, the 17 of them have been admitted to the following colleges and universities, earning hundreds of thousands of dollars of merit scholarship offers along the way:

Bard College

Boston University

Brandeis University

Bryn Mawr College

Carnegie Mellon University

Case Western Reserve University

Castleton University

Chaminade University

Clarkson University

Columbia University

Connecticut College

Cornish College of the Arts

CU-Boulder

Drexel University

Elon University

Fairfield University

Franklin Olin College of Engineering

George Washington University

Georgetown University

Gettysburg College

Goucher College

Hobart & William Smith

Hollins College

Ithaca College

Kenyon College

Lehigh University

Lewis & Clark

Miami University, OH

Middlebury College

Mount Holyoke College

Northeastern University

Oberlin College

Pace University - Westchester

Penn State

Purdue University

Randolph-Macon

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Rochester Institute of Technology

Rose Hulman Institute of Technology

Saint Edward's University

Sarah Lawrence College

Skidmore College

Smith College

St. Lawrence University

St. Mary's

Syracuse University

Temple University

University of California – Davis

University of Massachusetts - Amherst

University of Arizona

University of Delaware

University of Illinois - Champaign-Urbana

University of Michigan

University of Pittsburgh – Honors College

University of Texas - Dallas

University of Vermont

Villanova University

Wheaton College

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Xavier University

HATS OFF AND HIGHEST CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2021!!!

USEFUL SCHOOL LINKS

Give to Vermont Commons

Guide for Students & Families

2020-2021 Community Calendar

RenWeb - Parent Login

VCS Website

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