



The Deering Weekly Update



Helen Bright's AP Human Geography class went on a field trip and applied urban land use models they have been studying to Portland! They utilized all of Portland's downtown, had 4 amazing teacher chaperones (Andrew Gordon, Tim Eisenhart, Farausi Cherry, & Sam Cohen) as well as parent volunteers (Helen Scalia-Bruce, Meg Jasonides, Marnie Morrione, Habib Abubakar, & Marcy Weeks). Eighty scholars took part in this authentic learning opportunity. Big shout out to all the business & people who allowed scholars to interview them. They also met up at Ocean Gateway and the Portland Public Library. Amato's even donated food for all 80 of us!

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For Deering's Sport Schedules, visit www.deeringathletics.com

Date	Event and Info	Time	Location	Notes
Monday, October 29	Picture Retake Day	All day	DHS	
Sat., Nov 2	Junior class BOTTLE DRIVE	10 am - 2 pm	Front lawn of DHS	Drop off your bags or boxes of bottles!!

DEERING DEBATE TEAM RIDES AGAIN!

Deering's Debate Team is bigger and better than ever!

On Saturday at Bangor, juniors Glynis O'Meara and Aidan Reid--a first-time debater--took

first place in Varsity Public Forum debate,

and

Conrad Nguyen and Selam Desta took 4th.

Emily Cheung, also a first-timer, took 3rd in Oratorical Declamation.

CONGRATULATIONS, TEAM!

MUSIC NEWS

Please congratulate Vivica Dunlap and Lucas Jasonides who worked so hard and have been accepted into the **District II Honors Orchestra**, following their auditions last week!

In addition, the following students will be performing at the District II Music festival:

Liz Sevigny---Mixed Choir

Jahari Francis--Mixed Choir

Rachel Robinson--Treble Choir

Emily Cheung--Treble Choir

Willem Van Oosternam--Band

BRAVO TO THESE FINE YOUNG STUDENTS!!!

YEARBOOK INFORMATION

****Last year's Yearbooks (2018)are available for 1/2 price \$35. Please see Mr. Lawless if interested.**

****The 2019 Yearbooks are for sale for \$70. You can order on line or see Mr. Lawless.
Online--YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM and the code is 11227419.**

****Senior pictures & quotes need to be submitted by Dec. 6th**

deeringyearbook2019@gmail.com.

Quotes & messages need to be appropriate and you will not have a second opportunity if your message is pulled.



The Deering Student Based Health Center will be offering flu shots. Students can schedule with the School Nurse or directly with the health center. Students can pick up permission forms from the health center or school nurse.

Forms are also available on the school nurse website. If your student is not enrolled in the health center please attach a copy of your insurance card.

Debra Tanguay RN
Deering High School Nurse

For those interested in
Science, Technology, Engineering and Math at Deering
from Ms Karen Shibles

STEM Newsletter Items
(newsletter with past announcements is [here](#))

Week of 10/29/18

STEM ELOs:

- Tyler Technologies is once again sponsoring the Maine App Challenge. The [2019 Maine App Challenge](#) is an opportunity for Maine high school students to build a mobile application, make connections with professional software developers and designers, and compete for **\$10,000 in college scholarships**. The school with the most submissions also wins **\$500**. Interested students are encouraged to register for email updates and check the STEM Endorsement Google Classroom for helpful links/tutorials. Deadline to submit entries is **May 20, 2019**.
- The **MERITS** ([Maine Research Internships for Teachers and Students](#)) Program provides summer research opportunities for highly motivated high school **seniors** who are interested in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) careers to experience “real-time” applications of STEM in a research-focused work world at host institutions conducting research and technology development. This program seeks to expose students to career opportunities in Maine and to provide a direct way by which Maine businesses and research communities can attract young people with high potential for possible future employment. A limited number of research internships for the summer of 2019 are available. **Applications due by January 31, 2019**. Contact Jana Hall with questions Jana.hall@msgc.org
- High school seniors who plan on attending UMaine to study engineering or engineering technology should check out the Pulp & Paper Merit-Based Scholarships that are offered. To learn about eligibility requirements and the application process, go to mainepulpaper.org. Deadline to apply is December 31, 2018.
- [ACE Mentor program](#), a free after-school program that gives high school students a hands-on introduction to architecture, construction management and engineering, is hosting their first meeting Wednesday, Sept. 12th from 3:30-5:00 at Baxter Academy. Can't go this week? Don't worry - they meet every Wednesday. See Mrs. Shibles in room 303 for registration information and a calendar or check out the provided link.
- Maine Medical Center's [Health Career Pipeline](#) Program is “an effort to reach out to diverse youth and young adults in all Maine communities to enhance and stimulate an interest in health careers and encourage individuals to keep those careers in Maine.” Students 16 or older can set up job shadowing experiences. See the details on their website. Proof of specific vaccinations as well as a confidentiality statement are required.
- Please note that Maine Medical Explorers program is on hold until the Spring of 2019.
- ON Semiconductor and Southern Maine CC are hosting a three-day program for students who want to know more about technology careers. The program, [SEMI High Tech U](#), will provide students a chance to work directly with tech professionals, participate in fun workshops, and hear about different pathways from school to work. They provide great food and all the

supplies; students must bring a positive attitude, career questions, and a willingness to learn. This program takes place November 6-8th and is open to sophomores, juniors and seniors. See details and application online at the provided link. Apply by Friday, October 12th.

- Encourage your student to join the STEM Endorsement Google Classroom for program requirements, ELO trackers, and general announcements. Code: [xa03aiv](#)

Welcome to Hannaford Helps Schools 2018

This year, we're celebrating 20 years of collaborating with schools to help schoolkids reach their goals. We appreciate your continued partnership and if you're new to the program, we welcome you!

Between 9/2/18 and 12/1/18, with the purchase of 4 participating Hannaford Helps Schools items, a customer will receive a printout for 3 school dollars at the register. The customer can place that printout into your school's slot in the Hannaford Helps Schools collection tower, located at the front of the store that your school is registered with. Additionally, Hannaford will donate \$1,000 to each school that earns the most dollars from their store location!

Last year Deering received \$1,107 from this event. Our registered store is the Forest Avenue branch located next to Back Cove here in Portland.

Please consider donating your slips to us. They can be placed in the Deering slot in the display located at the front of the store...

Thank you for helping Deering !!

PARENT GROUPS

> **PTO:** *The PTO meets the second Monday of every month (second Tuesday when there is a Monday holiday) in the library from 6:00-7:30. Email us at DeeringsPTO@gmail.com* Ample parking and elevator access are available.

Monday, November 19. International Curriculum and ISSN at DHS, details to be announced.

Contact us at Deeringspto@gmail.com

> **Deering Boosters:** The Boosters will meet the first Wednesday of every month in room 219 from 6-7 pm; our next meeting is on November 7.

PROJECT GRADUATION NEEDS YOU!!

To honor our graduates, the Deering High School Community will be organizing **Project Graduation 2019!**

Project Graduation is one of those traditions that make this community special. Thank you for supporting this magical event for your senior!

- Email us @DHSPProjectGrad2019@gmail.com and cc cherrf@portlandschools.org
- Visit our Facebook page for upcoming events and meeting reminders.
<https://www.facebook.com/DHSPProjectGrad19/>
- Shop for swag items to support Project Graduation @
<https://www.facebook.com/pg/DHSPProjectGrad19/shop>

Do you use Amazon??? (Who doesn't!)

Make your purchases count--use the [Deering Boosters Amazon Smile](#) function so that a portion of every purchase you make goes to your favorite charity, DEERING! Sign up today:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/46-1120706>

October 29

GUIDANCE NEWS

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS, SAT TESTING DATES, AND FINANCIAL AID EVENTS

UPCOMING COLLEGE ADMISSIONS REPRESENTATIVES VISITING DHS

- Wheaton College (Massachusetts), Tue., Oct. 30 at 12:30pm
- Northern Vermont University-Lyndon, Tue., Oct. 30th at 1:45pm
- Central Maine Community College, Wed., Oct. 31 at 8:30am
- Western New England University (Massachusetts), Wed., Oct. 31 at 9:00am
- Maine College of Health Professions, Wed., Oct. 31 at 9:00am
- Binghamton University (New York), Wed., Oct. 31 at 9:30am
- Bentley University (Massachusetts), Wed., Oct. 31 at 9:45am
- St. Michael's College (Vermont), Fri., Nov. 2 at 8:30am

Colby College (Maine), Fri., Nov. 2 at 9:20am
Suffolk University (Massachusetts), Fri., Nov. 2 at 12:30pm
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, Mon., Nov. 5 at 10:15am
Husson University (Maine), Tue., Nov. 6 at 9:30am
Westpoint/U.S. Military Academy-Army (New York), Mon., Nov. 19th, at 9:15am
Syracuse University (New York), Wed., Nov. 28 at 8:30am

Students interested in signing up to meet with one or more of the above college representatives can register on the home page of their Naviance account or contact Ms. Adams, Guidance Secretary at DHS.

*****INSTANT ADMISSIONS DAYS*****

The Guidance staff is pleased to offer three Instant Admissions Days this November where seniors who have applied through the Common Application to one of the following universities can receive an on-the-spot admission decision. Seniors should plan to submit their admission materials through the Common Application two weeks before the instant admission day. Please see Mr. Cherry in Guidance to sign up for a spot to have your application reviewed!

University of Southern Maine--Friday, Nov. 16 at Deering High School
University of Maine at Orono--Monday, Nov. 19 at DHS
University of New England--Tuesday, Nov. 20 at DHS



*****THE COLLEGE ADMISSIONS PROCESS for PARENTS & STUDENTS*****

**PARENTS OF 9TH, 10TH AND 11TH GRADERS
WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE COLLEGE
PROCESS?**

**THEN WE HAVE A NIGHT FOR YOU!!!!!!! MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH 6:00-7:30 PM AT DEERING HIGH SCHOOL
(This evening is also open to your child. Make it a family event!)**

Find out the ins and outs of how to maneuver through the college admissions process. Topics discussed will include how to create a list of appropriate schools, SAT/ACT testing, how to make the most out of college visits and how college financial aid works. Since this is such an important topic, we will be offering families TWO chances to learn all about the college application process (The second evening will be offered on Tue., Feb. 12th with a snow date on the 13th). We encourage all families to attend one of these sessions.

IN ADDITION TO GOING TO DEERING'S COLLEGE PROCESS NIGHT ON NOV 13TH, DEERING PARENTS OF CURRENT 9TH, 10TH, AND 11TH GRADERS SHOULD CHECK OUT THE FOLLOWING ADVICE FROM NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED COLLEGE EXPERT, LYNN O'SHAUGHNESSY:

Lynn O'Shaughnessy is a higher-ed journalist , speaker and educator. She is perhaps best known for writing a college blog for CBS' MoneyWatch. Author of an Amazon bestseller, *The College Solution: A Guide for Everyone Looking for the Right School at the Right Price*, Ms. O'Shaughnessy's goal is to help families with teenagers become smart college shoppers as they search for schools. There is a variety of helpful information about how to choose colleges, make the most of college visits, and best strategies to find colleges that are affordable to your family at her site:
www.thecollegesolution.com .

THE FAFSA (FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID) IS NOW AVAILABLE FOR COLLEGE BOUND SENIORS AND THEIR PARENTS TO COMPLETE.

The Finance Authority of Maine (FAME) has numerous free resources and helpful checklists for families of college bound seniors. Here are two great links for that information: **Get Ready to File the FAFSA:**

<https://www.famemaine.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/FAFSA-Checklist-2019-20.pdf>

And

A Short Video of a Step by Step Guide for Filing the FAFSA
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CO4iwKHJgQo&feature=youtu.be>

Important Upcoming PSAT and SAT Testing Dates

SAT/Subject Tests- Test Date on Saturday, December 1 Registration Deadline is Nov. 2/Late Deadline (for an additional fee) is Nov. 20th

Any 11th or 12th grader who wants to take an SAT on Nov. or Dec. can register here:
<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register>

Scholarships and Resources for Finding Them

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When students in Maine are exploring how they'll pay for college, they will find plenty of options available including federal and state aid, as well as scholarships, grants and student loan options. Applying for scholarships and grants can take some time and research as they are sometimes competitive. That time is often well worth it since students can graduate with less debt if they receive them.

Here are some reputable resources for scholarship searches:

[FAME](#) (the Financial Authority of Maine) lists many scholarship and financial aid resources on their website (famemaine.com). Look through the [Maine Scholarships](#) list and have your student apply to several. This is the best site we have found for advice on paying for college. [MES](#) is another scholarship resource, as in the [Maine Community Foundation](#).

We found a good resource for scholarship information from [Reviews.com](#). This is a website "dedicated to conducting data driven and unbiased research about topics that can help make an impact in people's lives." Below is a link that covers the best scholarship search sites, what you should know about scholarships, and how best to apply, etc:
[Reviews.com scholarship search](#)

LendEdU for scholarships and search tips:
<http://lendedu.com/blog/scholarships>

LOCAL PORTLAND AREA AND/OR STATE OF MAINE SCHOLARSHIPS

The Clyde Russell Scholarship Fund

The Clyde Russell Scholarship Fund was created by the Maine Education Association through a trust established by the late Audrey Lewis. Mrs Lewis, President of the Maine Teachers Association in 1958, named the fund after Clyde Russell who served as Executive Director from 1945-1966. High School Seniors who will attend a Four-Year College after graduation can earn an award up to \$10,000. There is a 2nd Clyde Russell Award for High School Seniors planning to attend a Two-Year Community College after graduation. They can receive up to \$2000. Applications must be obtained by going to the following website: www.clyderussellscholarshipfund.org . Applications can be downloaded between Oct. 1, 2018 and Jan. 31, 2019. Deadline for submission is Feb. 1, 2019.