

Rockville TelegRAM

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IMPORTANT DATES

June 2	Top Ten Scholar Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Auditorium Lobby
June 4	Senior Class Day outing, High Meadow Resort, Granby
June 7	RHS Symphony and Jazz Band Concert, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
June 10	Senior Awards and Scholarship Evening, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
June 16	Last day of regular classes for second semester
June 17 & 18	
June 21 & 22	Second semester exams
June 23	Last day of school for students
June 24	Commencement, Class of 2010, 6:00 p.m., RHS Courtyard
June 25-July 2	Summer School registration
July 7-28	Summer School session at VCMS
September 2	First day of 2010-2011 school year

FINAL REPORT CARDS

Year-end report cards will be mailed to students' homes following the last day of school.

HONOR ROLL CERTIFICATES

Students who achieve honor roll status for the fourth quarter and who wish to receive an honor roll certificate should contact Mrs. Berryman or Mrs. Joy prior to the end of the school year.

SCHEDULES FOR 2010-2011

During late August, all Rockville High School students will receive a packet of information regarding the start of the 2010-2011 school year. Included in this mailing will be students' schedules for the new year. The first day of school for students is Thursday, September 2, 2010.

SENIOR AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIP EVENING

The Senior Awards and Scholarship Evening will be held on Thursday, June 10, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in the Auditorium. We will honor many members of the RHS Class of 2010 for their academic and athletic achievements and their contributions to the school and the community. Parents of students who will receive awards were notified by letter in late May. Award recipients should meet in the large cafeteria that evening by 6:45 p.m. to enter the Auditorium as a group. Proper dress is expected (dress pants, shirt, tie, socks and shoes for boys; dress or blouse with skirt/dress pants and shoes for girls). Students who do not adhere to this dress code will not be allowed to participate in the ceremony. We look forward to seeing many families on June 10 as we celebrate excellence at Rockville High School.

COMMENCEMENT FOR CLASS OF 2010

Commencement ceremonies for the Rockville High School Class of 2010 will be held on Thursday, June 24, at 6:00 p.m. in the RHS Courtyard. If the weather does not cooperate, the ceremony will be moved indoors and special tickets will be required. In May, parents of seniors should have received a letter detailing senior events and Commencement. If you did not receive this letter, please contact Mrs. O'Brien in the Main Office (860-870-6050 x303).



FINAL SENIOR TRANSCRIPTS

Seniors who want or need their final transcript mailed to their college of attendance following graduation MUST submit a request in writing to the School Counseling Office. See your counselor or Mrs. Courtois for the form. Most colleges require a final transcript prior to college attendance in the fall. Transcripts will not automatically be sent to colleges.

SECOND SEMESTER EXAM SCHEDULE

Thu., June 17	Block 1 – 7:40 a.m. to 9:40 a.m. Block 2 – 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Fri., June 18	Block 3 – 7:40 a.m. to 9:40 a.m. Block 4 – 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Mon., June 21	Block 5 – 7:40 a.m. to 9:40 a.m. Block 6 – 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Tue., June 22	Block 7 – 7:40 a.m. to 9:40 a.m. Block 8 – 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Wed., June 23	MAKE-UP EXAMS only

CONGRATULATIONS, CLASS OF 2010!

The Administration has announced that Allison Burg has been named Class of 2010 Valedictorian and Jordyn Woodtke has been named Salutatorian.

Congratulations to all of the members of the Rockville High School Class of 2010 as they approach their final days at RHS. We wish them great success and much happiness as they move forward into their future beyond the halls of RHS. Special thanks are also extended to Mr. Paul Courtois, Class of 2010 advisor, for his hard work and dedication throughout the last four years.

BEST WISHES EXTENDED

Congratulations are also extended to Mr. Edward Argenta, Science Department Chairman, as he retires from the Vernon Public Schools. We thank him for his many years of service and dedication both at RHS and VCMS. Enjoy your retirement!

TOP TEN SCHOLAR LUNCHEON

On June 2, the Class of 2010 Top Ten Scholars will be formally recognized at a luncheon at RHS. Each student has also been asked to invite one staff member who has had a significant impact on their life while at Rockville High School. The Top Ten Scholars are Nicole Bieniarz, James Blaszkowski, Allison Burg, Elora-danon Clifford, Kelly Falkowski, Erik Pottinger, Leandra Siedor, Robert Waggoner, James Watt, and Jordyn Woodtke.

STUDENT INFORMATION CHANGES

Please report any changes in student or parent addresses or phone numbers (including parent work and cell phone numbers) to the Main Office (860-870-6050). It is important that the school have accurate information for each student.

ATTENTION CLASS OF 2010!

Mandatory graduation rehearsal: All graduating seniors are reminded of the mandatory graduation rehearsal on Thursday, June 24 beginning promptly at 9:00 a.m. Graduates will assemble in the Auditorium that morning. Any senior who misses the rehearsal may compromise his or her participation in Commencement exercises that evening. Exceptions must be approved by Mr. Baim in advance of the rehearsal.

SUMMER SCHOOL INFORMATION

Summer School will be held at Vernon Center Middle School from July 7 through July 28, 2010. Students who have already failed a course (with a grade of 60 or better) or who will fail a course this year (with a grade of 60 or better) may register for the summer session. Additional information regarding Summer School policies, the courses being offered, and the time schedule are included at the end of this newsletter and will be available in the School Counseling Office and the Administrative Office throughout June. The fee for full-credit courses is \$150 per course for Vernon residents (and RHS AgEd students) and \$220 for non-residents. Registration for summer school will occur at RHS from June 25 through July 2. All fees must be paid at the time of registration. Payment must be in cash or by money order or bank check. Personal checks will not be accepted. A \$10 late fee will be assessed for registrations processed after July 2. Registrations may also be mailed (no personal checks accepted) but they must be received at RHS by July 2. If you have specific questions about summer school, please call your student's counselor or the Summer School administrator, Dr. Sue Andrews, at 860-870-6050.

FOOD OF THE MONTH

Submitted by Mr. Paul Courtois, Student Activities Director
This year, RHS has teamed with the Hockanum Valley Community Council to help stock their new food pantry. RHS is responsible for the collection of CEREAL in June. HVCC recently moved into a much larger facility that will allow them to service a larger number of needy families. However, this calls for a larger donation from the community. Please consider donating some boxed cereal this month. Donations can be turned into the Main Office, Room 150, or the School Counseling Office. Thank you for your support of this community endeavor throughout the 2009-2010 school year!





IMPORTANT NEW INFORMATION FOR COLLEGE BOUND SENIORS

Beginning August 1, 2010, state law will require all Connecticut full-time or matriculating students to provide proof of adequate immunization against measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) and varicella (chickenpox).

- All incoming freshmen will be required to show proof of two doses of the measles, mumps, rubella vaccine. The doses should be separated by at least 28 days with dose number one being given on or after the first birthday.
- All incoming freshmen will be required to show proof of two doses of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine. The doses should be separated by at least 28 days with dose number one being given after the first birthday.
- Parental or self-report of varicella disease is no longer considered acceptable evidence of immunity, as naturally occurring infection has declined dramatically and clinical illness has become more difficult to recognize.

In addition, seniors who plan to attend college within Connecticut and live in on-campus housing must be immunized against meningitis.

ATTENTION JUNIORS!

Any junior who is planning to attend college or a vocational school following graduation should make a postsecondary planning appointment with his or her counselor this spring. Parents are also welcome to attend the conference.

Interested in attending a Service Academy? Request an application now for a nomination to the Naval Academy (Annapolis), the Military Academy (West Point), the Air Force Academy (Colorado Springs), or the Merchant Marine Academy (Kings Point). Apply online to Senator Joseph Lieberman (<http://lieberman.senate.gov/services/academies/>) or to Senator Christopher Dodd (<http://dodd.senate.gov/index.php?q=node/28>). The deadline for completing a U.S. Service Academy nomination form is October 2010.

SYMPHONY & JAZZ BAND CONCERT

Submitted by Mr. Darcy Davis, Band Director
The Rockville High School Symphony Band and Jazz Band will perform in concert on Monday, June 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the school's Auditorium. The concert will feature a wide variety of music including Broadway show tunes, movie soundtracks, and jazz standards. Admission is free and everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

REMINDER FROM THE ATTENDANCE OFFICE

The revised Attendance Requirements for RHS were put into place at the start of the second semester. The specific requirements are posted on the RHS website.

Students will lose credit if they exceed the allotted unexcused absences in a course (8 AUs for a 1.0 credit course; 4 AUs for a 0.5 credit course; 2 AUs for a 0.25 credit course). Parents must either call the Attendance Office (860-870-6050, option 1) or provide a written note excusing the student's absence within five school days. These absences will not be counted toward credit loss. If a phone call or note is not received, the absence will be considered unexcused (AU) and will be counted toward credit loss.

For every three tardies (T) to a class, students are assigned a two-hour Administrative Detention. Failure to serve this detention will result in progressive discipline as outlined in the Student Handbook.

STUDENTS AS EMPLOYEES

The Connecticut Department of Labor requires all 16- and 17-year-olds to obtain working papers in order to work within the state. A student must bring a written promise of employment from their employer to the Career Center to obtain this necessary document. New working papers must be obtained for each place of employment.

SAT ADMINISTRATION



The first SAT administration for the 2010-11 school year at RHS will be Saturday, October 9. The online registration deadline is September 10. Registration will be available online beginning at the end of May. The School Counseling Department recommends that students register online for the SAT (www.collegeboard.com). They receive immediate confirmation and test center assignment and can print and/or make corrections to their admission ticket as well. The high school code for RHS is 070645. The test center code for RHS is 07-615. Don't wait until the last minute to register!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR POTENTIAL FALL ATHLETES

Sports packets are now available in the Athletic Office for the 2010-11 school year. Fall tryouts begin on Wednesday, August 18 (2:00 p.m.) for football and on Saturday, August 28 (9:00 a.m.) for the remaining fall sports. Completed physicals or a 10th grade physical (dated after May 1, 2010) and permission slips should be mailed to the high school (Attn: Evelyn Dio, 70 Loveland Hill Rd, Vernon CT 06066-2304) during the summer since access to the school will be limited due to ongoing construction. Physicians may fax the completed physical form to the Athletic Department at 860-870-6747. Students cannot try out without the proper forms completed and returned before the tryout date. Contact the Athletic Department at 860-870-6050 x327 with any questions. Information and forms can be found at www.vernonschools.com or www.RockvilleHighSchool.org.



JUNIOR & SENIOR ATHLETES

Students who plan to participate in Division I or Division II intercollegiate athletics during their freshman year in college must

complete an NCAA Initial Eligibility Clearinghouse form. Students should register at the end of their junior year. Prospective student-athletes should access the registration materials online at www.ncaaclearinghouse.net. From the home page, click on "Prospective Student-Athletes," which will link the user to the necessary information. Once the online registration is complete, the student must notify the Mrs. Courtois in the School Counseling Office so that their transcript will be mailed in June.

NOTE TO PARENTS: Beginning with the Class of 2011 (current grade eleven), general level courses will no longer be acceptable as core courses by the NCAA Clearinghouse, making students ineligible for Division I or Division II athletic participation.

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

The Vernon Youth Services Bureau is coordinating the Summer Lunch Program at two locations this summer. Lunches include a sandwich, milk, juice, and a piece of fruit.

Who: Vernon residents 18 years old and younger
When: Monday - Friday (11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.)
June 28 – August 27 (Talcott Park)
June 28 – August 20 (Henry Park)

Where: Talcott Park, Elm Street
Henry Park, 120 South Street

For more information, please call Vernon Youth Services (860-870-3555).

HEALTH OFFICE NEWS

Submitted by Mrs. Susan Vartanian, School Nurse

All incoming 10th graders are required by State Law to have a physical exam. Exams are acceptable if done anytime after July 1, 2010. This exam is on a blue form which will be mailed home in June, and must be returned to the Health Office by October 1, 2010. Extra forms are available in the Health Office. If your student plays a sport, this exam can also be used as their annual Sports Physical if it is dated after May 1, 2010.


Medications should be left at home whenever possible. Students may not carry medication with them while in school. This includes over the counter medication as well as prescriptions. If a medication is needed in school, it needs to be kept in the Health Office in its original container. A physician's prescription and parent's signature are required for ALL medications. Students requiring inhalers or Epipens may carry them during the school day at the high school, however there must be a doctor's order and parental permission on file in the Health Office. These must be renewed every school year.

VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Students! Are you 18? Will you celebrate your 18th birthday soon? Have you registered to vote? Be ready and able to vote in the November election -- see Mrs. Courtois in the School Counseling Office to register. You can complete the paperwork prior to your birthday and it will become effective on your birthday. Registering only takes five minutes – do your civic duty – register to vote!

YOUR ASSISTANCE IS APPRECIATED!

Several corporations with locations in our area have programs that provide funding or equipment to RHS based on customers' purchases or use of services:

- The Big Y Education Express program will provide RHS with needed equipment and supplies. Customers should register their Express Savings Club card for the program and designate RHS as the beneficiary of their normal, everyday grocery spending. Visit www.bigy.com and click on the "Education Express" link to register. 
- TARGET will donate money to RHS based on your purchases using your Target Visa or Target guest card. Connect to www.target.com and click on "Take Charge of Education." RHS' ID number is 39284. You can also register at 800-316-6142.

CLASS OF 2010 UPDATE

Submitted by Mr. Paul Courtois, Class of 2010 Advisor

Class Day: The annual Senior Class Day outing will be held on Friday, June 4 at High Meadow Resort in Granby. Students who are participating should meet in the front of the school at 7:45 a.m. The buses will leave RHS at 8:00 a.m. and return at 5:00 p.m. Seniors are responsible for their own transportation home from the school following the trip. Contact Mr. Courtois in Room 150 with any questions.

Special Thanks: Mr. Courtois, Class Advisor, extends a special thanks and congratulations to the Class of 2010! Led by class president Kelly Falkowski, the students have been a joy to work with for the last four years. Senior year has been memorable with Spirit Week, Mr. RHS and the Senior Prom. Congratulations and best of luck!

SELECTIVE SERVICE REMINDER

An important reminder for males who will soon celebrate their 18th birthday: federal law requires that you register with Selective Service within 30 days of your 18th birthday. When you register, you stay eligible for federal student loans, federal job training, and federal jobs. Registering is easy. See Mrs. Courtois in the School Counseling Office with your Social Security number or visit www.sss.gov to complete the registration process that takes about five minutes.

WALL OF HONOR DINNER HELD

The Rockville High School Wall of Honor is an opportunity for citizens to acknowledge the contribution of RHS alumni to their community, either locally, regionally, or nationally. Several candidates are selected by the Wall of Honor Committee each spring to be recognized at an induction dinner. The inductees' names are added to the Wall of Honor plaque located in a hallway display case at RHS. This year's inductees are:

Dennis Adams – Class of 1964
Paul Artz, Jr. – Class of 1930 (deceased)
Linda Hahn – Class of 1969

The dinner was held on Sunday, May 16 in the school's Auditorium Lobby. More than fifty people attended to honor this year's inductees. They enjoyed a wonderful dinner by Angellino's Restaurant as well as remarks from RHS Principal Eric Baim and introductory speeches provided by RHS class presidents Kelly Falkowski, Amy Modeen, and Alicia Biske. Thank you to the Wall of Honor Committee for their work this spring and congratulations to Mr. Adams, Mr. Artz's family, and Mrs. Hahn!

SUMMER READING REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENTS

Each summer, the Vernon school district participates in the Governor's Reading Challenge. At RHS, students are required to read two student-selected texts, fiction or nonfiction. In the Honors 10, 11 & 12 courses and in the Advanced Placement 11 & 12 courses, specific texts and writing assignments are required. Advanced Placement courses also require written responses due in mid-summer. The RHS English department distributes a Summer Reading brochure to each student that provides a suggested list of texts. Rockville Public Library stocks multiple copies of many of these titles. The two yellow assignment sheets included with the brochure are due during the first class meeting of each English class at the start of school in September. These written literary responses enrich the first quarter grade in English.

SUMMER ESL & CITIZENSHIP CLASSES

Submitted by Claudia Nunn, Ph.D.,
Vernon Regional Adult Education

This summer, Vernon Regional Adult Education will offer classes in English as a Second Language and in Citizenship (to prepare for the Citizenship test) at its Rockville Center site.



Adult participants will have the opportunity to strengthen their language skills, explore U.S. culture and civics, enjoy field trips and guest speakers, and meet new friends. Please contact Dr. Claudia Nunn, Regional Facilitator, at 860-870-6060 x14 (or Claudia.Nunn@vernonct.org) to register for these summer courses. Enrollment is limited.

Where: 33 West Main Street (near Rockville Hospital)

- ESL FOR BEGINNERS' CLASS: Mondays and Wednesdays (9:00 a.m. to noon)
- ESL FOR INTERMED./ADV. CLASS: Mondays and Wednesdays (9:00 a.m. to noon)
- CITIZENSHIP CLASS: Tuesdays and Thursdays (9:00 a.m. to noon)

Dates: Classes run from June 28 to July 29, 2010

Students who have not previously taken a class through VRAE must come to Room 139 at Rockville High School (70 Loveland Hill Road, Vernon) on June 1 from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for an English Language Placement test and orientation. Contact Dr. Nunn to register.

LITERARY ARTS MAGAZINE NEWS

The 2010 Literary Arts Magazine, *Zen*, will be available on Wednesday, June 16 for \$5.00! Please see Miss Berg (Room 232) or Mr. Wright (Room105) if you would like to purchase a copy.

PROJECT GRADUATION NEWS

Submitted by Mrs. Daryl Gottier, Project Graduation Committee
Graduation is on June 24 and it is coming fast!! The Project Graduation celebration is **free to all graduating seniors** so support from parents of students of all ages is important. We are working on all the finishing touches, so we will be meeting often. The Project Graduation party will be at Nomad's in South Windsor this year. There will be loads of activities to choose from including laser tag, mini golf, bowling, basketball, slot cars and more. There will also be food galore! **Buses will be provided** and more information will be in the senior letter that goes home soon. To reserve a seat on the bus now, e-mail Beth at elisabeth.waggoner@comcast.net or call her at 860-871-8422. Reservations for the bus will also be taken during lunch waves at school during the week of June 14.

Your support is vital! A celebration for more than 200 graduates costs a great deal of money. Any contribution you can make will be greatly appreciated. Donations may be made payable to "Project Graduation RHS" and can be sent to Rockville High School.

We are now anxiously looking for parents of undergraduates to chaperone at the party. If you are interested, please call Denise at 860-871-7401 or e-mail her at denise.seney@comcast.net. Give her a call even if you have helped in the past since she would like an up-dated list.

We are planning loads of fun games and activities, but one of the most important things with teens is the food. If you own or work at a restaurant or food store and would like to donate food for the graduates, give us a call. Some of the favorites include wings, tacos, pizza, snack foods, water bottles, and soda.

We are also asking the parents of seniors to donate cases of water. There will be a Committee member at the school before graduation to collect the donations or the water can be brought into school the day of graduation and we will have a place to store them. Please call Sandra at 860-872-6649 if you can help.

WORLD LANGUAGE NEWS

The World Language Department is proud to announce the names of the 2009-2010 World Language Honor Societies inductees. Max Hamlin and Augustyna Gogoj were inducted into the Cyrano chapter of the French National Honor Society; Steven Apicello, Anna VanderLeest, Gabriel Godfrey, Chris Castonguay and Laura Dewey were inducted into the Diego Velasquez chapter of the National Spanish Honor Society. Thanks to the teachers and former members who attended and made the event a success. Special thanks to Leandra Siedor who helped organize our reception. Congratulations to all of our inductees.

Nine students participated in the 2009 National Spanish Examination in April. Congratulations to Melissa Colon and Ana Morales who received the Bronze distinction for their excellent performance on the exam. Four students participated in the Connecticut Council of Language Teachers Poetry Recitation Contest. Congratulations to Rachael Nutt who recited in French and Alisicia Belisle, Michael Lee and Lizzie Nutt who recited in Spanish. These students also recited their poems at a May Board of Education meeting and received certificates for their participation. Also honored at this meeting were Ms. Osorio for being named a MEAD scholar at the Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages and Ms. Vijayasekar who served as the Chair of the Northeast Conference in 2010.

In April, students were given the opportunity to apply for the STARTALK Chinese program offered in the summer at Glastonbury. The program awards 40 scholarships annually to Connecticut students. We were notified in May that Rachael Nutt has been selected to study Chinese for four weeks at Glastonbury High School. The application included a teacher recommendation and a demonstration of the desire to learn Chinese and languages in general. Congratulations, Rachael!

On May 19, sophomores, juniors and seniors enjoyed an excellent trip to the Museo del Barrio in New York City. Students not only enjoyed the exhibit, but also had the opportunity to create some of their own artwork. We are pleased to have provided this hands-on experience for our students. The Spanish classes also had the opportunity to visit a Mexican restaurant and listen to a Mariachi Band. This spring, the French and Spanish career classes have had guest speakers who presented to them in the target language regarding their own careers. Students learned how their work in class would translate into real world experiences in various professions in their future.

GREAT NEWS FROM THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Submitted by Mrs. Victoria Nordlund, Department Chairperson
The English Department is very proud to announce a number of awards recently received by RHS students. Congratulations to all of the talented young writers and poets!

Senior Dylan Arcelli earned 1st place at the 2010 CT Slam Team Finals. Convening the top young poets and spoken word artists, aged 13-19, from across the United States and beyond, Brave New Voices is a one-of-a-kind festival that truly engages everyone involved. This year, the six-day festival will be held in Los Angeles and Dylan will be on an HBO special that features this slam festival! He is a part of a slam team of four that will tour New England for the next few months leading up to their performance in July at the 13th International Youth Poetry Slam Festival in Los Angeles.

Seniors Lizzie Nutt and Mike Stankiewicz have been selected as winners of the prestigious Hill-Stead's Young Poets Competition. They will read their work at the Sunken Garden Poetry Festival on August 4. The winning poets represent some of the best writing being produced in Connecticut high schools today.

Senior Lindsey Pellino was named the winner of the 2010 Lynn DeCaro Poetry Contest for Connecticut high school students. Senior Austin West and junior Allison Steed each earned an honorable mention in this competition as well. Lindsey will receive \$75.00 and will be included in the next issue of Long River Run, a journal published by the Connecticut Poetry Society. Her poem will also be added to the Connecticut Poetry Society website (www.ct-poetry-society.org).

Senior Kelly Falkowski has been selected as one of the winners of the 14th Annual Young Connecticut Playwrights Festival. Her play was performed at the festival on May 21 at the Waterbury Arts Magnet School. Four plays from across the state were chosen for this honor.

Sophomore Aminah Muhammad and senior Lindsey Pellino will be published in the Connecticut Student Writers Magazine, established in 1988 by the Connecticut Writing Project. There were more than 1,000 entries submitted this year. Sophomore Lizzie Ta, junior Kyle Provost, and seniors Nathan Lannan and Lizzie Nutt also received honorable mentions for their poetry.

Young poets and writers from Hartford and Tolland counties were announced as regional champions for the 2010 Connecticut Young Writers Competition. During a ceremony at Central Connecticut State University, nineteen Rockville High School students were honored as finalists in both the prose and poetry categories. Poetry finalists included Dylan Arcelli, Allison Burg, Patrick Crane, Liz Johndrow, Nathan Lannan, Shayna Shattleroe, Alison Steed, and Austin West. Prose finalists included Mikaela Adams, Gabrielle Cohen, Max Hamlin, Kyle Kneeland, Logan Leduc, Emily Martinez, Jacob Miceli, Aminah Muhammad, Lindsey Pellino, Anne Whitehead, and Jordyn Woodtke. The Tolland County poetry champion is Austin West for his poem, "In Homage to MC Escher." The Tolland county prose champion is Kyle Kneeland for his story, "Colors of a Dream." The county champions each received \$500 checks and are invited to the annual statewide ceremony and celebration June 3 at the Hartford Club. The state champions in prose and poetry will receive additional cash awards during the annual celebration. A record number of Connecticut students submitted entries for the 2010 Connecticut Young Writers Competition. Now in its 13th year, the annual contest highlights works of poetry and prose submitted by teenagers from throughout the state. Nearly 800 students entered the state competition this year.

*Enjoy
a safe and restful
summer!*



*Congratulations,
Class of 2010!*

JUNE 2010

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Project Graduation Party



Free to all graduating seniors!
Nomad's, South Windsor
June 24, 2010
10:00 p.m. to 4:30 a.m.

- ~FOOD
- ~GAMES
- ~SLOT CARS
- ~HYPNOTIST
- ~MINI GOLF
- ~DOOR PRIZES
- ~LASER TAG
- ~WALL CLIMBING
- ~INFLATABLES
- ~BASKETBALL
- ~BOWLING

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GRADES 9-12

**CLASSES HELD AT VERNON CENTER MIDDLE SCHOOL
777 HARTFORD TURNPIKE**

PAYMENT IN CASH OR MONEY ORDER ONLY

July 7 – July 28, 2010

Dear Parents:

The Vernon Summer School Program is designed to be a positive experience for everyone. The extension of the school curriculum into the summer months provides the time and school facilities for both resident and non-resident students who need and desire additional school work.

Please review the following information prior to enrolling your student in our program. In particular, please note that there is strict attendance requirement in place for all summer school students and a violation of this requirement will result in the student's dismissal from the program.

ADMISSION:

Rockville High School (RHS) Students:

RHS students who meet the following criteria will be admitted into the summer school program:

- Received a grade of 60-69 in the class or have written permission from the teacher
- Failed the course twice
- Non-graduating seniors who failed the course
- Lost credit in a class due to a violation of the RHS attendance requirements (student must have approval from an administrator to enroll in summer school for credit reinstatement)

Any other exceptions for RHS students must have the written approval of the Summer School Administrator.

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT:

- 1.0 Credit Classes: Students are allowed two (2) absences from class. Three (3) tardies to class will be considered a class absence. **A third absence will result in dismissal.**
- .5 Credit Classes: Students are allowed one (1) absence from class. Three (3) tardies to class will be considered a class absence. **A second absence will result in dismissal.**
- .25 Credit Classes: Students are allowed zero absences from class. Three (3) tardies to class will be considered a class absence. **One absence from class will result in dismissal.**
- Students who arrive more than 15 minutes late will be assessed an Excessive Tardy. Each Excessive Tardy equates to one (1) class absence.
- Students may appeal to the teacher and the Summer School Administrator within three (3) school days.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

- **Students are required to complete all written homework and classwork to gain credit.** No grade higher than a 68 will be awarded to RHS students and no grade higher than a 58 will be awarded to non-RHS students if this requirement is not met.
- Each course will have a Final Examination. **STUDENTS MUST TAKE THE FINAL EXAM ON THE SCHEDULED DAY.**
- **OUT OF DISTRICT STUDENTS:** Rockville High School's passing grade is a 70. At the completion of summer school, grade reports are sent to each student's sending school with the student's grade and with a notation that the passing grade is a 70. Rockville High School does not award credit to students in summer school. The sending school will determine whether or not to award credit to the student.

OTHER:

- Students must arrange their own transportation.
- The discipline and school dress codes will differ in no respect from those in force during the regular school year. Violation of the discipline code may result in automatic dismissal from summer school. Hats, bandanas and head coverings are not allowed. Sunglasses are also prohibited during class time. Cell phones and electronic devices (mp3 players) may not be used during instruction time.
- Students are responsible for all textbooks loaned to them during the summer session and must supply their own notebooks, paper and pencils. Grade(s) will not be released until all obligations are met.
- Please include a **self-addressed, stamped envelope** in order for your grade(s) to be mailed to you. Non-RHS students' grades will be sent to their respective schools.
- The Summer School Administrator reserves the right to cancel any class due to insufficient enrollment.
- **ANY OUTSTANDING FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS TO ROCKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL MUST BE MET PRIOR TO REGISTERING FOR SUMMER SCHOOL.**

SUMMER SCHOOL TELEPHONE NUMBER: 860-870-6056

SUMMER SCHOOL DATES

Wednesday July 7, 2010 – Thursday July 28, 2010
CLASSES HELD AT VERNON CENTER MIDDLE SCHOOL
777 Hartford Turnpike
Vernon CT

REGISTRATION DATES

Friday June 25, 2010 – Friday July 2, 2010
Please note: There is a \$10 late fee per course for registrations accepted after July 2, 2010

IN-PERSON REGISTRATION

Rockville High School Administrative Office
Friday June 25, 2010 – Friday July 2, 2010: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

MAIL-IN REGISTRATION

Mail registration form with payment (cash or money order payable to ROCKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL) to: Sue Andrews, Summer School Administrator, Rockville High School, 70 Loveland Hill Road, Vernon, CT 06066. Registrations must be received by July 2. There is a \$10 late fee per course for registrations received after July 2. **ABSOLUTELY NO PERSONAL CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

FEES

	<u>One Credit</u>	<u>½ Credit</u>	<u>¼ Credit</u>
Resident:	\$ 150 per course	\$ 75 per course	\$ 40 per course
Non-Resident:	\$ 220 per course	\$ 110 per course	\$ 60 per course

ALL FEES ARE PAYABLE AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION
CASH OR MONEY ORDER ONLY
NO PERSONAL CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED

ROCKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER SCHOOL 2010
COURSE OFFERINGS
(subject to change based on enrollment)

COURSE (all courses are 1.0 credit unless noted)	SECTION I	SECTION II
English 9.....	8:00-10:30	10:45-1:15
English 10.....	8:00-10:30	10:45-1:15
English 11.....	8:00-10:30	10:45-1:15
English 12.....	8:00-10:30	
Algebra 1A General.....		10:45-1:15
Algebra 1 College.....	8:00-10:30	10:45-1:15
Algebra 1B General.....		10:45-1:15
Algebra 2 College.....	8:00-10:30	
Geometry General.....	8:00-10:30	
Geometry College.....		10:45-1:15
U.S. History.....	8:00-10:30	10:45-1:15
Biology.....	8:00-10:30	10:45-1:15
Chemistry.....	8:00-10:30	
Earth Science.....		10:45-1:15
Microsoft Office App. 1 (.50 credit – July 7 – July 16).....	8:00-10:30	
Microsoft Office App. 2 (.50 credit – July 19 – July 28).....	8:00-10:30	
World History 1 (.50 credit – July 7 – July 16).....	8:00-10:30	
World History 2 (.50 credit – July 19 – July 28).....	8:00-10:30	
World History 3 (.50 credit – July 7 – July 16).....		10:45-1:15
Civics (.50 credit – July 19 – July 28).....		10:45-1:15
Health 9 (.50 credit – July 7 – July 16).....	8:00-10:30	
Health 10 (.25 credit – July 7 – July 13).....		10:45-1:15
Physical Education (.50 credit)		
July 7 – July 16.....	8:00-10:30	
July 19 – July 28.....	8:00-10:30	

*NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS:

PLEASE NOTE IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO OBTAIN AUTHORIZATION FROM YOUR CURRENT SCHOOL TO RECEIVE CREDIT FOR COURSES TAKEN IN THE VERNON SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM.

2010 SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION FORM
HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION

Name _____ Current Grade _____
(09-10 school year)

Present School _____ RHS Student ID _____

Parent's Name _____ Phone _____
(Home) (Cell)

Address _____
(Street) (Town) (Zip)

Fees:

	<u>One Credit</u>	<u>½ Credit</u>	<u>¼ Credit</u>
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Fees are payable in full at the time of registration. Payment must be in exact amount of cash or money order only. **(Make money orders payable to: Rockville High School.) Attach payment to this registration form.**

Subjects:

1. _____	Time _____	Fee Paid _____	Method of Payment _____ <small>Cash/money order</small>
2. _____	Time _____	Fee Paid _____	Method of Payment _____ <small>Cash/money order</small>
3. _____	Time _____	Fee Paid _____	Method of Payment _____ <small>Cash/money order</small>
4. _____	Time _____	Fee Paid _____	Method of Payment _____ <small>Cash/money order</small>

Fees are not refundable except when classes do not materialize due to insufficient registration. NO REFUNDS ARE MADE TO STUDENTS WHO ARE DISMISSED FOR VIOLATING ANY SUMMER SCHOOL REGULATION. IT IS THE PARENTS' RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION.

I agree that if _____ is admitted to the Vernon Summer School Program he/she will abide by all the rules and regulations. I have read the summer school regulations and understand the refund policy.

(Signature of Parent or Guardian)

(Date)

APPROVED _____

(Signature of Principal or Assistant Principal of school presently attending)

PLEASE NOTE: The Summer School Administrator reserves the right to withdraw and/or reschedule any course in the summer session that does not have sufficient registration. Non-resident students should send or deliver registration to: Sue Andrews, Summer School Administrator, Rockville High School, 70 Loveland Hill Road, Vernon, CT 06066