



## Hoosac Valley High School 2018-2019

### Words from Byrd: Week ending 11.16.18

#### NEW THIS WEEK...

##### **Parents of Juniors and Seniors:**

Your 11th or 12th grader can take advantage of a **FREE BCC Communications course** from January 22nd to May 17th. Students are required to have a 2.6 GPA or a college-level reading and writing score on the Accuplacer as well as a completed registration and residency form. This is a wonderful opportunity! Registration is now open, and forms are located in guidance.

**Wall of Recognition unveiling:** The HVHS Wall of Recognition was revealed to community members, Hoosac faculty and staff members, and family and friends at the unveiling on November 15. The recognition wall came to life when Paige Barrow, a



senior at Hoosac, decided that it was time we recognize graduates of both Hoosac Valley High School and Adams High School for their service to our country. Paige and other members of the Athletic Leadership Council worked tirelessly to make the idea come alive. At the time of the unveiling there were approximately 75 names written into the mural, and the great news is that we have room to add more. If you know a veteran or an enlisted service member, fill out the form.

**PRIDE RALLIES:** You may have noticed a few changes in the building! We've painted the entrance to the high-school wing, and many staff members are busy creating "street" signs for our hallways and intersections that represent our PRIDE (Perseverance, Respect, Integrity, Diversity, and Empathy). We are busy planning our first PRIDE rally of the

2018-2019 school year. Save the Date for Tuesday, December 11 at 7 p.m. Letters will be sent home to students who will be recognized and invitations for the event will be mailed home as well. MORE information to follow.

**HVHS Football Game:** Tomorrow's football location will be changing because of today's snow. Please use the Hoosac Valley Athletics Facebook page for updates about the new location. <https://www.facebook.com/HoosacAD/>

#### **FROM THE CLASS ADVISORS**

**Sophomores:** Class Rings will be distributed to students, who purchased them, on Wednesday, November 21, during homeroom.

**Seniors:** Seniors will be measured for caps and gowns on Wednesday, November 21, at the conclusion of homeroom.

### **FOR YOUR PLANNING PURPOSES**

**November 21:** HS students dismissed at 10:40 to begin Thanksgiving break. Students return to school on Monday, November 26.

### **WE STILL WANT YOU TO KNOW...**

**Facilitated Group Support:** The next session in the school adjustment counselor's group series will begin in late November. This group will be for students to gain awareness and skills for developing the essentials of a healthy relationship. The group will be co-facilitated by our SAC, Mrs. Loriann Moro, and a social worker from the Elizabeth Freeman Center. The group will run for eight consecutive Mondays but will rotate the period we meet each week. Any interested student, who needs more information or who just wants to sign up, can contact Mrs. Moro. Parents seeking more information can email [morol@acrsd.net](mailto:morol@acrsd.net) or call her at 743-5200 x5007.

**Tutoring Center:** The HVHS tutoring center is open to all students grades 8-12 on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 2 p.m. until the late bus (3p.m. ish) in Ms. Reeves' Room 303. National Honor Society students are working with the peers in all subject areas.

**New Entry Procedures:** You may have noticed new entry procedures to Hoosac Valley Middle and High School. **ALL *visitors*** must check in with the middle school office staff to receive a pass and be called in to the high-school side. If you have specific questions, please contact me at [byrdc@acrsd.net](mailto:byrdc@acrsd.net). **Dropping off items?** No need to sign in. You may drop those off in the first office, and those things will be delivered to the high school. Thank you!