

April 23, 2023

Dear Parents, Teachers, Staff and Community Members of Hollins High School this is Principal Robert Florio with your weekly update:

- Our Robotics Team has completed world championship competition in Houston Texas, taking on teams from Singapore, Netherlands, and South Africa. Our team comported themselves like champions – were not outclassed by anyone and performed brilliantly. Over the course of an intense three-day competition with multiple heats, requiring alliances with other teams from around the world and specific tasks and strategies for each bot – we performed at a prominent level. Our group finished in the top twenty in the world coming in at number 19!!!! For a group of kids and faculty sponsors and volunteers who worked after school and on weekends to compete on a world stage against fully funded schools with tech/robotics programs – we were and are the champions! Our students worked hard, sacrificed, were determined, and dedicated. They were and are the manifestation of setting a goal – believing in themselves – and achieving what they set out to do!
- Senior Week is next Week starting on Monday April 24 – with Senior Breakfast on Thursday April 27 at the Don Cesar and Prom on Friday April 28 at USF Student Community Center
 - Tickets for breakfast our \$40 and can be purchased in Ms. Rockne's room 111
 - Prom tickets are \$60 and can be purchased in our courtyard at lunch
 - Obligations must be paid and students cannot have more than five unexcused absences to attend
 - Please note and plan accordingly. The Prom event ends at 11 pm – students who need rides will need to be picked up no later than 11:30 pm
- As testing season is upon us – please help us do our best and reach our goals. Ensure your student comes to school and finishes strong
 - Students will be utilizing their school issued laptop computers for all tests. Students will need their device, fully charged with charging chord
- We will again, test our Biology Students on Saturday – May 6 – breakfast and review starting at 8:30 am followed by the test. Letters with details have been sent home with your Biology student. Breakfast and review will be in gym. Students should be dropped off in gym parking lot
- Seniors and their parents and guardians – graduation is rapidly coming up – the object in the mirror is closer than it appears. We will graduate on Monday May 15 at 7:30 am at Tropicana Field. Details in a one pager can be found on our school's website
- Please remind your seniors that the **deadline to complete their Apex, GEP, or virtual classes is Friday, May 5th**. That is exactly 2 weeks from last Friday – only 14 days!!! Please encourage them, help them, and continue to support them as they prepare to cross the finish line.
- Students can now sign up for Summer Bridge. Information is on our school's website, or they can check with their school counselor. Algebra Credit Recovery,

Algebra EOC prep, ACT Math and Reading prep will be available starting on Monday
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Enjoy the rest of your evening surrounded by good friends and family in good health and high spirits!

See you at the Top!