



**DOVER HIGH SCHOOL
AND
REGIONAL CAREER TECHNICAL CENTER**



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**Dover High School Family Information Update
February 1, 2017**

Parent conferences will be held tomorrow, Thursday, February 2, 2017 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Attached you will find a document that gives information concerning how this evening works and a separate document that gives the location of all teachers as some will be found in areas where they do not teach because many teachers share rooms. We look forward to sharing a conversation concerning your student's progress this year and course recommendations for next year. An informational session for the families of juniors that focuses on life after high school will be held before conferences starting at 6:00 pm.

Junior Parents: The School Counseling Department will be hosting a presentation for Junior Parents on Life After High School on Thursday, February 2nd at 6:00 pm (prior to parent conferences) in the Frederick C. Walker Auditorium. This is a great chance to learn about the various options and resources students have for after high school.

Graduation information for the Class of 2017 was shared with students in Advisory today and at a Senior Class Assembly that was held at the start of Block 2. The graduation date will be set at the March 13 School Board meeting. Students were given a copy of a draft of the graduation program in Advisory that had been developed with their class officers. Students had the opportunity to see the gowns that are available from University Cap and Gown and the process for student selection of a gown was discussed. Voting will take place in the Student Store where samples of the gowns will be displayed.

Registration is now open for Destination College, to be held March 18th at Plymouth State University for NH high school juniors & their parent(s)/guardian(s). Families may register now at www.destinationcollege.org. Each attendee will need their own registration.

Yearbook Message to Parents of Seniors: The 2017 Yearbook will include a "Then Vs. Now" page which will feature **current DHS seniors** and **parents who are DHS Alumni....If you are a DHS alumni who has a Senior this year please see the attached flyer with additional information.** Imagine seeing your Senior picture next to your child's Senior picture!!

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Repeated Information

As you know, high school seniors are encouraged to file the 2017-2018 **FAFSA** now as the next step in the college admissions process. In January and February, financial aid professionals from our state's colleges and universities will host FAFSA filing events on their campuses to help families file this important form. These events are done in a group setting, with families working independently to file the FAFSA with assistance from financial aid professionals as needed. Families are encouraged to sign up for a FAFSA filing event at a campus near your high school or home. *These FAFSA filing events are open to current high school seniors. **Students do not need to be applying to a certain institution to take advantage of FAFSA filing on that campus.** To register for a filing event, please visit <https://www.nhheaf.org/IACB-fafsa.asp>. A confirmation email will be sent to confirm specifics about the event, and to outline the materials needed to assure a successful FAFSA filing.*

An exciting opportunity has been made available to students at Dover High School! Through a grant from NH Vocational Rehab services, Strafford Learning Center is excited to begin offering a series of lessons, workshops and events geared towards students with disabilities, learning or otherwise, ages 16-21 who are preparing for life after high school.

These workshops include Job Exploration Counseling, Work-Based Learning Experiences, and Instruction in Self Advocacy. We will offer these modules after school beginning on **February 13**. The workshops will run after school from 2:45 – 3:45 on Mondays for two weeks.

Students do not need to pre-register for the workshops and do not need to attend the whole series. They can simply drop in on February 13th. Students who take part in these activities will gain valuable knowledge about different aspects of transition to life after high school, and will have opportunities to connect with additional services and supports. A schedule of which workshops will be offered on which days will be given at the initial meeting on February 13.

Mr. DHS and the Prom Show will be held on Friday, February 10, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Frederick C. Walker Auditorium. This event is an important fund raiser for the Class of 2018.

Yearbook News:

Order your yearbook today.... \$65.00 <https://yearbookforever.com/#>

Would you like to be more involved in your child's school? Maybeth Anderson, Dover High School librarian, would love to have your help in the library this year. There are many tasks for you to choose from: entering magazine and book data on a computer, compiling library attendance statistics, creating signs, shelving books, repairing books and much more. Choose the day and time that work best for you. No experience necessary! Please contact Maybeth for more information: m.anderson@dover.k12.nh.us; 603-516-6973.

Sincerely,

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