

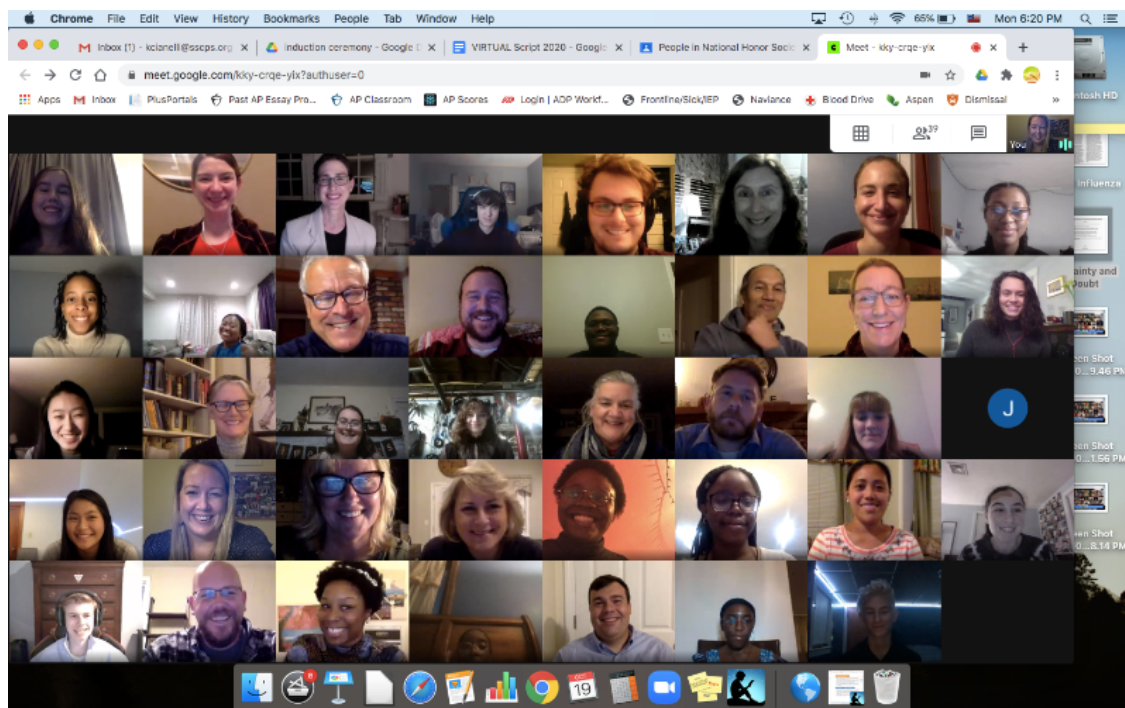


## Weekly Update | October 21, 2020

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### A Message from Angie...

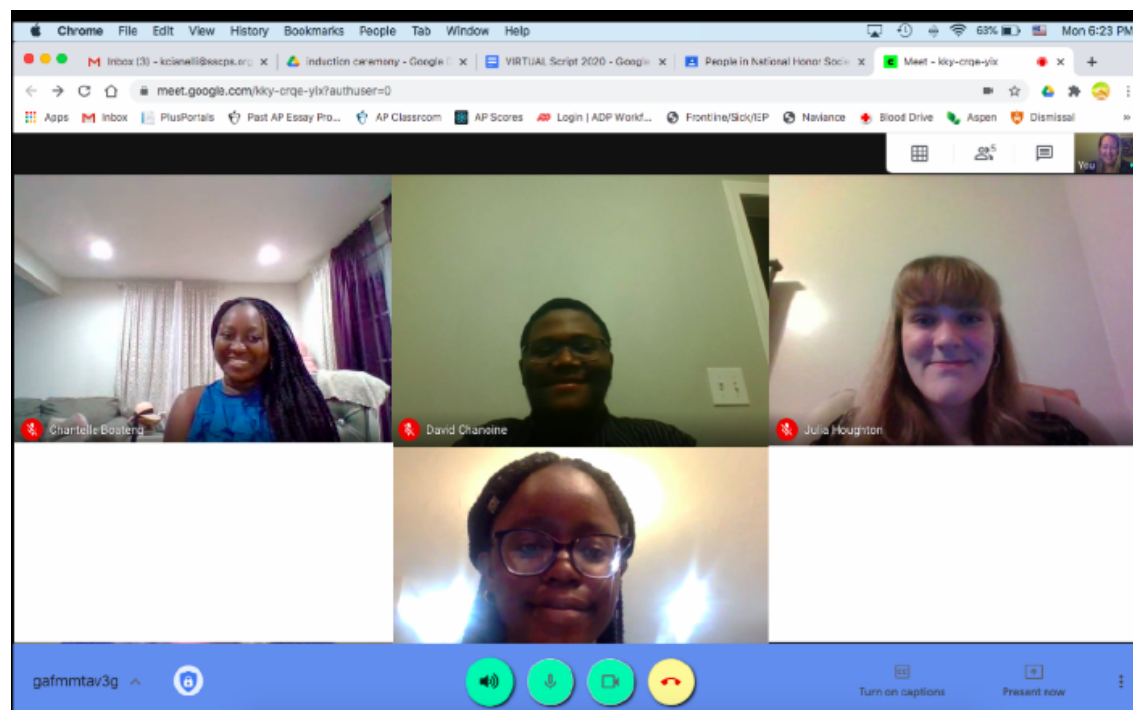
This week teachers in grades 5-12 released Progress Reports through [PlusPortals](#). These Progress Reports are replacing the Warnings that are typically mailed home midway through the quarter. While in the past Warnings only went home if a student was struggling, this year teachers created Progress Reports for all of their students. For each core academic subject, families can expect to see an updated course average as well as missing assignments. Directions explaining how to access Progress Reports through PlusPortals can be found [here](#).



Despite the challenges of the current situation we have many causes for celebration. On Monday night members of the faculty and the SSCPS chapter of the [National Honor Society](#) came together to honor four of our high achieving eleventh and twelfth grade students at our annual National Honor Society induction ceremony. The National Association of Secondary School Principals established the National Honor Society in 1921 to recognize outstanding high school students.

Induction into the National Honor Society recognizes student excellence in four areas: scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Students must show distinction in all four of these areas in order to be considered for membership. These four qualities serve not only as the foundation of the National Honor Society but they reflect the values of our school's mission: inspiring every student to excel in academics, service, and life. Monday's virtual induction was a beautiful celebration of these students and their achievements. I'd like to thank Katie Cianelli, NHS advisor, for her work on the event and her dedication to our school's chapter. Congratulations to our newest National Honor Society members, we are incredibly proud of you!

Chantelle Boateng  
David Chanoine  
Julia Houghton  
Ochuko Ogagan



Last week the [Department of Elementary and Secondary Education](#) awarded [John and Abigail Adams Scholarships](#) to members of the class of 2021. The DESE awards this scholarship to students in recognition of outstanding performance on the high school MCAS exams. I am proud to announce the recipients from South Shore Charter Public School.

Ayanna Alexandre  
Emmanuel Anteneh  
Ryan Benjamin  
Isabelle Carter  
Georgia Chambers  
David Chanoine  
Dominique Childs  
Jaimie Dosenberg  
Taria Firmin  
Brynae Hall  
Nyomi Inda

Vincent Little  
Andrew Macdonald  
Treasure Oji  
John Oleson  
Ezekiel Rice  
Emerson Stout  
Honora Sullivan  
Erick Tan  
Abby Thomas

This year we also have a student that the [National Merit Scholarship Corporation](#) has named a Commended Scholar based on his performance on the 2019 [PSAT](#). This honor was only granted to approximately 34,000 of the over 1.5 million juniors who took the PSAT last fall. Commended Scholars make up approximately the top two percent of test takers. I'd like to recognize Emmanuel Anteneh for earning this distinction. Congratulations! While commended scholars do not go on in the National Merit competition, they do become candidates for scholarships awarded by corporations and private businesses.

I extend my congratulations not only to the students mentioned above, but to the families and teachers that have supported their impressive achievements. You all have a great deal to be proud of.

Sincerely,  
Angie Pepin  
Principal, K-12

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## IMPORTANT

# Weekly COVID-19 Health Report

## Now Being Released on Thursday

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The Weekly Public Health Report, including the city/town data and map, will now be posted on Thursday afternoons beginning tomorrow, October 22, 2020.

The weekly report provides the count and rate of confirmed COVID-19 cases and tests, including the daily incidence rate in Massachusetts cities and towns over the last two weeks. We use this data as one way to determine if our school needs to transition learning models. If over 25 percent of our student population municipalities turn red, the school will transition to or sustain full remote learning. If 25 percent or fewer of our student municipalities are red, the school will resume hybrid learning.

Our sending district student populations are as follows:

Weymouth 26%

Randolph 21%

Brockton 11%

Rockland 9%

Hanover 3%

These calculations mean the following:

Weymouth **red** = Full Remote Learning

Randolph + Rockland **red** = Full Remote Learning

Brockton + Randolph **red** = Full Remote Learning

District student percentage must add up to 25% or more to activate the transition to full remote learning. Last week thirteen of our sending districts were deemed red by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

The school will transition back to hybrid and in-person learning once the COVID-19 testing positivity rate goes down and the sending district(s) is/are coded yellow, green, or grey the Monday following release of the calculations.

This week's report is scheduled to be released by tomorrow afternoon at 4:00. We will be sending email notification to all families tomorrow afternoon or evening with updates regarding the current COVID-19 district metrics. Please be sure your contact information has been updated with the school by completing your emergency contact information.

Thank you for your ongoing patience and support.

## Housing Help

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Paying rent or a mortgage can be especially challenging during a pandemic. The Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development has centralized information about resources for families struggling to make rent or mortgage payments due to COVID-19. If you or another family you know needs assistance, please go to [www.mass.gov/covidhousinghelp](http://www.mass.gov/covidhousinghelp) for more information.

## WiFi Assistance

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Please use the buttons below for information regarding low cost internet services in your area.

**Low Cost Internet Services**

**NDIA Free and Low Cost Internet Plans**

**Lifeline Cell Phone Service Provider**



**NHS**

# **ZOOM TUTORING**

Need extra help with your classes this year?

**EMAIL [HONORA\\_SULLIVAN@STUDENT.SSCPS.ORG](mailto:HONORA_SULLIVAN@STUDENT.SSCPS.ORG)**

all grades, K-12

## From the Health Office

### REMINDER TO ALL 7th GRADE FAMILIES:

All students in grade 7 must submit an current physical including immunizations.

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SSCPS now has an email for use when your child will be absent. This email address should be used for both In-Person and Remote students. The email is sent to the Health Office as well as both Front Desks.

Email: [Attendance@sscps.org](mailto:Attendance@sscps.org)

Please include the following information:

- Your student's name and grade
- Reason for Absence
- Contact phone number

If the absence is due to illness the nurse will call you back and ask you questions about symptoms.

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### COVID-19 Check

Please remember to check your child for COVID-19 symptoms including temperature before arriving at school or getting on the bus. If your child is absent with symptoms or has been tested , even if negative you must **notify the health office** before your child returns to school. Please use the **attendance email** that is found on the SSCPS website to report a student absence even if your child is not ill but will be working remotely that day . If it is not reported you will receive a phone call from the school regarding the your child's absence.

Thank you,

Susan Dupras R.N. x182

Darcie Edwards R.N. x104

Barbara Folan R.N. x104

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		School Calendar Information	
Mon-Fri	10/19-10/23	Full Remote Learning	
Monday	10/26	Finance Committee via Zoom	6:00pm
Wednesday	10/28	Parents Association Meeting via Zoom	6:00pm

## ***Important Links***

**Weekly Updates are emailed and posted to our website [www.sscps.org](http://www.sscps.org) every Wednesday.**

- [Food Service](#)
- [Health Office](#)
- [Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance](#)
- Visit our new online option to [purchase](#) SSCPS apparel

## ***School Documents***

[2020-21 School Calendar](#)

[Student and Family Handbook](#)

[SSCPS By-Laws](#)

**Here are links to upcoming events and other items of interest. Please contact Pam Algera at [palgera@sscps.org](mailto:palgera@sscps.org) to submit SSCPS items for publication.**



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