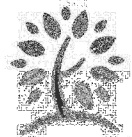




Charlevoix High School Connection



It is the mission of Charlevoix High School to provide all students with an education leading to social, emotional, physical and academic growth and to promote responsibility, pride and dignity.

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From the Principal:

I hope this finds everyone enjoying the first week of spring. It has been so great to see grass and hear the birds outside this past week. Students are involved in new activities and there is a feeling of new beginnings in the air.

Enclosed you will find your son or daughter's 2nd trimester report card. I commend those students who have put forth extra effort in school and are making academics a priority in their lives. Keep up the great work! I would like to remind all of you that spring is a busy time for many students. We have about half of our student body involved in spring sports, plus many more involved in performing arts, band, academic quiz bowl, FPS, and other clubs. Many of these teams leave early from school for events and some miss entire days of school. Therefore, it is often tough for involved students to stay caught up on class work during the last couple months of school. Please continue to check Power School, communicate with teachers if needed, and reinforce the extra learning opportunities before and after school if your student begins to fall behind in his/her classes.

I would like to personally thank the juniors for their hard work and dedication on the Michigan Merit Exam this month. I am so impressed that we had almost 100% attendance and more impressed with the seriousness with which the students applied themselves during this grueling 3-day test. KUDOS to the Class of 2012! Thanks also to Mrs. Karrie Gaffney and Mrs. Gail Cherry and to our entire CHS staff for the team effort in preparing our students throughout the year and for organizing an exceptional testing environment for our students.

Thank you to Mrs. Karrie Gaffney and Mrs. Jill Baier for coordinating and hosting College Night at CHS this month. It was a huge undertaking, but the payoffs were well worth it. We had well over 350 local students and parents attend and meet with the college reps. What a great showing! I would also like to thank Mrs. Gail Cherry for planning and organizing another productive CHS Career Day this week, with 25 careers represented and students able to partake in 3 different presentations.

April is a busy and important month in planning our schedule and staffing plan for next year. All students have registered for classes during the past month and we have hosted parent nights for current freshmen and sophomores (if you were not in attendance, your student's registration form was sent home for your approval via your student). Junior parents - your son or daughter's registration form is enclosed. Please review the choices with your student, sign indicating your approval and return to Mrs. Baier in the next few days. You can view the entire CHS Course Enrollment Guide for 2011-2012 at www.rayder.net under CHS. Thanks for your assistance with this process. Our goal is to generate a master schedule that fulfills student course requests. Therefore, it is important that we receive your input now as the schedule is being developed.

We have also enclosed your student's school bill for this year. I know how hectic the end of the school year can be and want to make sure you are aware that this balance must be paid by June 1st. **Seniors will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony with an outstanding balance.** As always, thanks for supporting your student with his or her school work and extra-curricular activities. April and May will prove to be busy months, so please continue to stay updated by checking our website and your student's attendance/grades in Power School.

Success for all kids,

Suzanne Klingler

STUDENT SERVICES OFFICE

Seniors, your final class rankings that are sent to colleges continue to be based on your grades through the end of the school year, so continue your best efforts. Senior Interviews with community members are scheduled the end of April and beginning of May. Continue researching your career goals and polishing those portfolios!



Juniors, it is important to visit the colleges you are considering attending. Call ahead for appointments for tours and visits to programs in areas of your interest. Check college websites as many have special tour dates arranged for potential students.

Summer study opportunities are available for high school students at colleges throughout the state. They offer short term camps and training sessions in a multitude of interests and enjoyable learning activities. Leadership training opportunities are also available. See the daily bulletin or stop in the Guidance Office for more information.

ACT: June 11, 2011 at CHS

Deadline for signup is May 6.

Register at www.actstudent.org using CHS school code 230-570. Most colleges suggest signing up for the Writing Assessment along with the ACT.

SAT: May 7, 2011 - Signup by April 8

June 4, 2011 - Signup by May 6.

Register at www.collegeboard.com with CHS school code 230-570.

Please remember that the door is always open to visit with Mrs. Gaffney!

ATHLETICS

Charlevoix High School's spring sports season kicked off on March 14th. The gyms are packed with teams practicing indoors and hoping for a quick thaw before migrating outside to practice and play. Teams will have three solid weeks to practice before spring break. After break, all spring sports will be in full swing. Some sports will actually face competition prior to spring break. The track team travels to the UP on March 23rd for the LSSU Classic Indoor Track & Field Meet. Baseball and Softball will also travel to Inland Lakes for their opener on March 29th. Additionally, Girls' Soccer, Tennis and Boys' Golf are motivated for success. Our new Athletic Complex at the High School will be in full use for you to see and enjoy. Let's all hope for a great spring like we had last year. Come out and support all of our teams! Go Rayders!



*Brian Certa
Athletic Director*

COMING SOON

March 23	Career Day
March 25	Freshmen Vision Screening
April 1-11	Spring Break
April 12	Classes Resume Tuesday
April 14	Student Council ARC Blood Drive, 8:30am-2:30pm CHS Gym - Please donate!
April 21	Sophomore Pathway Tours and Site Visits
April 28	CHS Spring Band Concert
April 30	Prom
May 14,15	Performing Arts Spring Show
May 18	Senior Honors Convocation, 7:00 p.m. - CHS aud. Student Honorees will receive invitation.
May 30	Memorial Day - no school
June 5	Graduation, 2:00 p.m. - CHS gymnasium
June 7 - 9	Exams
June 9	Last day of classes for grades 9, 10, 11
June 11	ACT at CHS