



December 16, 2022

Vespers Concert

Mark your calendar! The annual Holiday Band and Choir Vespers Concert will be held on Sunday, December 18, beginning at 3:00 p.m. in the CHS Auditorium. Plan to attend this entertaining concert and listen to the band play and choir sing their favorite songs of the season. You don't want to miss this concert; you won't be disappointed.

Volunteer Focus – Cookie Walk

Do you love to have a variety of cookies for your holiday guests to choose from but can't find the time to bake? Don't want the mess baking can cause? Let Volunteer Focus do the baking for you! The 11th annual Cookie Walk at CHS is a great way to get all those delicious holiday treats without spending hours baking. Upon entry, you will receive a bakery box to fill with holiday cookies. At checkout, all boxes will be weighed and the cost is \$9 per pound. This wonderful event will occur on Sunday, December 18, from 2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. in the hallway outside the CHS Golden Eagle Café. Please park in parking lot B (by the tennis courts) and enter door #17.

Semester Exams

My how time flies. Semester exams are already next week. The exams are scheduled for Tuesday, December 20 (periods 1, 2, 4); Wednesday, December 21 (periods 3, 7, 5); and Thursday, December 22 (periods 8, 6). Please stress the importance of the semester exams with your child. The exam is worth 20% of the semester grade with the 1st and 2nd quarters each weighted at 40%. The exam schedule is attached. Also, attached is general information, procedures and protocols for the semester exams.

Model UN Competition

The CHS Model UN Team had an extremely successful showing in their first weekend competition from December 1-3. The annual competition, the Canadian Security Council Summit, was their toughest competition of the season so far. Congratulations to Danya Abdulhak, Steven Aziz, Conan Dupler, Jackson Halbur, Noah James, Jessica Joyce and Lydia Roberts who all did Clay proud by using their powers of persuasion to pass numerous resolutions during the competition simulation. Special

recognition goes to Danya Abdulhak who earned a 1st Place win in the most challenging position and topic of all. She had to play the role of a Russian diplomat on the debate topic of the war in Ukraine. The team will now begin to sharpen their skills and prepare for their next competition in early January.

Quiz Bowl Results

On Monday, December 5, the Quiz Bowl team traveled to Ottawa Hills for their final regular season games of the year. Both the JV and Varsity participated in a tri-meet and were able to play teams from two different schools at the same event. The Varsity won their first match against Findlay by a score of 225-110. Unfortunately, the team fell short in the next match against Ottawa Hills by a score of 350-175. Pacing the team was Hunter Jefferies who had 135 points in the two combined games. Overall, the varsity team finished the day 1-1 and the season with a 7-2 record. That record was good enough for 2nd Place in their division and 5th out of 24 teams in the league.

Quiz Bowl League Tournament

On Saturday, December 10, the Varsity Quiz Bowl Team traveled to Swanton High School to play in the league tournament. After finishing 5th in the regular season, the team started with the 10th seed in the tournament. The team's first match was against Central Catholic and ended in a no-doubt win with a final score of 260-40. The next game was a close loss to Notre Dame but the team followed up that tough loss with a huge victory over Maumee. The team squared off against Findlay in the Silver Bracket Quarterfinals but fell short by a narrow margin of just one question's points. Overall, the team finished the day 2-2 and 11th overall in the League Tournament. It was a very successful year and one of the best finishes that Clay's program has had in recent history. Congratulations to Hunter Jeffries who earned 2nd Team All-Conference Honors for his 100 point game. Special thanks to Isaac Finkbeiner, Sam Thatcher, Evan Materni and Emma Fuller for their multiple varsity appearances throughout the season. Congratulations to all the members on the Quiz Bowl Team on an outstanding season.

Powerlifting Competition

On Saturday, December 10, the Powerlifting Team traveled to Madison Plains High School. The team had a fantastic meet and finished in 3rd Place at the Iron Eagle Invitational which hosted 400 lifters. The team set an astonishing 17 club records last Saturday. Congratulations to Gabriella Rivera, Grace Fortier, Olivia Yenrick and Luke Purtee for winning their weight class. Furthermore, Luke was the strongest person in the gym with a 360 lb. bench press and a 520 lb. deadlift. Mark your calendar now for the CHS Eagle Invitational that will be held in Potter Field House on January 21, 2023.

Bowling Results

On December 7, the Clay Men's Bowling Team recorded their first victory of the season when they defeated Fremont Ross 2250 – 2159. High games were recorded by Logan Davis with a score of 229 and Derrick Thoman with a 202. High games for the remaining members on the team were Joey Mottmiller with a 181, Braden Bevier with a 165, and Ryan Hoang with a 135. Congratulations bowlers on a great match and your first victory.

Congratulations to the Clay Girl's Bowling Team for getting their first win in program history on Saturday, December 10. The girls defeated Anthony Wayne by a score of 1211 to 1176. The winning team consisted of Aleceia Alvarez, Gabby Craig, Amelia Lerma, Karrissa Logsdon, Destiny Martinez and KK Vartorella. Also on Saturday, the Clay Men's Team lost a hard fought battle to Anthony Wayne 2011

to 1997. The match came down to the final frame in the 5th and deciding game as the Eagles came up just short. Both the boys and girls teams are off to a good start. Keep it up!

Mini Cheer Clinic

The CHS Cheerleaders are once again sponsoring their annual Mini Cheer Clinic for students in grades K-6. The clinic will be held on January 19, 2023, from 5:00 – 7:30 pm with the Mini Cheerleaders performing at half-time of the varsity basketball game on Friday, January 20. Please click the link for additional information and registration info: <https://www.payschoolsevents.com/events/details/24292>

2023 Graduate Names on the Diploma

Attention parents that have a 2023 graduate. A list of potential graduate names will be posted outside the counselor suite beginning on Monday, December 5. Please have your child check their name for spelling mistakes and for any other special characters in their legal name. The name on the diploma must be the student's legal name. If something is wrong with the way the name is printed on the list, please have your child speak with Mrs. Dunsmore in the counselor's suite. If the name is correct on the list, please have your child mark an "X" next to their name to indicate that your child has verified their name. The way the name is printed on this list is the way it will be printed on their diploma. All corrections must be made before January 17, 2023.

Oregon Recreation Basketball

The Oregon Recreation Department is currently accepting registration forms for Intramural Co-Ed Basketball. The league is open to students in grades 9 – 12 and live within the City of Oregon or attend Cardinal Stritch or Clay High School. Games will begin in early February and run until the middle of March. Additional information and registration is attached. The registration form must be dropped off at the Oregon Rec Department before January 8.

Counselor Corner

Clay Cares Closet – Is your child in need of a winter coat or other clothing items for the winter season? The Clay Cares Closet is fully stocked with brand new and gently used winter coats and other items. If your child needs any of these items, please have your child see his/her counselor.

Old Newsboys Goodfellows Association – The Old Newsboys Goodfellows Association traditionally supports local schools. Once again this year, they are providing the counselors with vouchers for free tennis shoes, boots, and/or winter coats for any CHS student in need. If you would like your child to receive any of these items, please have your child talk with their counselor or you can contact the appropriate counselor directly.

Student Schedule Changes – The deadline for a second semester schedule change is by the end of the day on Wednesday, December 21. All requested schedule changes must fall within in policy for changing a student schedule. This policy can be located online in the Clay Student Handbook on page 25. Please have your child talk with their counselor before December 21 if they have any interest in a schedule change.

Upcoming Events

Dec. 18 = Vespers Concert at 3:00 pm in the Auditorium
Dec. 18 = Volunteer Focus Cookie Walk from 2:30 – 5:00 pm
Dec. 19 = Athletic Booster Meeting at 6:30 pm in the Learning Commons
Dec. 20 = Exams for Periods 1-2-4 with Dismissal at 12:15 pm
Dec. 20 = Board of Education Meeting at 6:00 pm in the Learning Commons
Dec. 21 = Exams for Periods 3-7-5 with Dismissal at 12:15 pm
Dec. 21 = Deadline to Request 2nd Semester Schedule Changes
Dec. 22 = Exams for Periods 8-6 with Dismissal at 10:45 am
Dec. 22 = End of the 2nd Quarter and 1st Semester
Dec. 29 = Girls & Boys Basketball Holiday Classic
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Jan. 5 = NO SCHOOL for Students, Teacher Work Day
Jan. 6 = Beginning of the 2nd Semester
Jan. 7 = Model UN Metro Detroit Competition at Walled Lake
Jan. 9 = Limelighter Booster Meeting at 7:00 pm in the Performing Arts Studio
Jan. 13 = NO SCHOOL for Students, Teachers PD Day
Jan. 13 = HOSA Regional Competition at The University of Toledo
Jan. 13 = CHS Maumee Bay Wrestling Invitational
Jan. 14 = CHS Maumee Bay Wrestling Invitational
Jan. 16 = NO SCHOOL, Martin Luther King Holiday
Jan. 16 = Athletic Booster Meeting at 6:30 pm in the Learning Commons

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