



PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

May 1, 2020

Happy Friday Everyone,



What a week!!!!!! Last Saturday was so very special for our staff who delivered personalized signs to all 415 Hebron seniors. It would not have been possible without our superstar parent, Kathy Kelly, who put all the signs together, organized them by neighborhood and then assigned them to staff. She did all this from her home and I can't imagine the amount of work and time she spent doing this for us. THANK YOU MRS. KELLY!!!!!! I am asking that seniors continue to send me pictures, so I can keep tweeting them.

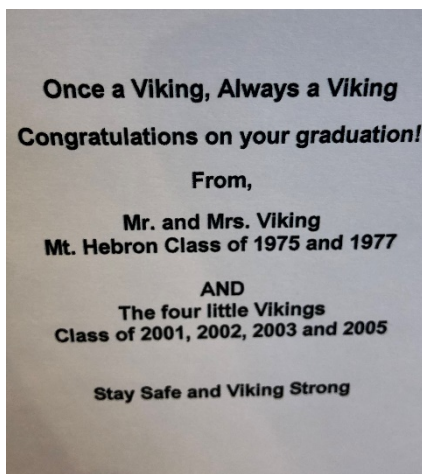


Our community and staff are continuing to find ways to celebrate our seniors. Thank you to this mysterious community member who wrote messages for our seniors after seeing the signs. We have many things in the works to celebrate our seniors, including our senior awards presentation and our senior slide show. Each student was asked to create a slide and share it with Ms. Richter. We should be receiving more information next week from Central Office about virtual graduations, and we are also planning an in-person celebration when the quarantine is lifted. Continue to read the senior section of the newsletter for details.

Next week, May 4-May 8 is our Staff Appreciation Week. Already, the community has reached out to thank our teachers! Viking Backers provided every teacher \$40 for needed supplies for Virtual Learning. We also sent out a

[Link to Google Form](#) that is easy to use for students and families to write a message to staff. There is nothing more special than hearing from the people we work so hard for -- a little note, goes such a long way.

**THANK
YOU
TEACHERS
AND STAFF**



Until next week, stay safe. Stay connected. Stay hopeful.
Joelle

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Twitter: [@hcpss_mhhs](https://twitter.com/hcpss_mhhs)

Website: <http://mhhs.hcpss.org>

Student Online Newspaper: The Mountain: <https://mthmountain.com>

UPCOMING DATES/EVENTS

Date	Time	Event
May 5		Report cards uploaded to the student's document tab and all parents and students will be able to access on 5/5
May 15		Distance Learning Continues through this date
May 20		Last Day for Seniors
June 1-9		Graduation window

Student Schedule until we return to school:

Format for Google-Meet: Nicknames for all google meet check-ins:
MHHS-TEACHER'S LOGIN ID-PD#-DATE

Teachers will have work for the week for you to complete posted in Canvas by 9:00 am on Mondays

Mondays

- Period 4A Google Meet Check-In: 1:00-1:45 pm OR 2:00-2:45 pm

Tuesdays

- Period 1 Google Meet Check-in: 8:00-8:45 am OR 9:00-9:45 am
- Period 4B Google Meet Check-in: 1:00-1:45 pm OR 2:00-2:45 pm

Wednesdays

- Period 2 Google Meet Check-in: 8:00-8:45 am OR 9:00-9:45 am
- Period 5 Google Meet Check-in: 1:00-1:45 pm OR 2:00-2:45 pm

Thursdays

- Period 3 Google Meet Check-in: 8:00-8:45 am OR 9:00-9:45 am
- Period 6 Google Meet Check-in: 1:00-1:45 pm OR 2:00-2:45 pm

Fridays

- Submit your work by 10:00 am

CELEBRATIONS!

***For even more celebrations & good news, follow us on Twitter: [@hcpss_mhhs](#)*

Theatre students from across the county were tasked with creating a quarantine video that expressed their feelings and experiences thus far in quarantine. Two students were selected from each school to be showcased on the HCPSS website. Our two students were Abigail Fuller (grade 9, Theatre I) and Samantha Yakaitis (grade 11, Musical Theatre).

Below are their awesome projects:

1. [Abigail Fuller "Quarantine Interrogation"](#)
2. [Samantha Yakaitis "Quarantine Edition: How Far I'll Go from Moana"](#)



CONGRATULATIONS to Nick Brogan who has been accepted into Penn State's Musical Theatre Program!

CONGRATULATIONS to Christina Bodziak who is the recipient of the Ellicott City Independent Order of Odd Fellows Scholarship for \$1,000 for the 2020/2021 school year.



ECON TEAMS LOOK TOWARD NATIONAL SEMI-FINALS

Mount Hebron's National Economics Challenge teams won the Maryland state championships in both the upper (Adam Smith) and lower (David Ricardo) divisions of the Maryland state championship competition.

The AP-level Adam Smith division team, consisting of seniors Wyatt Currie and Lorelei Loraine and juniors Sudharsan Sundar and Nicholas Snyder, scored a perfect 900/900 points on the state championship exam.

All four team members belonged to Mt. Hebron's 2019 dual National Economics Challenge national championship teams: Lorelei and Wyatt for the 2019 upper-division (Adam Smith) squad and Sudharsan and Nick for the 2019 lower-division (David Ricardo) team. Additionally, Lorelei and Wyatt were on Mt. Hebron's 2018 David Ricardo national finalist team that took third place nationally. With his teammate Aditya Krishna, Wyatt also represented the United States at the International Economics Olympiad in St. Petersburg, Russia in August, taking "Best in Economics" and gold and bronze medals.

Similarly, the David Ricardo team, including sophomores Keith Lee, Saniya Mahate, and Maiike Swaters, and freshman Samuel Lieman, racked up a record-setting 870/900 points, with each team member missing only a single question.

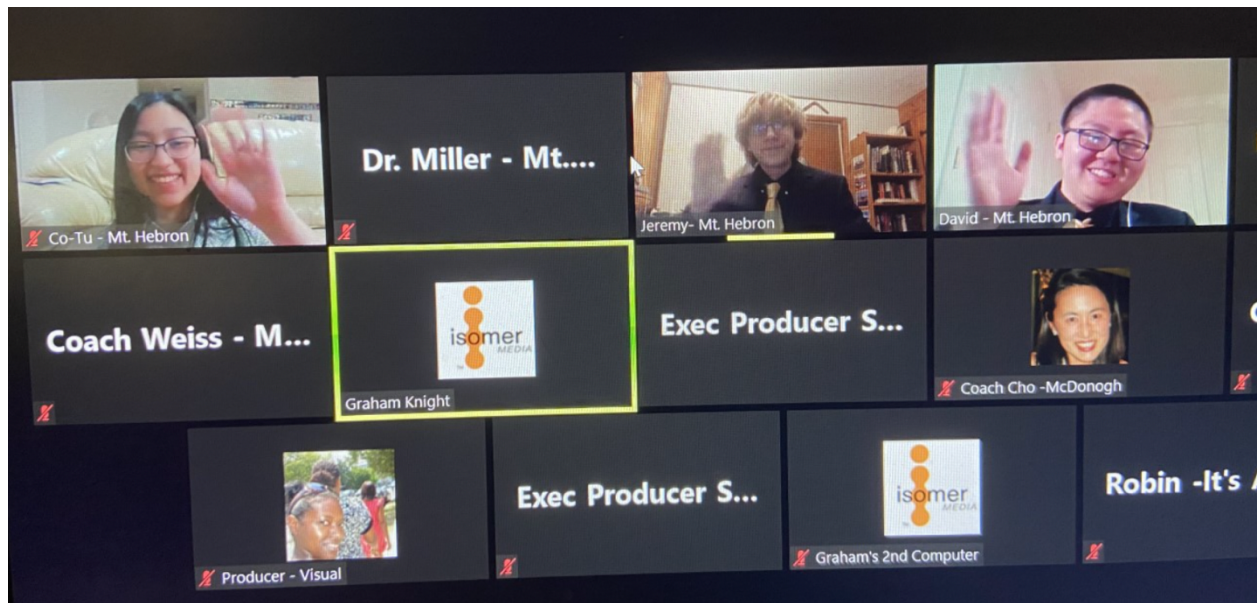
Remarkably, these young students have never had a formal class in economics. Instead, they worked countless hours learning from their upper-division student instructors Sudharsan Sundar, Nick Snyder, Pauline Chang, and Smit Shete.

Both teams move on to represent Maryland against all other state champions in the respective divisions in the national semi-finals on May 13. The top teams in each division will then move on to compete in the national finals May 16-18.

These are, respectively, Mt. Hebron's 13th and 14th state championships in the National Economics Challenge and 14th appearance in the national semi-final competition.



CONGRATULATIONS to Bryce Kampert who is leaving for the Air Force Academy on June 24th.



CONGRATULATIONS to the It's Academic team of **Co-Tu Doan**, **David Wang**, and **Jeremy Roberts-Kleban** who won their play-off round Wednesday night against McDonough and Herford and now advance to the semi-finals!!! They competed using zoom, a first for WJZ, and the recorded show will air on May 16!! Kudos to Coach Weiss and our superstar students!

Check out this incredible award for our very own **Ann Strozyk!!** We are so lucky to have her in our community and as a member of our PTSA!!

https://patch.com/maryland/columbia/hcps-environmental-educator-wins-presidential-innovation-award?utm_source=share-mobile&utm_medium=web&utm_campaign=share



Ms. Claudia Tonguino is one of our outstanding World Language teachers. She is in her 13th year of teaching at Mt. Hebron. She mentors students for countless hours in her classroom, providing academic and or personal support to them. Ms. Tonguino is a firm believer that in life everyone deserves more than one opportunity to evolve as productive individual of society. Whenever, I visit her classes, she is always enthusiastic and energetic in helping to motivate each student in understanding the content of what she is imparting to them. The students are always on task and collaborating with each other. Her classroom culture is a cognitively busy place, where shared belief in learning is the focus.

Ms. Tinguino convey high expectations for the student and insisting on hard work. Her students will always say Ms. Tinguino “challenges us to be the best we can at all times.” Ms. Tinguino is a great asset to the Mt. Hebron Learning environment as she continues to work closely with students in assisting them to succeed academically.



Ms. Tinguino and her seniors whom she misses greatly!

NEW NEWS

Help us celebrate our staff next week!

Staff appreciation week is May 4- 8, 2020. We have created an online Google form to send messages of appreciation to the wonderful staff here at Hebron and invite you to leave a surprise message for a staff member. They LOVE your messages-- and will especially love them this year because we miss our students so much! Write as many as you would like. Please click the link below to choose a staff member and write a message. Again, you are able to send as many messages as you like. These messages will be delivered individually to the staff member recipients. The message link will be open until May 8th."

[Link to Google Form](#)

Advanced Placement (AP) Exam Updates

The College Board has released some new AP Exam resources:

- AP Exam Day Checklist: Your child should [complete this checklist \(.pdf/513.39 KB\)](#) for each AP Exam they'll be taking this year, and keep it next to them on test day.
- Explainer Videos: [New videos are available](#) to give your child quick, easily accessible information about the test day experience and what they need to do to prepare. Additional videos will be posted to this playlist soon.
- [Accommodations details](#) for the exams are also available now.

HCPSS teachers will continue to work with students to share resources and course specific exam information in preparation for testing. Please visit the HCPSS [Grades and Testing FAQ](#) for more information.

School Counselor SPOTLIGHT

- Requesting transcripts for college, scholarships or internships? Transcript requests are now online! Find the request for transcripts here:
<https://forms.gle/oCr46F5Svhfmbhs19>
- LESSONS ON CANVAS! Lessons are now available on Canvas for grades 9-11! Look under the Student Services Canvas Page and select your grade. There are also resources for wellness! [StudentServicesCanvasPage](#)
- NAVIGATE 2020 is holding a 3-day Virtual Conference and College Fair May 4-6 for students and families! You can find more information and register here:
<https://virtual.gotocollegefairs.com/>
- NAVIANCE also has added information on Virtual College Tours to each college page! Search a college of your choice and look to the right of the college name for "Virtual Tour". Having trouble getting into Naviance? Students can access through CLEVER on hcpss.me; parents should contact the student's counselor.
- Seniors! Need more time to make your final college decision? Check out this website for the latest schools who have moved their decision deadlines to June 1 or beyond:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1l6FRnbFPFmzNzKoPwYSFgLPB23XYdDTNk7bnpp5omjM/edit>
- If you are considering applying to Morgan State for fall or spring, they are waiving their application fee until NOVEMBER 15, 2020!! When completing the application put in the code **FREE20**. They are also accepting unofficial transcripts during this difficult time. If you would like to find out more, engage in live chats, do a virtual campus tour and more, click the link! <https://www.morgan.edu/covid19-and-admissions>

Viking Strong Spiritwear for Sale Until May 12

Show your Mt. Hebron Pride and support your school at the same time! We have opened an online store for our staff, students and community. The orders will ship directly to your house and \$2 from every order will help fund some of our COVID 19 related Mt. Hebron expenses for our Senior Class.

Please see the link:

<https://www.bsnteamssports.com/shop/MTHSTRONG>

The store is open now and will close on May 12th. All orders will ship directly to your home address.

**MT HEBRON HIGH SCHOOL
VIKING STRONG 2020**

SPECIAL SECTION for SENIORS

We have many things in the works to celebrate our seniors, including our senior awards presentation and our senior slide show. Each student was asked to create a slide and share it with Ms. Richter. We should be receiving more information next week from Central Office about virtual graduations, and we are also planning an in-person celebration when the quarantine is lifted.

Have you purchased your 2020 senior yearbook?

The 2019-2020 yearbook can be ordered online at www.jostens.com ! Less than 30 copies remain, so order while they last. Consider a lasting celebration for your senior by ordering a senior recognition ad--starting at \$80! Order and design online at www.jostens.com

Create Your Senior Slide!

We are making a Senior Video to celebrate all of you! We will be showing it to the Mt. Hebron community in May. Each one of you will be able to create and personalize your very own slide to include in the video.

You will be creating **ONE** slide. You must make your slide using **Google Slides** with **your HCPSS school account**.

Your slide **MUST** include the following:

- The slide must be titled (**Last Name, First Name**)
- On the slide itself, you need to include your preferred first name AND your last name.
- At least one picture (the following are some ideas):
 - Senior portrait
 - Headshot of yourself
 - Picture of yourself participating in a school or non-school activity, with friends, with family, on vacation, etc.
 - Baby picture
 - Meaningful artwork
- At least one answer to one of the following questions (your answer should restate the question; do not include the question in the slide):
 - What is your favorite memory from high school?
 - What are your future plans?
 - What is your proudest moment from high school?
 - What are some parting words?
 - What will you never forget about your high school experience?
 - What is the most important lesson you have learned OR what is your biggest takeaway from high school?
 - What has had the biggest impact on you?
 - What will you miss the most?

Other things you may **WANT** to include:

- More pictures (ideas listed above)
- More answers to the questions that were listed above
- Awards, scholarships, etc.
- Activities you were involved with (e.g. clubs, sports, theater, etc.)

- Favorite quote
- Artwork
- Other things that are meaningful to you

Your slide can look however you want it to; it is all about you! Let your creativity shine and have fun with this! You can choose the background color/design, text color, text font, layout, etc. Just make sure that it is not too hard to read/see the information that is on your slide. Also, make sure that everything is school appropriate.

[Click Here](#) for an example of a slide that fellow senior created.

[Click Here](#) for a template that you can use if you are having trouble with the layout.

What do you do when you have finished your slide?

When you have finished your slide...

- make sure that it is titled correctly (**Last Name, First Name**) and that you have used your **school HCPSS account**
- share it with **Ms. Richter** (tracy_richter@hcpss.org) through Google Drive
 - Click on the “Share” button on the top right
 - Click on “Get Shareable Link” on the top right
 - Type in “Tracy Richter” under the “People” section
 - Click on “Send”

Deadline to turn in your slide: **Friday, May 8th**

NEWS WORTH REPEATING

National Honor Society Update

Attention all juniors and seniors. The NHS application deadline has been moved to September 30, 2020. Please do not submit your teacher recommendation forms via email at this point. Please hold all application materials until next fall. Questions can be directed to Mary_Sankey@hcpss.org or Suzanne_Stafford@hcpss.org

Looking for Donations of Photo Supplies

Many people are finding time to do some extra cleaning and organizing these days. If you have any old film cameras or photography equipment you don't use any more, please consider donating it to the MHHS art department for our photography classes. Email instructor Caroline Creeden caroline_creeden@hcpss.org

The Yearbook Needs YOUR PICTURES!!

The yearbook needs your help with completing the 2020 yearbook! Here's how you can help:

- **Everyone:** Submit photos from January-March of school events, student life, etc.
- **Senior Spring Athletes:** Submit a picture of yourself in your Spring uniform and sharing your future plans and favorite moments from your sports career.

- **Seniors:** Submit photos of yourself and/or your family social distancing at home OR any photos from senior year! If you are working as an essential worker, we would like to hear your story.
- **Juniors, Sophomores, and Freshman:** Submit photos of yourself and/or your family social distancing at home OR any photos from this school year!
- **Families:** Any photos you would like to share from this school year, online learning (MHHS or HCC), or social distancing (Pictures of pets highly encouraged)

POST YOUR PHOTOS!! What are you doing during your Quarantine? Who are you with?

Here is how you can submit:

- Download the Jostens ReplayIt! App in your app store. Here's a brief video of how it works: <https://youtu.be/DxM4h29GYjY?t=22>
- Email photos to the yearbook at yearbook.mounthebron@gmail.com please identify people in the photos with names and grades as well as a brief description of what the photo is about.

Questions? Email Ms. Fischetti at lauren_fischetti@hcpss.org

News from the Theatre Wing

Dear Hebron Theatre Community,

Mr. Sankey and I are thrilled to host the Theatre Banquet on **May 8 at 7pm on Google Meet** to celebrate our students and their amazing accomplishments. We will have a slideshow highlighting our incredible season, student-selected superlatives, senior speeches, awards from Mr. Sankey and myself, and a senior video! Black tie optional.

Seniors who are interested in giving a short 1-2 minute speech live during our event, please email me at kcarlsen@hcpss.org and I will put you on our list. This speech is similar to what we do during circle time before the last show. If you have questions, please let me know.



The ITS Board is putting together superlatives and a slideshow. Please see below for their requests from students.

We would love to have all theatre students, in classes and in shows, to vote on superlatives! Click on the following link and vote by May 1st: <https://forms.gle/YNyyKDAqXngxVAPs7>

The ITS Board will be putting together a slideshow that will be composed of all the photos and videos from this year. These are the things we will need from you:

1. Show pictures
 2. Videos
 3. Rehearsal photos
 4. Group photos
 5. Production party photos
 6. After shows photos
 7. Basically any school appropriate pictures that were taken during the show times this year.
- Freshmen and Sophomores email your photos/videos to Michael Badmus michaelbadmus62@gmail.com. Juniors and Seniors email your photos/videos to Ashlee Arena aarena152020@gmail.com.

This event will be held on Google Meet as required by the county. What this means is that only students can access this event through their HCPSS Google accounts but family members are welcome to join us by watching on the student's device.

How to log into the Theatre Banquet on May 8 at 7pm

1. Go to <http://meet.google.com>
2. Click on "Join or start a meeting"
3. Enter the nickname "mhhs-theatre-banquet-2020"
4. Click "Continue"
5. Mute your microphone and then click "Join now"

We are incredibly excited to celebrate our wonderful students in classes and shows! If you have any questions, please email me at kcarlsen@hcpss.org. See you on May 8th at 7pm!

Theatrically yours,
Ms. Carlsen and Mr. Sankey

Viking Backers Positions Available for 2020-2021

Viking Backers Booster Club is currently taking nominations for officers for the following positions:

- VP Communications
- VP Spirit Wear
- VP Ways and Means

We will be voting to approve a slate of new officers at our May 4th VIRUTAL general board meeting at 6:30pm. If you are interested or would like to know more about these positions, please email any of the following:

Jim Bahel: president@vikingbackers.org

Srini Gorantla: SRINIVASUANWESHA@gmail.com

Dana Arthurs: vikingspiritwear@gmail.com

Are You A Proud Viking? Become A Viking Backer!

We invite you to join the Viking Backers, Booster Club for Mt. Hebron High School. The Viking Backers is an all-volunteer, parent organization which supports ALL student extracurricular activities including academics, arts & athletics.

Visit www.vikingbackers.org to join online. We no longer are taking paper forms or checks; everything is going through the website. Your membership supports ALL students at Mt. Hebron.

