



# CLARKSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL SOUTH



October Newsletter 2020

**“Preparing today’s students to conquer tomorrow’s challenges”**

## IMPORTANT DATES

### Tuesday, October 6

Extended HR Schedule -  
Guidance

### October 7-9

Bus Drill Schedule – School  
Ends 11 Minutes Early

### Monday, October 12

Columbus Day – School Closed

### Tuesday, October 13

Extended Homeroom Schedule -  
Guidance

### Wednesday, October 14

Early Release Day (11 a.m.) –  
Pre-Act and PSAT

## Congratulations to.....

- **Senior Ethan Miller for being selected by NYSSMA to the All State Chorus.**
- **Senior Lila Villasenor for being selected by NYSSMA to the All State String Orchestra.**
- **Senior Wyatt Mattaway for earning the title of Eagle Scout last summer.**



## PROGRESS REPORTS RELEASED OCTOBER 8

First quarter progress reports will be available on the parent portal on October 8. If you have not done so already, please set up an account on the parent portal. If you require a printed version of a report card or progress report, you may contact the School Counseling Office.

South High School’s first P.T.S.A. meeting is Wednesday, October 7th at 7:30 p.m.



## **EARLY RELEASE DAY SCHEDULED FOR ALL CLASSES ON OCTOBER 14<sup>TH</sup>**

On Wednesday, October 14th, there will be an early release for all students in grades 9-12. This does not impact the schedule for students K-8 in the district. Sophomores and Juniors will report to Clarkstown South at the regularly scheduled start time (7:25 a.m.). **All Freshmen and Seniors will work remotely for the day.** Tenth and eleventh graders who are on remote instruction are welcome to come in to take the practice exams. Sophomores will take the Pre-ACT and juniors will take the PSAT. Juniors who take the PSAT are eligible to be recognized as a PSAT National Merit scholar. In addition, students who take the exams acquire valuable experience in taking standardized tests. Transportation will be provided at the conclusion of each exam. An amended bus scheduled for dismissal will be sent in a future email.

The activities for each grade are broken down as follows:

**Freshmen** – Ninth grade students will remain on remote instruction and participate in online Ruler activities geared toward social and emotional learning. Specific information pertaining to accessing the courses will be included in a future email.

**Sophomores** - Sophomores will take the ACT practice exam.

**Juniors** - Juniors will take the PSAT.

**Seniors** - Seniors will use the half day as a college and career day to complete college essays, college applications, research schools, etc. School counselors will be available for a Google Meet appointment and will assist the students in completing their college applications.

## **SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT**

### October 5th

- Transcript Request Forms will be accepted from Seniors.

### October 6th

- Extended Homeroom for Juniors to discuss the PSAT

### October 13th

- Extended Homeroom for Freshmen

### October 14th

- PreACT administration for all Sophomores
- PSAT administration for all Juniors



### October 27th

- Virtual Financial Aid Night for parents and students at 6:30 p.m.
  - Zoom invite will be sent the week of October 19th

### October 1 - 31

- Individual college representative virtual visits are [available here.](#)