Keeping Our SECHS Families Informed
by Dean Samantha Brooks

On Friday, November 10, 2017, SECHS will hold its first grade level meeting of the school year. Each administrator and the grade level team of teachers will come together to celebrate the academic and “soft skill” or habits achievement of our students during the first grading cycle. Congratulations to our Cycle 1 Honor Roll and Perfect Attendance Students.

STAAR RETESTING DATES
As a graduation requirement, all HISD HS students must pass the following STAAR EOC exams: Algebra I, Biology, English I, English II, and U.S. History. Below is a listing of December retesting dates for those who did not pass the exam:

- ENGLISH I  Mon, Dec 4th
- ALGEBRA I  Tues, Dec 5th
- US HISTORY Tues, Dec 5th
- ENGLISH II Wed, Dec 6th
- BIOLOGY    Thur, Dec 7th

HCC SPRING 2018 REGISTRATION
Registration opens Nov 6th for Spring 2018 registration. We will bulk enroll students who have HCC classes on campus or at the South Campus. Students who are TSI ready and in good academic/behavior standing may register with the following grade level scheduler:

- 9th – Mr. Cedric Starks
- 10th – Ms. Helen Wiltz Broussard
- 11th – Mrs. Tiffany Cooper-Bass
- 12th – Ms. Samantha Brooks

COMPLETE LUNCH APPLICATIONS
Extra state funding can be awarded our campus once we complete our lunch applications. Students become eligible for fee waivers for SAT, SAT Subject Test, AP exams, and college waivers. Don’t miss the opportunity to save $$ or help SECHS receive more funding to support our academic program.

Lunch application website: https://mealapps.houstonisd.org

COLLEGE FAIR
Saturday, December 2, 2017 at SECHS
1:00pm – 3:00pm

Hosted by Bay Area Houston Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. The college fair will offer workshops on financial aid, scholarships, and getting ahead of the competition. Parents and students are invited. Contact: education@bahadeltas.org

SERVICE LEARNING: THE “HEART” OF GIVING BACK
Colleges look for well-rounded students, not just academics.

SECHS participated in its first service project of the year. To support our school mission of service learning, we provided our students an opportunity to demonstrate one of our highly valued habits of heart, EMPATHY, by giving care packages to our U.S. Homeless Veterans.
Parents, in order to closely monitor your child’s progress, check with your child’s advisor to register yourself with the ParentConnect online system listed below. You will need your child’s SS number, HISD id number and birthdate. Here’s the link:

https://apps.houstonisd.org/Registration/registration/default.aspx

ATTENDANCE UPDATES

Students have 3 days from their return to campus to submit an excused note from the parent or a doctor’s note to our attendance clerk, Mrs. Portillo, in the main office. Also, students have 5 days from their return to make up work.

REGISTER FOR TSI TESTING (NOV 17th)

Students who need to (re)test for TSI must register online for the Nov 17th administration. To ensure testing approval, students must complete Achieve 3000 reading activities and TSI online practice on APEX online.

REGISTER:

https://goo.gl/bNBg9w

The deadline to complete registration is Friday, November 10th.

GRADE LEVEL ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM:

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SCHOOL MISSION:

Through a personalized environment, service learning, and blended high school and college curriculum, SECHS will equip students to be effective problem solvers and college graduates who will make a positive impact on their local and global communities.

VISION:

Upon graduation, our students will earn an associate degree in a STEM area, make a positive impact on the community, and be prepared for a bachelor’s degree and beyond.

RESOURCES

REFERRER TO THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR THE FOLLOWING RESOURCES:

- 17-18 STUDENT HANDBOOK
- DRESS CODE POLICY
- IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES
- HCC INFORMATION
- GRADUATION INFORMATION/HB5 document
- NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY STANDARDS
- FACULTY CONTACT INFORMATION

http://www.houstonisd.org/Domain/3519

- PTSA General Meeting on November 16, 2017 at 6 pm.
- SECHS Blood Drive is December 8, 2017.
- HCC finals will be the week December 12-15, 2017, and SECHS finals are December 19-21, 2017.