

May 16, 2020

Good Morning Mineola High School Students & Families:

Week 9 of remote learning is complete! It is hard to believe that we will finish up the school year this way. Now more than ever, it is important that we continue to support one another during this prolonged difficult time. Although we miss our students and families tremendously, we are hopeful that what we do now, will help us to be together later.

Seniors: Thank you to everyone who has participated in our weekly hangouts and has given us feedback about the end of year activities. We hope to have a calendar of events for you in next week’s update. Please note that as this situation remains fluid, we are trying to delay decisions as long as possible in order to provide as many “live opportunities” as possible. This week’s senior hangout featured a special surprise, Gian Paul Gonzalez, who inspired our students several years ago with his powerful “All in” message. In our Webex session, he reminded students about what it means to be resilient as well as maintaining positive connections with those closest to us. We’d like to encourage all of our seniors to continue to take part in the “weekly hangouts.” (Remember to go get a free pretzel on Monday at Philly Pretzel Factory in Franklin Square).

This week, our 8 -11 students voted in class and student organization elections. We have several ties and will revote for those positions and announce the winners by next Friday. Thank you to all of our candidates! We continue to admire all of your hard work and want you to know we are here for you and want you to finish strong! :) Finally, we encourage you to participate in Arts Week that begins on Monday.

May 18 - 22 is Arts Week! → [Calendar of Events](#)

Monologue Monday	Tuesday Re-Creation Day	Wednesday Dance	Make Music Thursday	Rise Up Friday
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**Please note that Regularly Scheduled Webex Classes
will not meet on Monday, May 18, 2020**

This week’s updates are below:

Retrieval and Return of Materials: We are aware that students have personal belongings in their school and gym lockers and also need to return items that were borrowed from the school. We are still in the process of creating a schedule / plan to allow students to retrieve those items while maintaining a safe social distance from one another. **This will occur in mid-June.**

AP Information: *Congratulations to our students who completed AP Exams this past week, some for the very first time! Next Week’s schedule is below:*

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Monday 5/18	Tuesday 5/19	Wednesday 5/20	Thursday 5/21	Friday 5/22
2pm - Biology 4pm - APES	12pm - Music Theory 2pm - Psychology	2pm - English Language	2pm - World History	2pm - Statistics 4pm - Spanish Language

1. Updates regarding the AP Exam Administration were sent earlier today.. [Here is a copy for your reference.](#)
2. [Click here for the College Board AP Testing Guide](#), which includes details about the AP exam administration.
3. All test takers will need to use the [Exam Day Checklist](#).

National Honor Society: Congratulations to our new inductees! Please check the Canvas group for instructions on how to submit information and photos for our video induction ceremony.

Social & Emotional Health: Feel free to reach out to your counselor via [email](#) and they will schedule an appointment to meet with you.

PE / Athletics: If you haven't downloaded the PE App, it will make submitting your weekly activity log much easier. Access the app at <https://mineola.glideapp.io/> and complete the form located on the homepage. Set a reminder for yourself so you remember to complete this every Friday!

Marking Period 4 Progress Reports: Progress reports for the 4th marking period have been posted to the Parent Portal <https://parent.ioeducation.com>

Marking Period 4 Grading Guidelines: As a reminder, students will receive grades for the 4th marking period. As there are no Regents Exams this year, it is critical that they successfully complete their classes in order to receive both class and Regents credit. Please keep in mind that grades will be calculated based on online engagement, task engagement, and assessments. Contact your child's teachers or school counselor if they need any assistance.

[Virtual Office Hours for Mineola High School Questions](#) are also available on Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:10pm-1:10pm.

Helpful Links:

[College Board website for AP Information](#)

[College Board website for SAT information](#) *Please note the June SAT has been cancelled*

[Remote Learning Guide for Parents](#) (all weekly letters are archived here)

Become an observer in your child's Canvas account, [click here](#) for the directions.

Sincerely,

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