



HADDONFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

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HMHS RANKS IN THE TOP 1% OF THE BEST HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE NATION!

Haddonfield Memorial High School (HMHS) was recently ranked 125th by *Newsweek Magazine's* "2011 Top High Schools" in the nation. There are approximately 27,000 public high schools across the country. The *Newsweek* ranking places HMHS in the top 1% nationwide. The rankings are based upon primarily six factors: graduation rates, immediate college matriculation rates and AP/IB/Cambridge scores taken per graduation senior, average SAT/ACT scores, average AP/IB/ Cambridge scores and AP/IB/Cambridge courses offered per graduate. Only three other South Jersey high schools made it onto this prestigious list with the closest ranking at 226th. Thus, HMHS is ranked as the Best High School in South Jersey! This year's graduating class played a large part in this ranking with their great academic achievements. Many of the graduates were accepted to prestigious colleges and universities, including Ivy League schools such as Columbia, Cornell, U of Pa, Yale, Harvard, and Princeton, in addition to receiving numerous awards and over 9 million dollars in

scholarships. Congratulations Class of 2011! Our students' success would not be possible without the support and sacrifice of our parents, teachers, administrators, and community.

HMHS AWARDED *THE BEST ATHLETIC PROGRAM OF THE YEAR!*

For the third straight year, HMHS was chosen by the *Courier-Post* as having "The Best Athletic Program" in South Jersey. HMHS is a Group 2 school and plays in the Colonial Conference. There are four group categories for schools with Group 4 being the largest. HMHS, during the 2010-2011 school year, won SEVEN State Championships, tying a school record. Our Football, Boys' Cross Country, Girls' Tennis, Boys' Winter Track, Golf, Boys' Tennis, and Boys' Track Teams all won state championships. Many remarked that this year's athletic accomplishments were among the best ever at HMHS. During this past school year, we witnessed our first Football State Championship in over 43 years, posting the most wins since 1893. Our wrestling team had



a “miracle” win over Paulsboro, at Paulsboro. It was the first time a Colonial Conference team did this in over 40 years. Congratulations Student Athletes!

HADDONFIELD STUDENTS ACHIEVE GREAT HEIGHTS IN THE ARTS

During the 2010-2011 school year, Haddonfield students participated in memorable plays and performances in the Arts at all levels. The HMHS Drama Department held a memorable play this fall “In Words & Music,” based on the historical renditions of the evolution of music through the twentieth century. At intermission and throughout the show, Veterans were honored by the students. Many who attended remarked that this was one of the best shows the HMHS Drama Department performed. “My Fair Lady,” the HMHS Musical, also opened and ran with much success including outstanding performances by senior cast members that could compete with any Broadway play.

HADDONFIELD SUMMER SCHOOL ACADEMY A GREAT SUCCESS

The Haddonfield Summer School Academy opened this past week with great success. Numerous students enrolled and participated in a variety of enrichment programs. Both students and parents were very excited about the summer offerings with much positive feedback about the quality of these programs. Programs include: Writing Your College Essay; Everyday Economics;

Algebra Bridge; Spanish Immersion; Lego Robotics; Hogwarts Summer School; Math Mania; Get Ready, Get Set, Go (Getting Ready for First Grade); Summer Engineering Challenge; Summer Fitness; and Kids in Motion.

HET (HADDONFIELD EDUCATIONAL TRUST) JULY 16th SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Tavistock Country Club’s first annual community day to benefit the Haddonfield Educational Trust will be held on Saturday, July 16th. Tavistock has offered to open their golf course and club facilities to our neighbors, community groups, businesses, and schools for a day of golf, a family barbecue and fellowship. For more information, please visit HET’s website at:

www.haddonfieldeducationaltrust.org or email:

director@haddonfieldeducationaltrust.org.

The day’s events include lunch, golf, a walking tour of the course, a family BBQ, entertainment, prizes, children’s activities, family games, and awards.

STUDENT DROP OFF’S AND PICK UP’S AT HADDONFIELD SCHOOLS FOR THE 2011-2012 SY

Please be advised that during the 2011-2012 school year, the Haddonfield Police Department advised that student drop off’s and pick-up’s should not occur on the opposite side of the street across from the schools. Tickets will be issued by way of officers



writing down license plates and mailing these tickets. This is being done in order to not further disrupt the flow of traffic and to ensure the safety of our students. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

As parents or guardians, you want nothing more than an excellent education for your children. At the NJ Department of Education, we want nothing more than to help you achieve this!

We have created a family-focused web site at www.NJFamilies.com with resources to help you support your child's education, and navigate your school system. We have also opened a "Help Desk" which can be reached through the parent menu option of our toll-free number: 877-900-6960.

Let's work together for the good of our children. Please sign up for our mailing list on our website at <http://www.state.nj.us/education/> or join our mailing list here. We look forward to helping you help your children.