

# Hoosac Valley High School 2018-2019

## Words from Byrd: Week ending 5.17.19

Perseverance, Respect, Integrity, Diversity, Empathy represent Hoosac **PRIDE**

May is a celebration of Hoosac **PRIDE**

*"Life is a gift, and it offers us the privilege, opportunity, and responsibility to give something back by becoming more."*

### NEW THIS WEEK:

**BUSY, BUSY WEEKS AHEAD:** In a nutshell, we are finishing up MCAS testing, getting ready to start Senior Finals and Undergraduate Finals, and we are preparing for Class Night and Graduation! Phew!

**More MCAS tests coming up: 8TH GRADE IS DONE!** Next up the tenth graders will take the math test on May 21 and 22, and ninth graders will be tested in biology on June 4, 5, and 6. Please make sure your students get a good night's rest. Tests start at 7:30 a.m. after homeroom attendance.

### **FINAL EXAM SCHEDULES FOR SENIORS:**

Senior final exam schedules were sent to teachers to be shared with seniors. The last official day of classes for seniors is May 28. Final exams are scheduled on May 29-31. Graduation rehearsals start at 8:45 a.m. on Monday June 3. PLEASE ask your students if they owe any dues, cafeteria charges, library fines, books, etc. We will have a list on June 3, which we will share with students. **Ask your student to show you the End of the Year activities brochure that was sent home.**

### **FINAL EXAM SCHEDULES FOR**

**UNDERGRADS:** The last official day of classes



for undergraduates is June 11. Final exams start on June 12 and end on June 17. The schedule will be posted soon for students.

**ONE LAST PUSH FOR OUR Community Forum:** May 22, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. JOIN us at the MCLA Church Street Center for the next community forum. Hoosac Valley High School is at the forefront of this forum! County schools and the Northern Berkshire Community Coalition are hosting a conversation with the purpose of better connecting our broader community with our local school communities. We approached the Coalition several months ago, requesting support to better connect the community with the challenges and struggles that our school communities are facing. The Coalition is thrilled to form a partnership and work towards the goal of a community conversation. We are looking for teachers, administrators, parents, students, community members, service providers, anyone who lives, works, and plays in north Berkshire to come out and be a part of this conversation... the more voices and ideas, the better our chance of creating viable solutions for our communities.

#### **FOR YOUR PLANNING PURPOSES**

##### **May 20**

Field Day and Lip Dub... AND Seniors will be called to the auditorium to vote on class speaker

##### **May 21 and 22**

MCAS -- Grade 10, math (makeup on the 23 and 24)

##### **May 22**

Community Forum: MCLA Church Street Center, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. SEE the flier below.

##### **May 23**

Band Showcase, 7 p.m., auditorium

##### **May 24**

Senior Class Trip to Great Escape

##### **May 26**

Prom at the Berkshire Plaza Hotel in Pittsfield. 7 p.m. students walk through the line.

##### **June 4 and 5**

MCAS -- Grade 9, science (makeup on the 6)

##### **June 6**

Class Night for Class of 2019: 6:30 p.m. start

##### **June 7**

Graduation: 7 p.m. start

##### **June 11**

Last official day of classes for 8-11

##### **June 12-17**

Final exams and makeup day(s). Schedule to be posted soon.