HHS PTO NEWSLETTER

2022-2023 School Year Recap

As we end another school year, this newsletter will recap the ways in which the High School PTO supported the students, staff, and teachers. To the families that are moving on to the next phase, thank you for your support! To our families that continue to have students in high school, and to our rising 9th grade families, we encourage you to continue to support the efforts of the PTO by making a \$15 donation or joining the PTO. It's as simple as scanning the QR Code on the PTO form when you receive your summer packet from the high school in the mail this August.

August 2022

- Welcomed teachers back with small treat and invitation to request grant money to enhance their classroom efforts.
- Popular high-end concession stand sales began and provided the primary source of the PTO's funding. Volunteers run the Fridley Field
 concession stand during most of Hampton's Home Football games. In addition, the PTO receives a usage fee from the Fall and Spring
 Sports teams who use the concession stand.

September 2022

- Offered a variety of Hampton Spiritwear for students and staff.
- Coordinated and participated in the Homecoming Tailgate which allows various groups to support our school community.
- Supported the Homecoming Dance by coordinating the donation of bottled water, cookies, and snacks.
- Hampton junior Gary Farrell created a new Hampton High School PTO Webpage. Visit it here: https://www.hhs-pto.com.
- Awarded a \$300 grant to support teacher's professional training.

October 2022

- Supported the first of three successful Vitalant Blood Drive. Vitalant reports that HTSD sponsors the most successful blood drives of all high schools in the North Hills area.
- Awarded a \$475 grant for the Enrichment program.
- Awarded two grants totaling \$800 for Civil War and Vietnam War historical presentations.

November 2022

- Treated teachers and staff to an extended day snack of popcorn, hot pretzels, and candy.
- Awarded a \$300 grant for the Family and Consumer Sciences classes.
- Awarded a \$180 grant to the Academic Support teachers.

December 2022

- Created a new seating area in the Auditorium Lobby by funding the purchase of 6 tables and 24 chairs for a cost of \$10,000. This area has been named by the students as 'The Hub' and is used throughout the day, during lunch periods, after school, and during evening events.
- Provided teachers and staff with a holiday breakfast and a 'to go' buffet of parent-donated holiday cookies.

January 2023

- Awarded a \$360 grant to purchase 3D printers for the Engineering Department.
- Supported a second successful all-day Vitalant Blood Drive.

February 2023

The Valentine's Day Refresh your Desk returned for its 5th year! Teachers and Staff excitedly shopped the buffet of hundreds of office, food, and beverage items donated by high school families and supplemented with PTO funds.

March 2023

Supported student run THON by providing refreshments and snacks.

April 2023

• Supported a third successful Vitalant Blood Drive. A total of 300+ units were collected over the course of the school year.

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May 2023

- Awarded 12 Scholarships from each Department to graduating Seniors for a total of \$3500. These recipients are selected by the teachers in each Department.
- Recognized Teachers and Staff with a Lunch during Teacher Appreciation Week.
- Supplemented Prom activities with Prom's first ever cookie table boasting 300+ dozen cookies! In addition, a large balloon arch, digital
 photo booth, 3 character artists, a quiet café, a backyard games room, and the ever popular Poker game room.

June 2023

- Treated the students, staff, and teachers to Rita's Italian Ice during all lunch periods.
- Celebrated the seniors at the Senior Picnic by providing pizza and desserts.

YOU CAN HELP SUPPORT THESE PROGRAMS

For just a \$15 donation, you can help support all the programs listed above and more!

Simply watch your mailbox in August for the summer mailing from Dr. Imbarlina. Included will be the QR code to make a donation to support the PTO programs. Thank you in advance for your consideration!

FALL FOOTBALL GAME CONCESSION STAND

The HS PTO will be running the Concession Stand at the Friday night Football games in the Fall. Please be on the look out for requests to donate food, candy or your time by volunteering to work the stand for a portion or entire evening. The income from the concession stand is the primary source of funds for the PTO.

HOW TO STAY INFORMED

Daily Announcements: Announcements will now be delivered electronically. Please use the following directions for receiving HHS Announcements:

- 1. Go to https://hhs.ht-sd.org/
- Scroll to the bottom of the high school webpage
- 3. Click on the orange bell below the title "HHS Daily Announcements"
- 4. Follow the prompts to sign up for email alerts
- 5. Verify your account by clicking on the link that is sent to your email

