

INSIDE SPELLMAN

CARDINAL SPELLMAN HIGH SCHOOL'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

A Message from the Principal

How quickly time passes! I cannot believe that we have turned the calendar to the final month of the school year. As we all look forward to the school year ending, I encourage all students to continue to work hard to their last exam of the school year.

We have been truly blessed with the many and varied gifts of the class of 2010 and we offer them our heartfelt congratulations and blessings as they continue on their journey. Please remember, graduates and parents, that Spellman is always your home!

The final day for students will be on Tuesday, June 15th. On this day, students will have an opportunity to buy and sell their books to other students. Freshman students will be able to pass in their books with their names, homeroom and cost of the book on a post it note. These books will be collected and used at the used book sale, Tuesday evening, June 15th from 6-7pm. Students **whose books are sold** will receive a check for these books made out to the parents. These checks will be mailed out by the end of June.

And as always, I encourage all of you, parents of freshmen, sophomores, and juniors to contact any of us at Spellman when you have questions or concerns. As always we appreciate any feedback that you can give us.

I would like to thank all of you who have been a support to Dr. McEwan, Mrs. Davis and me. We depend on your continued support.

Have a safe and happy summer!

Ms. Dorothy Lynch

Summer Hours

Main office will be open throughout the summer

Monday – Thursday 9:00-3:00

except for the week of July 26th

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Parents, please take careful note of the following information pertinent to final examinations for all students.

- Final exams will begin on Thursday, June 10 and end on Tuesday, June 15, 2010.

Thursday	MODS G and F
Friday	MODS E and D
Monday	MODS C and B
Tuesday	MOD A and APPROVED MAKE UP EXAMS

- All students are required to take final exams in every subject unless they have been exempted from **ONE** exam because of perfect attendance and punctuality or no office detentions and/or **ONE** exam if they have been on the honor roll for the first three terms.
- Each exam is seventy-five minutes long and is preceded by a twenty-minute reading period in the exam room.

SCHEDULE

<i>Thur 10th – Mon 14th</i>		<i>Tuesday 15th</i>	
7:45	Opening prayer	7:45	Opening prayer
7:55	Report to first exam	7:50	Homeroom duties
8:15	First exam begins	8:50	Report to exam
9:30	First exam ends	9:10	Exam begins
9:35	Report to second exam	10:25	Exam ends
9:55	Second exam begins	10:25	Announcements
11:10	Second exam ends	10:30	Dismissal
11:10	Announcements		
11:15	Dismissal		

Brockton busses will be here at 11:30 Thur. – Mon.

Brockton busses will be here at 10:30 on Tues.

- Students with outstanding tuition and/or comprehensive fee will not be eligible to start exams until all financial responsibilities have been settled. Students not eligible to take exams at this time may only make them up before June 30th. If you have any questions please call Ms. Lynch.
- All students must wear the uniform tennis shirt and will follow the guidelines in the handbook (page 19) to complete their dress down attire.
- On each exam day all students will report to homeroom at 7:40 and be ready to begin morning prayer at 7:45. Dismissal on Thursday, Friday and Monday for all students will be at 11:15. Dismissal on Tuesday will be at 10:30.
- **Early Dismissals are not permitted on exam days.**
- Students who may be absent from exams for extreme reasons **may only be excused and eligible for make up exams by speaking with the Principal or Assistant Principal.**
- All students are expected to be in school on Tuesday for an extended homeroom period.

ACADEMIC FAILURE

If a student is in danger of failing a course for the year Ms. Davis, Assistant Principal, will contact you during the first week of June regarding details.

Once again we would like to remind you of the long-standing policy regarding academic failure. A student who fails one or two subjects for the year must remove the failure(s) by successful completion of those courses during Summer School in order to return to Spellman in the fall. A student, who has failed three or more subjects for the year, must continue his/her education elsewhere. No summer session can adequately compensate for such an extensive academic deficiency.

Information on summer school programs offered by several of the surrounding communities is available in the CSHS Guidance Office. Spellman does **NOT** offer a Summer Session.

BOOK ORDERS FOR 2010-2011

For the coming school year all students can order textbooks on line at www.efollett.com It is also suggested that you check websites such as Amazon.com, ebay and others to purchase used textbooks, simply reference the textbook ISBN # to check availability and price. We will be sending specific instructions to parents in June and these instructions will also be available on our website www.spellman.com . Students should try to purchase used books from other students before purchasing them on line. Juniors had the opportunity to purchase used books from seniors on Wednesday evening, May 26th.

Freshmen and sophomores will be given the opportunity to purchase used books from sophomores and juniors on Tuesday, June 15th if they haven't made arrangements for private sales beforehand. Students will be called by class to report to the cafeteria during the homeroom period to sell/buy books. Students should be prepared to have cash on that day if they wish to purchase books.

**There are only a few books available for sale at Spellman in September.
We urge you and your child to arrange to buy used textbooks.**

Members of the Class of 2014

Students who wish to sell books to the Incoming Freshmen, Class of 2014, may pass in books (**provided they are in excellent condition**) to their subject teachers at the beginning of their exam. They should put a slip of paper taped to the inside cover of the book with their name and price of book. Only books that are deemed in good condition will be sold.

USED BOOK SALE FOR INCOMING FRESHMEN, CLASS OF 2014

There will be a used book sale for the class of 2014 on Tuesday evening June 15th from 6:00 -7:00pm.

TEXTBOOK BUY BACK OPPORTUNITY

We will have a representative from Follett/Varsity Books on campus Tuesday, June 15th during the school day from 9 – 11 to buy textbooks from students who have been unable

to sell their textbooks on their own. Parents/students will be issued a check or a credit with varsity books for all purchases. There will be no money exchanged at this event.

Notes from the Religious Studies/Campus Ministry Department...

The Parent Prayer Group held its last meeting for this school year on Wednesday evening, June 2nd. The meeting was followed by the group gathering for supper together. Mrs. Margi Mannke, a powerful pray-er and parent of a Spellman alum, has done an outstanding job of leading the group for its third year. Heartfelt thanks and appreciation to Margi! We look forward to her continued leadership for another year beginning in the Fall. At that time, we hope to welcome back all of our present members as well as new ones! The meetings will again be held on the first Wednesday of each month, beginning in October. Please plan ahead.

The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2011—the week of January 30th through February 5th is “Catholic Schools: A+ for America.” The entire school will be joining in various activities that will be planned and coordinated by members of Prayer Posse!

Members of the Religious Studies/Campus Ministry Department would like to extend to students, faculty, and families many blessings for a safe, healthy, and holy summer vacation!

FROM THE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

SENIORS

As the Seniors leave Cardinal Spellman High School, we wish them happiness and success and assure them of our prayers. Next year, Reverse College Day for our most recent alums will take place on the Monday **before** Christmas break. All members of the Class of 2010 will be invited to return to Spellman that day to speak informally about their respective colleges to the members of the Junior class. Not only will Reverse College Day take place that day, but the Grads will also be invited to attend the Christmas Mass and a luncheon on their behalf. A mailing will go out on this program around Thanksgiving. In that same mailing we include a Follow-Up Survey that we would like all members of the class to complete and return to us. The information and feedback we receive will be studied carefully and used to make improvements in our program.

JUNIORS

The counselors have been very busy working with the members of the Junior Class both individually and in groups. The College Information Program on April 13th was well attended, and the two speakers gave excellent advice. Every junior received the College Admissions Handbook we publish, and hopefully this will be an excellent resource for students and parents over the next year.

In order to create a college admissions partnership among students, parents, counselors, and teachers, the Guidance Counselors mailed to each student's parent/guardian a "Brag Sheet" for families to complete. Once returned this information will assist the counselors in not only guiding the paths for the students, but also will provide us valuable insights that we can use in writing our letters of recommendation.

Students have also received a Student Portfolio Questionnaire that we would like for them to complete prior to the close of the school year and return to us. If the students put time and thought into filling out this worksheet, they will be more prepared to answer questions on applications and in college interviews. The juniors also received "Request for Teacher Recommendation" forms to be filled out and distributed to teachers prior to the end of this school year.

Finally if you plan to visit colleges this summer, check the colleges' websites or contact the admissions offices for information on tours or interviews. All juniors have been given unofficial transcripts, and those along with the junior year report card could be informally used at interviews, but not with college applications.

SOPHOMORES

During the months of February and March in their Computer Application class, sophomores were introduced to a software package, My Road. This program helps students to discover their personality traits so that they can research careers, college majors, and colleges that match their needs. Although members of the senior and junior classes have had access to another College Admissions software program, Naviance, the sophomores have not. During the second week in June we are creating accounts for each member of the Class of 2012 in the student's Computer Application class, and the students will now be able to access Naviance at home. This program will allow students to do college searches, keep track of their applications, sign up to meet with the college representatives who will be visiting Spellman, and compare their GPA's and SATs to the students were accepted at each college. For parents who want to get a head start on the college admissions process, use Naviance and the website at www.collegeboard.com.

Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors

Final exams are fast approaching. The guidance counselors shared advice and helpful hints with the freshmen last January on how to prepare for Midterms. The teachers' input is applicable now and might be helpful to all of our students in preparation for finals. Students are reminded to start preparing now using extra exercises in the text books, chapter reviews, completed assignments, and previous test and quiz materials. Many teachers will provide worksheets, study guides, or give a verbal outline of the final to assist in preparation. Students can also form study groups, exchange notes and get extra help from teachers. Most importantly, the students need to be organized! Just a reminder, the final exam grade is prorated on the report card and carries one-half the weight of a term grade. Student appointments are continuing. At this time of year, topics include tweaking course requests for next year and discussing academic with those students struggling with the increased workload of cumulative courses.

Congratulations from the Art Department

Massasoit's 2nd Annual Arts Festival was very refreshing and featured the work of Spellman's art students several of which received honorable mention for their hard work. Congratulations go out to Dan Pantano 10' and Brent Wilmot 11' along with: Jake Rich, Julius Hancock, Katelyn Rota, Ashley Sullivan, Jenna Faria, and Matt O Brien. Each one of these students will have their work on exhibit at Massasoit's, Akillian Gallery in Canton until June 26th.

Dunkin Donuts Competition.

Dunkin Donuts of North Quincy St., Abington, will be displaying the following students work as a result of a competition held recently at the school to create a Dunkin Donuts poster featuring a very cute dog. The winners were: 1st place winning a \$100, Courtney Gray; 2nd winning \$50, Devin Heroux, and 3rd winning \$25 Julia Kreitman. Mr. Cleary the owner of this store was kind enough to also provide \$10 gift certificates to all of the participants....many thanks Mr. Cleary from Art 2.

SUMMER ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Cardinal Spellman's Summer Enrichment Program in the Fine Arts.

August 2 to August 20, 8-11 a.m. Monday, Wednesday. Friday.

Want to brush up your skills for the upcoming school year? Or work on your stage presence? Why not enroll in one of the upcoming enrichment classes?



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SPELLMAN'S FINE ART
PROGRAM FOR HIGH
SCHOOL STUDENTS
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The Spellman Drama Enrichment Program will offer students an introduction to theatre, including lighting, staging, costumes, make-up and acting. Working together, the class will produce a production as a culminating activity."

The fine arts curriculum consists of drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking and black/white photography. While learning traditional techniques and skills, students will be encouraged to explore new methods and incorporate the "hi-tech" world in which we live.

Space is limited to 20 students per class. The cost of the three-week program is \$200. For further information, please call 508-583-6875 or email: mlynott@spellman.com

Make all checks payable to C.S.H.S indicate student's name and Summer Program in memo. Please see page below.

Summer Program Enrichment Registration Form

(Please Print or Type all information)

Student's Name _____ DOB _____

Home Phone _____

School & Grade level in Fall 2010 _____

Name of Parents/Guardians

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Email address _____

Father's daytime phone _____

Mother's daytime phone _____

Emergency Contact other than Parent(s)

Name _____ # _____

Name _____ # _____

My son/daughter may be released to the following adults and /or carpool in case of emergency:

Name _____ # _____

Name _____ # _____

Please circle your summer enrichment choice

ART PROGRAM

THEATRE ARTS PROGRAM

Payments must be made in full by June 18 2010. CSHS High reserves the right to CANCEL any class for which there is insufficient enrollment. Students cannot be officially enrolled until all fees are paid in full. There will be no refunds for any withdrawal after July 1, due to budgeting and staffing requirements. Make all checks payable to C.S.H.S indicate student's name and Summer Program in memo.

