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Dear parents and students:

The last few weeks have definitely felt like spring, right down to the hustle and bustle that accompanies this time of year. It feels good to experience some more normal activities- AP tests; track meets, tennis matches, and baseball and softball games; and end of the year event planning.

Though we are in May and outside is calling, please encourage your children to keep working. There is still plenty of school remaining! This year has been tough, but the students will see the rewards of their hard work if they stick with it. Keeping up with the small things (doing the reading assignments, taking notes in class, and studying for quizzes) will pay off and make the big things much easier!

We are in the homestretch. Let's finish the year strong together!

Warmly,
Colleen Hoyer

CONDOLENCES -- We express our sympathy to a few of our students and their families who have lost a loved one recently. May the souls of the departed rest in peace: Francesca Fairless' maternal uncle and Stella Bailey's paternal grandmother. Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers.

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ACADEMIC UPDATES

PROGRESS REPORTS – for the fourth quarter were emailed over the weekend. Please help your children stay focused through the end of the school year. Encourage your children to put forth the effort that is needed. 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 – Spring exams will be here in just under a month. This will be the first time students have taken exams in over a year. 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 93%; **4) fine arts requirements must have been completed by Friday, March 26, and community service requirements were due by Friday, May 7, 2021.** 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.

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| Seniors: | Tuesday/Wednesday, May 25/26 (schedule to be announced) | |
| Sixth grade: | Monday, 6/7 | exams for periods 1 and 2; 11:00 dismissal |
| | Tuesday, 6/8 | exams for periods 3 and 5; 11:00 dismissal |
| | Wednesday, 6/9 | exams for periods 7 and 8; 11:00 dismissal |
| 7th/8th grade: | Friday, 6/4 | exam for period 8 (8- 9:30 a.m.); 2:45 dismissal |
| | Monday, 6/7 | exams for periods 2 and 5; 11:00 dismissal |
| | Tuesday, 6/8 | exams for periods 4 and 3; 11:00 dismissal |
| | Wednesday, 6/9 | exams for periods 1 and 7; 11:00 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. **

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| High school: | Friday, 6/4 | exam for period 1 (8 – 9:30 a.m.); 3:00 dismissal |
| | Monday, 6/7 | exams for periods 2 and 3; 11:15 dismissal |
| | Tuesday, 6/8 | exams for periods 4 and 8; 11:15 dismissal |
| | Wednesday, 6/9 | exams for periods 6 and 7; 11:15 dismissal |

SCHEDULING CLASSES – The scheduling process for the upcoming school year is underway. Because of the scope of the task, schedules won’t be complete until registration in August. The in-depth 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. Great lengths are taken 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.

COVID COMMUNICATION UPDATES

COVID EXPOSURE REPORTING- Despite the positive trends and increased vaccinations in our area, positive COVID cases continue to appear. It is critical that we continue to practice COVID safety protocols. The ongoing and open communication between home and school related to illness and COVID cases and exposures is of utmost importance. Many thanks for keeping us in the loop. If anyone in your household is undergoing COVID screening due to an exposure or illness, please keep your students home until receiving negative test results. Minimizing potential exposures is an important step in preventing quarantines of significant numbers of students. Please use health@charlestoncatholic-crw.org to notify the school administration if you learn of an exposure of your student or a household member after school hours. Please use this email address to report COVID-19 exposures, positive tests, or questions. Please call the school office at 304-342-8415 and speak with an administrator if you learn of the exposure during school office hours.

ABSENCES- Virtual participation has been designed to support our students who are ill and to encourage students to stay home if they are sick so that we can keep our school community healthy. Planning for virtual learning, in addition to

in person learning, requires significant time and effort from the teachers. Therefore, it should be utilized primarily in the cases of illness, exposure, or injury. **Students who miss school for reasons other than illness should contact a school administrator for approval prior to virtual participation.** Students who are ill with any symptoms should stay home from school. If your child will be absent from school, please communicate with the school office as soon as possible in the morning. You may email the office at appointments@charlestoncatholic-crw.org or begin calling the office as early as 7:15 to make us aware of an absence so we can prepare. Middle school starts class at 7:45 and high school starts at 8:00. Letting us know before school starts will help make the day go more smoothly for everyone!

RETURN TO SCHOOL GUIDELINES AND VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION- Students who are ill will remain out of school for 3 days with improving symptoms. A negative COVID test or documentation of another condition (eg. strep throat, ear infection) from the student’s physician will be required for a student to return to school. Students may attend school virtually for the days they are home if they are well enough and the office has been notified by a parent prior to the student logging on. Students who are sent home sick during the school day will follow the guidelines for three days of improving symptoms and a negative COVID test or documentation of another condition to return. **Students who leave during the school day will NOT participate virtually for the remainder of that day. They may begin to participate virtually on their first full day of the absence.** If a student misses class due to illness, it is important that he/she touches base with the teacher and checks Google Classroom for make up work. Students should not assume that all classes will be recorded. Attendance and return to school guidelines are different for those who have been fully vaccinated. Please make sure to communicate vaccination status to the office in the case of an illness so an administrator can discuss adjustments with you.

VACCINES- As you know, vaccines have been opened for all West Virginians twelve and over. The Kanawha Charleston Health Department will be holding clinics for the next several weeks for families who are interested. Fully vaccinated people are exempt from quarantine after an exposure unless they begin to experience symptoms. That means fully vaccinated students with documentation are able to continue to attend school in person.

2021-22 TUITION, CALENDAR, AND TEXTBOOK INFORMATION

TUITION INFORMATION FOR 2021-22— including invoices, payment options, and loan information from Premier Bank was mailed on April 15. This year’s 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.

TENTATIVE CALENDAR FOR 2021-22 – Please keep this calendar in mind as you plan for next year. 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.

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| Wednesday, August 18 | first day of school, 11:30 dismissal |
| Thursday, August 19 | first full day of school |
| Monday, September 6 | Labor Day-no school |
| Saturday, September 18 | Homecoming |
| Thursday, November 4 | Parent Teacher Conferences |
| Thursday, November 11 | Veterans Day-no school |
| Wed/ Thurs/ Friday, November 24- 26 | Thanksgiving Break |
| Wed/ Thurs/ Friday, December 15- 17 | exams, 11:15 dismissal |
| Monday, December 20- | |
| Friday, December 31 | Christmas Break |
| Monday, January 3 | classes resume |
| Friday, January 14 | end of second quarter, first semester |
| Monday, January 17 | Martin Luther King, Jr. Day-no school |
| Monday, February 21 | Presidents Day-no school |
| Monday, April 11- | Easter Break |

Monday, April 18
 Tuesday, April 19
 Friday, May 27
 Monday, May 30
 Wed/Thurs/Friday June 1- 3
 Friday, June 3

classes resume
 graduation
 Memorial Day-no school
 exams, 11:15 dismissal
 8th grade moving up ceremony



TEXTBOOK PROCEDURES 2021-2022

Please note that English textbooks are new this year. Higher level math and AP math classes will participate in the CCHS rental program. Most of the newly adopted textbooks have a very recent copyright date; therefore, used supplies on the internet are extremely limited. You are encouraged to take advantage of CCHS book forms in June in order to have textbooks available for the start of school.

Middle School

Middle school students will receive order forms for required textbooks in English class later this month. These forms must be completed by parents and returned to school by noon on June 9. Textbooks ordered in June will 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.**

Please note that the Theology consumable textbook used in middle school is included in your fees. 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 in English class and is due back in the office by noon on June 9. Textbooks ordered in June will 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.

Core Classes: English 9 Honors, Theology 9, Health, Physics Honors & Advanced Honors, English 10 Honors & Advanced Honors, Theology 10, Physical Education, English 11 Honors, English 11 AP, Theology 11, US History 20/21st Honors, English 12 Honors & AP, Theology 12

****Geometry and Algebra 2 use the same book across all classes and these can be ordered in June.****

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.**

Current French II students must keep their textbook and workbook for use in French III Advanced Honors next year. In addition, students must purchase a French III textbook and order a new French III workbook. Current French III Advanced Honors students must also keep their textbook and workbook for next year in French IV. All students in

French I, II, and III Advanced Honors must purchase a workbook and textbook either through the school or online using the correct ISBN provided on the textbook order form.

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.

NOTES FROM THE ACADEMIC ADVISOR

- 1.) The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources requires that all 7th and 12th grade students enrolled in WV public and private schools must have proof of immunizations or they will not be allowed to begin school in August. CCHS must have an updated copy of the immunization records, which include these vaccines, on file in the school office in order to allow your child to begin school in August 2021. **Students entering 7th and 12th grades must have 1 dose of the Tdap vaccine and 1 dose of the meningitis vaccine. If the 12th grade student received a meningitis vaccine before his/her 16th birthday, he/she is required to have a second dose of the vaccine at this time.**
- 2.) SAT and ACT testing and registration information and registration is available online at -- www.collegeboard.org and www.act.org (CCHS code: 490-205). CCHS encourages students to take both the ACT and the SAT before the end of their junior year. Doing this allows students to get a baseline score and to prepare for future tests. Both tests are accepted by all colleges and universities for admission. Students may also take SAT II subject tests which are best taken at the end of the junior year or upon completion of courses being tested e.g., Biology, World History, U.S. History. These are required for admission to many colleges and universities. Take a look at the admissions pages of colleges that are interesting to you to determine if they are required.
- 3.) Students who miss more than 5 unexcused class periods are required to make up time at the end of the semester. Mr. Villers will notify students who need to make up class time for excessive absences. Hours to be made up will be scheduled on exam days after dismissal time. Remember, only school-related activities (e.g., academic competitions, college visits, and early dismissal for school athletic events) are excused. Attendance at dance workshops/performances, family trips, non-school-related athletic events, etc. are NOT excused for attendance purposes and must be made up in order to receive Carnegie credits for classes.

HANDBOOK 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.**

TELEPHONE-- Students may use the office phone only in case of emergency and with permission from the office staff. **Students are not permitted out of class to make phone calls.** Messages to students from parents may be called into the office and should be made only for reasons that cannot be postponed. Students are called to the office to pick up messages during the afternoon announcements. Because of the number of students enrolled, we strongly request and urge that parents make arrangements with their students regarding transportation, appointments, etc., before students leave home. There is no guarantee that students will receive messages that are called into the school.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND GIVING

SUPPORT CCHS AS YOU SHOP— The programs listed below make it very simple to support the school when you shop.

- 1.) 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.
- 2.) When you shop at Amazon.com, the AmazonSmile program will donate 0.5% of your purchases to CCHS when you log in to your Amazon account using the address <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/55-0630688> (or by clicking on the link on the School Home section of RenWeb) to enroll in the program.

DONATE TO HOPE 2021 – Planning continues for our 16th summer of HOPE. We will partner again this summer with Bill & Addie Likens, who coordinate the Cabwaylingo Appalachian Mission (CAM) in Wayne and Mingo Counties. During the week of **August 1-6, 2021**, our group of juniors, seniors, college age alumni and adult work team leaders plan to 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. We are committed to raising **\$25,000, the amount needed to purchase all the building materials for the construction of the new home**. CAM will supplement our fundraising efforts with the materials necessary to complete the repairs on the other houses at which we will work, making these houses **warmer, safer, and drier**. A **slideshow of our HOPE experience** in the summer of 2019 can be viewed on our school website under the "Community Outreach" tab. The slideshow includes photos of the new house that some of our volunteers helped construct for a mom and her two young children in Mingo County. Please consider making a **tax deductible donation, 100% of which will go toward the purchase of construction supplies**. Donate online at www.charlestoncatholic-crw.org and search "Donate to HOPE." Or simply click on this link: HOPE 2021 Donation Form



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 Kathy Atassi (304-415-0071) for jackets, Marilyn Ford (304-610-4243) 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** are needed for the upcoming school year. Please contact Stephanie Sullivan at wvsteph23@yahoo.com if you would like to be on the cafeteria schedule for August and September 2021. Most volunteers will need to renew their food handlers' cards. Stephanie will give you information for doing so once you have emailed her. Please indicate in your email if it has been more than 2 years since you took your food handlers course.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

END OF YEAR SENIOR EVENTS—Each year, we celebrate our seniors with a number of special events to mark their many achievements. We are planning to host several events for this year's seniors, though the events will be adjusted to accommodate COVID safety protocols. Parents of younger students are involved in planning and volunteering at these events. Please be on the lookout for requests to help and be ready to sign up!

- Freshmen parents will help with Baccalaureate/ Graduation set up and clean up on Saturday, May 29.
- Sophomore parents will help with Project Graduation on Thursday, May 27.

Thank you for your support as we celebrate the Class of 2021!

EIGHTH GRADE MOVING UP CELEBRATION- Seventh grade parent volunteers are needed to help with the eighth grade moving up celebration. This will take place June 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the teachers' parking lot. Please contact Larra Winter (304-687-4189) or Trish Lusk (304-546-0558) to get involved.



ATHLETIC UPDATES

BASEBALL GAME DAY SPONSORSHIPS- Our high school and middle school baseball teams are playing their 2021 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. To date we have received enough sponsors for the middle school games, but have a few high school games available for sponsorship. **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 online on the school website. Click on the "Athletics Home" tab or search "Baseball Game Day Sponsorship." Or click on this link: [Catholic Baseball Game Day Sponsor Form](#)

SPORTS UPDATE- Winter sports have finally come to a close. Despite the different and crazy year, the Irish still achieved a lot of success!

The swim team had a great end to their season at the State Meet. The Lady Irish placed sixteenth in the 200 freestyle relay with their best time of the season. Vivian Delgra finished with her best time of the season in the 50 free. For the boys' team, Matthew Smith placed third in the breaststroke and once again broke the school record! Matthew also finished fourth in the 200 IM. Anthony Metz had his best performance of the year in the backstroke. It was a fantastic first season for Coach Paulson and the Irish!

The high school girls' basketball team ended their season at the State Tournament with a first round loss to Petersburg. It was an amazing season for the Lady Irish, winning both the sectional and regional championships. Sydney Bolles was named first team All Kanawha Valley and first team All State. Hannah Rahin was named All State honorable mention. What an outstanding season for the Irish, Coach Hevener, and the coaching staff.

The high school boys' basketball team finished their season in a heartbreaking loss to Poca in the State Tournament semifinals. The Irish were also sectional and regional champions! Aiden Satterfield scored his 1,000th point, set the single game three point record, and was named first team All Kanawha Valley and first team All Tournament this season. Zion Suddeth received first team All Tournament honors with an amazing defensive effort the whole tournament. This was the Irish's second straight tournament berth. Congratulations to the Irish, Coach Moles, and the coaching staff on a tremendous season!

The middle school basketball seasons came to a close as well. The middle school boys finished second in the Kanawha County Conference with a record of 10-2. It was a special season for the Irish, Coach Blaydes, and the team staff. The middle school girls finished fourth in the County with a 6-3 record. It was a great season for the Lady Irish, first year Coach Thornburg and the coaching staff.



Spring sports are nearing their end also in this most unique year.

The middle school golf team will be in the County Tournament on Monday, May 17. They are currently 6-3 in matches this season.

The middle school tennis County Tournament will be on Friday, May 21. The boys are undefeated and the girls have one loss this season.

The middle school track County Meet will be Tuesday, May 18. The Lady Irish have been very impressive this season and look very strong heading into the meet.

The middle school baseball and softball teams will participate in a County Showcase on Saturday, May 22. The baseball team is currently undefeated on the season.

The high school baseball team is currently ranked number two in the state. The Irish are catching fire at the right time in the season. Sectionals begin during the week of May 31.

Softball will also begin sectionals the week of May 31. The Lady Irish have been improving all season, and with strong senior leadership, they look to make a run this postseason.

The Lady Irish tennis team has been very impressive this season. They are hoping to carry their success into the regional tournament which will be the week of May 24.

The track team will run in regionals on June 2- June 4. The Lady Irish has been very impressive this year. Colleen O'Leary has placed first in shot put in every meet so far. The 4x8 team has placed first multiple times. The team also has many other top three finishes. They hope to continue this success.

We will be sending information soon about fall sports and next year. The summer three week period will be July 5- 23rd. Be on the lookout for information on our twitter page and have your students listen to announcements for meeting dates.

Go Irish!



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.

VIRTUS– Be sure you are 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. Print out the certificate of completion and submit it to Mr. Villers. It is still necessary to complete the background check and sexual abuse awareness statement which can be done by clicking on the link at the school website at www.charlestoncatholic-crw.org. If you have questions, please call Mr. Villers.

Adults who volunteer, coach, or chaperone, may be asked to update background and policy forms. Background checks must be updated every three to five years depending on your role in the school. Policy questionnaires should be updated if they were signed before 2014. Current Diocesan guidelines do not require volunteers to update the training portion of VIRTUS. Please contact Mr. Villers with any questions and to update your forms.

WE NEED YOUR PHOTOS FOR THE YEARBOOK! – We need your help gathering photos for this year’s yearbook. You can share photos of sporting events and practices, school & community events, or e-learning photos. Start sharing today! **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**

Be sure to share photos as soon as possible so that our staff can integrate them prior to their quarterly deadlines.

SENIOR YEARBOOK REMINDERS—Senior baby pictures and quotes should be turned in for inclusion in the yearbook. Photos can be emailed to Ms. Marks at gina.marks@charlestoncatholic-crw.org or turned in to Ms. Marks or Mrs. Lycan at school. Don’t forget to plan for your senior ads. Design and payment details should be coordinated with Ms. Marks. Please contact her with any questions.

VIRTUAL STUDENT YEARBOOK PHOTOS—Virtual students who did NOT have school pictures taken at the school should send their own yearbook portrait in the highest resolution to gina.marks@charlestoncatholic-crw.org. Please contact her with any questions.

IF YOUR LAST NAME IS DIFFERENT FROM YOUR CHILD’S NAME – please put the child’s full name on all checks issued to CCHS and to any correspondence sent to the school.

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR RENWEB AND PARENT ALERT—If any of your demographic information changes or if you are not receiving weekly RenWeb emails with grade reports, please update your demographic information in RenWeb. Log in to ParentsWeb through RenWeb and update your contact information by choosing “WebForms” under “School Information.” Address, phone number, and email information is located in the family demographic form. This is also where we get contact information for the Parent Alert texts that are used to communicate time sensitive and important school information (like weather related schedule changes.) Be on the lookout for these texts with important school updates including announcements from the school office. If you have questions or need assistance, please call the school office.

GLOVES— The science department is in need of rubber, latex gloves for students to use during lab work. Donations would be much appreciated. Please coordinate with Amy Arnold or drop gloves off in the school office.

MANY THANKS

- to the game day sponsors of high school and middle school baseball. We are thankful for your support!
- to our coaches for their dedication to our student athletes despite the many challenges presented by COVID.
- to Father Binu and Mark Haas for their commitment to celebrating liturgies with our students each week.

CONGRATULATIONS

- to freshman Hunter Wilkes who was accepted into the West Virginia Governor's School for Entrepreneurship this summer.
- to juniors Jadon Dorsey, Nick Shaf, and Jill Uy who were selected to attend the Governor’s Honors Academy this summer.
- to sophomore Emma Tolliver-Duffer who was accepted into the Governor’s School for the Arts this summer.
- to seventh grader Preston Hill, eighth grader John Christian Settle, and freshman Hunter Wilkes who have been selected to attend the Governor’s STEM Institute this summer.
- to eighth graders Ewan Becher, Jonah DiCocco, Zachary Harrison, Aurelia Kirby, William Salutillo, and John Christian Settle for being named Golden Horseshoe winners! Since 1931, eighth grade students have been honored as knights of the Golden Horseshoe having demonstrated exceptional knowledge of West Virginia history on the state administered exam. They will have an opportunity to be recognized at the Golden Horseshoe ceremony on June 25, 2021.
- to French students for their achievement on the National French Exam. We congratulate Georgie Abdalla (3), Luke Blaydes (01B), Jacob Bowman (3), Zoe Charbonniez (01B), Billy Ford (3), Lauren Gillespie (3), Elaria Habib (1), Olivia Jonathan (3), Raymond Keith (3), Robert Keith (3), Kevin Le (3), Molly Murphy (3), Dylan Nguyen (3), Avery Orr (2), Olivia Persinger (2), Charlie Rashid (01B), Claire Smith (3), Malakai Smith (1), Hannah Sullivan (2), Ellya Summers (01B), Laylee Summers (3), Nayla Summers (3), Jill Uy (3) for earning National Honorable Mention on the National French Exam; to Noah McLaughlin (3), William Salutillo (01B), and Elle Smith (01B) for earning a National Bronze Medal on the National French Exam; and to Ewan Becher (01B), Kevin Hayes (3), and Elizabeth Zacks (3) for earning a National Silver Medal on the National French Exam!
- to Spanish students, for their impressive performance on the National Spanish Exam. Students were recognized at the following levels: National Honorable Mention- Callie Bumgarner (01A), Joe Haynes (01A), Olivia Hayes (01B), Micah Hill (2), Aurelia Kirby (01B), Gwyneth Lanning (2), Tiffany Lian (3), Jordan Loew (2), Savanna Lovejoy (01B), Colin McGinley (2), Nadia Orcutt (01B), Avery Persinger (2), Katherine Reehling (01B), Juliana Veazey (3), Connor Waybright (01B), Max Wilcox (01B), and Hunter Wilkes (2); National Bronze Medal- Julia Bali (01B), Jonah DiCocco (01B), Zachary Harrison (01B), Sarah Rahin (2), Tony Singh (2), and Jenna DeTemple (4); and National Gold Medal (the highest national award)- Kathryn Lakin (4)!
- to Latin students, for their impressive performance of the National Latin Exam. Students earned the following recognitions: Cum Laude- Zoe Jarvis (3); Magna Cum Laude- Joey Muchow (2) and Gracie Bumgarner (3); Silver Medal Maxima Cum Laude- Elizabeth Blanchard (1A), Clare James (1A), Jacob Brown (1A), and Hayden Carriger (3); and Gold Medal Summa Cum Laude- Nicholas Shaf (3).

- to Latin students who participated in Marshall University's Maier Latin competitions: Jacob Brown earned third place, Level 1; Samara Harrison earned second place, Level 2; Hayden Carriger earned second place, Level 3; and Kaitlyn Keith earned Honorable Mention, Level 4.

CALENDAR FOR 2020-21

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.

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| Saturday, May 22 | formal evening event for seniors |
| Thursday, May 27 | senior retreat and Project Graduation for seniors |
| Saturday, May 29 | Baccalaureate and Graduation, 10:00 a.m. |
| Monday, May 31 | Memorial Day holiday |
| Mon/ Tues/ Wed, June 7-9 | exams for 6 th - 11 th graders |
| Wednesday, June 9 | Moving Up Ceremony for 8th graders, 6:30 p.m. |