

HIGHLAND

HIGH



REGIONAL

SCHOOL

HOME OF THE TARTANS

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**  
**2021 - 2022**

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## HIGHLAND REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION - (856) 227-4100

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Mr. Ronald Strauss, VP, Affirmative Action Officer	10th Grade, G115, Secretary, Mrs. Lisa Casares, Ext. 4020
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Mrs. Adrienne Dalessio, Vice Principal/Athletic Director	E108, Secretary, Mrs. Sarah Miller, Ext. 4080



### HIGHLAND SUPERVISORY STAFF

Ms. Carey Speziali, Director of School Counseling, Secretaries Ms. Susan Cohan, Ext. 4036 and Mrs. Donna Buono, Ext. 4037

Ms. Tanya Harper, Supervisor of Special Education Ext. 4308, Secretary Mrs. Christine Richards, Ext. 4047

### CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Brian Repici, Superintendent

Mrs. Julie Scully, Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Frank Rizzo, Business Administrator & Board Secretary

Mr. Matthew Szuchy, Director of Curriculum & Instruction

Mr. Anthony Tarsatana, Assistant Business Administrator

Mr. Arthur Alessandroni, Supv. of Registration, Enrollment, & Summer Programs

### DISTRICT SUPERVISORS

Mr. Steve Arena, Technology, Art

Mrs. Mary Baratta, Director of Special Projects and Assessment,  
and CARE Program

Mrs. Adrienne Dalessio, Music, PE

Mrs. Marcie Geyer, English

Mrs. Jennifer Gramble, Science

Ms. Gail Shelly, Social Studies, World Language, ELL

Mrs. Lynne Sireci, Math

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## BLACK HORSE PIKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

*The Mission of the Black Horse Pike Regional School District is to educate a diverse population in an atmosphere consistent with the ideals of a free and democratic society. We are committed to an exemplary educational program, based upon the Core Curriculum Content Standards as adopted by the State Board of Education. It is the expectation of this district that all pupils achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards at all levels. We will continue to improve students' and teachers' technological literacy as a means of preparing for the future with confidence and creativity. Our schools will ensure the safety and security of all students and strive to provide the best learning environment. We will enhance our students' growth by providing them with a creative, purposeful, and ethical atmosphere. We are dedicated to providing our students an opportunity to achieve academic goals, develop good citizenship skills, and make a positive contribution to society.*

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## ATTENDANCE INFO

(Board Policy 5200) All students are required to attend school for 182 days. Any student absent (unexcused) more than 10 days for a full

year course will be subject to consequences as stated in the Board Attendance Policy. A student who accumulates absences (excused and unexcused) in excess of 19 days will be placed on No-Credit Status.

Good attendance is a vital part of student success. However, if a student must be absent from school there are certain procedures to follow:

1. **Call your child's Vice Principal if he or she is going to be absent.**

2. Upon returning to school students must present a valid, signed note to their vice principal within 2 weeks of the absence. The note must include student name and date(s) of absence along with reason. **If students are absent more than 4 consecutive days, they must present a note from their physician.**

3. If an absence is going to be longer than 10 school days, provide your school counselor with a doctor's note and ask for details regarding our Homebound Instruction Program. See Board Attendance Policy for further information.

## EARLY DISMISSALS

Administratively excused early dismissals are issued to students **only** in the event of an emergency. A parental/guardian phone call, as well as a note must be submitted to the vice principal's office before a student will be released. Please keep all early dismissals on an **extreme emergency basis**. Also, a student cannot be released unless a parent/guardian physically comes into the building with proper identification to accompany his or her child. Administration thanks you for your cooperation.

## LATE TO SCHOOL

**All students must be in first period by 7:25**



**a.m.** Lateness to school is defined as arriving after the start of first period.

**Four instances of unexcused lateness to school will equal ONE unexcused absence** for the purpose of calculating unexcused absences

for application of Board Policy/Regulation 5410 - Promotion and Retention, Board Policy/Regulation 5200 - Attendance, and Board Policy/Regulation 5460 - High School Graduation.

A pupil who develops a pattern of tardiness will be offered counseling with an appropriate staff member to determine the cause of tardiness.

## LATE TO CLASS

Effective class instruction requires that all students are in their seat "at the bell." Each teacher will keep a record of a student's lateness to class. The Board cannot condone or permit excessive and unnecessary lateness to class and has established the following rules.

**Lateness to class should be treated according to Policy 5200; however, pupils who are tardy to class shall be assessed 1/3 absence for each ten minutes** (or majority fraction thereof) of lateness up to a maximum of one full absence per class period. Rules relating to tolling of absences also shall apply to tardiness.

**1st late—Teacher detention**

**2nd late—Teacher detention & Parent phone call**

**3rd late—Lunch or Admin. detention**



## GRADUATION, GRADING & CREDITS

93-100 = A	90-92 = A-	
87-89 = B+	83-86 = B	80-82 = B-
77-79 = C+	73-76 = C	70-72 = C-
67-69 = D+	65-66 = D	
Below 65 = F		

## CREDITS TO NEXT GRADE LEVEL

### Class of 2022

30 to Grade 10  
60 to Grade 11  
90 to Grade 12  
125 to Graduate

### Class of 2023

30 to Grade 10  
60 to Grade 11  
90 to Grade 12  
125 to Graduate

### Class of 2024

30 to Grade 10  
60 to Grade 11  
90 to Grade 12  
125 to Graduate

### Class of 2025

30 to Grade 10  
60 to Grade 11  
90 to Grade 12  
125 to Graduate

## SCHOOL COUNSELORS

(A—CL)	Ms. Guida	(x 4042)
(CO—GO)	Mr. Gore	(x 4041)
(GR—LAS)	Mrs. Strauss	(x 4040)
(LAW—PATE)	Mr. Bennett	(x 4038)
(PATT—TE)	Mrs. Yandach	(x 4039)
(TH—Z)	Mrs. McElroy	(x 4043)

**Anti-bullying Specialist** Mrs. Vizoco (x4011)

**Mental Health Asst Coord** Ms. Altman (x4030)

### **School Affirmative Action Officers**

Mrs. Hubbert (x4018) and Mr. Strauss (x4020)

### **District Affirmative Action Officers**

Mr. Rizzo and Mrs. Scully (856-227-4106)



KATELYN GRIENER



# August 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6 BHRSD - SCHOOLS AND OFFICES CLOSED  ACT Registration deadline for Sept. 11	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 NEW STAFFULTY ORIENTATION  SAT Registration deadline (LATE) for August 28	18 NEW STAFFULTY ORIENTATION	19 NEW STAFFULTY ORIENTATION  BOE MTG 6 PM CENTRAL OFFICE	20	21
22	23	24	25 NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION 10:00  	26	27	28 SAT Testing Outside Location
29	30 	31	1	2	3	4

**NEW TEACHER ORIENTATION AUGUST 17, 18 & 19**



# September 2021

Phone No. 856-227-4100  
 Nurse's Office Ext. 4008  
 Counseling Office Ext. 4036, 4037



12th Grade - Mrs. Hubbert Ext. 4018  
 11th Grade - Mr. Beaver Ext. 4058  
 10th Grade - Mr. Strauss Ext. 4020  
 9th Grade - Mr. Jones Ext. 4058  
 VP/AD - Mrs. Dalessio Ext. 4080

Website – <http://www.bhprsd.org/Highland/>

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT STAFF ONLY	2 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT STAFF ONLY	3 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT STAFF ONLY <i>SAT Registration deadline for Oct. 2</i>	4
5	6 <b>LABOR DAY</b>	7 Welcome Back Students 1/2 Day	8	9 Student Council 2PM Auditorium	10 Patriot Day Commemoration 	11 <b>PATRIOT DAY</b> <i>ACT Testing Outside Location</i>
12	13	14 Senior Portraits Make Ups Sept 14-17 2 PM LMC <b>HSC Meeting 7 PM</b>	15 <b>Peer Mentor 10:45 F203</b>	16 <b>BOE 6 PM Highland</b>	17 <i>ACT Registration deadline for Oct 23</i>	18
19	20	21	22 FIRST DAY OF FALL	23	24	25
26	27	28 <b>Blood Drive</b> <b>ASVAB Testing</b> <b>FINANCIAL AID NIGHT 6 PM VIRTUAL</b>	29 Underclass Portraits 7:30 GYM	30 <b>BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT</b>	1	2

**HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH SEPTEMBER 15 - OCTOBER 15**








AIDAN WHITE





# October 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	1 <b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY</b> <i>SCHOOL CLOSED TO STUDENTS</i>	2 <i>SAT Testing Outside Location</i>
3	4	5 <i>World Language Club A220 2 PM</i>	6	7 <b>History Club Meeting TT Aud</b>	8 <i>SAT Reg ddline for Nov. 6</i>	9
<b>WEEK OF RESPECT OCT. 4—8</b>						
10	11  <i>SCHOOL CLOSED</i>	12 <i>FAFSA Workshop (Virtual) 5:30</i>	13 <i>PSATs Students 1/2 Day Teachers Dismiss 3:15</i>	14	15 <b>Spotlight 7:30 AM</b>	16 <b>BOSS'S DAY</b> <b>CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSET</b> <b>HSC Clothing Drive/ Yard Sale</b>
17	18	19  <b>HSC Meeting 7:00</b>	20 <b>Peer Mentor Meeting TT F203</b>	21 <b>BOE MTG 6 PM Timber Creek</b>	22	23 <i>ACT Outside Location</i>
<b>SCHOOL VIOLENCE AWARENESS WEEK OCT. 18—22</b>						
24	25 <i>World Lang Mtg 2:30 A220</i> 	26	27	28	29 <b>HOME COMING GAME</b> Spooktacular 	30 <b>HOME COMING GYM 7—10 PM</b>
<b>RED RIBBON WEEK OCT. 25—29</b>						
31 <i>happy halloween</i> 						

**HALLOWEEN IN THE HALLS OCTOBER 29TH 5:00—7:30 PM**

**ITALIAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH**



COLE WASSELL

# November 2021

**SCHOOL DRESS CODE** — It is important that students follow these guidelines to ensure they are not asked to change their apparel.

1. Clothing must be clean, in good repair, and worn neatly.
2. Safe footwear is required. Pupils may not go barefoot or in stocking feet. Specific footwear may be required for certain courses (physical education, shops, science labs, etc.).

3. Hats, bandanas, headbands, and any other headwear deemed inappropriate or disruptive by administration must be removed upon entering the school. Exceptions may be made for specific religious reasons (yarmulke, hijab, etc.). Hair bands used to control hair are acceptable.

4. Clothing must cover the shoulders and backs, chest, torso, and leg at the mid-thigh level. Clothing must cover undergarments and must not be see-through. Clothing which causes a disruption or distraction may not be worn. Examples of this type of clothing include, but may not be limited to the following: tube tops, tank tops, halter tops, see-through tops, bare back or midriff tops, fishnet or mesh tops. Further, pupils are permitted to wear shorts and skirts; however, the length must be no shorter than the mid-thigh level as stated above. **To review the complete Dress Code policy # 5511 please go to our website.**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1	2	3 <b>Peer Mentor Meeting TT F203</b>	4  TEACHER CONVENTION SCHOOL CLOSED SAT Registration Deadline for Dec. 4	5  ACT Registration Deadline for Dec. 11	6 SAT Testing Highland 7 AM
7 <b>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS</b>	8	9	10  Underclass Portrait Makeups 9:30 LMC <b>Club Photo Day</b>	11 <b>END OF MP 1</b> 	12 <b>VETERAN'S DAY COMMEMORATION</b>	13
14	15	16 ASVAB Testing <b>REPORT CARDS ONLINE</b> HSC Meeting 7 PM	17 Post High School Planning Night 5:30	18 History Club Meeting TT Aud BOE MTG 6 PM TRITON	19 Spotlight 7:30 AM	20
21	22 <b>POWDER PUFF 6:30 PM</b>	23  World Language Club A220 2:30 PM	24 1/2 Day for Students and Staff Student Dismissal 11:45	25  <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>	26 <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>	27
28  HAPPY CHANUKAH	29 <b>NHS Induction Ceremony 5:00 AUD</b>	30	1	2	3	4









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# December 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	1	2 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT 1/2 Day For Students	3	4 SAT Testing Outside Location Holiday Craft Show 9—4 Café 
5	6	7	8	9 History Club Meeting TT Aud	10	11 ACT Testing Highland 8 AM
12	13	14 HSC Meeting 7:00	15  Peer Mentor Meeting TT F203	16 BOE MTG 6 PM HIGHLAND	17 Spotlight 7:30 AM HOLIDAY HAPPENING BELLS 5—7 	18
19	20	21 World Lang Club A220 2:30  Winter Concert 7 PM	22	23 1/2 Day For Students and Staff	24 WINTER RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED	25 CHRISTMAS DAY 
26  KWANZAA BEGINS	27 WINTER RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED	28 WINTER RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED	29 WINTER RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED	30 WINTER RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED	31 WINTER RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED	1

FIRST DAY OF WINTER DECEMBER 21







MICHAEL TERRA

2022

# January

2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27 <i>WINTER RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED</i>	28 <i>WINTER RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED</i>	29 <i>WINTER RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED</i>	30 <i>WINTER RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED</i>	31 <i>WINTER RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED</i> 	1
2	3	4	5  <b>Peer Mentor Meeting TT F203</b>	6 History Club Meeting TT Aud BOE MTG 6 PM Reorganizational Timber Creek	7 <i>ACT Registration deadline for Feb. 12</i>	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 <i>DAY OF SERVICE</i>  SCHOOL CLOSED	18 HSC Meeting 7:00	19	20	21 Spotlight 7:30 AM	22
23 30	24 End of MP2 31	25 <i>World Language Club A220 2:30 PM</i>	26	27 BOE 6 PM TC REPORT CARDS ONLINE	28 MR. HIGHLAND 7:00 PM 	29

HISTORY CLUB MLK DAY OF SERVICE JANUARY 17—10 AM





Sarina Delgado  
Digital Photography A





# February 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3  History Club Meeting TT Aud	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS—STAFF DEVELOPMENT SAT Registration deadline for Mar. 12	12 ACT Testing Outside Location
<b>NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK FEB. 7—11</b>						
		8th Grade Parent Night 6:00 PM		World Language Club A220 2:30 PM		
13	14 HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY ♥	15 Peer Mentor Meeting TT F203 HSC Meeting 7:00	16	17 BOE MTG 6 PM TRITON	18	19
20	21 	22	23	24	25 Spotlight 7:30 AM ACT Registration deadline for Apr. 2	26
27	28					

**RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS DAY FEBRUARY 17**




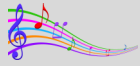



**RYAN CARPENTER**



# March 2022

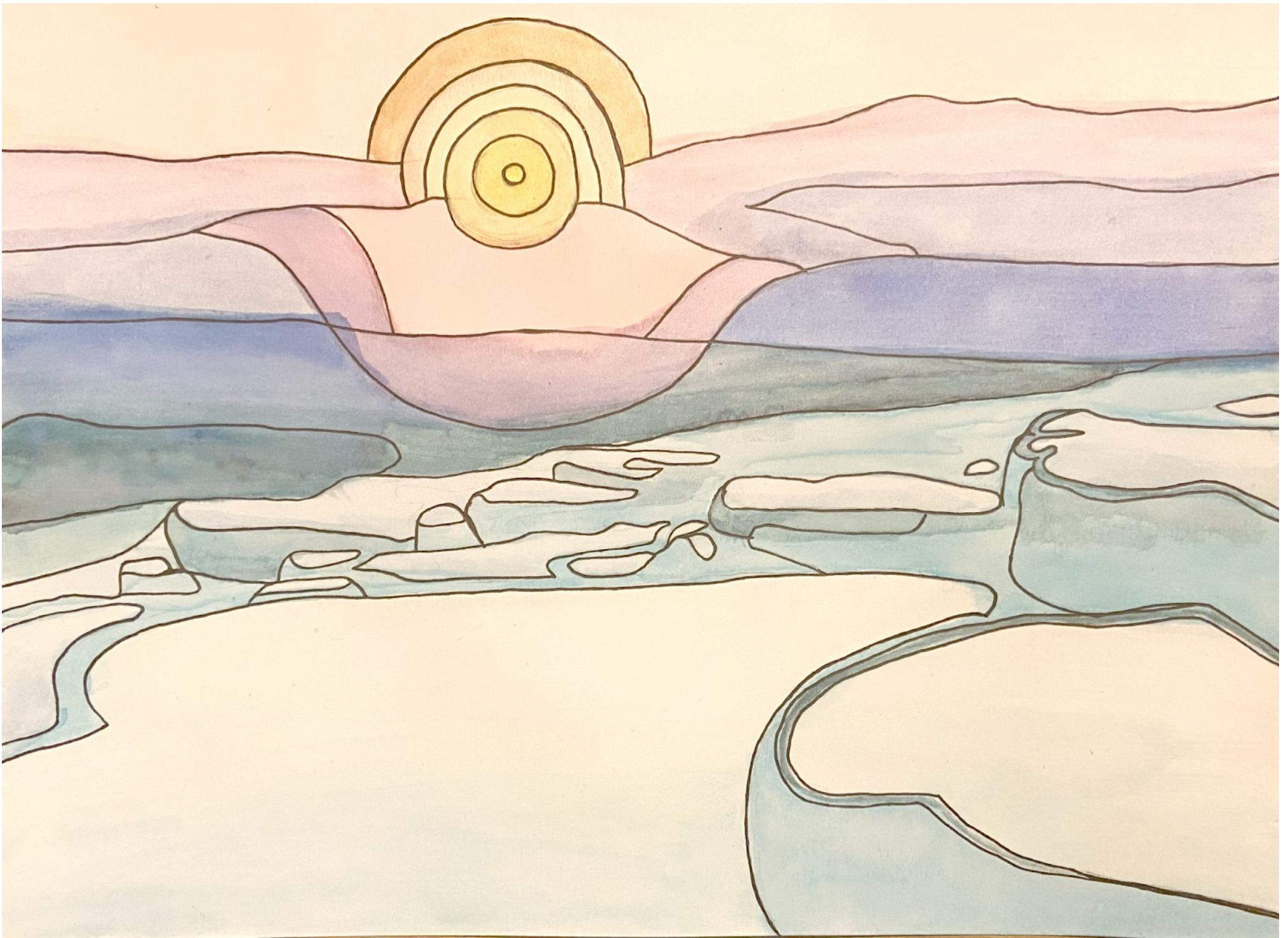


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	1	2 SATs Juniors Only 	3 History Club Meeting TT Aud	4 Junior Prom Valleybrook 7 PM 	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 ACT Registration deadline for April 17	12 SAT Testing Outside Location
13 Daylight Savings Time	14	15 ASVAB TESTING HSC Meeting 7:00 	16	17 BOE MTG 6 PM HIGHLAND SPRING MUSICAL 7:30 PM	18 SPRING MUSICAL 7:30 PM	19  SPRING MUSICAL MATINEE 2:00 PM AND 7:30 PM
20 1ST DAY OF SPRING 	21 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT 1/2 Day for Students Dismissal 11:45	22	23	24	25 Spotlight 7:30 AM	26
27	28	29 Teen PEP Family Night 6:30  END OF MP 3	30	31 World Language Honor Society Induction AUD 5:30	1	2

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY MARCH 17














# April 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1 REPORT CARDS ONLINE	2 ACT Testing Highland 8 AM 
3	4	5	6 NAT'L TARTAN DAY 	7 History Club Meeting TT Aud	8 Day of Silence  SAT Registration deadline for May 7	9
SENIOR TRIP APRIL 4 — APRIL 8						
10	11	12 Science Honor Society Induction 6 PM HSC Meeting 7 PM	13 Peer Mentor Meeting TT F203 <b>People's Choice Awards 7 PM</b>	14 BOE MTG TC	15 SPRING RECESS 	16
17 	18	19	20	21	22 	23
SPRING RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED						
24	25	26 World Language Club A220 2:30 PM	27 Administrative Professional's Day 	28	29 Spotlight 7:30 AM	30

# MONARCH BUTTERFLY

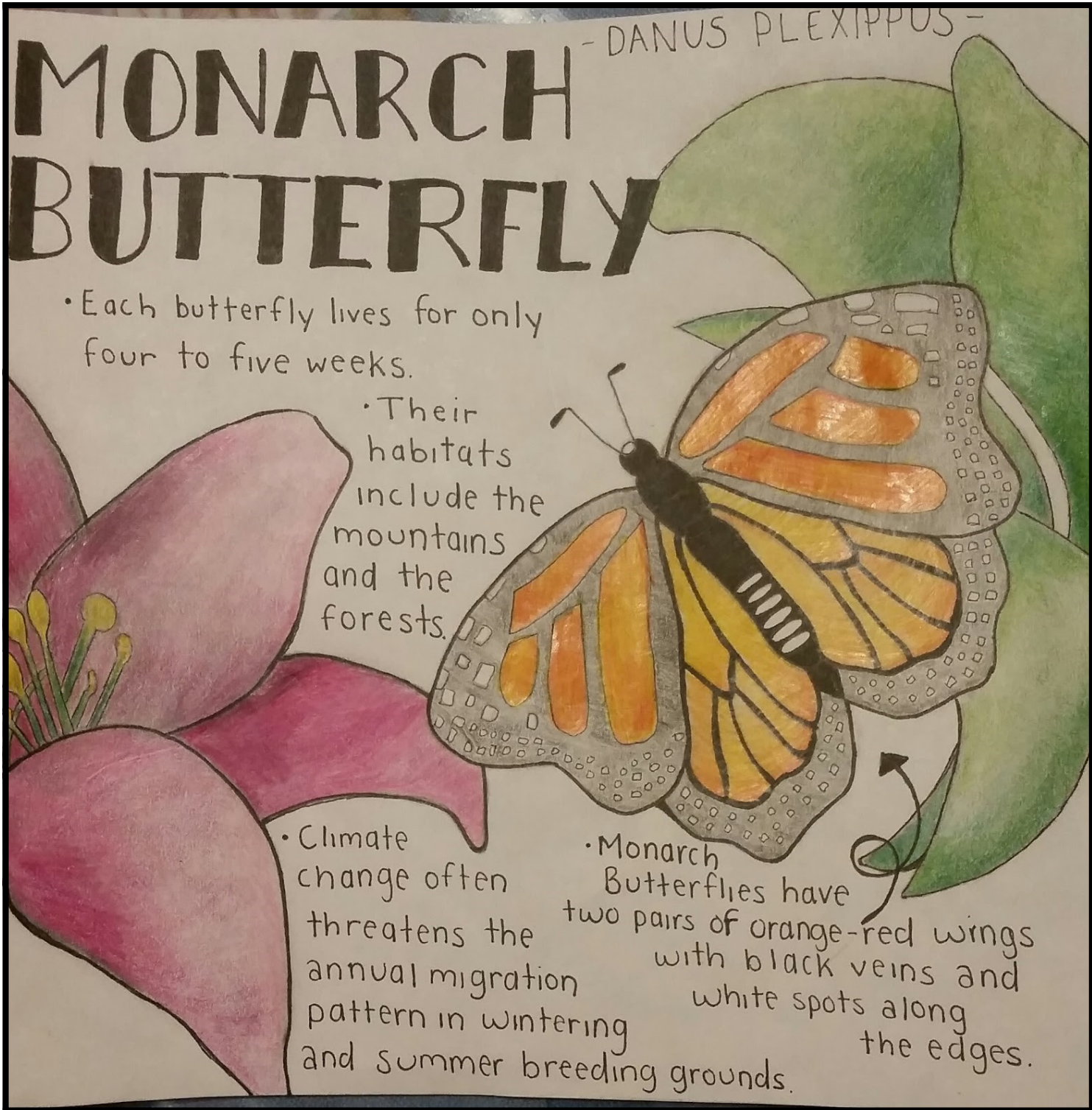
- DANUS PLEXIPPUS -

• Each butterfly lives for only four to five weeks.

• Their habitats include the mountains and the forests.

• Climate change often threatens the annual migration pattern in wintering and summer breeding grounds.

• Monarch Butterflies have two pairs of orange-red wings with black veins and white spots along the edges.





# May 2022






## AP EXAM SCHEDULE:

WEEK ONE

May 2—6

WEEK TWO

May 9—13

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2  <b>TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK</b>	3	4 <i>Ed of Year Ceremony</i> SCHOOL NURSE DAY	5 <i>SAT Registration</i> <i>Deadline for June 4</i> History Club Meeting TT Aud BOE 6 PM TRITON	6 Theatre Troupe Cabaret 6:00 PM <i>ACT Registration</i> <i>deadline for June 11</i>	7 <i>SAT Testing</i> Highland 7 AM
8 <i>Mother's Day</i> 	9	10	11	12	13	14 <b>CLEAN OUT</b> <b>YOUR CLOSET</b> HSC Clothing Drive/ Yard Sale
15	16	17 HSC Meeting 7:00	18 History Honor Society Induction 6:00 	19 <b>DANCE</b> Spring Dance Concert 5 PM BOE 6 PM TRITON	20 DECISION DAY 	21
22	23	24	25	26 Senior Awards Banquet 6 PM	27 Spotlight 7:30 AM	28
29	30 SCHOOL CLOSED 	31  Spring Concert 6:30 PM	1	2	3	4

MAY 24—26 STUDENT 1/2 DAYS NJSLA









RACHEL LEZOTTE



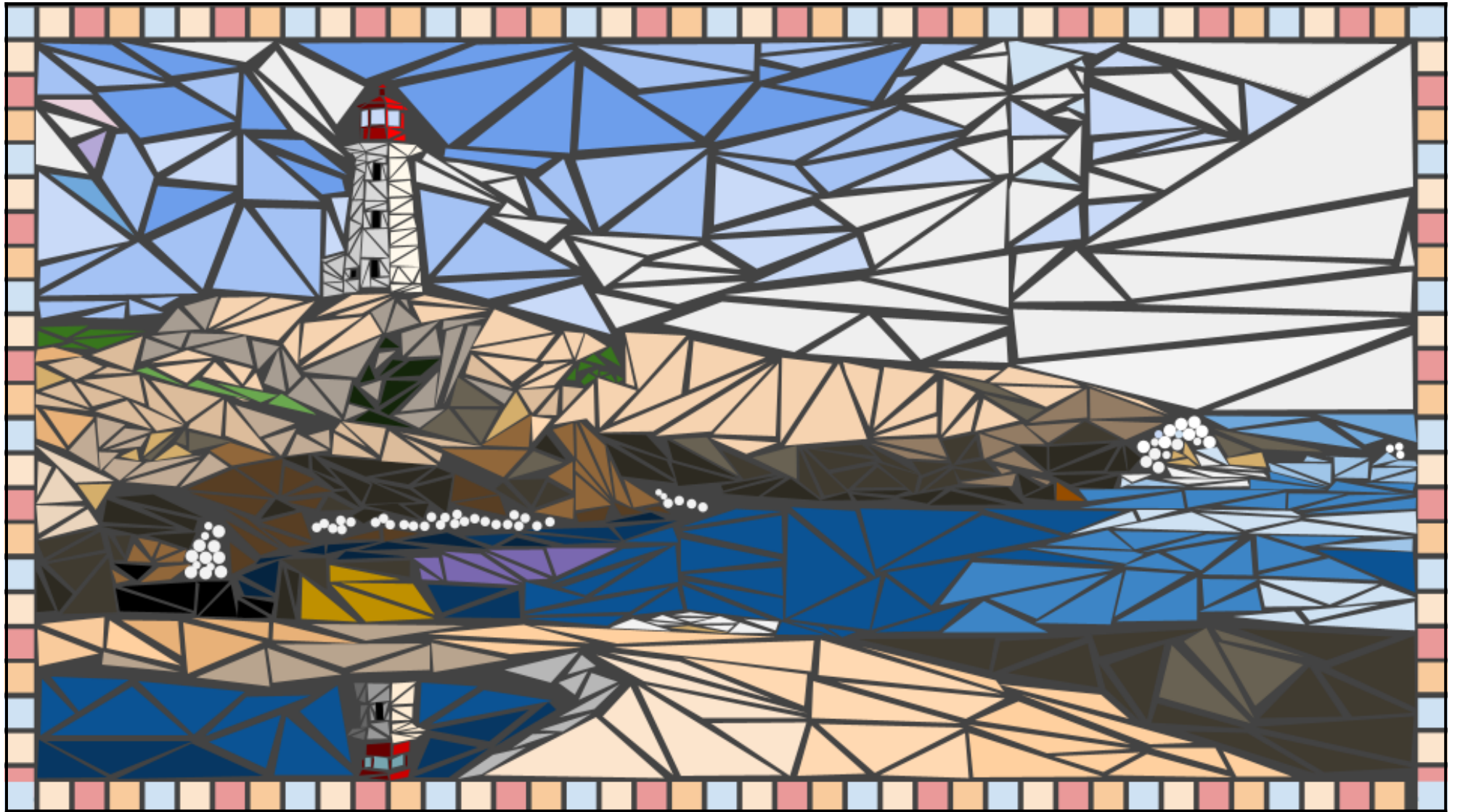


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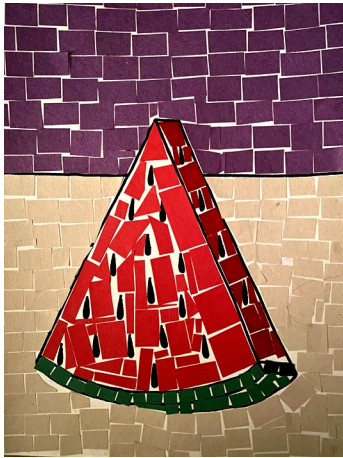
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2 <b>History Club Meeting TT Aud</b>  PEN TO MIC 6 PM LMC 	3  <b>Senior Prom 6 PM Lucien's Manor</b>	4 SAT Testing Highland 8 AM
5	6	7	8  <b>END OF MP4 FOR SENIORS</b>	9	10  <b>END OF MP4 FOR UNDERCLASSMEN</b>	11 ACT Testing Outside Location
12	13  1/2 Day for students	14 <b>FLAG DAY</b>  1/2 Day for students	15  1/2 Day for students <b>TENTATIVE GRADUATION</b> 	16  Tentative Last Day for Teachers	17  <b>Juneteenth</b>  ACT Testing Deadline for July 16	18
19  	20 <b>DISTRICT CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF JUNETEENTH</b>	21  	22	23  REPORT CARDS ONLINE <b>BOE MTG 6 PM HIGHLAND</b>	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	1	2

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES



CAMERON GRAVELY

# July 2022



**BREELYN LEARY**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	1 BHPRSD - OFFICES CLOSED	2
3 USA Happy Independence Day	4 BHPRSD - OFFICES CLOSED	5	6	7	8 BHPRSD - OFFICES CLOSED	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 BHPRSD - OFFICES CLOSED	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 BHPRSD - OFFICES CLOSED	23
24 31	25	26	27	28	29 BHPRSD - OFFICES CLOSED	30

# August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 New Teacher Orientation	17 New Teacher Orientation	18 New Teacher Orientation	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3



**MYA CORSEY**



## **SCHOOL ALMA MATER**

HIGHLAND, HIGHLAND, WE SALUTE THEE  
ALMA MATER, TARTAN PRIDE,  
BLUE AND BLUE OUR INSPIRATION,  
LOYAL AND TRUE, WE'LL E'ER ABIDE  
SPARK OUR MINDS WITH GOALS FOR THE FUTURE,  
FIRE OUR HEARTS WITH LOVE AND ZEAL,  
PLEDGE US TO A NEW TOMORROW,  
BRIGHT IN PROMISE, HOPE MOST REAL.

HEAR OUR BAGPIPE'S URGENT CALLING,  
CHEER OUR NOBLE TARTAN PLAID,  
MARCH WE ON IN ROYAL COLORS,  
OF OUR HERITAGE EVER GLAD.  
FILL OUR SOULS WITH HUMBLE VIRTUE,  
KEEP OUR SPIRITS EVER HIGH  
BIND US CLOSE IN STRENGTH AND COURAGE,  
MAY OUR GLORY NEVER DIE!



## **WHAT IS A TARTAN ANYWAY?**

Tartan is a plaid textile design of Scottish origin consisting of stripes of varying widths and colors against a solid background. The colors usually were designed to designate a particular clan. The story of tartan and the history of Scotland are intertwined like the pattern of tartan itself. Although the date of the origins of tartan is not known, the clan system in Scotland started around the 12<sup>th</sup> century. Different colors and varying patterns began to develop as the weavers in each area or clan developed their individual patterns and color combinations. So, particular styles of tartan began to be associated with an area or clan. After the disintegration of the clan system in about 1745, the wearing of tartan colors became illegal, except in Highland Regiments. The old loyalties never truly died away. Building on the honor achieved by the courageous fighting of the Highland Regiments, the wearing of Tartan began to be endorsed by the Royal Court of England. The reputation of the Highland Tartan Regiments grew and soon spread around the world, particularly as Scottish immigrants moved to America. The Highland Tartan is an outstanding symbol of our school. The intricate design pattern certainly represents the diversity and wealth of talents and interests in our school. Highland also has a reputation for fierce competition and commitment to service. When we weave all of this together, it creates a strong vibrant fabric of school, community, achievement, dedication, and service.