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Clarkstown High School North Principal's Newsletter

Thursday, April 8 –
National Honor Society
Induction

Friday, April 9—
Senior Big Picture
(Reverse Activity Day)

Period 1- 7:25- 8:05 40 Minutes
Period 2- 8:10- 8:50 40 Minutes
Period 3- 8:55- 9:35 40 Minutes
Period 4- 9:40-10:20 40 Minutes
Period 5-10:25-11:05 40 Minutes
Period 6-11:10-11:50 40 Minutes
Period 7-11:55-12:35 40 Minutes
Period 8-12:40-1:20 40 Minutes
Activity Period-1:25-2:00 35 Mins

Wednesday, April 21—
Java Jive
(Reverse Activity Day, same
schedule as above)

Tuesday, April 27 –
Academic Excellence Awards

**School will be
closed Monday,
March 29
through
Tuesday, April 6
for Spring Break.**



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Clarkstown High School North's Annual Academic Excellence Awards will be a livestream event held on Tuesday, April 27 at 7:00 pm. Students in ninth through twelfth grade are eligible for this award if their cumulative high school academic average through the second semester of the 2020-2021 school year is 95 or higher. Letters will be mailed home to students being honored. On April 27th there will be a link to the livestream available on our homepage.

CUE AND CURTAIN

Cue and Curtain is proud to present a showcase performance entitled: "For There Is Always Light" based on the work of Youth Poet Laureate Amanda Gorman.

This filmed presentation features our talented Clarkstown High School North students and highlights what "light" and "connection," the centerpiece themes of Ms. Gorman's work, mean to each of them, especially in these changing times. It promises to be a wonderfully collaborative and innovative theatre piece and will feature curated music, dance, poetry and art performed and written in part by our accomplished students. Coming soon to our district website!

STICKY NOTES: 2021

Sticky Notes is coming! Sticky Notes is North's annual celebration of poetry and creative writing.

On Thursday, April 15 a welcome video will be posted to the Sticky Notes Classroom where students will meet peers and workshop leaders involved in making Sticky Notes. Students will be able to watch the video at their leisure (during a study hall, lunch, or after school).

From Friday, April 16 to Tuesday, April 20 workshop videos will be posted to the Sticky Notes Classroom. Students will be able to watch at their leisure (during a study hall, lunch, or after school), use the workshop to create their own piece, and fill out the Google Form.

Finally, on Wednesday, April 21 (reverse Activity Day) a mini "Java Jive" will take place during Period 8B. Students will be able to sign up on the Google Classroom. Students can sign up to perform their own work, come listen to students perform their work, and snap along as we congratulate and thank our presenters and workshop leaders! Attendance is mandatory.

The Equity-4-All Committee Website

The Equity-4-All Committee is happy to announce that we now have a [website](#) on Clarkstown North's home page under "Quick links." We encourage you to utilize this website for updates on events taking place in our school community and for the latest resources to support further discussions around race, equity, and social justice.

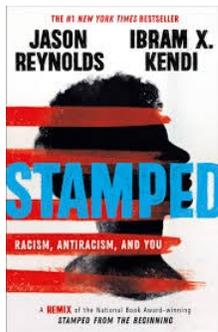


Courageous Conversations:

Book Club Meetings-January, March, May

In keeping with the The Equity-4-All Committee's mission statement to advocate for equity and justice for historically marginalized peoples and bring awareness to current inequities, the North Equity is hosting a book club for students, parents, CCSD staff, and North alumni.

Stamped is a sweeping overview of racism in the United States throughout the nation's 500+ years of existence. The book is organized chronologically into five main sections. Although each section provides an overview of historical events, the sections also center around the narratives of five "main characters." These individuals include Puritan minister Cotton Mather, President Thomas Jefferson, abolitionist William Lloyd Garrison, scholar W.E.B. Du Bois, and anti-prison activist Angela Davis.



CHSN CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH:

In celebration of Black History Month and also in continuation of our ongoing discussions on race, on Tuesday March 2nd from 6 - 8pm the Art Honor Society and Black Culture Club hosted a film screening about Black art in America. Students, parents, faculty and administrators joined in to watch and discuss the new HBO documentary: BLACK ART: IN THE ABSENCE OF LIGHT (see [trailer link](#)). The documentary is more or less an extension of the the collaborative project and exhibition: MADE VISIBLE, which highlighted the history of Black artists in America and pointed out the underrepresentation of these artists in museums around the world. Many North students were able to visit this exhibit in the library last February which was curated by Mr. Beau Thompson's Social Studies classes and Ms. Shaina Dunn's Art classes.

