

Tiverton High School Newsletter

January 2010

SCHOOL NEWS

MID YEAR EXAMS/PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Mid-Year Exams will take place from January 26 – 29th. Students will report directly to their scheduled exam and remain in the classroom until the end of the exam block. Students do not need to report to school if they do not have any exams scheduled. School will be dismissed at 10:45 on exam days. **If a student is ill, a parent/guardian must call the Main Office at 624-8494 for the student to be eligible to take a make-up exam, otherwise the student will receive a 0 (zero) for exam(s) missed.** Exam schedules will be sent home with students and also emailed to parents who have email addresses on file. Exam schedules and rules governing them can also be found on our website @ www.tivertonschools.org.

Parent-Teacher Conferences will take place on Wednesday, February 10, 2010 and Thursday, February 11, 2010. Conference forms have been sent home with students, emailed to parents with email addresses on file or you can download a form on our website. School will be closed on Friday, February 12, 2010 which begins our winter recess.

FROM OUR HEALTH OFFICE

Vaccinate Before You Graduate is still being offered for all 12th grade students. HPV, meningitis, tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (TDAP), varicella (chicken pox) and Hepatitis A vaccinations can be received at Tiverton High School with a signed parent consent. Seniors need to pick up registrations packets before January 15th in the Nurses' Office if interested. As always, this is a free clinic. It is a good opportunity to update needed immunizations for college admissions or work.

YEARBOOKS are on sale for \$75.00. Please contact Mrs. Labrecque at 624-8494 ext. 215 if you would like to order one.

TIVERTON HIGH SCHOOL HOSTS COMMISSIONER'S REVIEW TEAM VISIT

On December 9, 2009, a twelve member team consisting of staff from the RI Department of Education, Providence College, and other Rhode Island high schools, spent the day here. The review team's purpose was to evaluate progress made at the high school in response to developing the components of the new graduation requirements. The team met throughout the day with administrators, department chairpersons, advisors, teachers, and students. We have received a report summary from the team. The high school received 5 commendations. We will continue to work to define and develop proficiency requirements for all students and continue to create support mechanisms for all students to meet requirements for diploma assessments. A formal letter from the Commissioner's office is due by February.

SCIENCE NEWS

Recently the Science Department received funds in the amount of \$2500 from the Tiverton Power Company. These funds will be used to support science activities and resources relative to environmental issues. We are grateful to the Power Company for their generosity in supporting the education of our students.

The students in AP Chemistry are involved in a year long project that will place fishing line recovery containers in designated areas in town. With the help of the Harbormaster, Mr. David Vannier, these sites have been identified. The class has received approval from the Town Council in this effort. The students are currently working on the construction of the containers as well as the development of a brochure to educate the public about the dangers of fishing line in the water supply. With funds provided by the Audobon Society as well as the gift form the Power Company, this project will be completed in the spring.

THS GIRLS SOCCER TEAM STATE CHAMPIONS

The State Championship Girls Soccer Team was invited by State Representative John Edwards to the State House on January 13, 2010 to receive recognition for their hard work and success. They were given a tour of the State House and received citations.

TIVERTON PREVENTION COALITION

The Tiverton Prevention Coalition held the first of two Strategic Planning Meetings on Tuesday, January 12 to map out substance abuse prevention strategies and activities. Funded in part by a \$30,000 Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws grant, The Coalition is seeking meaningful ways of addressing underage drinking and its associated risks within the community.

THS MENTORING PROGRAM

The Tiverton High School/Pocasset Mentoring Program started on January 7th. This six week mentoring program pairs 27 high school students with 27 Pocasset Elementary School students. Elementary school students enjoy one on one enrichment opportunities while building connections with their high school mentors.

ART AWARDS

We are proud to announce Tiverton High School's Scholastic Art Award recipients for 2010. Chantal Galipeau- gold key-fashion, Brooks Queern – silver key-sculpture, Samantha Rogers- gold key-sculpture, Haille Verville-gold key- mixed media. Congratulations!

The exhibition will be held from Sunday, January 24-Friday, February 12 at The University Gallery at Salve Regina, Antone Academic Center, Building 18

Newport, Rhode Island

Gallery Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 11-4pm,

Wed. 5-8

Fri. 11-1pm & Sun. 2-4pm

***TIVERTON HIGH SCHOOL
UPCOMING EVENTS***

January 18	Martin Luther King Day, No School
January 26- 29	Mid-Year Exams
February 3	ASVAB testing
February 10, 11	Parent-Teacher Conferences
February 12	No School
February 15 – 19	February Recess – No School
March 5	Pep Rally @ 1:00
March 5	Winter Semi-Formal Dance 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
March 17	Band Concert-7:00 PM