



Spreading the Joy and Spirit of the Holiday Season



From the Principal's Desk: Serving with Purpose and Spread the Joy of the Holiday Season



Dear New Heights Community,

As the month of November comes to an end, we begin the preparation for the holiday season and share the joy of this season with our loved ones. I want to take a moment to reflect on the transformative community-centered work we have accomplished together as a school and as a community. New Heights has always stood firmly in its commitment to supporting our families, and this month has demonstrated once again the strength, resilience, and generosity that define who we are.

When the government shutdown disrupted essential services and left millions of families—including many right here in Brockton and surrounding communities—without access to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, New Heights stepped into the gap without hesitation. We are proud to share that between late October and the first week of November, we distributed more than 600 food staple bags to support families in need. Your collaboration and dedication to serving our community made this possible, and we thank you for that.

In that same spirit of community, we also shared the joy of the holiday season with our annual Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway. Thanks to the generous contributions of the Umbrella Project, Bianca with K Catering Services, Shaw's Supermarkets, and Vicente's Supermarket, we were able to distribute more than 300 turkeys and bags of essential ingredients to our families. Together, we helped ensure that hundreds of families could gather with their loved ones around a traditional Thanksgiving meal.

Our commitment to community extended beyond our walls as well. For the fifth consecutive year, New Heights proudly joined the City of Brockton Annual Holiday Parade. Our Phoenix Cheerleaders shined brightly and represented our school with exceptional spirit and pride.

We are grateful to the City of Brockton for the invitation and look forward to participating again next year.

November also brought exciting news for our athletics community. What a remarkable football season it has been for our Phoenix football players, who partnered with Randolph High School, the Blue Devils. They have been undefeated and are heading to the Division 8 State Championship at Gillette Stadium on December 6, 2025. We commend Coach Hilliard for his outstanding leadership. We congratulate our players for their hard work, discipline, and resilience. We also extend heartfelt thanks to our families for trusting us to play a role in both the academic and athletic journeys of their children. We encourage everyone in our community to continue showing up and cheering on our athletes—your presence shows them that you care.

To our staff, families, partners, and students: thank you for making this month truly memorable, joyful, and uplifting through your service, dedication, and unity.

I wish each of you a happy and blessed holiday season, filled with joy, love, and laughter.

Your servant-leader,
Dr. Nicholes Jones
Principal

Spotlight: Teacher, Student, Staff, And Department

Rebecca Whittaker | Early College Teacher



We are so fortunate to have Ms. Whittaker join our team. Her knowledge and experience, coupled with her compassion and uncanny ability to immediately assess the needs of our students and authentically meet them, is precisely what our early college students need.

Not only is she there for our students, but she also shows up for our community by participating in school-wide events. It is an absolute pleasure to spotlight Ms. Rebecca Whittaker!

Jordan Dunn | 11th Grade



Jordan Dunn is an exceptional young man whose growth this year has been inspiring. A member of our school community since middle school, Jordan has overcome academic challenges with grit and determination.

This year, he has demonstrated a remarkable turnaround, refusing to give up until he fully

understands the material and consistently pushing himself to improve. As a participant in the EC program, Jordan takes college courses on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and he has shown tremendous strides in both confidence and performance.

Jordan's perseverance, dedication, and steady growth make him an outstanding candidate for Student of the Month.

Alexandra Harvey | Dean of Students



Ms. Harvey is the quiet, logical leader that every team needs. She ensures that expectations are set and upheld without blurring the lines with unnecessary words or fanfare. You give her a task, and she will ensure it is completed at a level that far exceeds your expectations.

I am, admittedly, biased because she served as my Dean of Students in New York. But, bringing her to

New Heights was because of her competence, not simply out of necessity. She is the type of leader New Heights deserves to ensure that our students and staff have a school culture that they can be proud to be a part of!

Dr. Delroy Dennis & Mr. Michael Gilbert | Operations



The combination of Dr. Delroy Dennis and Mike Gilbert has been phenomenal. Both take pride not only in their work but also in our school community.

As someone who has served as an operations leader, having two people who understand the interconnectedness of operations with the entire body of our educational community has made the last couple of months smoother than any time I have been at New Heights.

I appreciate their knowledge, skill, ability, and most importantly, willingness to serve.

Community News

New Heights Charter School Phoenix Cheerleaders Shine at 2025 Brockton Holiday Parade!

For the second year in a row, New Heights Charter School of Brockton proudly marched with our community at the City's Annual Holiday Parade! We had an incredible time celebrating with everyone. We thank the City of Brockton for the warm invitation. We look forward to joining the festivities again next year!

From our family to yours, we wish you and your loved ones



Community News

What An Incredible Day for Our Seniors and Families!

Yesterday was Massachusetts College Application Celebration Day, and our seniors absolutely rose to the occasion—because they are ready for college.

We are proud to share a few highlights:

Over sixty seniors applied to various higher education institutions. An astonishing 91 college acceptances were earned (and counting!) right on the spot!

We want to thank the dedicated admissions representatives from Fisher College, UMass Dartmouth, Anna Maria College, Quincy College, Dean College, who came to Massasoit and New Heights to meet with our students and make it easy for them to apply to the college of their choice. Our seniors engaged enthusiastically with each representative, taking a huge, positive step toward achieving their postsecondary goals. A special shoutout goes to our Academic Counselor team for their tireless work in making this MCAC event such a fantastic success.

Congratulations to all of our incredible seniors and their families!



Phoenix5: A Student-led Weekly Podcast

Find out the Five Top Stories Dominating New Heights Community

On November 14, 2025, the New Heights Media Art class, led by educator Scott Sangiacomo, launched the Phoenix5 Podcast. This is a New Heights student-led podcast. In each episode, our talented hosts will dive into the five top stories shaping our school community. It's the best way to stay informed, hear from student voices, and celebrate all the great things happening at New Heights! Don't miss the debut episode! Tune in and subscribe to their YouTube channel at <https://bit.ly/4pOIDS8>.



Community Day: Build, Create, Innovate and Connect



Athletics

New Heights and Randolph Blue Devil: The Undefeated Football Team

By Uziah Hilliard

Football was an unfamiliar sport here at New Heights. Countless scholars walked these halls with a hunger to play the game of football at the highest level. We lost many scholars because we did not have the sport, but all of that changed this year.

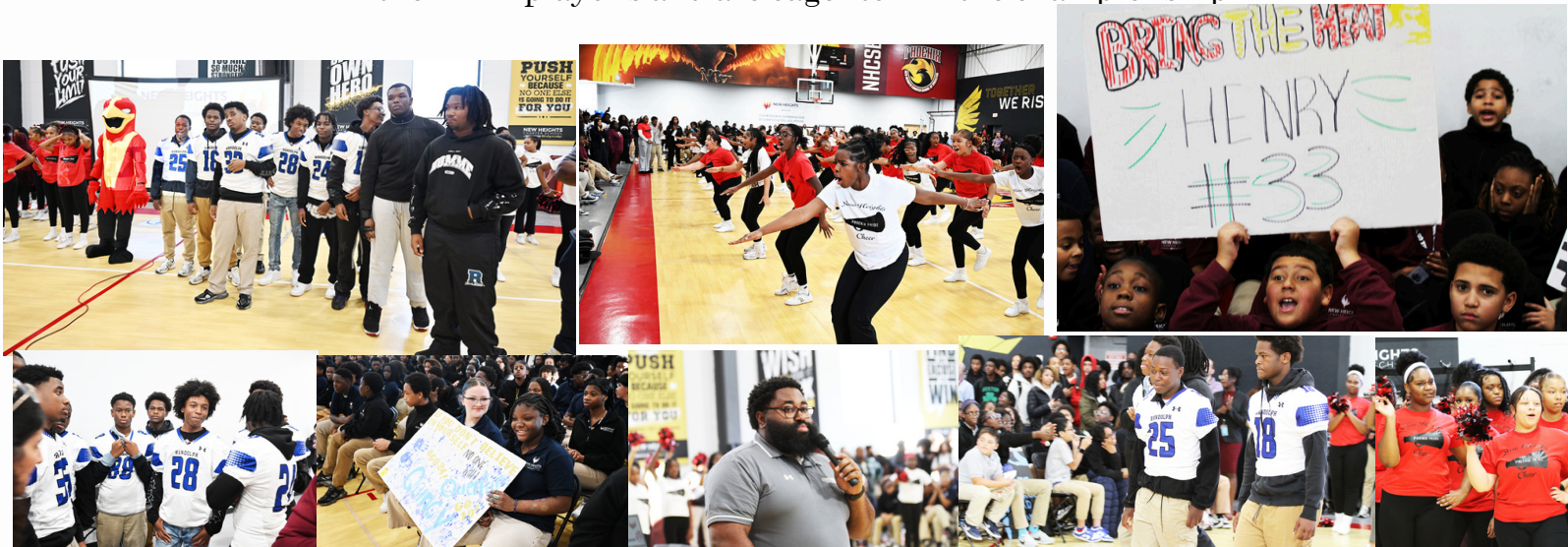
For the first time in New Heights' history, we had scholars playing tackle football. For the next two seasons, we will have a cooperative program with Randolph High School. This experience has been nothing short of historically groundbreaking and exciting.

We have about 10 dedicated student-athletes on the Randolph High School football team. Kosi George is the team's starting right tackle and defensive tackle. Markens Petit-Frere, a freshman, plays a significant role on special teams. Every single one of our scholars on this team has contributed to the success of the football program this season. In this first season with Randolph High, we are part of an 11-win season, the most in Randolph Blue Devil football history.

We have been part of the first South Shore League title in over 40 years, and on December 6, 2025, at 10 AM, we will play for a Division 8 State Championship at Gillette Stadium.



The New Heights community hosted a special pep rally in support of the school's football team at the Phoenix Gym. The entire school was there to cheer on and thank our players. They won their first game in the MIAA playoffs and are eager to win the championship.



Community Announcements



SCIENCE LAB IS OFFICIALLY OPEN!

THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS DONORS

Massachusetts
LIFE SCIENCES CENTER

The capital of scientific revolution.

Amelia Peabody
FOUNDATION



POLAR EXPRESS NIGHT

Wednesday, December 17th

5:30-7:30PM

New Heights Cafeteria

ADVANCED SIGN UP REQUIRED

*Valid school ID required for all students (New Heights & Non-New Heights)

STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF COMMUNITY AND HOLIDAY CHEER.

*Polar Express Movie Showing - Pizza - TV Raffle - Games - Crafts - Hot Cocoa Bar - More!



ANNUAL POETRY RECITATION COMPETITION



Featured Guest: Massachusetts' First Poet Laureate, Reggie Gibson

Our Esteemed MC's:



Ms. Fernandes - Queen of Ceremonies



Dr. Henry-King of Ceremonies



Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 Winners.

When: Tues., December 9, 2025
Time: 06:00 - 09:00 P.M.
Where: School Cafeteria



Interact Community Service Presents: The 12 Days of Christmas TOY DRIVE

Accepting Donations From
Monday, December 1st
Through
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COMPETITION DETAILS

Staff and scholars who donate an unwrapped new gift will receive a dress down pass. You must inform your homeroom teacher of your donation in order to be put on the dress down list.

Drop Off Locations:

1. Mrs. Smith - 6th and 7th grade Room 201
2. Ms. Pires - 8th grade Room 101
3. Ms. Pauline - 9th grade Room 106
4. Mr. Ferreira - 10th grade, DE, and EC Room 113

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A Guide to Inclement Weather School Cancellations

