Hanover Park High School

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NATIONAL AND STATE RECOGNITION: Hanover Park Regional High School District was rated in the Top 100 School Districts in NJ by Niche.com for the 2019-20 school year. Hanover Park High School was rated as a 2019 Best High School by Niche.com and was listed in the 2018 New Jersey Monthly Top 100 High Schools; Recognized Nationally and Statewide in the 2017 Washington Post America's Most Challenging High Schools.

CHARACTER EDUCATION: The Hanover Park Regional High School District was again recognized by the Character Education Partnership (C.E.P) of Washington D.C. and the New Jersey Alliance for Social and Emotional Development (N.J.A.S.C.D.) as both a State and National District of Character. HANOVER PARK REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT IS THE FIRST NEW JERSEY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO RECEIVE THIS PRESTIGIOUS HONOR. Hanover Park High School also received a 2019 Promising Practice Award from the C.E.P. for its Arcading for Autism Program. The Anti-Defamation League named Hanover Park High School as a "No Place For Hate" for the fifth consecutive year with the prestigious Gold Star designation for the fourth consecutive year.

SCHOLARS: 3 students were National Merit Scholars placing them in the top 5% of all college bound seniors in the country. 3 students received National Merit Letters of Commendation; 2 students were National Merit Semi-Finalists; 2 students were National Merit Finalists; 1 student won a National Merit Scholarship; 19 students were recipients of the Presidential Academic Award of Excellence; 1 student was nominated to the NJ Scholars Program; 2 students were nominated for the 2019 Governor's School; 1 student was nominated for the BASF Science Academy Program; 5 students were selected to represent Hanover Park at NJ Boys & Girls state; 8 students participated in the Novartis Multicultural Teen Corporate Mentoring Program; 1 student participated in the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Summit; 110 students were inducted into the Barbara Bradshaw Chapter of the National Honors Society during the 2018-2019 school year.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT / SAT / ACT: 447 AP tests were administered in May 2019. 83% of the scores were a 3 or better; 1 student received an AP Seminar & Research Certificate, 4 students received an AP Capstone Diploma; 72 students have received recognition by the College Board - 22 students were named AP Scholars with Distinction, 11 students were named AP Scholars with Honor, and 39 students were named AP Scholars. 4 students achieved a perfect score of 800 on 5 different occasions on either the SAT I or SAT II; Hanover Park also continues to surpass the State and National SAT average with a combined score in Math, Evidence Based Reading, and Writing.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: 29 students competed at the FBLA Regional Competition where 3 students placed in the top 8; 4 students competed at the State level where 3 students took 4th place and then competed at the National Conference in San Antonio, TX; the Academic Team placed 3rd in the North Jersey Group 2 Regional Competition and qualified for the state finals. 14 Academic Team members were Regional Competition medal winners and 8 students qualified for the NJ State competition. 1 member of the Forensics and Debate Team qualified to compete in the State Tournament. The Mock Trial Team made it to the semifinals of the Morris County competition. The Park Dance Team participated in competitions throughout the year and placed 4th at the Union competition in the Hip Hop Category. 2 students placed 1st in their solos at the UDA competition in Monmouth Junction.

PERFORMING ARTS: 1 student was accepted into the 2019 New Jersey All State Mixed Chorus; 1 student was accepted into the 2019 New Jersey All State Treble Chorus; 3 students were accepted and 1 student was ranked 5th in the North Jersey Region Chorus; 1 student was accepted into the 2019 North Jersey Region Orchestra; 1 student was selected by the Mayo Performing Arts Center as an Orchestra Student of the Month; At the Six Flags Music in the Parks Festival, the Choir earned 3 Superior ratings and 1 student was recognized as Outstanding Overall Vocalist. 1 student earned the second highest overall score at the New Jersey All-State opera Festival, with a designation of honorable mention. The Golden Hornet Marching Band hosted its first ever Marching Band Competition in October 2018 and successfully performed at the Atlantic Coast Championships in Hershey, PA. The Symphonic Band earned a bronze rating at the NJMEA Concert Band Festival in March, 2019. The Marching Band performed for 70,000+ guests at Walt Disney World in Florida in April, 2019. The Symphonic Band rehearsed and recorded with a Disney artist and created a movie soundtrack. The Jazz Band, Percussion Ensemble & Small Ensembles put on a great performance for the community in the annual Spring Extravaganza.

VISUAL & LITERARY ARTS: 10th grade students participating in the Word Wright Challenge placed 7th in the nation and the 11th grade team placed 15th in the nation. The Hornet Sting, Hanover Park's literary magazine earned a first place award from the American Scholastic Press Association. 19 students had their art accepted into the Morris County Teen Arts Show. 1 student was a Top Ten Award Winner in the 2019 Morris County Teen Arts Festival Art Show. 4 students had their work displayed in the Novartis Hispanic Latino Network 11th Annual Art Show. 2 students had their artwork accepted into the 2019 Congressional Art Competition at the Morris Museum. 1 student's photograph was accepted into the prestigious "Fresh Perspectives" Art Exhibition at the Morris Museum.

2019 Student Achievements

ATHLETICS: The wrestling team and girls winter track team won the North II Group 2 state sectional championship. The Girls Soccer Team, Girls Cross Country Team, Girls Basketball Team, Wrestling Team, Girls Spring Track Team, and Boys Tennis Teams won NJAC Conference championships. The Girls Tennis Team, Girls Spring Track Team, and Boys Tennis Team received the NJAC Conference Sportsmanship Award. The wrestling team was crowned District 11 Champions. 1 Wrestler received All-American Status; There was 1 State Champion and a 4th place state medalist in wrestling; 2 Region Champions in Wrestling; 6 District Champions in Wrestling; 1 County Champion in Wrestling; 1 Winter Track Athlete placed 6th in the state at the Meet of Champions in the 1600 meter dash; 4 Winter Track Athletes qualified and competed in the New Balance Indoor Nationals; 3 Swimmers qualified and competed at the Meet of Champions; 1 County Champion in Spring Track; 2 Spring Track Athletes qualified and competed at the Meet of Champions. 1 Boys Basketball player scored his 1000th career point. 2 softball players achieved 100 career hits. 1 softball player received 3rd team All State, HP Head Wrestling Coach was named District 11 Coach of the Year.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Hanover Park participated in the 9th Annual Walk to Believe at Rutgers University. The HP team donated \$800 to the Dana & Christopher Reeve Foundation to support people suffering from spinal cord injuries. The Social Studies Department sponsored the annual Genocide Studies Gallery Walk at Whippany park High School. The NJ Holocaust Commission visited the exhibit and held their end of the year meeting in the district. The Hanover Park Student Government Association, in conjunction with Kids Helping Kids, Heroes and Cool Kids, and the HP PTO hosted"A Night for Nick" for Nick DePhillips, HP Class of 2016, who suffered a spinal cord injury. \$21,000 was raised to support Nick and his family. Hanover Park also collected socks and raised money in the annual "Warm Nights or Frostbite" project where students purchased holiday gifts for nearly 100 underprivileged children. The Freshman Seminar Classes annually raise money for charities through service learning activities while the Dance and Cheerleading Teams visited the Brookdale Community Home several times throughout the year to assist the residents. Additionally, 1 student from Hanover Park was awarded the President's Volunteer Service Award and 1 student was awarded the Prudential Spirit of Community Award for serving the community.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES & SCHOLARSHIPS:

150 local and collegiate scholarships were awarded to members of the Class of 2019. Members of the Class of 2019 were accepted into various 2 and 4 year colleges and universities from across the United States. Notable acceptances include the University of Alabama, University of Arizona, California Polytechnic State University, University of California at Berkeley, University of Colorado, University of Connecticut, University of Delaware, American University, Georgetown University, George Washington University, University of Florida, Georgia Tech, Loyola University, University of Maryland, Boston College, Boston University, Harvard University, Northeastern University, Tufts University, University of Massachusetts, University of Michigan, Caldwell University, Drew University, FDU, Kean University, Monmouth University, Montclair State University, NJIT, Ramapo College, Rutgers University, Stevens Institute of Technology, Seton Hall, TCNJ, William Paterson University, Cornell University, Fordham University, NYU, Syracuse University, Duke University, UNC Chapel Hill, Ohio State University, Bucknell, Carnegie Mellon, Drexel, Lehigh, Penn State, Swarthmore College, Temple, University of Pennsylvania, University of Pittsburgh, Villanova, Providence College, University of Rhode Island, Clemson, University of Tennessee, College of William and Mary, George Mason University, James Madison University, University of Virginia, Virginia Tech, University of Washington, University of Wisconsin.

