



HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

MAY 2021

"WE DEVELOP CONFIDENT, CONTINUAL LEARNERS WHO ARE CARING COMMUNITY MEMBERS."

A Message from the Principal

The year is truly coming to a close. End of the year events are happening, albeit different from a few years ago, but better than last year. We're looking forward to having small groups of families gather for several events in the coming weeks. Below are some upcoming important dates:

Regents Exams

This year we'll be offering four Regents Exams. All other Regents Exams are canceled. More detailed information will be coming soon, but the schedule will be as follows:

Thursday, June 17--English 11

Tuesday, June 22--Living Environment

Wednesday, June 23--Algebra 1

Thursday, June 24--Earth Science

Senior Ball

The Senior Ball tickets will be on sale Monday and Tuesday, May 10 and 11 during period 10. These are the only two dates tickets will be sold.

Commencement Ceremony for the Class of 2021

Date: June 26 at 11 AM (Rain date is June 27 at 11 AM)

Location: Solvay High School--Hadley Stadium

Rehearsal: Friday, June 25 at 9 AM ---**Rehearsal is Mandatory**

Caps and Gowns will be distributed at Rehearsal

Each senior will be allowed to have two (2) guests. They will receive the tickets for their guests at the rehearsal on June 25.

Thank you.

Dee Dee Hagemann

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES


May 13

 Scholarship Night
Solvay Middle School


May 17

 Board of Education Meeting
7pm Virtual

May 18

 School Budget Vote
Noon – 9pm at SHS

May 21

 Staff Development Day
No School

May 28

 Memorial Day Weekend
District Closed

May 31

 Memorial Day
District Closed



May's Character Strength: Hope & Optimism



WHAT DOES HOPE & OPTIMISM MEAN?

You expect the best from the future and work to achieve it. Hope and optimism represent a state of hopefulness and confidence about the future (both short and long term). People with this strength are future oriented. They have a positive vision of what the future holds and maintain confidence that they will get there. They keep a positive attitude despite setbacks – and often find ways to convert what seems like an obstacle into a stepping-stone to achieve their goals.

Optimistic people are sometimes regarded as naïve or even delusional. And, yes, there are some people who are illogically optimistic, which can be detrimental. However, optimism is not about wearing rose-colored glasses and rolling over when the going gets tough. It's about staying focused on the good in any situation – allowing you to be aware of opportunities and accountable for your emotions.

Guidance Corner

Final Exams and Regents Exams will be here before you know it! Here are some study tips to consider to help you prepare:

STUDY TIPS
helpful tips to pass your exams

- GETTING STARTED**
 1. ORGANIZE YOUR STUDY TOOLS
 2. START WITH THE EASIEST MATERIAL
 3. BECOME INTERESTED
 4. SET DAILY GOALS ON WHAT YOU WILL STUDY AND STICK TO THEM!!
 5. MAKE SURE YOU ARE COMFORTABLE WITH THE MATERIAL
- HOW TO MAKE IT EASIER**
 - GET A SOLID 9 HOURS OF SLEEP
 - FIND A STUDY BUDDY
 - TAKE A "snack and stretch" BREAK
 - POWER OFF ALL DISTRACTIONS
- HOW TO REMEMBER**
 - *DRINK LOTS OF WATER!!
 - QUESTION "why" THIS WILL HELP YOU REMEMBER
 - SELF EXPLANATION-SAY IT OUT LOUD
 - or-
 - TEACH IT TO SOMEONE (this could be rambling on to a parent or friend about any topic-I "taught" my dog); BOTH OF THESE WILL ACT AS TOOLS IN REMEMBERING WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED
 - MIXING UP THE QUESTIONS YOU PRACTICE
- *DONT FORGET TO GO OVER EVERYTHING YOU HAVE STUDIED EACH DAY-AT LEAST FIVE MINUTES ***

From the Music Department



Congratulations to the 15 choral students who participated in New York State School of Music Association virtual solo festival this year. Students worked during the school day and afterschool school learning their solos. Students' solos can be viewed on the virtual voice recital on the district website. Congratulations to all!

The first ever Solvay Movie Musical is coming!! "A Day in the Life: The Musical" will premiere June 2021. The movie musical takes 25 different musical songs from the past 20 Solvay staged musicals. This story tells the overly dramatic daily life of our Solvay students. Focusing on the stories of different high school romances, you will find yourself laughing and chuckling along the way with the students. You might even see a surprise cameo! We look forward to presenting this wonderful film to you all via YouTube in June! Be on the lookout for more publicity soon!

Scan the QR Code for the "A Day in the Life: The Musical" Site



“Behind the Mask”

This month’s “Behind the Mask” spotlight is on Ms. Hagemann.



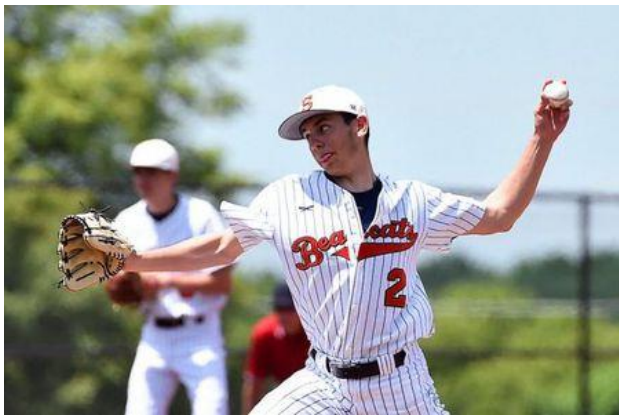
What is your dream vacation?

I have a lot of places I'd like to see, but one dream vacation is to take a 6-day train trip across the Canadian Rockies. I'll be able to visit some of the most beautiful places in British Columbia--Jasper, Lake Louise, Banff, Vancouver, and Whistler. The views will be spectacular and it will give me time to just sit, relax and enjoy the scenery. The food is supposed to be very good on the trip, so over the course of it I'd enjoy that aspect of the journey as well.

What accomplishments fills you with pride this year?

This year has been so difficult for our students. One of the best parts of this year is the return to in-person instruction 4 days per week. I can see students connecting with their peers, their teachers, and their studies. It's so obvious to me that social interaction is a key to success for so many of your students. I am thankful to have so many of them back and I'm looking forward to a more typical year next year!

Bearcat Athletics Update



Thank you to everyone that helped make our “Fall” sports season a success! We look forward to a return to normal this coming Fall season. Please come out and support our Spring season athletes as the weather warms up!

[Athletics Schedule](#)

[Please register through Family ID](#)

[Home Athletic Events are Live Streamed Here](#)

[Follow Bearcat Athletics on Twitter!](#)

Important Information

COVID Screenings

- 🐾 All students must complete their COVID screening on ParentSquare at home before arriving at school.
- 🐾 If you have not been screened **you must** enter through the main entrance.

Student Arrival Time

- 🐾 All students should be in their Period 1 classes no later than 7:30am to avoid being marked late for school.
- 🐾 Students will receive an afterschool detention for every three unexcused lates to school.

Remote Learner Material Pick-up

- 🐾 Remote learning students should stop by SHS to pick-up materials from their teachers.

