



This Week at Hagerty High School...



Principal's Message October 2, 2020

It is hard to believe, but next week marks the end of the 1st 9-weeks of this school year! Overwhelmingly, we have had a very positive start to this crazy school year. I know that this is not true for all of our students and families who have found some challenges in taking on a new method of learning. We are working hard to try to find ways to engage all of our students in the classroom in meaningful lessons. In order to do this, we have decided that it is necessary to make a few changes that will start at the beginning of the 2nd 9-weeks.

Please make sure that you review the attachment pertaining to Seminole Connect expectations. Here are a few highlights from the document:

1. We have purchased wireless microphones for our teachers to try to improve sound quality. Many teachers have started using them!
2. Students will be required to have their Webex camera on and have audio response capabilities during class. There are a few options for students that are explained in detail in the document.
3. We have implemented technical support for our Connect students. Students and parents can either call us at 407-871-0750 to request tech support or e-mail us at hhs-techsupport@scps.k12.fl.us.

Our teachers will continue to develop more engaging lessons for our students. I have witnessed our science teachers conducting labs and many of our other teachers finding new ways to allow students to collaborate in the classroom. We hope that some of these changes will provide our Seminole Connect students with some new opportunities as well! Thank you for all of the support that you have provided throughout this 1st quarter. I am looking forward to an even better 2nd 9-weeks! Go Huskies!

Student Services

TRIO Connections of Central Florida is hosting a **Virtual Financial Aid Night, October 13 at 6:00pm**. This will be a joint event with Oviedo High School. Information regarding The FAFSA and Bright Futures Scholarships will be presented. Please use the link in the attached document to register. You will receive the Zoom link on the day of the event.

School counselors are working on completing **Senior Credit Check** forms this month. Students will be informed once the documents are available for review in Skyward. Once students review their credit check forms and presentation, they will be able to set up an appointment with their counselor to answer questions and discuss future plans.

US History EOC for current seniors: ONLY those seniors that want to earn the *Scholars Diploma* or the *Scholars with Distinction Diploma* must sit for the US History EOC this fall, and pass, with a level 3 or higher. Any senior who took AP US History and earned a 3 or higher on the AP US History Exam has met this requirement for the Scholars Diploma Pathway.

Testing Updates

Please review the attached update regarding testing. 9-weeks testing will take place across campus next week!

Important Dates

October 6: Athletic Booster Club Meeting (6:00)

October 6-9: Quarter 1 Exams and C9A Testing Continues

October 12: 2nd Quarter Begins (Seminole Connect students returning face to face report to classes on campus)

October 14: SAT School Day (Seniors Only)



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Hagerty Happenings

Please remember that all fans are required to wear a mask and practice social distancing when attending events on campus at Hagerty High School and on campuses around Seminole County. If attending an event in Orange County, remember that neck gaiters are not permissible face coverings per OCPS guidelines. Our students and parents have done an outstanding job thus far. However, there are a few of you who refuse to stay in compliance with these rules. Please know that you will be asked to leave if you are not willing to comply. We want to keep our student-athletes in competition and allow our students and parents to come out and continue to support them. Please do not do anything that will put this in jeopardy! Thank you!

Seminole Connect parents and students, please make sure that you go to the testing link on our school website to find out specific testing requirements for Common 9-Weeks Assessments. There is an FAQ posted.

We are currently working on the bell schedule for October 14th during the SAT School Day. It is currently listed on our calendar as an orange day because initially all of our students were scheduled to take either the SAT or the PSAT. However, PSAT testing for 9th-11th grade students was pushed back into January. We have decided to make that day a 7-period schedule. Since many of our hybrid schedules were created based on alternating block days, we will allow students who are scheduled in face to face classes to attend classes that day through Connect and not be marked absent for this day only!

Student-athletes who are interested in applying to the National Athletic Honor Society need to submit their applications by October 16th. Students must be either a junior or senior, have a 3.5 weighted GPA or above, and have been or be involved in a sport at Hagerty. More information is provided on the application. Applications can be found under the Athletics button of the Hagerty website.

Please see the attachment from Yearbook and Journalism. There is information on pictures, senior ads for the yearbook, and more!

The Junior Class is selling Junior Class t-shirts on MySchoolBucks for \$15. T-shirts will be on sale until October 9th.

This week's activities on campus:

October 5th: Bowling vs. Lake Howell (3:30)

October 6th: No home events

October 7th: Girls Golf vs. Winter Park/Oviedo (3:00); Girls Volleyball vs. West Orange (4:30/5:30/7); Freshmen Football vs. Lake Brantley (6:00)

October 8th: JV Football vs. Lake Brantley (6:00)

October 9th: No home events

October 10th: No home events