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Dear parents and students:

I had the opportunity last month to attend the National Catholic Education Association's annual conference. It was a meaningful gathering, welcoming Catholic School educators from across the country and around the world. The conference opened with a beautiful liturgy involving a number of students from the schools in the Diocese of Orlando and praying especially for the soul of Pope Francis on the day after his death.

Beyond professional learning on AI, classroom management and school finance, the conference also reminded me of the wonderful opportunity to be a part of a Catholic school community. With our new mission statement this year, I left feeling re-energized and re-committed to our mission to "develop the whole person in mind, heart, and soul" and to support students as they "develop personal integrity, grow in faith, and become engaged leaders." When we remain focused on this mission and committed to our purpose, the sky's the limit.

May we spend this final month of the school year working together to shape our students' minds, hearts, and souls.

Warmly,
Colleen Hoyer

CONDOLENCES -- We express our sympathy to members of our school community and their families who have lost loved ones recently. May the souls of the departed rest in peace: former CCHS Technology Department member Steve Reese. Please keep the Reese family in your thoughts and prayers. We also pray for the soul of Pope Francis and for the Cardinals as they begin the conclave next week to select a new pope.

WELCOME TO THE NEWEST ADDITION TO THE CCHS FAMILY—I am pleased to announce the birth of Eleanor Jo Smith. Eleanor was born on April 21 to high school English teacher Morgan Smith and her husband Nathan. Eleanor was 7 lbs. 2 oz. and 19 inches long. All are doing well. Many congratulations to the Smith family!

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ACADEMIC UPDATES

PROGRESS REPORTS – for the fourth quarter will be emailed over the weekend. With warm weather and spring activities, it is often a challenge for students to stay focused for the duration of the quarter. Please emphasize the importance of working through the end of the school year. Encourage your children to put forth the required effort. If students let up in their efforts, the good grades at progress report time may not necessarily equate to good grades at the quarter or semester – and vice versa! Also, keep in mind that second semester grades directly impact a student's athletic eligibility for fall and winter sports, i.e., **an unweighted second semester 2.0 is required**.

SECOND SEMESTER EXAM SCHEDULE – Students will be taking their exams in one month! Exams are an important learning experience for students, and they will need to prepare diligently. All classes have exams, and exams must be taken at the scheduled times. Students who miss semester exams for reasons other than illness (who will be given the opportunity to make up the exams) will receive an F for those examinations. Just a reminder regarding the **seniors- only exam exemption policy**: Seniors may be exempt from second semester exams if: 1) the course is a two-semester course; 2) the teacher chooses to allow exam exemptions; 3) third and fourth quarter grades average to at least a 90%; and 4**) fine arts requirements must have been completed by Friday, March 21, and community service requirements by Friday, April 25, 2025.** Students enrolled in AP courses must take the AP exam AND teacher-developed final exams. Seniors who meet exam exemption requirements for their AP classes may be exempt from teacher- developed final exams. Seniors in non-AP classes who choose to take AP exams will also take teacher-developed final exams unless they meet the exemption standards. Non-seniors who choose to take an AP exam for an AP class in which they are not enrolled must take the final exam for their class.

Seniors:	Tuesday/Wednesday, May 20/21 (schedule to be announced)	
Sixth grade:	Monday, 6/2	exams for periods 1 and 2; 11:15 dismissal
	Tuesday, 6/3	exams for periods 3 and 5; 11:15 dismissal
	Wednesday, 6/4	exams for periods 6 and 8; 11:15 dismissal
7th/8th grade:	Friday, 5/30	exam for period 2 (8- 9:30 a.m.); 2:45 dismissal
	Monday, 6/2	exams for periods 1 and 3; 11:15 dismissal
	Tuesday, 6/3	exams for periods 5 and 8; 11:15 dismissal
	Wednesday, 6/4	exams for periods 4 and 7; 11:15 dismissal

**Please note that 7th and 8th grade students will NOT take an exam in their foreign language or exploratory class. During that scheduled exam time, they will use the time to prepare for other exams. **

High school:	Friday, 5/30	exam for period 2 (8 – 9:30 a.m.); 2:45 dismissal
	Monday, 6/2	exams for periods 1 and 3; 11:15 dismissal
	Tuesday, 6/3	exams for periods 6 and 8; 11:15 dismissal
	Wednesday, 6/4	exams for periods 4 and 7; 11:15 dismissal

SCHEDULING CLASSES – The scheduling process for the upcoming school year is underway. Course request forms were due in the **office on Monday, April 28.** Schedules will be worked on throughout the summer and will not be finalized until registration in August. The process involves analyzing students' and parents' requests in addition to other pieces of the puzzle: standardized test scores; grades; teacher recommendations including information about each student's work ethic; class offerings; and so on. Significant time is spent in efforts to place students in appropriate courses. **If a student needs a tutor in any class or does not enjoy a particular subject, aspiring to Advanced Placement or advanced honors courses is a misplaced concentration of effort. Success in advanced honors/Advanced Placement courses in any subject is predicated on the understanding that the students in these classes enjoy the subject matter, enjoy putting forth the extra effort needed in these classes, and have a natural affinity for these courses. All CCHS courses are taught at the college preparatory level at the very least.** Encourage your children to do their best, using every ounce of their God-given abilities. It is far better for a

student to be successful, productive, and happy in honors and college preparatory courses than to struggle unhappily and with modest success in advanced honors or Advanced Placement courses.

2025-26 TUITION, CALENDAR, AND TEXTBOOK INFORMATION

NEW STUDENTS - 2025-2026-- The Admissions Committee is still accepting applications for the 2025-26 school year. If you have other children or are asked by non-CCHS families about the school, please refer them to the school website where they can find applications for all grade levels (www.charlestoncatholic-crw.org). Admissions questions can be directed to Mrs. Meredith Aubel, Academic Advisor, by calling the school office at 304-342-8415.

TUITION INFORMATION FOR 2025-26— including invoices, payment options, and loan information from Peoples Bank was mailed upon our return from Easter Break. The tuition invoice includes the general and class fees as well. **Tuition payment in full is due June 15** (late charge assessed at $1.00 per day after June 15) and **fee payment is due by the August registration date** (students will not be allowed to pick up their schedules until registration fees are paid). Please call Sherry Shindle at 304-342-8415 if you have not received your invoice or if you have questions.

DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE-– For the thirty-fourth consecutive year, the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston will offer the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) in an effort to keep Catholic school education affordable for families who desire it but who may need some financial assistance to make their dream a reality. Thanks to Most Reverend Mark Brennan's commitment to Catholic education, funds have once again been allocated for distribution to families in need of assistance. **Phase 1 has closed. Phases 2 and 3 are open to Catholic and non-Catholic families.** Awards are based upon a family's degree of need relative to all other applicants. Apply on-line at www.factsmgt.com. Click on "Grant and Aid Assessment" and log in. Have your 2024 tax information available. **The Phase 2 deadline is July 14, 2025, and the Phase 3 deadline is August 23, 2025.** No assistance will be available from the Diocese or from any school unless an application and all required documentation is submitted, and the fee has been paid by the deadline. The application fee to families is $25. Families should only submit one application per year, not one per phase!

FINALIZED CALENDAR FOR 2025-26 – The calendar for next year has been finalized. Please keep this calendar in mind as you plan for next year. Please remember that **exams must be taken on scheduled exam days** and students who are absent more than 5 days in a semester will have to make up those days at the end of the semester.

Wed., Aug. 20	First day of school for students
Mon., Sept. 1	Labor Day- no school
Mon., Oct. 27	11:30 dismissal, teacher professional development
Thurs., Nov. 6	Parent-Teacher conferences- no school for students
Tues., Nov. 11	Veterans Day- no school
Wed., Nov. 26	e-day for students
Thurs., Nov. 27- Fri. Nov. 28	Thanksgiving holiday
Wed- Fri., Dec. 17-19	exams
Mon., Dec. 22- Friday, Jan. 2	Christmas break
Mon., Jan. 5	classes resume
Mon., Jan. 19	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day- no school
Tues., Jan. 20	e-day for students, teacher professional development
Mon., Feb. 16	Presidents' Day- no school
Mon., March 23	11:30 dismissal, teacher professional development
Fri., April 3- Fri., April 10	Easter Break
Mon., Apr. 13	classes resume

Thurs., May 21	baccalaureate
Fri., May 22	graduation
Mon., May 25	Memorial Day- no school
Mon., June 1- Wed., June 3	exams for 6th -11th graders
Wednesday, June 3	Moving Up Ceremony for 8th graders

TEXTBOOK PROCEDURES 2025-2026

Our scheduled textbook adoption this year is social studies. You are encouraged to take advantage of CCHS book order forms distributed in May and ordered in June to have textbooks available for the start of school. All students will receive a book order form at school. Forms will also be available on the school website.

Middle School

Middle school students will receive order forms for required textbooks in May. These forms must be completed by parents and returned to school by noon on June 6. Textbooks ordered in June should be available for pick up during registration in August. **Parents may order these books on their own if they so choose; please refer to the correct ISBN number on the textbook order form.**

Math textbooks for 7th grade will be ordered at registration once placement is known. A textbook fee for middle school foreign language will be assessed during August registration and all middle school foreign language materials will be provided by the teacher.

High School

An order form for textbooks for core classes will be given to students and is due back in the office by noon on June 6. Textbooks ordered in June should be available for pickup at registration in August. **Parents may order these books on their own if they so choose; please refer to the correct ISBN number on the textbook order form.**
Electives and some placed courses must wait until August registration for schedules to be finalized.

Electives and Placement classes

High school students will order books for electives and placement classes once their schedule is known at August registration. **Parents may order these books on their own if they so choose; please refer to the correct ISBN number on the textbook order form which will be provided in August.**

AP Courses & Higher Level Math (Calculus AB, Calculus BC, PreCalc II/Calc A, Trig/Precalc, Math Functions, Economics, Human Geography, US Government, World History, US History, European History, Biology, Physics, Psychology, and Art History)

There is a **mandatory rental policy** for high school students in AP classes and higher level math. Students will rent their textbooks from the school, with a rental fee included in AP or class fees. All AP/Higher Level Math textbooks **must** come from the school.

English Novels
Parents may refer to a list that will be provided by the teacher next year for information about novels to be used in English classes during the school year and should order the novels required on their own. **CCHS will not order novels.** Please pay special attention to the details of the novels to be used when ordering (ISBN, printing number, edition, etc.). In some cases, these lists may not be complete and may be added to throughout the school year. Ample notification will be given in these cases.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CCHS DAY OF GIVING— Charleston Catholic will once again be participating in the Diocese's annual Catholic Schools' giving day, **One Mission One Day to Make a Difference**, on **Tuesday, May 6, 2025**. This year we will add an online auction component! Please consider a gift to support CCHS as we strive to replace and upgrade two class sets of Chromebooks. Our goal is $25,000. Please consider participating in this online giving event!

GOLF TOURNAMENT—Join us for the Irish Classic Golf Tournament to support the CCHS Athletic Department at Berry Hills Country Club on May 12. Tee-off times start at 10 am with registration opening at 8 am. Hole sponsors are needed at the $200 level. Team entries are $500 a team. For more sponsorship information or to register to golf, contact Jacob Nelson at Jacob.nelson@charlestoncatholic-crw.org.

NOTES FROM THE ACADEMIC ADVISOR

1.) If your child has had recent shots, please send CCHS a copy of new health records. All rising **7th graders** are required to have a Tdap booster and first meningococcal vaccine before they enter school in August. **Rising 12th** graders are required to have the second dose of the meningococcal vaccine before they enter school in August. **Once your child has these vaccines, an updated immunization record must be submitted to Mrs. France.**
2.) SAT and ACT testing and registration information is available online at --www.collegeboard.org and www.act.org (CCHS code: 490-205).

HANDBOOOK REMINDERS

PROOF OF ENROLLMENT FORMS-- In order to secure drivers' licenses and permits, students are required to provide proof of school enrollment. These state-mandated forms are available in the school office. Students must request these forms from the school secretary **at least two days in advance. Forms are not issued during summer months.**

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION, MEDIA DEVICES, AND SOCIAL MEDIA-- Personal electronic devices including, but not limited to, cell phones, smart watches, tablets, earbuds, etc. have become an everyday part of life. However, the personal use of such devices is not permitted during the school day. **Electronic devices must be out of sight and disabled during the school day, upon entering the school building** from 7:45 a.m. (or upon entering the building after 7:45) until 2:45 p.m. E-readers may be used for academic purposes in high school English courses if permission has been granted by parents and the privilege has not been withdrawn by school faculty. Such

devices must be turned OFF and out of sight upon leaving the high school English classroom and should not be in use anywhere else during the school day. **Cell phones may not be used in locker rooms or restrooms.** Students violating this requirement will have their item confiscated and turned into the office. The school office staff will notify parents of violations. Any subsequent violations will result in a fine of $25. Repeat offenders may also be required to turn their device into the office at the beginning of each school day.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

1.) All community service hours must be completed, and the forms submitted to theology classes, by Monday, May 12th. After that date, service hours will be doubled and must be completed over the summer in order to register for classes in August.
2.) The freshman retreat will be at Camp Virgil Tate on Friday, May 9th. Parent drivers are needed. Freshmen will gather in the Commons at 8 am. Parent drivers with transport the students to Camp Virgil Tate where freshmen will spend a day together in friendship and communal spirit. If you are able to help drive students from CCHS to and from Camp Virgil Tate, please email Molly Linehan Belcher: molly.linehan@charlestoncatholic-crw.org.
3.) On Thursday, May 22nd, seniors will participate in our Senior Day of Reflection at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 305 E Street in South Charleston. The day begins at 8:30 am. That evening will be our Baccalaureate Mass.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND GIVING

COMMUNITY SERVICE- All service forms are due by May 12th. Any forms received after that date will not be accepted, and students will have to complete double of the missing hours for the summer. Students are encouraged to check their service folders to determine how many service hours they have earned. Stay tuned for summer community service opportunities!

Please note the upcoming service opportunities. See Mrs. Williams with any questions or for additional details.
Manna meal Garden- every Saturday from 9:30-12:30
MLK community center (H.S only) Every Thursday
Heart Ball: Rising high schoolers (8th grade) and H.S students
All three of these opportunities are special needs.

HOPE 2025 UPDATE – Planning continues for our 20th summer of HOPE. Members of the junior class have applied to participate in our week of home construction and repair, **June 15-20, 2025**. We will partner again this coming summer with Bill & Addie Likens, who coordinate the Cabwaylingo Appalachian Mission (CAM) in Wayne and Mingo Counties. Our group of CCHS students, college age alumni and adult work team leaders will make significant repairs at the homes of several low-income families and seniors. Some of our volunteers will also assist with the construction of a new house for a family in need. We are committed to raising **$25,000 to purchase building materials for the construction of the new home.** CAM will supplement our fundraising efforts with the materials necessary to complete the construction of the new home and to make the repairs on the other houses at which we will work, making these houses **warmer, safer, and drier**. **Our annual funding appeal is underway with a link to make a tax deductible donation available on the school website**. A **slideshow of our 2024 HOPE experience** is posted there as well.

DONATE TO ST. BALDRICK'S FOUNDATION—High school science teacher Mark Ellis is raising money for childhood cancer research through the St. Baldrick's Foundation. This is his third year participating in this fundraiser

and the head shaving event will take place Thursday, May 8th, at Tops Off Barber Shop. You may donate at https://www.stbaldricks.org/participants/mypage/1150719/2025

NOTES FROM THE PARENT VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION (PVA)

All volunteers must be 100% VIRTUS compliant.

1.) **PVA Polos and Fleece** - Order forms for CCHS logo jackets (including the heavier weight grey jacket and a lighter weight black jacket, both in full zip and quarter zip), white uniform polo shirts, and green athletic/academic competition polo shirts are available on the CCHS website. For questions, please contact Cynthia Hemphill-Reehling (803-242-5087*)* for jackets, Kristina Whiteaker (304-610-5544) for green polos, and Sara Frame (304-389-1241) or Katie Feola (304-552-1896/ katie.feola@gmail.com) for white polos. OFFICIAL UNIFORM POLOS MUST BE PURCHASED THROUGH PVA. Please note that students who are members of athletic teams and academic competition teams are permitted to wear an official CCHS kelly green polo shirt with khaki pants to school on designated dates – normally home games and post-season games designated by the principal.

2.) **Cafeteria volunteers**– Many thanks to those of you who volunteered to help in the cafeteria. Please be sure you report for duty on the days you are scheduled and take notice of the weekly reminder emails as the lunch times may vary based upon mass schedules and alternate bell schedules. If there is a change in schedule, it will be noted in the reminder email. Some volunteers will need to renew their food handlers' cards. Megan Cutlip (megan.a.cutlip@gmail.com) will give you information to do so once you have emailed her. Please indicate in your email if it has been more than two years since you took your food handlers course.

3.) **Parent involvement** is important to the successful operation of the CCHS athletic program. Working gates and concession stands, being supportive of the players and coaches, and attending games are important pieces. EVERY parent of an athlete is needed to support the teams in a variety of ways. Please help how you can and cheer on the Irish!

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

ATTENTION: FRESHMAN PARENTS – The 9th grade class will continue the tradition of hosting the Baccalaureate reception for this year's graduating seniors and their families on Thursday evening, May 22, 2025. This event takes significant planning and input from all freshmen parents. We are in need of voluntary monetary donations from 9th grade parents to provide an unforgettable evening for our seniors!! Please contact Beckie Balenovich (502-762-6110) or Kamilla Rashid (304-549-5025) for further information. A special thanks to everyone who has already contributed time and treasure!

ATTENTION: SOPHOMORE PARENTS – Hosting Project Graduation is the tenth-grade parent project. It is an all-night lock-in aimed at giving the graduating class a safe and fun place to celebrate with their classmates and the junior class one last time. Project Graduation is a longstanding and beloved Charleston Catholic tradition. This year it is scheduled to be at the Charleston YMCA on Friday, May 23, 2025, from 10:00 p.m. – 4:00 a.m. We are so appreciative of those who have already provided a gift, a donation, or offered to help in some other way with Project Graduation! One of the traditions of Project Graduation is to provide each graduating senior with a prize. There are 43 graduating seniors this year. In response to prior letters sent to sophomore parents, we have received prizes needed for the event but are still in need of additional prizes or monetary donations to purchase prizes. We had the seniors respond to a survey seeking information on the type of gifts they would like and created an Amazon Wish List based upon survey results. Please use the following link https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/3OYEC4T1HER8G to shop for Project Graduation. The link can be cut and pasted into your browser if the link does not work. Use of the Amazon Wish List is completely voluntary. Please use your discretion on purchases including item brand and price. If you choose to purchase items from the Amazon Wish List, the items will be mailed to the home of Project Graduation Chair Sabrena Gillis. Thus, while not mandatory, this is a super easy way to contribute. If you would like to order gifts or prizes from any other store, you are welcome to have the gift mailed directly to Sabrena's home or drop the gift off in the office. If you prefer to make a monetary donation or help by offering your time, either would be greatly

appreciated. In addition, if you are aware of a business that might like to contribute to Project Graduation, please contact Sabrena Gillis. **Finally, we still need several more volunteers to chaperone this event as only a handful of parents have volunteered to chaperone the event thus far. Both the junior and senior classes will be in attendance requiring multiple parent volunteers as CCHS takes over the entire YMCA for the evening for this fun tradition with various activities in multiple locations at the YMCA.** For more information, please contact Sabrena Gillis at 304-389-6870 or by email at solive@shafferlaw.net. Thank you in advance! We are so looking forward to celebrating our wonderful graduating seniors!!

ATHLETIC UPDATES

WINTER SPORTS WRAP UP—

High School Girls Basketball- The Lady Irish had another incredible season and made the State Tournament for the fifth straight season—this time going all the way and winning the AA State Championship! The team defeated Logan, St. Mary's, and Wheeling Central. Molly Messer, Mary Rushworth and Ali Wilcox made the AA All Tournament team. Molly Messer and Mary Rushworth were also selected 1st Team All State by the WV Sports Writers Association. Ali Wilcox was named 2nd Team All State. Mary Rushworth was named 1st Team All Kanawha Valley. Ali Wilcox was named 2nd Team All Kanawha Valley and Rookie of the Year. Molly Messer was named 3rd Team all Kanawha Valley. Nora Aliff and Ali Wilcox were members of the All Rookie Team. Wes Hevener was named Kanawha Valley Coach of the Year. Congratulations on a great season, Lady Irish and Coaches! We will miss our seniors, Molly Messer, Aurelia Kirby and Telina Williams.

High School Boys Basketball- The boys' team had an injury filled year which resulted in many young athletes stepping up. The team fell short in the Regional Championship vs. Logan at Logan. The next couple of years are looking promising for the Irish. Zaden Ranson was named 1st Team All State and 1st Team all Kanawha Valley. Congratulations to the team and coaches on a great season!

SPRING SPORTS UPDATE-

High School Tennis- The high school tennis teams will be participating in the Regional Tournament next week. The State Tournament begins on Thursday, May 15. Good luck to both the tennis teams as they enter the postseason!

High School Baseball- The high school baseball team looks to keep hopes alive as they begin postseason play on May 12th. The baseball team is currently ranked number five in the state. They are hoping to continue their success through the end of the regular season and beyond.

High School Track- The high school track team is having a great season and performing well in big meets. The high school track State Meet will be on May 23rd and 24th this year. Good luck to the track athletes!

Middle School Sports- The baseball team is fighting for the fourth spot in the playoffs. They are only one game behind. Playoffs will start the week of May 12th. The track team has been steadily improving throughout the season. They had a total of nine PRs at the last meet. The County Meet will begin May 20th at Herbert Hoover High School starting at 4 pm. The tennis team is undefeated, and their County Tournament starts on May 8th. The golf team has been standing strong at the top of the County all season. They will attempt to knock off JA at the County Championship on May 5th at Coonskin.

FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

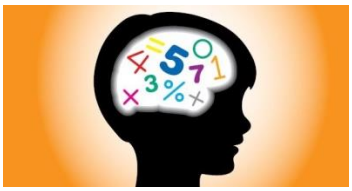
COMMUNITY SERVICE AND FINE ARTS/HUMANITIES REQUIREMENTS -- Remember, community service and fine arts activity forms must be submitted during the quarter in which the service was performed in order to receive credit. **Students who fail to meet their requirements during the school year must complete double the number of hours/events over the summer in order to re-enroll at CCHS.** Students should check with their theology teacher for questions about service hours and their English teacher for fine arts questions.

VIRTUS – Be sure you're able to help! All parents or other adults who volunteer, coach, drive students, chaperone, etc., are required by the Diocese to complete the diocesan sexual abuse awareness training before being allowed to work with our students. Training is available online or at sessions periodically scheduled. To begin, visit the VirtusOnline.org and choose the online option. Allow 1- 1½ hours to complete the program.

There will be a new process for the remaining two components of compliance. They will be completed using digital forms through the Virtus system (virtus.org). A background check and sign off on the Form Policy Relating to Sexual Abuse of Children MUST be completed online before you are able to volunteer. You must add Charleston Catholic as a location where you will be volunteering. If you have forgotten your password, or your user name, you can also call the Virtus help desk at 1-888-847-8870.

Additionally, adults who volunteer, coach, or chaperone, may be asked to update background and policy forms. Background checks must be updated every three years. Policy questionnaires should be updated if they were signed before 2014. Current Diocese guidelines do not require volunteers to update the training portion of VIRTUS. Please contact Mr. Villers with any questions about how to update your forms.

The Diocese encourages reporting to civil authorities first and foremost if a crime has been committed. To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, you may also report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel or volunteers of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, by contacting one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext.353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. You may also visit www.dwc.org, under "Accountability" for additional reporting mechanisms.



FREE MATH TUTORING-- As a service to Charleston Catholic students, our school's chapter of Mu Alpha Theta provides free math tutoring in the Library on Tuesdays from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Just drop in, no appointments necessary! The final tutoring session of the year will be Tuesday, May 20. If you have any questions, email Mrs. Griffith at sarah.griffith@charlestoncatholic-crw.org.

WE NEED SPRING SPORTS PHOTOS AND MIDDLE SCHOOL PHOTOS FOR THE YEARBOOK! – As we wrap up the yearbook, we have a PARTICULAR need for photos of ALL spring sports! We also need middle school photos from any activities or sports so that our middle school students are well represented! **Share images directly from your phone by downloading the FREE Yearbook Snap app from the App Store or Google Play Store and using school code: goirish.** Any questions? Contact Mrs. Shirley at kate.shirley@charlestoncatholic-crw.org.

GLOVES NEEDED-- The science department is in need of latex and vinyl gloves of all sizes for dissections and other lab activities. Please contact Mrs. Arnold to coordinate a donation or drop off any gloves in the office. Many thanks!

CROCKPOTS NEEDED!--Do you have an old crockpot or sous vide device you no longer use? The science department can repurpose working models of these into hot water baths and would love to accept your donation!

MANY THANKS

- to game day sponsors of high school and middle school baseball. Thank you so much for your support!
- to ninth grader Bailee King who graciously stepped up and played the piano for our school masses this winter and spring while Sacred Heart was in between music directors. Bailee accepted the challenge and played beautifully for us!

CONGRATULATIONS

- to middle and high school French students for their excellent results on the National French Exam. In Level 1B, Kali Shawkey earned a silver medal and Gia Kurten earned honorable mention. At Level 2, Luke Passmore earned a bronze medal, Rachel Lough and Teddy Passmore were recognized with honorable mention. In Level 4, Emily Bowen and Soleil Gloss earned honorable mention. Congratulations on these impressive achievements!
- to seniors Ewan Becher, Zachary Harrison, William Salutillo, Max Wilcox, and junior Abigail Dotson for earning a seat at this year's chemistry awards dinner. The awards dinner is part of the American Chemical Society Chemistry Olympiad.
- to Zachary Harrison for placing in the top 30 math students at WV State Math Field Day! Zach placed 27th and helped our region of the state earn first place region in the tournament.
- to the advanced honors STEM students who participated in the third CCHS science symposium at the end of April. In the physical science division, Ilyauna Evans placed first. Adele Ball and Haley Welder took 2nd place and Zachary Harrison, Ewan Becher, Luke Blaydes and Noah Bollinger placed 3rd. In the biological science division, Hannah Vriendt placed first followed by Cate Yianne and Telina Williams in a tie for 2nd place. Several sophomores also shared interactive posters they made for a project assignment in Biology. Special thanks to Mrs. Scharf and Ms. Richmond for judging the presentations.

CALENDAR FOR 2024-25

CALENDAR --Please use this calendar in your planning. Please remember that exams must be taken on scheduled exam days, and students who are absent more than 5 days in a semester will have to make up those days at the end of the semester. Please note that, as is the case each school day, teachers administer tests/quizzes, have assignments due, and teach lessons on the days immediately preceding and following school holidays. Students who take extended holidays run the risk of affecting their grades.

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