

HIGHLANDER HILLTOP

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Happy Tuesday Highlanders,
We have made it through 2020, and now it is off for a week and a half of rest and relaxation. I hope that you and your families have a wonderful winter break, filled with fun and relaxation, while staying safe. Please enjoy our Winter performance video, which highlights our band, chorus, and art department...stay through to the end for a fun surprise. I also want to thank the student council for doing a fantastic job today in helping to organize and facilitate our Winterfest celebration day. It was great to see the different creative ways that we were able to come together as a community.

Finally, I wanted to announce the results of our student council election, held last week during advisory:

President: Gerry Hall

Vice President: Logan Binnington

Secretary: Annabelle "Boo" Maruschock

Treasurer: Cat Koji

Congratulations to the elected members of the student council executive board, and thank you to all individuals who ran. Student council is an incredible organization, and the collective work that they are able to accomplish as a group only serves to improve our school.

With warmest regards,

Chuck Hershon



TEAM NEWS:

The 7th Grade Team, the 8th Grade Team, and Unified ArtsTeam would like to wish our students and their families a wonderful holiday break filled with health and happiness. We understand that this school year has had its challenges, and our desire is that our students will take time to pause and reflect on all the aspects of their lives that bring them joy. A wonderful article in *Psychology Today* by Barton Goldsmith, Ph.D., lists 10 Simple Ways to Find Happiness.

They include the following:

1. Be with others who make you smile.
2. Hold on to your values.
3. Accept the good.
4. Imagine the best.
5. Do things you love.
6. Find purpose.
7. Listen to your heart.
8. Push yourself, not others.
9. Be open to change.
10. Bask in the simple pleasures of life.

Our hope is that 2021 will bring us all safely back together for in-person learning.

Have a peaceful and restful holiday season.

