Schools

Amherst Middle School Coaching Positions

Coaching positions open at Amherst Middle School; "B" teams for girls & boys soccer, and girls "B" team basketball. If interested please contact Athletic Director Jeff Wing via email jwing@sprise.com.



Souhegan HS Seniors Welcome Freshmen

The Class of 2015 of Souhegan High School greeted the Class of 2018 with beads and smiles in the bus loop at the start of school on Tuesday, September 2. The day was attended by just those classes so that seniors could introduce the freshmen to the culture of SHS. Seniors hosted their new schoolmates first in the theater to set the tone of the day with welcomes from staff and student leaders along with some fun SHS trivia and entertainment. Freshmen then met in academic teams to learn the expectations and curriculum for the coming year while seniors took time to reflect together on their new roles as the "elders" of the community as well as on opportunities and plans for their last year of high school. Freshmen and seniors alike met in their class advisories and then in joint senior-freshman sessions to introduce the business and pleasures of that daily activity. When the morning ended with the traditional freshmen procession and a freshmen/senior rally in the gym, all seemed to have a better handle on the school year to come and the Souhegan Six, which will guide them through the year.

Searching for Souhegan Alumni in Military

Last year, Souhegan students in advisory sent holiday cards to graduates serving in the military. Cards and good wishes were sent to 28 alumni stationed around the ohe. Please help us continue the tradition, send us the name and if no current address of the alumnus. Send to mpaul@sprise.com Thank you!

District Calendar Change Impacts Daily Schedule at SHS

When the SAU #39 changed the school calendar, it created a longer instructional day in all district schools and the opportunity for Souhegan High School to re-examine its year-old daily schedule. Students and staff have entered this new school year with the new White/Gold/Black schedule in hand and online and are navigating the three-day rotating schedule as they familiarize themselves with new classes, new faces, new spaces and more at Souhegan.

One of the strengths of last year's schedule was the frequent occurrence of extended class blocks allowing for in-depth study. That feature has been preserved in the new schedule, as academic subjects meet on alternate days (Gold Days, Black Days) to accommodate the lengthened, 100 minute periods. Last year's schedule included a "Saber Single" day once a week in which all classes met. This year, single period days (White Days) occur in each three- day cycle, so students and teachers have the opportunity to connect on a more regular basis. Each grade level continues to have an additional single period class at midday adjacent to their lunch and advisory periods on White, Gold and Black Days during which elective course meet.

A non-academic concern was also addressed in the 2014/2015 schedule: lunch and advisory in each grade level occurs at a consistent time on all normal Gold, Black and White days. The continuity, indeed, makes for steadier energy levels and dispositions for all. Monthly late start days will affect the "normal" schedule of the White, Gold or Black Day, sliding all periods later in the day.

The White/Gold/Black schedule creates a strong foundation for learning for students and teachers across grade levels and the administration is committed to minimal disruptions.

SHS FIRST Robotics Team Registration September 17th

AMHERST – Souhegan High School's FIRST robotics team will conduct student registration for the upcoming 2014/2015 season on Wednesday, September 17th in the SHS Learning Center at 6:30pm. Dean Kamen founded For Inspiration & Recognition of Science & Technology (FIRST) in 1989 to inspire students to pursue careers in engineering and the sciences. The FIRST robotics program uses the excitement of a sporting competition to expose students to the inspiring career possibilities of engineering, mathematics, and science.

THE FIRST robotics program gives students the opportunity to work shoulder-to-shoulder with professional engineers solving a complex problem saddled with many competing cost and time constraints. Students get first-hand experience exercising life skills like working as a team to achieve a common goal, decomposing a complex task into manageable activities, practicing time management skills, and overcoming adversity through systemic problem solving. Students gain exposure to strategic planning, working with tools to fabricate parts, assembling & wiring the robot, writing software programs to control the robot, and marketing/

fund raising.
Last year, the team won the Granite State District and was awarded the General Motors Industrial Engineering Award. For more information on the SHS Robotics Team and the FRC competition, visit the team's website at www.robotics138.





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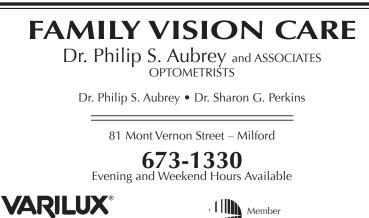
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