

February 3, 2026

Parent Announcements

The Women's Sports & Health Expo is a hands-on event focused on sports, wellness, and confidence-building for female athletes. It's a great opportunity for high school girls, coaches, and parents to learn from experts, try new activities, and connect with resources that support long-term athletic and personal growth.

- Date: February 21th, 2026
- Time: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- Location: DeVos Place(Downtown Grand Rapids)
- Website: <https://www.wshexpo.com/>

Registration Code:

- Youth Registration Only (Middle/High School): **HIGHSCHOOL100**

Giveaways:

- There will be two giveaways ...one for each code. Each giveaway winner will receive a \$250 Lululemon gift card

Hamilton Athletic Boosters Banquet

Will be held on February 28th, 2026 @ the Warehouse at Baker Lofts.

This is a 21 years or older event starting at 5pm.

The theme is Black & White. Dressy or casual attire with an emphasis of wearing black and/or white.

Tickets are \$60 per person, which include appetizers, sit down meal, dessert bar, DJ, live band (Klay N' the Mud), and photo booth. There will be games, and live and silent auctions. You can order your tickets at the link below:

<https://hamiltonathleticboosters1.ticketspice.com/2026-hamilton-athletic-booster-banquet>

The Booster Banquet is the largest fundraiser that the Athletic Boosters hold each year. They aim to raise \$60,000 this year at the event fundraiser. All proceeds will go to HMS and HHS athlete programs.

If you know a veteran or have one in your life, please see the announcements link below to submit those names so we can build a Veterans Wall in Student Services, where we can honor those incredibly special people.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfwWlsjNT8tjF6HDL8kjqudhzn-FIw37uQNaUYEFXDzxdW0A/viewform?usp=publish-editor>

Parents, encourage your daughter/son to fill out the form.

The **Senior Spotlight** is back for the class of 2026! Seniors please fill out the form with your thoughts about your high school career. Click on the form below:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSedxTU2JnD9q3sDiq8Bjaox0MdGfZsh_czUwNBfrPeYP2N9SQ/viewform?usp=publish-editor

Any questions can be directed to District Communications & Marketing Coordinator, Zach Harig - zharig@hamiltonschools.us

Student Announcement

Seniors

Your next 'senior treat day' will be this **Friday, February 6th**. Look for the table set up near the stairs to the cafeteria.

Snowcoming Dance 2026 will be next Saturday, February 14th. This will be a semi-formal dance and tickets will cost \$10. Tickets will be sold at both lunches.

Attention Seniors

If you are planning to attend the Senior All-Night Party, please bring cash or a check to the Main Office. Checks can be made out to Hamilton SANP 2026, or you can pay via venmo @HamiltonSANP2026. The closing for this sign up will be at the end of February.

Students of the Month

9th Grade Nominees: Ben LeFever, Karis Rietema, Korie Betten, Madi Dykstra, and Victoria Duren.

9th Grade Winner: Jeremiah Smith-Post: Jeremiah enters the room and leaves it a brighter place because of his positive attitude and impact on classmates. He is always working with peers, helping with ideas, encouraging others, or offering new insight to their project in a meaningful way. You can't help but feel his positivity as you work with him.

10th Grade Nominees: Alivia Banks and Zoe Rabbers

10th Grade Winner: Lexi Mersman: Lexi has been phenomenal in helping those around her, specifically one of our exchange students. During class, she has asked to be sat next to this individual to ensure that she can help her in understanding directions, content, and assignments. She frequently checks in on her and assists her in any way possible.

Additionally, on a day that Lexi knew her and others would be absent from their lunch table, Lexi ensured that this exchange student had another group to sit with. Finally, Lexi has done this all in a way that is discrete; therefore, ensuring that the exchange student does not feel embarrassed in any way. Lexi truly is one of a kind.

11th Grade Nominees: Destiny Bradbury

11th Grade Winner: Jayce Hammond: Jayce is a student that can be counted on to work with anyone due to his caring nature. He is very kind and compassionate towards others even when he doesn't receive the same in return. He showcases his empathy in the classroom quietly, but he's always a student that cares about others.

12th Grade Nominees: Yosgart Garcia, Jenna Dozeman, Yelena Orozco

12th Grade Winner: Abby Miedema: Abby is a constant, dependable supporter of her peers. Leading with empathy through grace, patience, and joy, Abby is always willing to help explain things to her peers. While doing so, she is actively encouraging them to persevere through productive struggle, giving appropriate helpful hints, and affirming them that they can do it. So thankful for her leadership!

Student Services Office

Peanut Butter Drive - now until Feb. 27

If you bring in a peanut butter jar to Student Services, we will give you a raffle ticket that you can put in your choice prize bucket. One ticket for every 16 oz of peanut butter.

Prizes include a new Hamilton sweatshirt, 7 Brew gift card, and a pizza lunch for you and a few friends! Let's see how many jars we can collect to continue to support families within our community.

Freshman and Sophomores

Remember to turn in your completed Job Shadow Day forms to the Student Services Office as soon as possible.

ABC Night Volunteers - Feb. 6

Any students interested in volunteering to collect donations during half time of the girls and boys basketball games, email Ms. Dykema for more information.

Smoothies

Remember to submit your votes for your favorite smoothie flavor.

Attention 9th, 10th, and 11th graders

Counselors will be meeting with students to assist them with selecting their courses for next year. **Please check your emails every day to see when your appointment is scheduled, and be sure your Powerschool scheduling page is complete.** Contact your Counselor with any questions.

Seniors ... if you are planning to attend college next fall and need money to pay for it, **BE SURE** to complete the FAFSA Financial Aid form online ASAP. Both students and their parents need to complete their portion. See your Counselor if you have any questions.

Seniors

Be sure to check out the available scholarships and apply online. All scholarships are listed on a doc in Naviance under "colleges" then "scholarship search." **Also, check out the links below for great scholarships from our local Community Foundation of Holland/Zeeland and The Allegan Community Foundation.** There are many scholarships available to Hamiton Seniors. Be aware of deadlines!

The Allegan Community Foundation - <https://alleganfoundation.org/scholarships/>

Deadline: March 10th

Contact your Counselor in Student Services if you have any questions.

Scholarship Opportunity for Seniors -

Randy Boileau Storytelling Scholarship (Community Foundation of Holland/Zeeland. •

12th graders

- Planning to attend one of the following colleges next fall: Aquinas, Calvin, Ferris State Grand Valley, or Hope
- Interested in the fields of Communication, Journalism, Media, or related fields \$3000 towards their first year of college

- Deadline: February 1st, 2026
- Apply at <https://cfhz.org/apply-for-scholarships>

Financial Aid event at GRCC Lakeshore Campus ...

Financial Aid representatives will be on hand to assist anyone who wants to complete the FAFSA application. This is a drop-in style event, and students do not need to have applied to GRCC to attend. FAFSA events at GRCC Lakeshore will be on February 19th, and April 23rd. All events are from 3-6pm.

Hope College Creative Writing Distinguished Artist Award ... Seniors who are planning to attend Hope College next Fall and are interested in Creative Writing are invited to apply for this \$3,000 per year scholarship. For more info visit this website:

<https://hope.edu/academics/english/special-programs-opportunities/daa-cw.html>.

Athletics Calendar

Boys Freshman Basketball at Zeeland West

Boys JV Basketball at Zeeland West

Boys Varsity Basketball at Zeeland West

Girls Freshman Basketball against Zeeland West - HOME

Girls JV Basketball against Zeeland West - HOME

Girls Varsity Basketball against Zeeland West - HOME

Boys Varsity Swimming at Holland Public School

Lunch

Tues - Coney Dogs