

DHHS Newsletter

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Principal's Letter

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The end of the 2015-16 school year is rapidly approaching. It is worth noting that the student body and staff continue to work very hard to ensure they fulfill their responsibilities prior to June 10th. My recent visits to classrooms confirm high quality instruction and a high level of student engagement. Outside of the classroom, the spring sports seasons are coming to a close. I feel it is important to recognize the commitment of both our student-athletes and coaches as they represent Daniel Hand in the highly competitive Southern Connecticut Conference. In addition to athletics, the spring musical, band, orchestra, and chorus concerts, and the recent art show were also quite impressive and highlight some of the many talents of our student body. As I have stated many times, Daniel Hand is an impressive place.

In review of the upcoming calendar of events, one could easily state that May and June are possibly the busiest months of the school year. The overwhelming list of upcoming events are intended to have a positive influence on the school community. The Junior and Senior Prom are two of the most exciting events for our student body. We hope that student experiences at these events are unforgettable while keeping in mind that safety and positive memories are always the priority. Prior to both of the proms, juniors and seniors attended a presentation by !MPACT. ! MPACT stands for Mourning Parents Act, Inc. They are a nonprofit organization whose mission is to eliminate tragedies caused by inexperienced drivers through awareness, education, and legislation. Madison Youth & Family Services secured the presenters for both of these assemblies. I am hopeful that our students will remember the important messages delivered during the assemblies and make safe and healthy choices now and in the future. Prior to the close of the school year, the freshman and sophomore classes will attend a presentation written and presented by our STAR students. The play, titled *Love Shouldn't Hurt*, addresses relationship abuse and touches on both physical and psychological abuse.

I am close to completing my third year at Hand and have truly enjoyed working in such a supportive community. It is evident that the members of the community value and support education. As a result, we benefit from working with students who have similar values and high expectations. I would like to thank all the parents/guardians who send us such extraordinary children each and every day.

I would be remiss not to share with the community that Mrs. Nancy Lynch, the Executive Secretary at Daniel Hand is retiring at the end of the school year. She was been working in this particular role since 2012 but her career with the Madison Public Schools began in 1988. There are no words to describe the incredibly positive impact Mrs. Lynch has had on our school community. Her departure from Daniel Hand will be a tremendous loss. Although Mrs. Lynch is not one to seek attention, she unknowingly was nominated for the Connecticut Association of Schools (CAS) Administrative Assistant of the Year. I am pleased to announce that Mrs. Lynch was named the CAS 2016 Administrative Assistant of the Year. She was recognized at the CAS Conference for Administrative Assistants on Friday, April 29, 2016. Several administrative assistants and the DHHS administrators were in attendance at this event. I would like to congratulate Mrs. Lynch and wish nothing but the best in her retirement. I will certainly miss her.

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On a final note, I would like to wish the Class of 2016 the best of luck in the future. They have been a wonderful class to work with and they too will be missed.

I hope you enjoy the summer months.

Sincerely,

Anthony R. Salutari, Jr.

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GUIDANCE CORNER

College Fair—Daniel Hand High School recently had their annual College Fair the evening of April 20. There were over 100 college, career, technical, and post-secondary representatives available to meet with students and parents. Thanks to everyone who attended to make this a successful event.

ASVAB Testing—The ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) Test was held on April 5, 2016. This widely used aptitude test measures a student's general learning ability and potential for success in occupations that require formal courses of instruction or on-the-job training. This year 16 students took the exam.

SAT Test—DHHS hosted the SAT test on May 7th. Over 125 students registered to take the exam. Our students are happy to take the test at a familiar location, and we have added an additional date for next year with testing being held at DHHS in October, November, March, and May.

UCONN ECE— Students who requested to take a UCONN ECE class for the 2016-2017 school year must complete the on line application with UCONN by June 1, 2016. Additionally, the course enrollment deadline is June 30, 2016. Any questions, please see Mrs. Voytek in guidance.

JUNIORS—Parent Brag Sheet—We recently sent out a Parent Brag Sheet to all of our junior parents. Please be sure to complete this form prior to **Friday June 3rd**. This is beneficial to have on file when our school counselors begin writing letters of recommendations for your children.

SENIORS— College Outcomes—Please complete the “Senior Graduation Survey” on Naviance. All seniors were sent an email that has a link to the survey, or they can access it by logging into Naviance, clicking on “About Me”, followed by “Tasks”, then click on “Senior Graduation Survey”. **This information is important so the guidance department will know where to send your final transcripts in June.**

Daniel Hand High School's Core Values and Beliefs

Our primary purpose is to graduate successful life-long learners who are responsible citizens in the global community. Daniel Hand High School students, in collaboration with educators, parents, and the Madison community, will develop as motivated, self-reliant, creative, and ethical individuals who respect differences in others.

Core Values and Beliefs Statement:

The Daniel Hand High School community believes that the mission of our school is to support all students by providing them with challenging educational opportunities which will prepare them to be globally aware citizens of the 21st century. To succeed in this mission, we recognize that our students must demonstrate competence in oral and written communications; understand effective and responsible use of technology; and develop critical thinking, problem solving, and creativity. In addition, it is critical that our students respect and contribute to the diverse, multicultural community and international community in which they live.

Nurse's Notes

REMINDER: Connecticut State law requires each student in grade 10 to have a physical examination performed by a MD, APRN, DO, or PA. Tenth grade physical examinations are due before entry to the eleventh grade for 16-17. Forms (State of CT, blue, HAR-3 forms, rev 4/2012) are available in the DHHS Health Office, your provider's office, or at http://www.sde.ct.gov/sde/lib/sde/pdf/deps/student/health/har3_final.pdf.

Donna Konarski, RN will be working limited hours during the summer months and looks forward to receiving the **physical exam forms, sports registrations, and medications** for the next school year or questions/concerns that you may have. Donna Konarski, RN or Cathy McGrady, Health Paraprofessional II may be reached at 203-245-6370, DHHS Health Office.

Vibe

Vibe competed in three New England festivals and took home first place at each along with Best Vocal, Best Choreography, and judges awards for Best Female Soloist, **Nina Stathakis '17**, Best Male Soloists, **Samuel Kramer '16**, and **Cooper Ewald '16**. Vibe also competed in the National Qualifying event, FAME Orlando where they also won Grand Champion, Best Vocals, Best Choreography, Best Show Design, Best Band, and Best Male Soloist, **Cooper Ewald**. Because of this win they qualified to compete at Show Choir Nationals in Chicago. Here, they placed 5th with awards for Best Crew and Best Male Soloist, **Cooper Ewald**.

Art News

This has been a great winter/spring for the art students and the Art Department as a whole at DHHS. We held our annual K-12 Art show at DHHS for the first time. We had students helping by putting on demonstrations in different areas of the art department. **Portia Blanchard '16** and **Emma Valdez '18** worked in the clay room on the wheels. **William Schultz '17** was busy doing a drawing from a life demo using charcoal. The painting studio was in full swing with **Patrick Nichols '16**, **Michael Russell '17**, **Linzie Ciarcia '17**, and **Nicole Ring '17**. **Juliet Brown '17** was also involved as she was busy using a tablet to draw for animation. A great time was had by all!

We also participated in the annual Shoreline Art Alliance: 2016 Future Choices Art Show. 52 out of the 75 pieces submitted were selected to be in the show. This is a great accomplishment for our art students. We also had numerous awards based on these submissions. The following students received special recognition for their work: **Emma Valdez '18**, **Maxwell Fink '16**, **Drew Montgomery '17**, **Jane McManus '17**, **Taylor Day '16**, **Jack Brady '17**, **William Schultz '17**, **Nicole Kronauer '16**, **Kasia Zarnetske '17**, **Tessa Farnham '16**, **Coco Charles '16**, **Ariella Piekarcz '16**, and **Molly Major '16**.

PTO Awards for Trimester II

Art

Freshman	Sarah Conroy, Brian Flanagan
Sophomore	Derek Dufour, Clare Nelson
Junior	Juliet Brown, James Padelli
Senior	Alexis Blumenthal, James Rinere

Career and Technical Education

Business	Matthew Evans, (12), Laurane Funex (12)
Family Consumer Education	Andrew Carone (9), Grace Kuck (9)
Technical Education	Charlotte Bellerjeau (12), Aidan Hughes (11)

English

Freshman	Paige Baser, Grace McFadden
Sophomore	Aidan Burke, Erin Naclerio
Junior	Emerson Butler, Kyle Kuhn
Senior	Joseph Barber, Chloe Nelson

Health

Sophomore	Kasey Borduas, Robert Israel
Junior	Julianna Egidio, Ryan McAneaney
Senior	Skylar Flaherty, Samuel Herwig

Math

Freshman	Morgan Blake, Clayton Knibbs
Sophomore	Roisin Beirne, Jonathan Hubbs
Junior	Tianyi (Teddy) Zeng
Senior	Nicholas Holland

Music

Chorus	Maxwell Finke (12)
Orchestra	Samantha Crans (12)
Band	Sarah Sammataro (10)

Physical Education

Freshman	Grace Blundon
Sophomore	Josephine Anderson, Martin Wolek
Junior	Erin Elliott, Michael Mendonca

Science

Freshman	Kate Klein, Charles Sullivan
Sophomore	Mickey Glazier, Caitlyn Rubino
Junior	Zarya Dahl, Nicholas Valluzzi
Senior	John Dobson, Cassandra Rossi

Social Studies

Freshman	Jade Law
Sophomore	Joshua Czaczkes
Junior	Anne Elliott
Senior	Danielle Klaskin

World Language

Freshman	Theodoros (Ted) Maniatis
Sophomore	Aidan Gaffney, Shannon Stamp
Junior	Kelly Derken, Francis Guarascio
Senior	Patrick Kerins, Lauren Paidas

DHHS Salutes....

The Hands-On-Stage production of the musical *A Chorus Line* for their extremely successful show. The students involved delighted the audiences with their voices, acting, music, and sets. **Mrs. Joy Weaver**, play director, **Ms. Jackie Belmont**, choral director, **Mr. John Gage**, pit band director, and **Mr. Ryan Nuzzo**, stage crew director, are all to be congratulated for their expertise and hard work.

Mr. Anthony R. Salutari, Jr., recipient of the Principal Award for Program Support and Advocacy from UCONN.

Ron Soja, who was nominated for the 2016 Fame Aspire Vocal Vanguard Award.

Recipients of the CABA Student Leadership Awards: **Paige Calvert** '16 and **Samuel Wilson** '16. Paige and Samuel were honored at the Board of Education meeting in May.

Senior gymnasts **Rebecca Anderson** and **Erin Maxwell** who will represent the state of Connecticut at the Senior Showcase Invitational / National Championship in Fort Myers, FL in May.

The following Juniors for being accepted into the National Honor Society: **John Baumgartel**, **Emma Boey**, **Jacob Brown**, **Colleen Caruth**, **Zarya Dahl**, **Patrick Fahey**, **Francis Guarascio**, **Jessica Haigis**, **Christopher Hall**, **Bridget LaSala**, **Joshua Lunn**, **Laine Makoul**, **Erin Mason**, **Samantha Mayhew**, **Ryan McAneany**, **Caroline McKeon**, **Kierica McPherson**, **Chloe Moulin**, **Olivia Nye**, **James O'Connor**, **Chimasoka-Chika Ogbejesi**, **Emma O'Toole**, **Matthew Parker**, **Haley Rodham**, **Michael Rossi**, **Ankita Roychoudhury**, **Tyler Schon**, **Grace Squitiero**, **Reilly Thornbury**, **Shay Toohey**, **Renee Tracy**, **Maxwell Veth**, **Hollis Wivell**, **Anthony Xu**, and **Kevin Zhao**.

Anna Thayer Kennedy '16, recipient of the Student of the Year award from the Rotary Club of Madison.

Madalyn Perrotti '17 who was selected by the Daniel Hand High School faculty to receive the Lion's Club Good Citizen Award.

The following field hockey players who were named to the National Field Hockey Coaches Association 2016 National Academic Squad. The seniors are: **Emily Banasiak**, **Teresa Bialobrzkeski***, **Allison Buller**, **Olivia Fenn**, **Katharine Garnett**, **Grace Gill***, **Camryn Hobin**, **Samantha Pavano***, and junior **Hollis Wivell***. * denotes "Scholar of Distinction.

Matthew Parker '17, **Eric Wu** '17, **Eric Xia** '17, and **Kevin Zhao** '17 who participated in the American Chemical Society's Local Chemistry Olympiad Competition at Quinnipiac University on Saturday, March 19th. **Kevin Zhao** and **Eric Wu** placed among the top ten scorers and qualified for the 2016 National Chemistry Olympiad Exam. Congratulations!

Emma Boey '17 for being selected for the Yale School of Medicine's Discovery to Cure High School Internship. During the summer, Emma will spend eight weeks performing research investigations under the mentorship of Yale scientists.

Laurane Fumex '17, **Lina Leyhausen** '18, **Megan Richard** '16, and **Fiona Wu** '18 who received bronze medals for their success on the AATF National French exam.

Newsy Notes

On April 1st, Travis Winkley, Danielle Fragoso, and Ben Schreiber accompanied 12 students from all grades to Gateway Community College using the Shoreline Train East exposing the students to public transportation. Upon their arrival at Gateway, the students were given an overview of the college followed by a private tour. The students had the opportunity to ask questions. Lunch was enjoyed at a local restaurant before returning to school.

For the eighth year in a row, the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles honored the top high schools and their teen teams who took part in the Teen Safe Driving Video Contest. Students created 25 second public safety announcements in accordance with this year's theme: "When shifting into drive, keep the safety of others in mind". Daniel Hand student producers from Mr. Arsenaull's Video Production class won 2 out of the top 5 spots out of 100 submissions from throughout the state. Third Place: \$3000.00—**Alara Nahar** '19 (student director), **Kelley Levis** '19, **Julia Rumberger** '19, and **Christopher Wilson** '18. Fourth Place: \$2000.00—**Andrew Esposito** '19 (student director), **Conor Regan** '19, **Kyle Twohill** '17, and **Samuel Walker** '16.

The DHHS math team had a very successful season. The varsity team included **Josephine Anderson** '18, **Emma Boey** '17, **Skylar Fang** '16 (captain), **Jake Fay** '16, **Jeffrey Lehmann** '18, **Kevin Li** '19, **Ankita Roychoudhury** '17, **Eric Xia** '17, and **Kevin Zhao** '17 (captain). Other team members included **Julian He** '17, **Steven Kao** '18, **Katherine Laragy** '18, **Yiheng (Luke) Li** '16, and **Anthony Xu** '17.

The varsity team finished in 1st place among the large schools in the Greater Middlesex County Math League. **Kevin Zhao** was the highest scoring junior in the league. In addition, the team qualified for and competed in the Connecticut State Math Meet.

This year our junior varsity math team included the following students: **Dylan Cancelliere** '19, **Katherine Laragy** '18, **Jeffrey Lehmann** '18, **Kevin Li** '19, **Carolyn Quoka** '18, **Daniel Schurk** '18, and **Fiona Wu** '18. The JV team placed second among all schools in the Greater Middlesex County Math League.

The coaches, Mrs. Bagnoli and Mrs. Groll, would like to thank the team for another excellent year and encourage any interested students to join the teams next year.

Mrs. Filippone's period 2 Honors Biology class was treated to listening to Dr. Wira speak about the human circulatory system. Dr. Wira is a cardiologist at Yale and does clinical research in many fields relating to the human circulatory system. He specializes in the prevention and correction of strokes and heart problems. He shared information with students about his practice, surgeries, and prevention of heart disease and strokes. The students thoroughly enjoyed listening to his interesting explanations since he was able to make the unit relate to real life situations for the students.

Mark Your Calendar

May

19	Orchestra Concert, DAH	7:30 p.m.
25	Choral Concert, DAH	7:30 p.m.
27	Underclass Awards, DAH	periods, 1, 2, 3
	Senior Meeting, gym	8:00 a.m.
	Senior Outing, Roger Williams Zoo	8:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.
30	Memorial Day—No School	

June

1, 2	Senior Exams During Classes (Career and Tech. Ed., Art, World Lang., Music)	
2	Senior Awards, DAH	7:00 p.m.
2	Senior Locker clean up	
2	Last day of regular classes for seniors	
3	Senior Exams-English, Social Studies	7:30-11:00 a.m.
3	Yearbook dedication & senior distribution—DAH	2:05 –4:00 p.m.
3	Junior Locker Clean-up	
4	Senior Prom, Aqua Turf	6:30-11:00 p.m.
6	Senior Exams-Math, Science	7:30-11:00 a.m.
6	Last day of regular classes for underclass	
6	Sophomore/Freshman Locker Clean-up	
6	Underclass yearbook distribution	
7	Senior Make-up Exams	
7-9	Underclass Exams (see adjacent schedule)	
7	Board of Ed. Meeting, DHHS	6:00 p.m.
8	Senior Brunch, Woodwinds	9:30-11:00 a.m.
8	Graduation Rehearsal, DHHS gym	11:30 a.m.
9	Graduation Rehearsal, Madison Green	1:00 p.m.
10	Underclass Make-Up Exams	
10	Last Day of School (shortened schedule)	7:25-11:30 a.m.
10	Graduation Rehearsal, Madison, Green	1:00 p.m.

MUSIC NOTES



The bands at DHHS had a very busy but successful spring. The Jazz Band performed at Brown and Ryerson schools and both programs had very enthusiastic and appreciative audiences. In late April, the group traveled to New York City to participate in a clinic with members of the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra and attend a performance at the world famous Village Vanguard Jazz Club. Their spring concert included some of their most challenging repertoire to date: Pat Metheny's "The First Circle" and Duke Ellington's "Caravan", the latter of which was most recently featured in the movie Whiplash. In addition, the band played music by Steely Dan, featuring vocalist **Cooper Ewald '16** and arranged by **Matt Horanzy '12**, George Gershwin, featuring our own **Dave Russo** on vocal, and Michael Jackson's, the 1982 hit "Human Nature."

The concert bands had a great spring as well, as they had the opportunity to work with our wonderful student teacher from Ithaca College, **Michael Cho**. From day one, Mr. Cho worked with the bands, as well as smaller groups of students. It was a great experience for all of us and we wish Mr. Cho the best as he begins his own career in music education.

Final Exam Schedule

For Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors

Tuesday, June 7	7:45 a.m.-9:45 a.m. 1st period class exam
	10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. 2nd period class exam
Wednesday, June 8	7:45 a.m.-9:45 a.m. 3rd period class exam
	10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. 4th period class exam
Thursday, June 9	7:45 a.m.-9:45 a.m. 5th period class exam
	10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. 6th period class exam

**All students are expected to take final exams at the scheduled time. Any requests for exceptions must be submitted in writing to the Principal by a parent or guardian as soon as possible.*

The bands' spring concert took place on May 12th. The concert band performed music from Holst's "The Planets" and "Jurassic Park" as well as "Trail of Tears," a moving and powerful piece about the forced migration of Native Americans by US troops in the 1830s. This piece was rehearsed and conducted by Mr. Cho. The symphonic band played an arrangement of the folk song "Shenandoah" conducted by Mr. Cho, an opera fanfare by Dukas, and a classic band composition by Steve Reineke entitled "River of Life" that was dedicated to our senior class. In addition, **Rebecca Luo '16** was featured in the Chaminade flute concerto, and the ensemble performed its most technically challenging piece to date, "Tempered Steel."

Two band students were selected to perform with the 2016 CMEA All State Band: **Rebecca Luo '16** and **Joseph Chu '19**. This is a huge honor as only the top musicians from the state score high enough in the audition to make it. Congratulations to Rebecca and Joe!

The DHHS bands look forward to concluding their year with the Memorial Day parade and graduation. They will have eight weeks off before kicking off the 2016-17 school year with band camp in August! We'd like to thank the students, parents, and community members for their continued support of the arts at Daniel Hand.

Senior Functions

May 24	Senior Events Assembly—DAH— Period 2
May 26	UCONN/ECE World Language exam
May 27	Senior Assembly , Gym - 8:00 a.m. Senior Outing , Roger Williams Zoo, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
May 31	UCONN/ECE Physics exam
June 1	Senior exams* during classes Career and Tech. Ed., World Languages, Music, Art
June 2	Senior Exams* during classes Career and Tech. Ed., World Languages, Music, Art Lake Compounce—Physics trip Senior Locker Clean up <u>Last Day of Regular Classes for Seniors</u> Senior Awards Night , Dining & Assembly Hall - 7:00 p.m. <i>All seniors are invited to attend.</i>
June 3	Senior Exams* , LMC English 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Social Studies 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Yearbook dedication and senior distribution-DAH-2:05-4:00 p.m.
June 4	Senior Prom , Aqua Turf, 6:30 - 11:00 p.m.
June 6	Senior Exams* , LMC Math 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Science 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. UCONN/ECE Calculus exams
June 7	Senior Make-Up Exams for excused absences Senior obligations due at 2:00 p.m.
June 8	Senior Assembly , Dining & Assembly Hall - 8:15 a.m. Senior Brunch , Woodwinds - 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Graduation Rehearsal , DHHS Gym - 11:30 a.m. <i>Attendance mandatory</i>
June 9	Graduation Rehearsal , Madison Green - 1:00 p.m. <i>Attendance mandatory</i>
June 10	Graduation Rehearsal , Madison Green - 1:00 p.m. <i>Attendance mandatory</i> Graduation Ceremony , Madison Green - 6:00 p.m. Nite-In Hand , Daniel Hand High School - 10:00 p.m.

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Dress Code

Students are expected to dress in a manner that is suitable for a school environment. Clothing and accessories must not jeopardize the health or safety of the wearers or others, or cause distraction or disruption of the educational process as determined by the school administration. Clothing advertising drugs or alcohol is inappropriate for school wear. Footwear and shirts must be worn at all times. Shirts may not have razor back straps or large armholes, and straps must be at least an inch wide. Shorts must have at least a 3 inch inseam and must be worn high enough to cover boxers. The wearing of head coverings in the school building, except for religious purposes, is not allowed. Any student dressed inappropriately will not be admitted to class.

SAT/ACT

for 2016-17 school year

A review course will be offered at Daniel Hand High School to prepare students for the SAT and ACT. The class will meet for 10 sessions, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 2:10-3:10 p.m. The first class will be on Tuesday, October 4th and the last class will be on Thursday, November 3rd. The fee for the course is \$150.

For more information send an email to Mr. R. Miller at miller@madison.k12.ct.us.

Interested students should sign up in the main office with a check for \$150 made out to DHHS. Class size is limited to 30 students.



NITE IN HAND

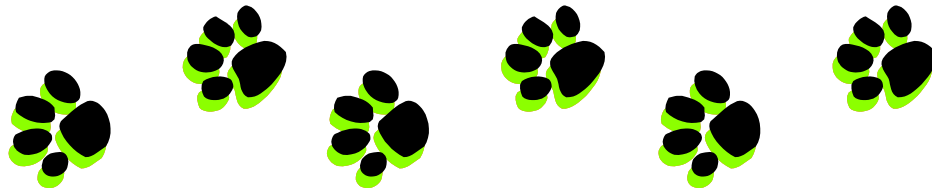
Nite in Hand 2016 will take place on graduation night, Friday, June 10th. Since September, many high school parents and Madison community members have been busy planning, fundraising, and creating. Thank you to all of our volunteers for giving of their time. We couldn't do it without you.

We are still in need of volunteers for the following activities:

Set-Up
Clean-Up
Parking
Security
Entertainment Attendants
Carnival Game Attendants

For more details on volunteer opportunities and to sign up, please visit our Sign-Up Genius page on the following link:
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0845afaa2fa7f85-nite>

Of if you prefer, you may email Dina Minniti at niteinhand@gmail.com



DHHS LIBRARY NOTES

The Daniel Hand Library Media Center is the place to be! The various end-of-year research projects and exams assigned to students have made the LMC a very popular location.

The 2016 Summer Reading List is complete and will be on the school and district websites within the next few weeks. Mr. Petrakopoulos took suggestions from students and staff and tried to include something for everybody. The books are already in the Daniel Hand LMC. Many of the titles are available as e-books and audiobooks on Overdrive and Follett Shelf.

The LMC would like to thank Jennifer Tung, Claudia Pace, and Christine Clyde for their volunteer work in the LMC this year. They were all a huge help. We would also like to welcome and thank our newest student volunteer, Abby Meehan. The LMC is always looking for volunteers to help with various tasks. Call us at (203)-245-6376 or email Gilbertd@madison.k12.ct.us for more information. It is a great way to stay in touch with what is happening in the school.

Last but certainly not least, the LMC would like to thank its own paraprofessionals, Dawn Tiscia and Debbie Gilbert, for their hard work, enthusiasm, creativity, and baked goods. Mr. Petrakopoulos is thankful for every day they come to work. The LMC would not be able to function without them.