

High School/Middle School Joint Parent Council Meeting  
Friday, September 15th, 2017, Community Room, 10:00am

**I. Welcome** Whitney Godfrey, Middle School SCA President  
and Beth Miller, High School SCA President

**II. Guidance Update** Jane Grappone, Director of  
Guidance/Counseling 7-12

- School underway – 12<sup>th</sup> grade parents night had a great turnout
- PSAT registration is going on-October 14<sup>th</sup>
- Pre-ACT will be available and is Jan 6<sup>th</sup>. Encouraging students to do both PSAT and Pre-ACT-parents will have results before Parent Night in Feb.
- 9<sup>th</sup> grade Parent Night is October 5th
- Mini college fairs coming up on 9/28 and 10/5. Will take place in the new flex space at the HS
- Organizing a “Set List” of students from the class of 2017 who are willing to show prospective Manhasset students around their schools on college visits

**III. SCA Summer Studies Awards Program** Joanna  
Carlson, Chairperson

- Academic and non-academic/individualized (language/science/crew/etc) MHS 2017 Award Recipients Danielle Rozinov, Liz Rutzkovsky and Ashley Kim spoke respectively about their experiences at UPenn, Cornell and Penn AC. All very thankful and grateful for the experience.

#### **IV. CASA Programming Update** Jen DeSena, Executive Director

- Increase in regular and binge drinking in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade class
- Encourages all to see speaker Chris Herren on January 11th
- Safe homes list – list of homes that parents have committed to be safe homes where alcohol will not be available or served
- 33 Students in the leadership program comprised of 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> graders. Will speak to the 6<sup>th</sup> grades at MP and SR

#### **V. Principal's Report** Dr. Dean Schlanger

- Middle School Open House – well attended-7<sup>th</sup> graders to receive their Chromebooks within this week
- Photo days successful – changed days due to spirit week and pep rally
- Re-instituted mid-terms-no longer quarterlies. Will take place over four days in January. Will minimize multiple exams during one day
- 15 new teachers this year
- Hopeful that cafeteria work will be completed by end of December

#### **VI. Dr. Vincent Butera**, Superintendent, Manhasset School District

- Feeling welcomed and looking forward to the year ahead

## **VII. Board of Ed Update, Christine Monterosso, Pat Aiken and Regina Rule**

- Encouraging all to come to board meetings
- Citizens Advisory Committee-meets once a month
- Naming ceremony for new community room to be on Sept 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM. Dedication to Charlie Cardillo Community Room.

## **VIII. SCA Business**

### **Middle School –Whitney Godfrey**

- Successful First Day picnic, Open House and Photo Day (7-12). A big thank you to all of the chairpersons and volunteers
- Friday, October 6th, MS Welcome Back Dance 7:30 pm
- Encourage middle school students to march in the Homecoming Parade on Saturday, September 16th
- Halloween party on 10/31 from 7-9pm - volunteers/donations welcome

### **High School - Beth Miller**

- Senior Photo retake day is October 13th
- Reiterate mini college fairs on 9/28 and 10/5
- Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> (8am-3pm) Junior Coalition is doing a rowing even at North Hempstead Beach Park

**\*\*Next HS/MS Joint Parent Council Meeting: October 6, 2017 at 10:00am in the Community Room**