



**SCA HS/MS Joint Parent Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 15, 2014
Manhasset Secondary School Board Room**

Welcome

- **Caroline Kenlon, HS SCA President**
- **Michaela Sheridan, MS SCA President**

SCA Update- Caroline Kenlon, HS SCA President

- **SCA Luncheon**
 - **January 16th at 11:00am** at North Hills Country Club
 - Event is full, no walk-ins!!
- **Mock Interview Night**
 - **Wednesday, February 26th 6:30pm-9:30pm**
 - For 11th graders
 - Still need parent volunteers to conduct the interviews, please contact guidance dept. if interested in helping
- Frosh Social was 1/11
- **Soph Social is 2/8 in High School Cafeteria 8:00pm-10:30pm**
- **Katie Oppo Research Fund Winter Concert- 2/8 at Munsey Park**

Guidance Report- Jane Grappone- Director of Guidance/Counseling 7-12

- **Scheduling-** have started the process for next year
 - Course catalogs were distributed to students; 8th-11th graders handed in 3 credits of electives on 1/14.
 - Counselors have met with 8th graders to explain the process
 - Letters will be going home shortly to 8th, 9th and 11th graders letting parents know they can schedule a conference this spring. It is recommended that you call to schedule conference as soon as you receive letter.
 - Teacher recommendations for core class on 3/7. This can be adjusted through the 3rd semester based on student performance.
 - Letters will be sent home regarding override information. Each student can have 1 honors override.
- PSAT scores sent home week of 1/13
- **College Applications;** not all results are in. Still following up on students that were deferred and calling schools on their behalf
- **HS/MS Guidance Standardized Testing Night- 1/16 7:30pm** in Black Box; recommended for 7th-10th grade parents
- **Mock Interview Night- 2/26 6:30pm-9:30pm;** evening for 11th graders, would like to have 2 sessions this year
- **Molloy College Business Boot Camp**
 - For juniors interested in business program in college
 - Need to apply and interview to attend
 - Held last week of June
 - Contact guidance dept. if interested in applying

- **1st Guidance Career Night**- Trends in Education
 - **March 19th, 7:30pm in Black Box**
 - Speaker will be Dr. Sean Fanelli, Hofstra University School of Education
- **2nd Guidance Career Night**- Topic TBD
 - **April 9th, 7:30pm in Black Box**

Principal Report- Dean Schlanger- Principal, Secondary School

- **School Socials**
 - Frosh- held 1/11; Winter Wonderland; over 200 students attended
 - Soph- Roaring 20's; 2/8 in HS Cafeteria 8-10:30pm
 - Jr. Prom- 3/1 at Crest Hollow Country Club 6:30/8:00-11:00pm
 - Sr. Prom- 4/1 at North Hempstead Country Club 6:30/8:00-11:00pm
- Open House Orientation for Incoming Private/Parochial School Families- Thurs, 1/23 at 8:00pm in HS auditorium

Guest Speaker- Lisa Ganz, Youth Coordinator, Long Island Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependency

- Sponsored by SCA and CASA
- Program focused on suggestions for reducing stress and stress management
- Discussion of what stress is and different causes of stress for a typical teen
- Provided strategies and suggestions to reduce stress and anxiety
- Similar program on **stress reduction/stress management will be offered to students on 2/27 at 3:30pm in the Black Box**

Next HS/MS Joint Parent Council Meeting, March 7th 10:00am in HS Board Room