



The Clay Chronicle

A message from CHS Principal

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Parent – Teacher Conferences

The second night for the CHS Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on Tuesday, February 8, from 3:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. This is a great opportunity for a one-on-one meeting with your child's teacher. You may schedule your own conference with a teacher by following the directions on the attached paper. Please note that the online scheduling component will be available until 11:59 pm on Monday, February 7.

College Credit Plus (CCP) Informational Meeting

If your son or daughter is interested in participating in the College Credit Plus program for the 2022-23 school year, please plan to attend the informational meeting on Thursday, February 10, beginning at 6:00 pm in the CHS Cafeteria. Students in grades 7-12 (during the 22-23 school year) can participate in CCP. This meeting will cover a variety of topics including application instructions, eligibility, pros/cons of CCP and much more. Local college reps will also be present to give updated CCP information for their individual college/university. In order to participate in the CCP program during the 22-23 school year, a parent/guardian **MUST** either: 1) attend the informational meeting or 2) request a recording of the meeting from Mrs. Birr. She can be reached by email bbirr@oregoncs.org or phone at 419-697-3434 ext. 2. Additionally, all students interested in the CCP program for the 22-23 school year must turn in an Intent to Participate form to their school counselor by April 1, 2022. The form will be handed out at the informational meeting or will be emailed if a recording of the meeting is requested. Current CCP students do not have to attend the meeting or request a recording, however, current CCP students must turn in an Intent to Participate form by April 1, 2022.

Course Requests for the 2022-23 School Year

On Friday, January 18, all freshman, sophomore and junior students received a course request sheet which they were to take home to discuss course options for the 2022-23 school year. This sheet must be returned to their counselor on the day each student meets individually with their counselor. Current sophomores had meetings with their counselor this week, juniors will meet during the week of January 31, and freshmen will meet during the week of February 7. After meeting with their counselor, every student and parent will be emailed a copy of the courses requested. If you have any questions regarding the course requests for the 2022-23 school year, please contact the appropriate counselor at 419-697-3434.

Graduation Requirements for the Class of 2023 and Beyond

Beginning with the graduating class of 2023, students will have different requirements to earn a diploma. First, to graduate, all students will need to earn the required 20 *credits* by passing their academic classes earning high school credit. Second, students will need to demonstrate *competency* which is accomplished through state testing, career tech credentials, or by entering the military. The final aspect of the graduation requirements will include students needing to demonstrate *readiness* through various available options called Graduation Seals. There are nine seals with criteria defined by the State Board of Education and three seals that our local Board established our own criteria. Each student must earn at least two seals, with at least one of those seals being a state-defined seal. This past month, the Oregon Board of Education approved the Clay High School's locally-defined graduation seals and the process for which students may earn them. Our local seals may be earned through a variety of options including: volunteerism, athletic participation, curricular options in the building, and performance-based fine arts. Full details about the graduation requirements and the seals' process are included in this communication and available in our counselor's office. As our counselors continue to meet with students to enter their 2022-23 course requests, the graduation requirements and seals are a priority of those discussions. Please review the included graduation requirements and reach out to our counselors or school administration with any questions.

Operation Graduation Meeting

Attention all senior parents! A kick-off meeting for the 2022 Operation Graduation event will be held on Wednesday, February 2, at 6:30 pm in the CHS Learning Commons. Operation Graduation will be held on June 3, 2022, at Clay for students in the 2022 graduating class with food, activities, entertainment and prizes. This event is organized solely by parents and is funded by donations and fundraisers. Please plan to attend this meeting and make this year's Operation Graduation a memorable night for the graduating class of 2022!

Regional Honors Band

Each year, the Ohio Music Education Association has Regional Honors Bands and Orchestras that perform with some of the best student musicians in the area. Students who perform at these events are some of the best at their instrument. Chantah Chanthakham is one of those students. He successfully auditioned, was accepted, and placed first chair bass clarinet for the Regional Honors Band that was going to perform at the Stranahan Theatre in Toledo. Unfortunately, this event was canceled but we would like to congratulate Chantah for going above and beyond to work towards and earn this great achievement.

Ordering a Class Ring

Jostens will be at CHS on February 3, to accept class ring orders. A Jostens representative will be located in the hallway outside the counselor suite from 5:30 – 6:30 pm for parents to place an order. Likewise, on February 4, Jostens will be back at CHS during all lunch periods to accept ring orders. A \$100 down payment is required and payment plans are available through Jostens. Extra ring packets are available in the counselors suite. Orders can also be placed on the Jostens website (www.jostens.com) until February 4.

Business Professionals of America Competition

The Business Professionals of American, Region 6 in Ohio, held their in-person competition on Wednesday, January 19. Our students were motivated to excel, take chances and bring home the hardware. Here are the CHS State Qualifiers on March 9-11 in Columbus:

1st Place = Dominic Ruswinkle – Administrative Support Project

1st Place = Blake Karrick – Advanced Spreadsheet Applications

1st Place = Dillon Gladieux – Computer Modeling

1st Place = Lucas Grindle – Fundamentals of Spreadsheets

1st Place = Zach Plavcan – Integrated Office Applications

2nd Place = Zach Baker – Fundamentals of Web Design

2nd Place = Aidan Young – Python Programming

3rd Place = Noah Anderson – Python Programming

3rd Place = Jacob Carn – Integrated Office Applications

3rd Place = Dominic Ruswinkle – Database Applications

Other student results:

2nd Place = Ace Derrer, Theo Porter, Dominic Ruswinkle – Administrative Support Team

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3rd Place = Dillon Gladieux – Digital Communications & Design Concepts

3rd Place = Ace Derrer – Human Resource Management

4th Place = Blake Karrick – Computer Modeling

4th Place = Zach Baker – Computer Programming Concepts

5th Place = Aiden Young – Computer Modeling

5th Place = Daniel Bolinger – Fundamental Word Processing Skills

6th Place = Lucas Grindle – Interview Skills

7th Place = Theo Porter – Digital Communications and Design Concepts

7th Place = Daniel Bolinger – Interview Skills

9th Place = Zach Baker – Information Technology Concepts

Congratulations to all the CHS students for their accomplishments at the competition, hard work and representing CHS in such an outstanding manner.

Oregon Schools Foundation's Frost Fest

The Oregon Schools Foundation (OSF) is a nonprofit organization that supports the Academics, Arts and Athletics within all Oregon Schools. This year their annual fundraising event will be held on February 12. Like many other events this school year, their fundraiser will be held virtually. Please open the attached document for directions to purchase tickets and to visit the OSF website for the virtual event. The website to purchase tickets for Frost Fest is:

https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/IYnee7w9cfmXi5HRuEET-A. The deadline to purchase reverse raffle tickets is Monday, February 7.

Ordering a Yearbook and Senior Baby Ad Information

The deadline to order the 2021-22 yearbook is May 20, 2022. Orders are placed directly through Jostens using the website www.jostensyearbooks.com. Yearbooks ship home at no additional

cost for all 2022 graduates. Pages are filling up for senior baby ads. Please use the attached Senior Graduation Baby Ad for your 2022 graduate. Complete the form and drop it off in the main office or mail to CHS c/o Lisa Joseph. The deadline to place a Baby Ad is Friday, April 1.

Band Solo and Ensemble Competition

On Saturday, January 22, several students from the CHS Band traveled to Lake High School to compete in the Ohio Music Education Association's Solo and Ensemble Competition. All the band students that participated in this event earned a Superior or Excellent Rating.

Congratulations to all the students listed below for their hard work and musical achievement.

Earning a 1 – Superior Rating were:

Sydney Witek = Trumpet Solo

Chantah Chanthakham = Bass clarinet Solo

Steven Aziz = Trumpet Solo

Joseph Duffer = Tebor Saophone Solo

Adam Major = Violin Solo

Evan Kessler, Joseph Duffer, James Cavaliere, Theo Porter = Saxophone Quartet

Earning a 2 – Excellent Rating were:

Jordan Silva = Marimba Solo

Ricky Jurski = Clarinet Solo

Hannah Schultz = Flute Solo

Raymond Jurski = Snare Drum Solo

Gabriel Shannon = Snare Drum Solo

Lydia Roberts = Piano Solo

Makenna Petranek = Trumpet Solo

OMEA Solo and Ensemble 2022 Competition – Vocal Music

The students listed below recently participated in the Ohio Music Educators Association (OMEA), virtual Solo and Ensemble spring event. Several students performed a vocal selection from the OMEA required song list and submitted a video recording for evaluation.

Performances were scored for technical accuracy and artistry. All of the CHS vocalists performed at the highest levels, earning a Superior (I) or an Excellent (II) score.

Congratulations to all of our participants!

Earning a Superior (I) Rating were:

Emmalee Guy

Macy Strauss

Elisia Ackerman

Clara Steele

Earning an Excellent (II) Rating was:

Savanna Large

Selective Service Registration

Did you know that it is the law that all 18-year-old men must register with the Selective Service? A young man can register with Selective Service in less than two minutes via the internet at www.sss.gov or by going to the local post office and completing a registration form. A young man who does not register with Selective Service may be denied student loans and grants, job training programs, and federal, US postal, or state government and contractor positions.

Counselor's Corner

Virtual Seminars – Sun Federal Credit Union will be holding two virtual seminars on Monday, January 31, at 12:30 and 6:30 pm. The seminars will include information on completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid and information on student loans. Please open the attached document for additional information.

Volunteer Opportunity – The Toledo Metroparks are looking for student volunteers. This is a great opportunity for anyone who wants to add volunteer hours to their resume. The deadline to apply to be a volunteer is February 28. Please go to the Metroparks website for additional information. <https://metroparkstoledo.com/get-involved/volunteer/counselor-in-training/>

Upcoming Events

- Jan. 28 = Mini Cheerleaders Perform at the Varsity Boys Basketball Game
- Jan. 29 = CHS Eagle Dual Meet Wrestling Invitational
- Jan. 31 – Feb 4 = The counselors will meet with Juniors for 2022-23 course requests
- Feb. 2 = Operation Graduation Parent Meeting at 6:30 pm in the Learning Commons
- Feb. 3 = Jostens Ring Order Night for Parents from 5:30 – 6:30 pm
- Feb. 4 = Grade Update for the 3rd Quarter
- Feb. 4 = Jostens Ring Order Day during all Lunch Periods
- Feb. 7 – 11 = The counselors will meet with Freshmen for 2022-23 course requests
- Feb. 7 = Deadline to Purchase Oregon Schools Foundation Frost Fest Tickets
- Feb. 8 = Parent-Teacher Conferences from 3:30 – 6:30 pm
- Feb. 10 = CCP Parent Meeting at 6:00 pm in the CHS Cafeteria
- Feb. 12 = Oregon Schools Foundation's Frost Fest
- Feb. 15 = Limelighter Booster Virtual Meeting at 7:00 pm
- Feb. 21 = No School, Presidents' Day
- Feb. 21 = Athletic Booster Meeting at 6:30 pm in the Learning Commons

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