

Corvallis High School

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Dear Spartan Parents—

Greetings and sincere thanks to all of you who have been so patient with our whole process of getting started in our new school. Many of you have given countless hours helping with registration and moving demands. Volunteers helped get our classrooms set up and the book room and library settled, as well. We simply couldn't have done it without you.

We also realize that many of our students have had to endure a "bumpy" start to classes because of being unable to settle into classrooms that are still under construction. We apologize and hope that by the time you read this note we are only weeks from final completion of the Tech/Arts area classrooms and the Theater area. We will have our Family and Consumer Studies and Health I classes moved in by Tuesday, Sept. 20. We will have a major parking lot finished by late October, as well as sidewalk access to Pierce St. area parking south of the building. Thanks again to students and parents for their patience in getting settled into our beautiful school.

New staff-- Over the next few months I would like to introduce you to new staff members at CHS. We are convinced that we truly have an exceptional staff that is well-trained, very gifted and highly motivated to help students learn and develop. Our new additions this year are no exception. They include:

Trudi Caster (German), a Corvallis resident who has taught nearly 10 years at Willamette High School in Eugene before coming to CHS. She brings experience, good energy and a great reputation as an engaging teacher with strong standards and an ability to work with students in a variety of settings, including Yearbook.

Erin Walcon (Drama and Language Arts) is a graduate of Lewis and Clark's School of Educ. and Western Washington Univ. (Theater and Language Arts). She has great experience in theater and theater operations, including summer theater workshops and a variety of "extra" experiences for students. Her supervising teachers characterized her as "highly energetic, motivated and talented... (P)erhaps the best student teacher we've ever worked with"

Stephanie Macklem (Science-Biology and BPF) is also a resident of Corvallis having worked most recently as a middle school science teacher in Lebanon. Our science staff is excited to have Stephanie's great experience, her strong skills in working with younger students and her excellent science academic background.

Mary Leinenweber (ESL) is an experienced educator, having worked with a high school ESL program in Wisconsin before moving to Oregon where she has worked in Eugene and last year at CHS (in an Educational Assistant role) using her Spanish skills and educational experience. As a teacher this year, Mary brings strong bilingual skills and a positive, engaging personality to her work. She has a separate ESL class and also works directly in team teaching math and science classes that have ESL students who need specialized instruction and assistance.

Congratulations to our own Linda Alderman, Administration Office Assistant, for receiving the District's "Golden Apple Award", as the district's classified staff winner. We have a great staff overall and Linda truly exemplifies the hard work, positive attitude and caring personality that have made CHS a great place to send students to learn. We are very proud of all our staff and very grateful for all they do. Send them a note or give them a quick "thanks" the next time you see them.

Grand Opening for the new school is set for Saturday, November 5. We will have the Tech and Arts areas completed by then, as well as the new Theater. We hope you can come by to see the new areas that you may not have caught on parent open house night or before.

Conferences are set for October and we are again going to be calling parents of students who are struggling, urging that they come in and visit with teachers during the "appointment" times set aside. We will be running conferences out of each teacher's own classroom this year—that preserves our gym floor, but we also believe it gives parents a chance to see the teacher's room, while still getting around to all the teachers. Please give us your feedback on the new change.

Lastly, welcome to new parents. We encourage you to contact us—staff and administration-- if you have concerns, questions, suggestions or compliments. We know that parents are truly one of the most important keys to students succeeding in school.

—Best regards, Jay Conroy, Principal

October 2005



Dates to Remember

Oct 3 Picture Retakes - 7:45-10 am

Oct 5 • College Planning Night • 7 pm at LaSells Stewart Center, OSU

- Oct 12 Parent Connection 7 pm
- Oct 13 Advisor - Schedule #2
- Oct 14 **NO SCHOOL** - Prof. Dev. Day
- Oct 15 PSAT exam
- Oct 17 OUS Visit - Special Schedule
- Oct 21 Homecoming **GAME**
- Oct 22 Homecoming DANCE - 9:15 pm**
- Oct 26 Conferences - 5-8 p.m.
- Oct 27 **NO SCHOOL** - Conferences
- Oct 28 **NO SCHOOL**



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Senior All-Night Party

TICKETS for the senior all night party are available from Cindy Gullege at CHS for \$20 each. The party will be held after graduation on June 12th at Dixon Recreation Center at OSU. Scholarships are available, inquire in the Counseling Office. For information or questions, contact Chris Fagin at 752-6841.

Donations: Tax deductible donations to the CV/CHS Senior All Night Party can be made to the Corvallis School Foundation. Just make sure you put a note on the check stating that the donation is to go to the CV/CHS Senior All Night Party.

Parent Conferences

Please join us Wednesday evening, October 26th, and Thursday, October 27th when parents and guardians have the opportunity to conference with teachers in their classrooms for scheduled appointments and drop in conferences. All conferences will be held in teachers' rooms. Call 757-5871 after October 12th to schedule appointments with teachers. Parent volunteers are needed to help, call Kathleen Muravez at 752-8708 or Linda Alderman at 757-5872. Check our school website www.corvallis.k12.or.us/chs for part-time teacher and coach availability.



Wednesday, Oct. 26	5:00 pm -6:45pm Scheduled 7:00pm-8:00 pm Scheduled
Thursday, Oct. 27	12:00 pm- 2:30 pm Drop In 2:45pm-4:30 pm Drop In 5:30 pm 8:00 pm Scheduled
Friday, Oct. 28	NO CONFERENCES

Progress Reports

The nine week grading period ends November 11, after fall conferences. Consequently, progress reports will not be available at conferences (Oct. 26, 27) this year. The first quarter progress report will be sent home the week of Nov. 16. Students will hand-carry them home.

Last day to DROP a class is October 21.

Last day to change to Pass/No Pass option is Nov. 18

Curriculum Night

Thank you to all parents/guardians who attended Parent Curriculum Night on September 21. We apologize for the parking challenges around the school. The student parking area is expected to open near the end of October. Thank you for your continued patience.

Many teachers put class grades on-line for parents to access. Watch for student ID/passcode information from your student.

Youth Volunteers

The Kiwanis Kids Club is a volunteer program at Heartland where Youth Volunteers ages 8-15 can volunteer at Heartland without their parent/guardians present. The local sunrisers Kiwanis Club has taken training and had background checks performed to be able to be the adult mentors for the youth volunteers. Volunteer jobs include, cleaning dishes, laundry, wet feeding cats, socializing dogs & cats, grooming dogs and cats and much more.

For more info, please contact Dani Bolda, Volunteer Coordinator at the Heartland Humane Society, 757-9000. Kiwanis Kids Club dates:

- Wednesday, October 5 - 3:45-5:30 p.m. • Saturday October 22 - 10 a.m.-noon
- Thursday, November 3 - 3:45-5:30 p.m. • Saturday November 19 - 10 a.m.-noon
- Thursday, December 8 - 3:45-5:30 p.m.

Grand Tour of France!

There are still openings for the trip to France over spring break, but you must act soon. Contact Mary Langlois at mary.langlois@corvallis.k12.or.us for details.

Gift Wrap /Chocolates Sale

Help make this year's party a success and receive a \$15 gift certificate for each \$200 of product you sell. Orders are due in the main office by Friday, October 7th. Questions - call Ronda Beck, 752-5787.

Senior Parents

If you don't want to purchase gift wrap, but do want to make a donation for the CV/CHS Senior All Night Party, you can donate to the Corvallis School Foundation and specify that the donation is to go to the CV/CHS Senior All Night Party. Checks should be made out to CHS and dropped off at the main office.

Parent Connection Volunteers Needed

We need a **secretary** for Parent Connection. This would require taking of minutes, typing them up and sending them to the principal for approval and then to list serve. Anyone willing to do this, please reply to this email. This is a valuable service allowing those who cannot attend meetings to know what happened at the meetings.

\$\$\$ \$ for CHS

CHS Scrip program is gone (too much effort for too little return) but you can still earn dollars for CHS through other programs.

Safeway - Go to www.escrip.com to sign up for the Safeway program. By registering your Safeway card #, you can earn up to 4% per month of your grocery \$ for CHS. Additionally, before Oct. 11, if you have a receipt which states that you can receive \$, go to the web site and follow the directions on the receipt to add these extra rewards.

The Co-op will donate 1% to CHS if you ask for it while checking out.

Office Max donates 3% if you ask to donate to CHS while checking out.

Albertsons will donate if you sign up for a card and designate CHS.

Washington Mutual contributes money to CHS everytime you use a Wash. Mutual debit card. This is called the Wamoola program. CHS rewards are posted on the wall in the bank.

Parent Connection Dates

Meetings held in **Beyond CHS**

October 12.....	7:00pm
November 10.....	noon
December 8.....	noon
January 12.....	noon
February 15.....	7:00pm
March 9.....	noon
April 13.....	noon
May 18.....	noon

BEYOND CHS - Life after High School

PSAT

The PSAT will be given on October 15. **All students should report to the main entrance at CHS at 8:30 am, Saturday, October 15. All students taking the test must have ID!** The room assignments will be posted on the door by October 14. Unfortunately, there is no school on October 14 so plan accordingly, this test is only given in October. The cost of the test is \$17 payable to CHS. The absolute cutoff date is October 12 unless we run out of tests before that time. Students should pay for their test in Beyond CHS. Preference is given to CHS juniors, then CHS sophomores then other students.

This is a great test for students to take before they start to take their SATs, it is inexpensive and comes back with a very detailed explanation of what they answered correctly and incorrectly. It is the only test that qualifies them for the National Merit Competition.

College Planning Night
October 5 • LaSells Stewart Center • 7 p.m.

We will have college planning night again this year at LaSells Stewart Center. All sophomores, juniors and seniors are encouraged to attend with at least one parent. There will be information on the application process, tests that need to be taken, financial aid, honors colleges and more. **WE HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE!!!**

October 17 OUS Visit

Below is the bell schedule for the October 17th OSU visit/Career Advisor. Students who have classes at CVHS or Cheldelin Middle School will STAY at CHS for the whole day.

Monday - October 17 (ODD)

- A Block 7:40 - 9:15
- Break 9:15 - 9:25
- Advisor/OUS 9:30 - 11:00
- B Block 11:05 - 12:10
- Lunch 12:10 - 12:50
- C Block 12:55 - 2:00
- D Block 2:05 - 3:10



ASPIRE

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the ASPIRE program. My name is Catherine Driscoll, and I am replacing James Underwood as this year's ASPIRE/ Americorps Program Coordinator at CHS. ASPIRE is a statewide program that helps students discover and work towards post high school career/college options by pairing students with volunteer adult mentors. If you know of any students who could use some extra help with their post-high school plans, please let me know by writing me an e-mail (Catherine.Driscoll@corvallis.k12.or.us), dropping a note in my mailbox (ASPIRE/ Catherine Driscoll), or stopping by my office (Room 119).

Other College Visit Opportunities

- Oregon College of Arts & Crafts, Portland - Oct. 29, 3-5p.m. 1-800-390-0632
- National Christian College Fair - Oct. 15, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Northwood Christian Church. For more information contact Kathy Sweetman at 877 463-6622
- Portland College Fair - Oct. 9 and 10. Oct. 9, 1-5 p.m.; Oct. 10, 9 a.m. -noon at the Portland Convention Center
- Lane Community College Fair (many of the same schools as the Portland College Fair), Oct. 2, 1-4 p.m. at Lane Community College.

College Visits

Beyond CHS will have the following visits. Students must sign up if they intend to visit with the colleges. They are excused from class.

- St. Mary's College - Sept. 29 • 9:30 a.m.
- Colorado State Univ. - Oct. 3 • 9:30 a.m.
- Evergreen State College - Oct. 3 • 1:35 p.m.
- Scripps College for Women - Oct. 3 • 2:30 p.m.
- Occidental - Oct. 5 • 9:30 a.m.
- Lewis & Clark - Oct. 6 • 1:35 p.m.
- Middlebury College - Oct. 7 • 2:25 p.m.
- Haverford College - Oct. 10 • 2:00 p.m.
- Azuza Pacific - Oct. 11 • 1:35 p.m.
- Univ. of Colorado at Boulder - Oct. 12 • 9:30 a.m.
- St. Olaf - Oct. 13 • 11:15 a.m.

OUS System - OSU, U of O, EOU, WOU, SOU, OIT, PSU + LBCC, Chemeketa, Armed Forces & Employment Agency- Oct. 17 • 9:30 - no sign up required, all juniors and seniors attend

- Pomona - Oct. 18 • 9:30 a.m.
- Seattle Pacific - Oct. 20 • 11:15 a.m.
- Pacific University - Oct. 20 • 1:35 p.m.
- George Fox - Oct. 25 at • p.m.
- Dartmouth College - Oct. 26 - tentative time 7:40 a.m.
- Seattle Univesity - Oct. 26 • 9:30 a.m.
- Whitworth - Oct. 26 • 11:15 a.m.
- Albertson College - Oct. 26 • 1:35 p.m.
- Univ. of Portland - Nov. 1 • 1:35 p.m.
- Univ. of Puget Sound - Nov. 2 • 9:30 a.m.
- Reed College - Nov. 3 • 11:15 a.m.
- Harvey Mudd College - Nov. 4 • 9:30 a.m.
- Franklin College - Nov. 4 • 11:15 a.m.
- Pacific Lutheran - Nov. 10 • 9:30 a.m.
- Willamette Univ. - Nov. 21 • 1:35 p.m.

This is not a complete list as colleges are calling us everyday so your student should check the calendar and sign up book in Beyond CHS.



Military Visits

The Army Recruiters come to Beyond CHS at 12:50 on September 28, October 5 and October 12, the rest of the year TBA

The Army National Guard come to Beyond CHS at 12:50 on October 7, October 20, November 3, November 17, December 1 and December 15, the rest of the year TBA

We do not have a schedule for the other services yet.



Sports at the Boys and Girls Club

2005 Punt, Pass & Kick Contest

The NFL Pepsi Youth Football Punt, Pass and Kick contest is a fun test of children's skills in Punting, Passing and Kicking a football. The contest is FREE and is open to ALL boys and girls ages 8 – 15. The winners from the local contest will advance to the sectional competition to be held in Corvallis during October. Registration forms will be available at the Parks and Recreation Department and the Boys and Girls Club offices in early September.

Date: Sunday, September 18, 2005

Location: Linus Pauling Middle School

Time: Register and warm-ups at 1:30 pm, Contest will begin at 2:00 pm

Clubhouse Programs (Open to all MEMBERS, grades K – 12)

The Clubhouse After-School Program • 2:45 p.m. -7:00 p.m. Monday–Friday. Fee: \$25. The Club's membership year runs from September 1 – August 31

The Clubhouse Non-School Days • 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. • Fee: \$15 per day. \$5 early bird discount. Current membership is required. Registration forms for October 14, 26 -28 and November 11 will be available mid September

Teen Night • Teen Night, at the Boys and Girls Club, is open for all youth, grades 6-12. Teen Night runs every Saturday from 7 to 10 p.m. through the school year. The cost is only \$2 and a Student ID is required. Teens can choose from table tennis, basketball, volleyball, foosball, billiards AND FREE pizza!!



B&G Club office hours are Monday – Friday 9 am – 5:30 pm • Phone: 541-757-1909

Retake Pictures

Retake pictures will take place Monday October 3 from 7:45-10:am.. Students should have received their picture packets from their 1 or 2nd period teacher the end of September. Packets must be returned at the time of retakes.

Avery House Nature Center's

In-Service Programs • 9 a.m.-4 p.m., after and pre care available for \$3/hr • \$29/day • 15% off if you register more than 2 days. Scholarships available-please inquire • Ages 8-11

Oregon Trail Explorers • Oct. 14 • find out how Oregon's pioneers lived on a field trip to King's Valley, one of the first places to be settled in the county, make applesauce, and pack your wagon for the long trip to Oregon.

Spooky Stuff in Nature • Oct. 26-28 • See the scariest place around Corvallis, learn about real slime, owls, bats and other spooky things in nature.

Lizard Vs. Toad • Nov. 11 • Are lizards and toads different from one another? Learn all about amphibians and reptiles.

Native Peoples • Jan. 16 • gather food and see if you'll survive the winter, make a roasting pit, weave baskets, make arrow points, and other tools made from things found in nature. We will also hear stories about how animals were created and learn more about the tribes who call Oregon home.

Mammals in Winter • Feb. 2-3 • It's mammal mania! Learn about your favorite mammal and how they survive in the winter by building your own den.

Spring Break at the Oh 30-31 • All about ocean life! Take a trip to the Hatfield Marine Center and Yaquina Head Lighthouse.

Spring Break at the Beach II • March 27-29 • All about ocean life! Visit the coast and take a boat trip with Marine Discovery Tours! *Extra fee -\$14/student for boat trip• Ages 5-7.



Reading Tutors Needed

English Workshop needs reading tutors two days a week (either Mon./Weds. or Tues/Thurs.) from 7:40 until 8:30. You will be reading with a student in class— research demonstrates that the best way to improve student reading is by simply reading, and when fluent reading aloud is modeled and practiced, students really make gains. You can make a contribution and read a novel at the same time! Tutors can contact Charlyn Ellis in room 232 or via school email for more information.

Local Wellness Policy

Congress recognizes that schools play a critical role in promoting student health, preventing childhood obesity, and combating problems associated with poor nutrition and physical inactivity. To formalize and encourage this role, Congress passed a law (P.L. 108 - 265) requiring each school district participating in the National School Lunch and/or Breakfast Program to establish a local wellness policy by the beginning of School Year 2006-2007.

This legislation supports President George W. Bush's HealthierUS initiative. This Initiative helps Americans take steps to improve personal health and fitness and encourages all Americans, including children, to be physically active every day; eat a nutritious diet; get preventive screening; and make healthy choices.

The legislation also places the responsibility of developing a wellness policy at the local level, so that the individual needs of each district can be addressed. According to the requirements for the Local Wellness Policy, school districts must set goals for nutrition education, physical activity, campus food provision, and other school-based activities designed to promote student wellness. Additionally, districts are required to involve a broad group of individuals in policy development and to have a plan for measuring policy implementation.

A workshop has been planned for October 8th to begin this process for Benton and Linn County Schools.

When: Oct. 8, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Where: 210 Women's Bldg., OSU

RSVP: Patty Parsons 766-6659

For more information visit the parent page on the CHS website:

<http://www.csd509j.net/chs/>

2005-2006 Daily Bell Schedule

Classes are 95 minutes in length. One-credit classes meet either on ODD days (Mon./Wed.) or on EVEN days (Tues./Thurs.) for 95 minutes; ALL class periods meet on Fridays for 45 minutes.

Odd/Even		All
A Block 7:40-9:15	1st period	7:40-8:25
	2nd period	8:30-9:15
Break 9:15-9:25		
B block 9:30-11:05	3rd period	9:30-10:15
	4th period	10:20-11:05
Break 11:05-11:10		
C Block 11:15-12:50	5th period	11:15-12:00
	6th period	12:05-12:50
Lunch 12:50-1:30		
D Block 1:35-3:10	7th period	1:35-2:20
	8th period	2:25-3:10

Earn money for CHS

If you shop at Safeway, you will receive certificates between now and October 11 that has a dollar amount on it that CHS can receive. If you go to www.BACK2SCHOOL.ESCRIP.COM and check the box for school and enter the fundraiser coordinator part and put in Corvallis High School, then enter the codes on your receipt, we will receive the money. Offer expires on October 11, **OR** bring them to Nancy Shaffer in Beyond CHS and she will enter them. Nancy also has Albertson cards so that CHS can get a portion of sales from their store.

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 a 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.

Encourage your child to attend all classes; but if a class is missed, clear excused absences in a timely fashion by calling to give the exact date of absence, clock or period of absence and please spell the student's last name clearly.

Do you still get a phone call from the "Automated" call system? - even AFTER you have called the Attendance line to excuse your student? Please be aware that when you have called to excuse your student from being absent for a certain period class, your student still may have missed another class the same day, in which the Automated phone system will dial out for the class that is left unexcused.

Additional Attendance Information

Please make arrangements with your student/s prior to school hours about Doctor & Ortho. Appointments, along with after school transportation.

"Unless there is an emergency" - all notes will be posted on student lockers. This also applies to "reminder notes". Please let your student know to check their lockers now and then just incase there may be a note on it.

An "Attendance Record" is posted outside of the Attendance Office. This record shows the students attendance for the previous day and current day. If you receive an "Automated" telephone call, stating that your student has missed one or more classes-and you feel this is an error, please have your student check the attendance record to see which teacher marked them absent. If this was an error, the student and teacher can resolve it.

Thank you for your cooperation, —Debbie Begin -Attendance Secretary

2005-06 Yearbook Fees

August through December 16 \$40
 January 3- March 24th \$45
 After spring break until distribution. . \$50
 At the yearbook signing party \$55

Yearbooks are limited, buy early and guarantee that you will get one. Please save yourself and the yearbook staff money and order early!

Freshman Study Hall

Parents and guardians, every freshman student will be scheduled in to a non-credit supervised study hall either A or D block this school year. If they would rather be off campus during that time, students may be removed from the study hall roster at the request of their parent. Students who find themselves on campus during their study hall period **MUST** report to study hall even if they have been withdrawn. Freshman students are expected to be in a classroom or study hall during class time except with teacher/staff permission. Please discuss these expectations with your student once you have received their schedule. To withdraw your student from their study hall, please email the student name, your name and contact number, and the study hall period to dawn.granger@corvallis.k12.or.us.

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 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.

Library Wishlist

We could use an infusion on "new" fiction on our shelves! If you have books you are no longer reading that you believe adolescents would enjoy, please contribute them to our classroom libraries. They do not have to be new books-- used paperbacks are lovely, as are classics. Thank you!



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 ODD Picture Retakes 7:45 am-10 am	4 EVEN	5 ODD <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: #f4b084;"> College Planning 7 pm - LaSells Stewart, OSU </div>	6 EVEN	7 ALL
10 ODD	11 EVEN	12 ODD Parent Connection 7 pm	13 EVEN Advisor Schedule #2	14 NO SCHOOL
17 ODD OUS visit Special Schedule	18 EVEN	19 ODD	20 EVEN	21 ALL Pride Assembly Schedule #1 <div style="background-color: #d9e1f2; padding: 5px;"> HOMECOMING GAME - Friday DANCE - Saturday 9:15-11:15 pm </div>
24 ODD	25 EVEN	26 ODD Evening Conferences	27 Conferences NO SCHOOL	28 NO SCHOOL
31 ODD Halloween				