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Dear Families of the Class of 2026 and Class of 2027:

Happy New Year! I hope that you enjoyed a wonderful Winter Recess with your family! I am excited to share with you that on Friday, January 5, 2024, all freshmen and sophomore students will have the opportunity to attend our 2023 - 2024 Club Fair. Students will be split up by alpha and those with lunch on their schedule, will have the option to eat first and then proceed to the Aux Gym for the fair. The schedule is as follows:

Grade	Student Last Name	Period
9	A - LARKIN	6
9	LEE - Z	8

Grade	Student Last Name	Period
10	A - LOMBARDI	7
10	LOREFICE - Z	9

The club fair is being coordinated and sponsored by members of the 2023 - 2024 School Improvement Team, which includes representatives from our administration, faculty, clerical staff, parents and students stakeholder groups. Over the past two years, our team has found that the Fair serves as an important tool for our underclass students in assisting with their traditional transition from middle school to high school. Additionally, we have observed a positive impact on our extra-curricular club attendance data from 9th and 10th grade students. We expect that the Club Fair will assist us again in supporting the social and emotional needs of our students while formally introducing them to the many wonderful opportunities High School West offers to students through our extra-curricular programs.

This year's theme is "*Club Fair Carnival.*" Each attending student will receive a folder with club descriptions of attending groups and a list of discussion questions that can be asked to our junior and senior club representatives. Students will receive "carnival tickets," every time they interact in conversation with their upperclassmen peers. Tickets can be redeemed for entry into our raffle. Prizes for each grade have been generously donated by the HSW PTSA. HSW teachers and members of our counseling staff will be on hand during each period to assist and support student attendees with having conversations with clubs.

We hope that you will encourage your student to take advantage of this unique opportunity to explore the co-curricular opportunities of High School West and further discussion at home. As always, if your child has any concerns or questions about attending the fair, please feel free to reach out to their School Counselor or Assistant Principal for assistance. General questions about the fair may be directed to my office at (631)382-2905 or via email at celsesser@smithtown.k12.ny.us. As always, we appreciate and thank you for your support of our comprehensive high school program.

Sincerely yours,

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