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INSIDE CHARLESTON CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear parents and students:

The last two weeks have been filled with green and white and school spirit as we supported our high school basketball teams in their state tournament appearances. During the girls' first round game, I issued a challenge to our seniors sitting in the front few rows. I challenged them to remain positive and to focus on cheering for our team. I have to say, they met my challenge. The next morning, I extended the challenge to all of the high school students and clearly stated the behavioral expectations for the remainder of the games. I can't tell you how impressed I was with their response. They brought tremendous spirit and enthusiasm, even cheering and singing *When the Saints Go Marching In* and *Though the Mountains May Fall* during our walk to the Coliseum. They collectively picked up their trash at the end of the games. Several seniors stayed at the end of the games and helped clean up. It was remarkable. In fact, our student section won the School Spirit Award at BOTH the girls' and the boys' tournaments. I was stopped by ushers and Coliseum employees, in addition to countless others, who complimented our students on their behavior and their spirit. It was a joy to spend that time with them and to watch them have fun supporting each other.

Let's channel that positive energy and finish the year full of Irish pride cheering on one another. Go Irish!

Warmly,
Colleen Hoyer

CONDOLENCES -- We express our sympathy to a few of our students who have lost a loved one recently. May the soul of the departed rest in peace: Levi Kimble's maternal grandfather; Damon Master's maternal grandmother; Max and Ali Wilcox's maternal grandfather, and Jillian Arthur's mother.

WELCOME TO THE WORLD—Luke Patrick Walter was born on February 23 to high school math teacher Jean Walter and her husband Ryan. Luke was 5 lbs. 11 oz. and 18 inches long. The Walter family is doing well!

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ACADEMIC UPDATES

THIRD QUARTER REPORT CARDS WERE MAILED TODAY– Please take some time to review the report card and teacher comments with your children. If you see that your children's third quarter grades are not a reflection of their abilities, discuss with them what changes can be made to make the fourth quarter stronger. Use the detailed weekly reports from Ren Web to figure out exactly what is going on. Don't accept excuses. This time of year is hard, and everyone is tired. However, we will keep working until the end of the year. Learning takes work, and it is important work! Please encourage your children to put forth the effort necessary to achieve their personal best.

WINTER MAP SCORES- are included in this mailing for sixth through tenth graders. The Family Report provides details on each student's national percentile and RIT score. They also include details on the student's growth from fall 2022 to winter 2023. Students will test again in late April/ early May. If you have questions about your child's MAP scores, please contact Meredith Aubel at meredith.aubel@charlestoncatholic@charlestoncatholic-crw.org.



SECOND SEMESTER EXAM SCHEDULE – With the fourth quarter beginning this week, we are officially halfway through the second semester. Spring exams will be here before we know it. 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 93; **4) fine arts requirements must have been completed by Friday, March 17, and community service requirements by Friday, May 5, 2023.** 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 23/24 (schedule to be announced)	
Sixth grade:	Wednesday, 5/31	exams for periods 1 and 2; 11:15 dismissal
	Thursday, 6/1	exams for periods 7 and 8; 11:15 dismissal
	Friday, 6/2	exams for periods 3 and 5; 11:15 dismissal
7th/8th grade:	Tuesday, 5/30	exam for period 3 (8- 9:30 a.m.); 2:45 Dismissal
	Wednesday, 5/31	exams for periods 1 and 4; 11:15 dismissal
	Thursday, 6/1	exams for periods 7 and 8; 11:15 dismissal
	Friday, 6/2	exams for periods 2 and 5; 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:	Tuesday, 5/30	exam for period 3 (8 – 9:30 a.m.); 2:45 Dismissal
	Wednesday, 5/31	exams for periods 1 and 4; 11:15 dismissal
	Thursday, 6/1	exams for periods 7 and 8; 11:15 dismissal
	Friday, 6/2	exams for periods 2 and 6; 11:15 dismissal

TUITION AND CALENDAR INFORMATION FOR 2023-24

NEW STUDENTS FOR 2023-2024 – Applications for all grade levels are now available online (www.charlestoncatholic-crw.org). Applications will be completed and submitted online. Detailed instructions are available on the CCHS website. Please refer prospective families to the website!

NOTE – It is rare for CCHS to accept students as juniors and seniors. Only juniors and seniors moving into the area will be considered.



SCHEDULING FORMS- Students will receive forms with course options and details about course placement before Easter Break. Please take time to review the options with them and carefully consider the appropriate placement for your child (ren). Course placement is dependent on a variety of factors including academic achievement, classroom behavior, demonstrated work ethic, and standardized test scores, among others. Additionally, course offerings are determined by faculty availability and student interest. Course requests will be reviewed and placements determined over the next several months. Students will receive their schedules at registration in August.

TUITION INVOICES FOR 2023-24—will be released in mid-April. Invoices and loan information will be mailed the week of April 17. If you choose to use a bank loan, the fees may be included in the loan amount or may be paid separately. To operate in a fiscally responsible manner, tuition increases for 2023-24 will be required and will fall in the 5-8% range with some of the multi-child discounts being decreased (not eliminated, but decreased). We have a number of financial aid opportunities available for families who need them. If you have concerns about tuition once it is released, please contact Mrs. Shindle or Mrs. Hoyer to talk about opportunities that are available. **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). More details will be included in the tuition packet mailed in April.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE-- For the thirty-second consecutive year, the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston will continue its tradition of offering 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 that 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. **This year, Phase 1 will be open to Catholic families only, but Phase 2 will be open to Catholic and non-Catholic families.** Awards are based on 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 2022 tax information available. Catholic families with children currently enrolled or who are applying to enroll for the 2023-2024 school year should apply ASAP. Applications opened February 1. **The deadline for Phase 1 is April 30, 2023; the Phase 2 deadline is August 31, 2023.** 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 is \$35. The Diocese will pay \$17.50 and families must pay \$17.50.

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TENTATIVE CALENDAR FOR 2023-24 – Please keep this TENTATIVE 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. 16
 Mon., Sept. 4
 Mon., Oct. 23
 Thurs., Nov. 2

First day of school for students
 Labor Day- no school
 11:30 dismissal, teacher professional development
 Parent-Teacher conferences; no school for students

Fri., Nov. 10	Veterans Day
Wed., Nov. 22	E-day for students
Thurs., Nov. 23- Fri. Nov. 24	Thanksgiving holiday
Wed- Fri., Dec. 13-15	exams
Mon., Dec. 18- Tues. Jan. 2	Christmas break
Wed., Jan. 3	classes resume
Mon., Jan. 15	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day- no school
Tues., Jan. 16	e-day for students, teacher professional development
Mon., Feb. 19	Presidents' Day- no school
Mon., March 18	11:30 dismissal, teacher professional development
Fri., March 29- Fri., Apr. 5	Easter Break
Mon., Apr. 8	classes resume
Thurs., May 23	baccalaureate
Fri., May 24	graduation
Mon., May 27	Memorial Day- no school
Wed., May 29- Fri., May 31	exams for 6th -11th graders
Friday, May 31	Moving Up Ceremony for 8 th graders

NOTES FROM THE ACADEMIC ADVISOR

- 1.) The health department asks all schools to keep students' immunization records up to date. 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. McLaughlin.**
- 2.) Reminder - Mrs. Aubel and Mrs. McLaughlin handle college visit requests. Students should get the forms from her and return the completed forms to her at least 2 days before the trip. **Seniors are allowed 2 college visit days; juniors are allowed 2 college visit days. College visits must be made before May 1.**
- 3.) SAT and ACT testing and registration information is available online at --www.collegeboard.org and www.act.org (CCHS code: 490-205).
- 4.) Juniors should visit colleges during spring break and/or over the upcoming months. Schools want to see student interest even before you apply. When you visit schools in-person, be sure to pick up literature, talk to the West Virginia specific admissions personnel, talk to students, look at dorms and classrooms, try the food, meet professors, and ask "Does this atmosphere suit me?" Remember it is just as important to learn the things you don't like about a school as the things you like about a school.

HANDBOOK REMINDERS

UNIFORM SHORTS- The time for uniform shorts is almost upon us (beginning April 15). Please take a few moments to review the handbook guidelines for uniform shorts. Navy blue twill shorts must be no higher than 2 inches above the knee. Shorts must not have any visible labeling or rivets. Uniform shorts are not cargo style. Shorts must be worn at the waist and be of modest fit. Shorts must not be faded. Students wearing worn, faded shorts will be considered out of uniform. Shorts are worn from the beginning of the school year until October 15 and beginning April 15 until the end of the school year.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES - In order to participate in extracurricular activities on a particular day, a student must be in school for the FULL DAY on the day of the event. This "full day" policy includes appointments, so students need to avoid scheduling appointments during the school day. Students who have long-standing medical appointments, family funerals, or similar instances may be excused at the discretion of the Assistant Principal for Operations. Additionally, students must be at school for the majority of the school day in order to be eligible for practice. **Students are also expected to be on time on days following athletic events. If a student is suspended at school, that student is also suspended from athletic practices, games, etc. for the FULL DAY on**

the day(s) suspended (i.e., if a student is suspended for a Tuesday, the suspension includes involvement in any school activities -- sports, social, etc. -- for Tuesday evening also).

UPCOMING EVENTS

SCIENCE FAIR-- The Advanced Honors STEM students will be presenting their projects in a school science fair on April 5. Judging will be from 4-5 pm in the commons. From 5 to 6 pm, the students would like to invite their teachers, classmates, friends and family members to view the results of their work this semester. Light refreshments will be provided.

CHARLESTON CATHOLIC'S 100TH YEAR- Charleston Catholic High School has been operating continuously since September of 1923. 100 years! The school opened as Sacred Heart High School on September 1923. It moved to our current building in January 1941 and became Charleston Catholic High School in August 1941. We will celebrate this milestone on the weekend of September 8-10 with a weekend of festivities. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend!



COMMUNITY SERVICE AND GIVING

SUPPORT CCHS AS YOU SHOP— Please support Charleston Catholic through the Kroger rewards program. The **Kroger Community Rewards** program can be used every time you grocery shop. To enroll, go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com and use the Charleston Catholic organization number **LH615**. Be sure you have your Kroger Plus card available when you register. Kroger Plus Cards are available at the Customer Service desk at any Kroger. To participate in the program, just register your **Kroger Plus Shopper's Card (as outlined above)**, use the card when you checkout, and Charleston Catholic will receive a check from Kroger on a quarterly basis.

CCHS DAY OF GIVING— Charleston Catholic will once again be participating in the Diocese's 4th annual Catholic Schools' giving day, **One Mission One Day to Make a Difference**, on **Tuesday, May 2, 2023**. All funds raised will go directly to support tuition needs of Charleston Catholic families. Be on the lookout for some competitions and incentives. Please consider participating in this online giving event!

HOPE 2023 UPDATE – Planning has begun for our 18th summer of HOPE. We will partner again this coming summer with Bill & Addie Likens, who coordinate the Cabwaylingo Appalachian Mission (CAM) in Wayne and Mingo Counties. **HOPE 2023 is scheduled for the week of June 25-30**. Our group of juniors, seniors, college age alumni and adult work team leaders will make significant repairs at the homes of several low-income families and seniors. We also plan for some of our volunteers to 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. A **slideshow of our 2022 HOPE experience** is posted on our school website under the "Community Outreach" tab. Also posted is a **video of the blitz-build of a new house for a family in need** that our volunteers helped construct in Wayne County last June.



ST. BALDRICK'S FOUNDATION-- Mark Ellis, high school chemistry teacher at CCHS, is raising money and awareness for childhood cancer research through the Saint Baldrick's Foundation. Mr. Ellis learned of this project through his participation in the Knights of Columbus, St. Michael the Archangel chapter, at Sacred Heart parish. Mr. Ellis will be one of the shaves to get his head shaved at Tops Off Barber Shop at 229 Hale Street on Thursday, May 18th. He is 15% towards his goal of raising \$1000. If you would like to make a donation to support his efforts, please go to <https://www.stbaldricks.org/participants/mypage/1110859/2023> or visit www.stbaldricks.org and search for "Mark Ellis" in the upper right hand corner. Any donation will be greatly appreciated.



CAMPUS MINISTRY



- 1.) Mark your calendars for upcoming retreats! The junior retreat will be Wednesday, May 10th. Transportation is being arranged, and lunch will be provided. The freshman retreat will be at Camp Virgil Tate on Friday, May 12th! Parent drivers are needed. 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.
- 2.) In order to be exempt from exams, seniors must complete their community service requirement by Friday, May 5th. All seniors must have their 30 hours (at least 15 hours serving the poor and vulnerable) completed in order to graduate.
- 3.) Many students collected money for Catholic Relief Services using the Rice Bowl program. Anyone with Rice Bowls at home should bring the money they collected to CCHS by Friday, April 29th.

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 Carrie Groom (304-546-4927) for jackets, Kristina Whiteaker (304-610-5544) for green polos, and Sara Frame (304-389-1241) 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.
- 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. All cafeteria volunteers should be COVID vaccinated and have a food handler card (see below).

****The Kanawha-Charleston Health Department requires all cafeteria volunteers to have a food handler card. Cards must be renewed every two years. In order to be in compliance with this requirement, all CCHS cafeteria volunteers must complete a 75 minute online training course and 30 question assessment with a score of 70%. The PVA will pay the registration cost and will provide volunteers with an access code to participate in the course. Please contact Tina Caldwell (304-546-3081 or tina.caldwell1987@gmail.com for an access code. Upon completion please submit a copy to the office which will be kept on file at the school and Athletic Facility. ****

- 3.) **Parent involvement** is a vital component of 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!
- 4.) **Athletic family passes** are available through the PVA. As the spring season gets underway, it may be time to invest in a pass! These passes are good for immediate family members only (not cousins, in-laws, ex-in-laws, grandparents, fiancées, etc.) to attend CCHS home games. The passes do not cover away games, tournaments played at home, or any SSAC tournaments. Cost is \$175 for all home middle school games only, \$200 for all home high school games only, and \$250 for all home games (both levels). A \$100 student or senior citizen pass for all home games is also available. Please contact Kerri Linton at 304-228-4138 or klinton@pcsolutions.com if you have questions about these passes.
- 5.) **PVA volunteer forms** are still being accepted. Our entire school community benefits from parent involvement! The Parent Registration Packet is available on the CCHS website.

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 25, 2023. 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 Ashley Stapleton 304-545-3800 and Trish Lusk 304-546-0558 for further information. A special thanks to everyone who has already contributed time and money!

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. This year it is scheduled to be at the Charleston YMCA on Friday, May 26, 2023, from 10:00 p.m. – 4:00 a.m. We still need several more volunteers to chaperone for this event. We only have three chaperones so far and we need a total of 10 at minimum. We are also in need of more donations to use as prizes. We have 60 graduating seniors and still need about 30 more prizes. All donations can be dropped off at the office at any time. For more information, please contact Ann Bollinger at bollinger_ann@hotmail.com or 304-545-4300 or Cynthia Hemphill-Reehling at cdillon3924@aol.com or 803-242-5087. Thank you in advance!

ATTENTION: JUNIOR PARENTS-- The juniors are in the planning phase for prom and are being encouraged to share their ideas with their parents. Any parent who would like to help should pass the word along through their student or contact Mrs. Leven at avrah.leven@charlestoncatholic-crw.org.

ATHLETIC UPDATES

TRAVEL—Students may not drive to school events, such as field trips or “away” athletic events, taking place at locations other than Charleston Catholic facilities or other designated “home” locations. Students must ride to and from the event with adults (age 21 or older) who have met the Diocesan requirements for field trip drivers.

SPRING SPORTS UPDATE— Spring sports are just getting started! Please follow our twitter page for updates @cchssports. We will post game times and score updates. You can also follow our Instagram for weekly updates @ccathletics

WINTER SPORTS WRAP UP—

Swimming- The swim team had an amazing season! Matthew Smith finished 3rd in the 200 IM and is the back to back State Champion in the 100 breast. Matthew once again broke his school record in the 100 breast. Lily Patnoe finished runner up in the 100 breast and 4th in the 100 free- huge accomplishments for Lily in her freshman year! Sydney Williamson qualified in all four of her events. Anthony Metz qualified as an individual as well. Both boys’ (John Patnoe, Alex Anton, Anthony Metz, Raymond Keith, and Adam Holtsclaw) and girls’ (Sydney Williamson, Palmer Brown,

Hannah Fisher, and Lily Patnoe) relay teams also qualified! Congratulations to the Irish and Coach Paulson on a super season!

High School Girls Basketball- The Lady Irish had one of their best runs in a long time. They won the Regional Championship and made the State Tournament for the 3rd year in a row. The Irish won their first round matchup but fell short to the #1 seed Summers County in a very close game. Molly Messer made the All Tournament team. The Lady Irish placed multiple team members on the All State Team including: Mary Rushworth -2nd team, Molly Messer - honorable mention, and Annie Cimino- honorable mention. Congratulations to the Irish and coaches on a fantastic season.

High School Boys Basketball- The boys basketball team had an impressive run as well. They made the State Championship game for the first time since 2014. The Irish fell short in the State Championship and finished AA State Runner up for the first time in school history – the first time playing in the AA State Championship. The Irish had multiple players recognized with All State honors including: Jayallen Turner- 1st team, and Max Wilcox 2nd team. Both of them also made the All Tournament team. Congratulations to the Irish and coaches on a great season.

Congratulations to Annie Cimino who won the WVADA Athlete of the Year in the State of West Virginia. She will now advance to the National Regional Athlete of the Year competition. Annie will be recognized at the Athletic Director conference on April 1st. She is the first athlete from Charleston Catholic to ever win this award.

BASEBALL GAME DAY SPONSORSHIPS- Our high school and middle school baseball teams are scheduled to play 2023 home games at the Shawnee Sports Complex. While the field usage cost of our home games is included in our field sponsorship, we are responsible for the field usage cost for our practice time on the field. **Please consider a Game Day Sponsorship.** A **\$200 donation** will help us cover the cost of the field rental for a few days of practice. **Your firm, company, or family's name will be displayed at the field on your game date.** Baseball Game Day Sponsor Forms are available here.



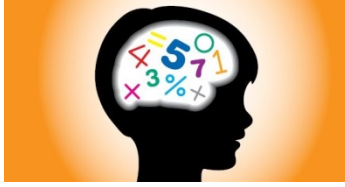
FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

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.

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



YEARBOOK UPDATES—Senior parents— don't miss the opportunity to recognize your child in the yearbook. Use the link below to buy your senior ad space. **Senior ads have a final deadline of April 15!**

https://yearbookforever.com/schools/charleston_catholic_high_school_buy_yearbook_197/53Tpjkz8nr434sz7EguUMQX0

Also, the yearbook is in need of middle school pictures (especially sports pictures). Please submit pictures to our app - Walsworth's Yearbook Snap App. Use code goirish.



CONGRATULATIONS

-to Raymond Keith for placing 8th in grades 10-12 and Altay Bayraktar for placing 1st in 7th grade at regional Math Field Day. Both students will move on to compete at WV State Math Field Day in April. We wish them good luck!

-to Joseph Ward who represented CCHS at the Poetry Out Loud state finals earlier this month. Joseph placed in the top 10 of the first division, an impressive feat for a first time competitor!

-to the Science Olympiad Team that competed in the Marshall Science Olympiad Tournament on March 4. The team brought home three medals: third place for Dynamic Planet was won by Gracie Bumgarner and Rayna Nichols, second place for Juliana Veazey and Tony Singh in Environmental Chemistry, and second place for Jordan Loew and Juliana Veazey in the Write It Do It competition. Other participants representing CCHS were seniors Lauren Camper, Olivia Jonathan, and Claire Smith, junior Nicole Gao, and sophomores Julie Jadue-Nardiello, Michelle Pauley, Lucia Okuno, and Telina Williams. The team will start preparing for next year's tournament in August! All are welcome to participate. See Mrs. Arnold for more information.



MANY THANKS

- to the Parent Volunteer Association for a delicious St. Patrick's Day treat for the faculty and staff.

- to Amy Tawney, the PVA, and Spring Hill Bakery for providing King Cakes for our Mardi Gras celebration.

- to Marshall professor and primatologist Kimberly Dingess for her Science Seminar presentation entitled "Thirty Years of Primate Research." Fifty-four students attended her fascinating lecture that focused on many aspects of primates including the evolution or pair duets in monogamous monkey species and tool use in different types of primates.

CALENDAR FOR 2022-23

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 (if those students have not been participating in classes virtually) 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.

Friday, April 7-	Easter Break
Friday, April 14	
Monday, April 17	classes resume
Monday, April 24- Friday, May 5	spring MAP testing for grades 6-10
Monday, April 24- Friday, April 28	ARK testing in theology classes for all students
Monday, May 1- Friday, May 12	AP tests
Saturday, May 20	prom
Thursday, May 25	Baccalaureate, in evening
Friday, May 26	graduation and Project Graduation
Monday, May 29	Memorial Day-no school
Wed/Thurs/Friday, May 31- June 2	exams, 11:15 dismissal
Friday, June 2	Moving Up Ceremony for 8 th graders