

High School Happenings

September 17, 2020



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- **News & Information:**

- **First Two Weeks In Review**

o We are nearing the completion of the first two weeks of the school year in the virtual environment. Thank you to everyone in the Methacton Family for all the work you have done to make the start of the year a success. Here are some reminders to help continue with our good work:

- Daily Attendance: Students must attend each of their scheduled classes in the Zoom/Google Meets real-time environment every day. Parents and guardians are asked to remember to report your child absent if they will not be attending school on a particular day.
- PowerSchool Portal and Google Classroom: Information for parents and guardians will continue to be available through the PowerSchool portal (student grades, attendance, schedule) and the Google Classroom Guardian Summaries (weekly updates on Google Classroom activities for each subject).
- Back to School Night: The synchronous sessions were held on the evening of 9/16. Recorded video sessions will be available in each Google Classroom by the end of the day on 9/18. Any parent or guardian who was unable to attend a session on 9/16 can watch the recorded sessions.

- **Celebrating Methacton High School:** Methacton High School has been recognized by *Philadelphia Magazine* as one of the top performing public high schools in the eight-county Philadelphia region encompassing both Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The criteria for this

designation included enrollment for grades 9–12, four-year graduation rate, percentage of graduates attending a 2- or 4-year college, student-teacher ratio, percentage of students meeting or exceeding expectations on state assessment tests in language and math, and SAT verbal and math scores. The full article can be read [here](#). Congratulations to our MHS students and teachers for exemplifying Warrior Pride!

· **Celebrating Methacton Students:** Of the more than 1.6 million students nationally who took the PSAT/NMSQT during the 2019-2020, the National Merit Scholarship Corporation recognized the approximately 16,000 students who achieved the highest scores and earned the designation of National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalist. Methacton High School is proud to recognize the following six MHS students who have been recognized as Semi-Finalists: Alec Chang, Claire Chen, Jeffrey Gong, Alexander Jin, Angela Li, Tam-My Pham.

· **PSAT Important Information for Juniors and Sophomores:** The PSAT exam administration, originally scheduled for Juniors and Sophomores on October 14, will be postponed until January 26. College Board has provided this alternate winter testing date for this school-year only. The January administration will have the same benefits as the October PSAT, including eligibility for programs administered by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. Additional information about the procedures for the January testing date will be made available closer to the date.

· **Advanced Placement Exam Ordering:** Students currently enrolled in Methacton Advanced Placement classes can begin to order their exams on September 21. Ordering will run through October 20. Exam fees are \$97 for all exams except AP Capstone Research, which is \$145. A link will be available on the Methacton High School Homepage with directions for ordering exams online. College Board has waived the \$40 cancellation fee this year, so if a student changes their mind, they will not be financially penalized. More specific information will be shared with students as we get closer to the ordering date.

**The next Happenings email and video will be distributed on Thursday, October 1, 2020.
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