



Corvallis High School

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August 2003

Principal's greeting

Dear CHS students and parents,

Welcome to the start of a great new school year! I hope your summer has been full of rest, play, relaxation and anticipation. As I write this in mid-July I know we, the staff at CHS has already laid the groundwork for a good year. Let me catch you up—

New staff - With the loss of veteran staff in June, we have been spending hours working on bringing a great set of new teachers and staff to CHS. The process is not finished at this time because we are not sure where the state legislature is going to set the final budget figures. But we can tell you a few details that we know right now-

Attendance Office- Rosalind Harold (from Franklin); Social Studies - Colleen Works (from Inavale and Cheldelin MS, before that); Science - Mathew Kirby (from Linfield, OSU and Pat Canan's tutelage); Math - Susan Diaz (returning to CHS from leave); Alternative Ed. - Cheri Stroud (from College Hill / Harding Center). We will be sharing staff with other schools and the names of those teachers will be given to you once the final budget figures and staffing decisions are finished in early August.

Drastic budget - We were given major cuts to deal with this spring. Simply put—we, the staff and administration, saw cuts in staff, increases in class sizes and dramatic cuts in supplies and materials. We set our highest priority of keeping the broad offerings of fine arts, tech education, performing arts, and activities/ athletics. But we did so at the expense of having to increase class sizes again—averaging 37 students/class, cutting any class that could not attract a base of student interest of at least 27 students, and cutting out nearly 75% of our copying and materials budget compared to recent years' levels. We raised participation fees and cut hours of educational assistant time. We will be depending on your donations of money and material to help us through and we thank you for your support. Tax deductible donations may be made to the Corvallis School District Foundation and may be specifically targeted to areas you wish to support.

Old building/ New building - our campus stewards and maintenance workers have gotten a great start on preparing the rooms, halls, offices and grounds for the nearly 1,400 Spartans that will arrive in September. We will be working extra hard in the next two years to make sure that we all are learning in a clean, safe and comfortable building while construction of the new building takes place next door. We won't be guilty of "letting it go" when it comes to the condition of the existing buildings.

Parking, Parking, Parking - depending on timing of site work, we will be losing the tennis court parking lot this school year, probably in October or November, if not sooner. Plans are already being worked on to handle the parking needs, but student and parent cooperation will be essential to minimize the inconvenience. Please stay tuned for details.

Fields - With new construction we are slated to lose the use of our football/ soccer field space on the east side of 16th (the present football stadium and JV baseball field). We have already made arrangements with Crescent Valley, City Parks and Recreation and OSU to help us meet the needs of our athletic teams for practice and for games. Again, we are watering the fields to enable us to use them until site work begins. More information and details will be given to fall teams as we get closer to start of play.

Education Levy - In September residents of Benton County will be asked to vote on a seven-year income tax levy aimed at addressing school funding for schools in Benton County. **Information and Forums** will be available for residents to hear the details of the levy and the underlying needs. Please get informed and vote. This is a huge issue for Corvallis schools, our community and our students.

Athletic / Activities Fees - We have decided to forego raising our athletic participation fees to the level first discussed. The school board has reinstated about 50% of the support originally cut. We will increase fees **\$25/ sport**, and then wait for further actions, major fundraising campaigns, or cuts pending the outcome of the September levy.

With all that being said.... we really are ready for students to be back to CHS, back to a quality education and a wonderful community of caring staff and learners. See you at registration and the start of school. Enjoy the rest of summer break!!!!

Jay Conroy, Principal

Parent conferences will be held at the end of October. Watch for details later.

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Orientation for parents

There will be a meeting for **parents of all new students** (ninth graders and transfer students) on Tuesday, September 2, at 7:00 PM in the cafeteria. This will be a time for staff and parents to preview the year, discuss the extensive opportunities at CHS, and share information. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

Open house

Open House at CHS will be held on Wednesday, September 24. At 6:30 PM schedules will be available in the lobby. At 6:45 Principal Jay Conroy will briefly welcome parents and guardians in the auditorium. At 7:05 those attending will meet in their student's first period classroom. The evening will end around 8:45. Plan to attend and learn more about your child's education.

First day of school

Corvallis High School welcomes all ninth graders and other new students at *new student orientation* on Wednesday, September 3, from 7:40 AM - 11:00 AM. During this time, new students will meet staff, hear about programs, activities and policies and tour the building. Returning CHS students should report at 11:00, when all students are invited to an entertainment-packed lunch. Cost is \$2.50. Classes begin for ALL students at 11:50.

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| | 7:40-11:00 | Freshmen/New Students Orientation-Auditorium |
| | 11:00-11:45 | Lunch |
| A block | 11:50 - 12:15 | 1 st period |
| | 12:20 - 12:40 | 2 nd period |
| B block | 12:45 - 1:05 | 3 rd period |
| | 1:10 - 1:30 | 4 th period |
| C block | 1:35 - 1:55 | 5 th period |
| | 2:00 - 2:20 | 6 th period |
| D block | 2:25 - 2:45 | 7 th period |
| | 2:50 - 3:10 | 8 th period |

Freshmen and new students will use the regular bus route; buses will run again about 2 ½ hours later for

sophomores, juniors and seniors on September 4 only. Only new students should come to CHS on the morning run. There is a late start for returning students.

Registration for 2003-2004

| Tuesday, August 19 | Wednesday, August 20 |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Seniors — 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Sophomores — 10:00 AM – 1:30 PM |
| Juniors — 2:00 – 4:30 PM | Freshmen — 2:30 PM – 6:00 PM |

Registration packets were mailed out the first full week of August. At registration you will get your schedule, have your ID/SBC picture taken, pay your fees, check out your books, find your locker and be ready for the first day! If you cannot attend on the designated day, please call the counseling office. Volunteers are needed for registration, call Linda Alderman at 757-5871 in August.

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| open registration , 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, small gym | August 21 | August 26 |
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Electronic newsletters?

Communication within the CHS community is important, however, it does not come for free. Printing, paper, and postage costs have all risen recently. It costs hundreds of dollars every time a newsletter like this is sent. We are hoping to reduce the cost of communication by offering our newsletter in electronic form. If enough of you sign up to receive an email notice and view our newsletter on the World Wide Web, we will be able to print out and send fewer newsletters. If you are willing to switch to an electronic newsletter, please contact the main office at 757-5871 or email schmidtjanet@comcast.net

E-mail addresses: Staff members may be reached by email for school matters by using the following formula: John.Doe@corvallis.k12.or.us

Parking and pick-up tips

Students and parents should be reminded that some parking areas are off-limits to students, including the front lot, the industrial compound and the area near the home economics wing. Student cars parked improperly or in inappropriate areas will be cited; continued offenses may lead to towing.

Your cooperation in making the area around CHS safe is appreciated. During the early morning and afternoon rush (7:25 – 7:45 AM and 3:05 – 3:25 PM):

- **Please do not drop off (or pick up) students in the parking lot in front of the main entrance to CHS!** This results in cars backed up on 11th Street, traffic jams and unsafe conditions for students and staff trying to get into the building. **Parking in the front lot is limited to staff.**
- Two good options for dropping off (and picking up) passengers are: **11th Street** in front of the school (**not in the parking lot!**) and **Pierce Street.**

Parking permits: All students who drive a car to school are required to have a parking permit. Forms are available in the main office. If you were issued a parking permit last year, use the same one. Replacement permits cost \$5.

Credit denial

Attendance is important - it is impossible for a student to learn from a teacher when the student does not attend class. Regular attendance is a key element in academic success. Poor attendance may result in failing grades or dropping out.

Corvallis High School has a policy allowing teachers to deny credit when a student has missed too many classes. The details of each class's credit denial policy rest with individual teacher, who must:

- identify how attendance and class participation relate to course instructional goals,
- and inform parents and students of the details of the policy.

There are procedures to appeal credit denial. Only unexcused absences can be counted toward credit denial. See the article on attendance for information about what constitutes an unexcused absence.

Make sure your child knows the credit denial policy in each class - details of the policy rest with each teacher and will vary.

Messages

All messages to students called in by telephone will be placed on the student's locker unless it is an emergency. This is school policy and is to minimize class interruptions. Please remind your son or daughter in the morning before school of appointments during the day.

Attendance

CHS needs your help in reporting absences. If your child has been, or will be absent, please **call the CHS Attendance Office at 757-5888** as soon as possible. If you do not call, the computer will record your child's absence as unexcused. After 48 hours, absences cannot be excused. Notes are not accepted in place of the phone call.

Absences may be excused at the request of a student's parent/guardian because of illness, disability, illness in the immediate family requiring the student's presence, a family emergency, religious reasons, or anything the school deems appropriate (up to 5 pre-arranged absences per semester). Students who are eighteen-years-old may request their own absences be excused.

Please encourage your child to attend all classes; but, if a class is missed, please clear excused absences in a timely fashion.

When calling in an excused absence please give the exact date of absence, block or period of absence, and please spell the student's last name clearly.

Guidelines for student visitors

- Visitation is not allowed if the guest student lives within 60 miles of Corvallis (Valley League principal's agreement).
- The guest must be of high school age and a "student in good standing" at their high school.
- A "Visitor's Request Form" must be completed by the host student at least 24 hours prior to the visit (available in the main office).
- Any violation of school guidelines during the visit may result in both students being sent home.

Try Destination ImagiNation®!

Destination ImagiNation (DI), sponsored by Corvallis 509J Destination Imagination Organization, is a creative problem-solving program for students in grades kindergarten through 12. Imagine a program where kids have **FUN** learning problem-solving skills, construction techniques, set and costume design, script writing, and improvisation. This is DI! Students work in teams to create and perform a solution to one of five challenges. Each challenge blends a different mix of skills - some are more technical and others are more theatrical in nature. Teams also perform an instant challenge, given to them with just minutes to prepare. *Crazy?* Yes! *Fun?* You bet!

How do teams form? Parents of interested students usually start the ball rolling. Teams of 5 to 7 students are grouped by age or grade (k-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12). While teams are usually students from the same school, they can also be friends or neighbors. Teams need an adult team manager who facilitates the meetings (training and materials are included with registration). The registration costs are \$50 per student (\$35 for the second student in a family). Teams form in October and work some in the fall, but January and February are busiest as teams prepare for the March regional tournament. Higher scoring teams progress to the state tournament at Oregon State University in April.

Want to learn more? In Corvallis an Information Night and Registration will be held October 7th at 7 PM at the Cheldelin Middle School cafeteria. For lots of information about the program and its value, look at the national web site at: www.destinationimagination.org. The Oregon website at www.oregondi.org lists information and training dates, plus local contact information. Or call Corvallis coordinator Karen Anderson 541/754-3811.

Library volunteer tea and orientation

September 9, Tuesday, 2:15 – 3:15 PM

The library is supported by many volunteers who help process new books, repair old books, assist with inventory, and work on a variety of special projects. This year the library will be responsible for the textbooks as well. Staff reductions make the need for volunteers even greater in the library and textbook room. As a volunteer you will have the opportunity to see the students in action working on their projects in the library. You also have the privilege of selecting books to check out for your own reading pleasure.

All past library volunteers are invited and we hope to meet many new people at this get-together. No experience is required! The orientation will begin at 2:30 PM. Please join us. If you have any questions contact Mary-Dean at 757-5900.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are greatly appreciated at CHS. If you are willing to volunteer some time and energy to your child's school, please register with the CHS parent volunteer coordinator. The coordinator will inform you of volunteer opportunities – often desperately needed help – via email. We are all busy people, but this method allows volunteers to keep up-to-date on requests for help. You need only respond to requests that fit into your schedule.

With school funding in the miserable state it is, volunteers are needed more than ever. CHS needs parents for field trips, tutoring, parent teacher conferences, and helping in the attendance and main office. Parents help with sporting events, the band, in the science lab, bookroom, and in the ESL classrooms. Beyond CHS is a popular place to volunteer. Please register by calling the main office 757-5871.

Information about Corvallis schools is available on Cable channel 28 and on the web at <http://www2.corvallis.k12.or.us>

Textbooks

- Returning students who owe fees or textbooks from last year must clear them before registration in order to get new textbooks.
- Help the lines move quickly by having everything ready. You will need your ID card and your schedule.
- Put your name in your books as soon as you get them. It will help you keep track of your books and reduce difficulties at the end of the semester.

Daily bell schedule

This year's daily bell schedule follows. Classes are 95 minutes in length. One-credit classes meet either on odd days (usually Monday/Wednesday) or on even days (usually Tuesday/Thursday) for 95 minutes; most Fridays all class periods meet for 45 minutes.

| 2002-2003 CHS daily class schedule | | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Odd/ Even | | All | |
| A Block | 7:40-9:15 | 1 st period | 7:40-8:25 |
| | | 2 nd period | 8:30-9:15 |
| break 9:15 – 9:25 | | | |
| B Block | 9:30-11:05 | 3 rd period | 9:30-10:15 |
| | | 4 th period | 10:20-11:05 |
| break 11:05-11:15 | | | |
| C Block | 11:15-12:50 | 5 th period | 11:15-12:00 |
| | | 6 th period | 12:05-12:50 |
| lunch 12:50 – 1:30 | | | |
| D Block | 1:35-3:10 | 7 th period | 1:35-2:20 |
| | | 8 th period | 2:25-3:10 |

Magazine donations

The severe cuts in budget have reduced what resources the library can purchase. We are drastically reducing our magazine subscriptions from about thirty-eight titles to six. We hope that with a few contributions that we will still be able to provide magazines which are useful and enjoyable for the students during their independent times. There are a few different choices in making donations and we have some suggestions.

Please call the library at 757-5900 if you are interested in making a donation. Thank you.

Fundraiser: The Sally Foster Gift Wrap and Chocolates fundraiser to support the Senior All-Night Party will take place this year in September. All seniors should have received their Sally Foster packets at registration. We need you to sell the gift wrap and gifts in order to make this year's Senior Party a success. Each senior who turns in an order that totals \$150 will receive a CD certificate. Orders should be returned to the drop-off box in Beyond CHS or mailed to the address on the packet. Gift wrap delivery will be ready for pick up in mid-November. All seniors are asked to

participate. This is the only student fundraiser for the All-Night Party. Every order, no matter how small, is appreciated. If you have any questions, contact Nan Chaney at 752-2041.

Volunteers: The Senior All Night Party will be held after graduation in June, and relies on parents to chaperone and help with specific activities. It takes nearly all parents to ensure a successful party. We ask that everyone volunteer in some way. We know this will be a busy time, but this is a once in a lifetime opportunity to share a milestone with your graduate. In addition to helping at the party, volunteers are needed to help with decorations and other party preparations. The earlier you sign up the more choices you have regarding times and activities. To volunteer, contact Barbara Swain at 752-4827 or Lynn Dickson at 757-6608.

Exchange student

The Rotary Club is sponsoring an exchange student, Xavier Ledesma, from Portoviejo, Ecuador. He arrived on August 16, is 17 (turns 18 on September 2), enjoys theater and camping (and has been a camp guide). He is in youth related Rotary groups in his home town and served as president of one of those groups, Interact, for one year. He attends a Catholic high school in Portoviejo and has one year of school yet to complete there.

The Corvallis Rotary will provide the host family with a small stipend as well as great support throughout the year. Typically the student stays with three host families during the year: August to Thanksgiving; Thanksgiving to spring break; or spring break to June. You can choose your segment! **Any CHS family (including teachers) who are interested in being a host family for a three-month period**, please contact M. Sue Mariner at msmariner1@comcast.net or 754-6464.

2002-03 yearbooks: it's not too late

2003 Yearbooks are still available in the main office for \$55. Call 757-5871 for more information.

Quilts/history

The Philomath Community Library is pleased to sponsor a Chautauqua presentation by quilt historian, Mary Bywater Cross, entitled "The Ties that Bind: Quilts of Community". This free, public program will take place on Saturday, September 27, 2003, at 2:00 PM at the Philomath Community Library, 1050 Applegate, Philomath, Oregon.

Once delegated to the realm of quaint handicrafts, quilts are now recognized by historians as valuable visual social records of women's contributions that were often overlooked in official histories and traditional documents. Beginning after the initial pioneer settlement in the 1870's and moving to the present, quilt historian and author, Mary Bywater Cross will illustrate how women drew their communities together through quilting for one of four primary purposes: raising funds for programs and organizations; creating tributes to individuals who supported and guided a group or community; commemorating cultural, social, or economic events; and attending to the utilitarian necessities for warmth and social interaction.

Ms. Cross will illustrate her discussion with slides of contemporary and historic community-based quilts, using the maker's documentation to help participants develop an awareness of the many roles that quilts play in communities. They are artifacts that connect the diverse geography, history, and culture of the Pacific Northwest.

Ms. Cross's free, public presentation is made possible by funding from the Oregon Council for the Humanities, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. OCH is dedicated to providing opportunities for life-long learning in communities throughout Oregon. For more information about the program, please contact the Philomath Community Library at 541-929-3016.

Visit France

Have you always wanted to see Paris in the spring? There is still time to sign up for the "Grand Tour of France", led by CHS French teacher, Mary Langlois. This two-week trip explores the history and culture of France. We travel from the historic beaches of Normandy to the Roman ruins of Provence. You will visit the castles of the Loire Valley, the French Riviera, the Alps and more. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about France and European history in the places it happened. This tour is available to students and adults, but you will need to sign up soon. Contact mary.langlois@corvallis.k12.or.us for details.

Dates to remember

August

26 ...Spartan kick-off barbecue, 5:30 PM, Spartan Field (see page 4)

26...open registration (see page 2)

28 ...Beyond CHS volunteer training, 8:30 AM, Rm 209

September

2Meeting for parents of new CHS students, 7 PM, cafeteria

3First day of school (see page 2)

9Library volunteer tea, 2:15 PM

24 ...CHS Open house, 7 PM (see page 1)

27 ..."Quilts of Community" history lecture, 2 PM, Philomath Community Library

October

7DestinationImagiNation sign-up, 7 PM, Cheldelin Middle School cafeteria

11 ...SAT

18 ...PSAT

25 ...ACT

November

7Portland College Fair

CHS athletics are back!

| Fall Sports | | Winter Sports | | Spring Sports | |
|-------------|-------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Football | Chris McGowan | Wrestling | Ron Sather | B/G Track | Rob Cornell |
| | | | | | Julie Williams |
| Soccer | Dan Finnen (B) | Basketball | D.Johnson (B) | Golf | Dennis Corliss (G) |
| | Brad Stratton (G) | | Scott Lasswell (G) | | Gary Beck (B) |
| Volleyball | Lisa Harlan | Swimming | Judy Storie | Tennis | K.Stevenson (B) |
| | | | | | Karen Hughes (G) |
| X-Country | M.Hulburt | Skiing | TBA | Softball | Scott Lasswell |
| Chrleading | TBA | Chrleading | TBA | Baseball | Eric Dazey |

Spartan activities and athletics

The entire Corvallis High School staff welcomes you to another year of Spartan Sports and Activities — with a special welcome to our newest "Sparts." We encourage you to become involved in the many activities offered at Corvallis High. We believe that school-based activities are a significant avenue for extending the learning environment beyond the classroom. Activities and athletics are important in contributing to school climate and to a sense of community among students, staff, parents and other Corvallis citizens. As a member of a school team or activity, your behavior on campus, in the community and at other schools reflects on your program, your school and your self. We are looking forward to a wonderful year with personal, program and whole school successes. Be a part of this great place. Get involved!

Spectator costs

Parents, friends, and relatives are encouraged to attend CHS sport events each season. Some sports will involve a spectator charge. There is an entrance fee for football and some other events (volleyball, girls/boys basketball, and wrestling).

| | Football | Other events |
|---|-------------------|--------------------|
| Adults | \$6 ⁰⁰ | \$5 ⁰⁰ |
| Students under high school | \$3 ⁰⁰ | \$2 ⁰⁰ |
| CHS students (with Activity Card) | free | free |
| CHS students (with ID card only) | \$4 ⁰⁰ | \$3 ⁰⁰ |
| High school students with a student body card at AWAY games | \$4 ⁰⁰ | \$3 ⁰⁰ |
| Individual pass to all home games | | \$35 ⁰⁰ |
| Family pass to all home games | | \$70 ⁰⁰ |

A family or an individual pass is good for any home game all year and may be purchased in the CHS Activities Office, Rice's Pharmacy, or at the games.

Spartan Kickoff BBQ

The CHS Booster Club is sponsoring a Hamburger BBQ to start the 2003-2004 school year right! - \$5.00 will buy a hamburger, chips and drink. You will also be able to watch our Football, Soccer, Volleyball, and Cross Country teams in action. This is a great way to see old friends, meet new friends, support our student athletes AND join the CHS Booster Club. All at one time! The fun and food start at 5:30 pm, Tuesday, AUGUST 26, 2003 at Spartan Field at 16th and Buchanan.

Volunteers needed for sports

Successful activities take a lot of support and volunteer time. In the past, CHS has been fortunate to have terrific support for its sports programs. Help doing things like taking money, filming games, measuring distance at the long jump pit, and sometimes providing transportation, are all needed. Helping out can be fun, and is always appreciated. In the fall help is needed mainly at football and volleyball games. If you would like to help, please call Jan in the Activities Office at 757-5917.

Fall sports

If you plan to participate in fall sports season, here is where you are to report:

Volleyball: Conditioning Aug. 11-15, 9:00-12:00 CHS LgGym. Daily Doubles Practice, Aug. 18-22 (Tryouts - Aug. 18-20). 9:00-12:00 and 1:30-3:30.

Football: Conditioning Aug. 11-15, 8:00-9:00 and 1:00-2:30. On CHS Football Field (alternate site - Westland MS). Practices start on Aug. 18-22. 3:30-6:00

G.Soccer: Conditioning Camp Aug. 18-22, 5:00-6:30 @Taylor Field...\$10 cost. Tryouts/Practice Aug. 25-28, 9:00-11:30 AM @ Taylor Field

B.Soccer: Conditioning Camp Aug. 19-22, 6:30-9:00 PM @Taylor Field..\$50 cost. Tryouts/Practice Aug. 25-28 6:30-9:00 PM @ Taylor Field

XCcountry: Will start on week of Aug. 18. Location TBA

Getting cleared for sports

Conditioning week beginning August 11 is optional. To start practice August 18, you must first be cleared for sports in the Activities Office (open beginning August 11 from 7:15-12 and 1 – 3:30). To be cleared for sports, each athlete must:

- ◆ Read and sign the code of conduct (with parents), including academic requirements, training rules, and citizenship expectations.
- ◆ Have a sports physical if a freshman or junior (also sophomores and seniors if no report is on file from the previous year).
- ◆ Pay an athletic user fee of \$150. Checks should be payable to "Corvallis High School."
- ◆ Carry medical insurance.

If you do not have the forms required for fall sports, stop by the Activities Office.

Once school begins, each athlete's attendance will be monitored daily. Unexcused absences will not be tolerated. Grades will be checked every nine weeks to make sure that athletic eligibility is maintained. Involvement in high school sports can improve student grades and leadership skills.

Internet use policy

The 509J Internet Policy defines both the purpose of providing internet access in our schools and the responsibilities of staff and students. View the policy at: <http://www2.corvallis.k12.or.us>

Parents who wish to DENY their child access to the internet must complete an Exceptions Denial Form to prohibit use. These forms are available in the school office.

Beyond CHS news

PSAT alert for juniors (and sophomores): The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) is scheduled for Saturday, October 18. Juniors and sophomores may sign up for the PSAT after September 10 in Beyond CHS. The cost is \$15. This test provides practice for the SAT, but also will be used as the basis for the 2004 National Merit

| test | test | registration deadline | late registration |
|------------|----------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| SAT I & II | 10/11/03 | 9/9/03 | 9/13/03 |
| ACT | 0/25/03 | 9/19/03 | 10/3/03 |
| SAT I & II | 11/1/03 | 9/26/03 | 10/8/03 |
| SAT I & II | 12/6/03 | 10/30/03 | 11/12/03 |
| ACT | 2/13/04 | 1/17/03 | 11/20/03 |
| SAT I & II | 1/24/04 | 12/22/03 | 12/31/04 |
| ACT | 2/7/04 | 1/2/04 | 1/16/04 |
| SAT I | 3/27/04 | 2/20/04 | 3/4/04 |
| ACT | 4/3/04 | 2/27/04 | 3/12/04 |
| SAT I & II | 5/1/04 | 3/25/04 | 4/7/04 |
| SAT I & II | 6/5/04 | 4/29/04 | 5/12/04 |
| ACT | 5/12/04 | 5/7/04 | 5/21/04 |

if you should take a test, inquire at Beyond CHS.

Beyond CHS volunteers

Are you looking for an opportunity to help students at CHS? Volunteering at Beyond CHS – the college and career center at Corvallis High School – is a great way to help out as well as a chance to educate yourself about what the future holds for your child. Parents usually volunteer for a two-hour shift each week, and we pair new volunteers with someone who is more experienced.

There will be a meeting for parents new to volunteering in Beyond CHS on the last Thursday in August (the 28th) at 8:30 AM. Those who plan to attend should call 757-4453 and leave a message that with their name and phone number in case of rescheduling. Experienced volunteers will have a meeting in September, date TBA

College fair

The Portland National College Fair will be held at the Oregon Convention Center, Friday, November 7 from 9-1:00 PM. and Saturday, November 8 from 9-1:00 PM. This is an excellent opportunity for sophomores and juniors to meet with representatives of colleges throughout the United States. For a listing of colleges go to www.nacac.com

Seniors: diploma reservations

Remind your **seniors** to fill in their **diploma reservations** CORRECTLY, no nicknames, but including the middle name, and bring these forms to registration or turn them into Cindy Gullede. Parents sometimes have different ideas about what should be on diplomas, so parents might want to be sure they are on the same page as their students!!

Also-Cap, gown and announcement orders are placed early in the year. The Jostens packet seniors receive includes the cap and gown orders, not just announcements. The orders need to be sent back in a timely manner to avoid last minute scrambling. The orders may be paid for at a later date.

Health information

Parents, please either fill out important health information on your student's registration sheet...adding pertinent information on a separate sheet of paper is fine...or contact Cindy Gullede at 757-5910 to go over information or steps to be taken in an emergency. Any student who needs to take prescription medicine at school has to have a medicine permission form on file at school. The medicine should be brought to school where it will be kept in a locked cabinet. High school students are allowed to bring over the counter pain relief or allergy medicine without written permission. They MAY NOT, however, share this medicine. Inhalers should be kept with the student; although a permission form should be on file in the health room.

Military recruitment

If you **do not want** your child to be contacted by the military you must inform CHS *in writing*. Send your request to Cindy Gullede, Corvallis High School, 835 NW 11th Street, Corvallis, OR 97330.

The only way recruiters receive information from CHS is through the directory. CHS is required by law to provide military recruiters access to the directory. Parents must make the choice between being included in the directory or not. **A written request that the student's information not be released to military recruiters will result in the student not being included in the directory. If a student is called after this request is made, it is because recruiters got the information elsewhere.**

Albertsons – CHS

An Albertsons "partner's card" lets you donate 5% of purchases to CHS (up to \$1800 per quarter). The cards are available in Beyond CHS and the main office. When you purchase groceries at Albertsons, just hand the clerk your partner's card to scan. It's that simple to support students at CHS.

Student businesses

The Spart Mart, the Student Store, and Gift Shop are businesses operated by the CHS Small Business Management class for the benefit of the school. The students learn how to operate a business, and at the end of the year, profits generated from student business ventures are used to support CHS athletics. The Student Store operates a snack bar during morning breaks, as well as concessions during athletic events.

The Spart Mart, located in Room 101, offers a fine line of "Spartan wear" – sweat pants, sweatshirts (hooded or not), t-shirts, denim shirts, lanyards, hats, socks, and other items – for sale. Merchandise is available at some home athletic events. If you wish to purchase any of the Spart Mart's fine items at other times contact Ron Sather or ask in the main office.

The Gift Shop delivers balloons and candy at school for special occasions.

Now you can use the web to find out if you can get help from Food Stamps and other programs that offer: food, housing, health insurance, tax credits, cash assistance for families with children. Visit www.oregonhelps.org

