

Dear Juniors and Parents/Guardians,

The second semester started on Tuesday, January 21. Check ASPEN for your grades for the 1st semester.

Leadership Conference Opportunity through the Local Rotary Club (RYLA)

Prospective attendees should be high-school students who will finish their junior year this June. RYLA regulations require that attendees must be under 18 for the duration of the conference.

Successful candidates will be students who have excellence in character and scholarship and have demonstrated a desire to lead. The program is gender-neutral and can accommodate special needs.

WHEN: Thursday, June 24 –Sunday, June 29, 2025

* Selected participants must be in attendance for the entirety of the conference. They are not permitted to arrive late. Or leave early.(Circumstances of health, family emergency or other will be handled on a case-by-case basis)

WHERE: Caldwell University
120 Bloomfield Avenue, Caldwell NJ 07006

[North Application](#)

Scheduling

The counselors will be meeting with the students during their social studies classes next week to help finalize course requests for next school year.

Attendance

Attendance is an important part of school. Please be aware that 12 unexcused absences in a full-year course and 6 unexcused absences in a half-year course result in loss of credit for the class. Additionally, 3 tardies to class will result in 1 unexcused absence. Losing credit in classes will result in students needing to complete credit restoration. Please review our [attendance policy](#).

Local Resources

Youth Art Bereavement Group: Hunterdon Hospice is providing this 10-week program for youth (Kindergarten-12th grade) & parents/guardians. This program is designed to help youth/families to express grief in age-appropriate groups using the medium of art. **Parents/guardians will attend an adult group that runs simultaneous to the youth groups.** Parents will learn about children's perceptions of loss while having the opportunity to process their own grief. Group will be held on **Wednesdays** from **6:30pm-8pm**, from **2/5 - 4/9** in Flemington. Families **do not** need to reside in Hunterdon County, as **all** youth/parents/guardians are welcome to attend.

Flyer: [Youth Art Bereavement Group](#)

Love Shouldn't Hurt: Empower Somerset will be hosting this free virtual event for middle/high school students & their parents about Healthy Relationships, on **2/13** from **6pm-7:30pm**. Event will include information on warning signs of unhealthy relationships including physical, sexual, emotional, verbal abuse, manipulation & control & digital abuse. [Link to flyer here.](#)

Raritan Valley Community College (RVCC)

RVCC will be hosting a series of Honors College/NJ STARS Info Sessions this fall. The first of these sessions will occur **Wednesday, March 19th at 6:00pm**. Students interested in learning more about both the RVCC-Honors College & the NJ STARS scholarship will be able to hear from both current (& former) Honors College & NJ STARS students talking about their RVCC/Honors College experiences as well as their transfer process (post-RVCC).

To learn about the program, please visit the Honors College page (including some videos that highlight various aspects of our program): <https://www.raritanval.edu/academic-programs/honors-college>.

For more information regarding NJ STARS, please visit:
<https://www.hesaa.org/Documents/FactSheets/NJSTARS/FactSheetfor2024HSGrad.pdf>.

College Planning Meetings

If you are interested in meeting about the college planning process, please contact your counselor after winter break to set up a meeting time.

Shadowing Opportunities at Hunterdon Healthcare

Hunterdon Health offers shadowing opportunities for anyone age sixteen (16) or older to acquire clinical and non-clinical educational experiences.

Shadowing positions are for no more than eight (8) hours in each setting and are non-paid opportunities. During their time shadowing, shadows cannot enter isolation rooms and will be unable to provide any hands-on care. This is strictly an opportunity for observation.

For more information, please use this [link](#)

Tutoring

The North Hunterdon-Voorhees district is once again offering free, 24/7 tutoring services to students. This includes tutoring for [100+ subjects](#), including AP®; a drop-off writing review; practice quizzes for math, science, and ELA; and test prep for the SAT and ACT. Go to tutor.nhvweb.net to access the service.

More information about the service and how to access it is attached below.

[NHV Tutoring Startup Guide.pdf](#)

Many resources can be found on the North Hunterdon Guidance Website and visit frequently - <https://www.nhvweb.net/guidance/>

If you are looking to enter **Community Service hours in Aspen** and are unsure how to enter these hours into ASPEN, visit the community service website-

<https://www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/communityservice/logging-hours>

For more information on jobs, volunteer opportunities, summer programs, community information nights, and more, please follow this [link](#).

Have a great week!