



The Clay Chronicle

A message from CHS Principal

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2022 Ohio State Test (OST) Schedule

All Clay students enrolled in the classes listed below will be taking the Ohio State Tests this spring (dates indicated below). Our students will be completing all tests online for the spring testing schedule.

English Language Arts 10 (regular, honors & retakes) = March 31 and April 1

Biology (regular, honors & retakes) = April 7

American History (regular, honors, AP & retakes) = April 8

Government (regular, honors, AP & retakes) = April 8

Algebra I and Geometry (regular, honors & retakes) = April 27 and April 28

Clay High School will operate on a 2-hour delay schedule on all the dates indicated above. Only those students scheduled to take a test **OR** those students indicated below will be required to start school at 7:50 a.m. All other students not taking the test will begin school at 9:50 a.m.

Dismissal on testing days will remain at 2:35 p.m. Morning bus transportation will be provided for both the 7:50 and 9:50 start times.

JUNIOR Students = ALL junior students will be required to attend school at 7:50 am on Thursday, March 31, even though they are not scheduled to take an Ohio State Test. The junior students will be completing the Ohio Department of Education Graduation Plan and other activities from 7:50 – 9:50 am in the CHS cafeteria.

FRESHMAN Students = ALL freshman students will be required to attend school at 7:50 am on Friday, April 1, even though they are not scheduled to take an Ohio State Test. The freshman students will be completing the Ohio Department of Education Graduation Plan and other activities from 7:50 – 9:50 am in the CHS Cafeteria.

If you have any questions about the testing schedule/days, please contact Mr. Sigg, Ms. Kohler, Mr. Jurski or any CHS counselor.

Robotics Competition

In early February, the high school STEM robotics team competed at the Kent State First Tech Challenge Competition. This event was the first competition for the robotics team since before the pandemic began two years ago. The competition consisted of 6 qualifying matches where the luck of the draw matches you with alliance partners. The goal is to be in the top set of teams in order to advance to bracket play. The CHS team finished in 12th place but was selected by another robotics team to be one of their alliance partners to enter the winners bracket competition. In bracket play, the CHS team advanced to the championship match and finished in 2nd place. Congratulations are extended to team members Alex Rife (Captain and Lead Designer), Brock Wood (Lead Builder), Zach Baker (Lead Programmer), Curtis Stringham, Julia Derrer, Ace Derrer, and Nathan Agler on an outstanding finish. Special thanks to the advisors Rhonda Hildebrand and Joe Spallino for leading the team to victory.

Skills USA Carpentry Competition

On Tuesday, February 15, Logan Taylor earned 1st Place in the Skills USA Carpentry Competition held at Local 351 carpenters training facility in Rossford. Upon arriving at the competition, Logan dropped off his tools and immediately went into orientation. From that point on, his CHS instructor (Mr. Lashaway) was not permitted to interact with Logan. When the competition began, Logan was handed a set of blueprints. For ten minutes he was able to look at the blueprints, ask any pertinent questions, and take any notes. Once the blueprint reading was completed, Logan had four hours to construct as much of the building as he could accomplish in that predetermined amount of time. The construction was a combination of both residential and commercial carpentry such as drywall, trusses, stairs, stud walls, as well as different tool applications and uses. Winning 1st Place, Logan earned a gold medal, toolbox and a \$200 Home Depot gift card. Logan now advances to the State Competition on May 2 and 3, in Columbus. Congratulations Logan and good luck in Columbus.

Winter Athletic Awards Night

The winter athletic awards night will be held on Tuesday, March 22. The evening will begin at 6:00 pm with the general assembly in the CHS auditorium. Athletes that received any academic, league, district or state awards will be recognized in the general assembly. After the general assembly, each team will disperse to individual rooms to distribute individual and team awards.

Powerlifting Ready for State Meet

The CHS Powerlifting team is having a strong season. Forty lifters workout three nights a week to prepare for competitive meets. They have competed at Madison Plains, Bradford and South Central High Schools. Clay also hosted the 4th annual Raising the Bar meet in January. Each lifter competes in the bench press, squat, and deadlift. Those three scores are summed to create a total score for awards. The team had a great day at their most recent meet. Out of the 100 possible scores, lifters set 62 new PR's! Clay had 25 lifters travel to South Central where the boys team took 3rd Place and the girls team took 2nd Place.

The meet recognizes 3 boys and 2 girls with BMI champion trophies for the strongest pound-for-pound lifters by divisions. Clay lifters won four of the five trophies! Freshmen Gabrielle Rivera, senior Aleah Segura, senior Anthony Derby, and sophomore Jake Saunders were recognized as the meet's strongest out of 140 lifters. The award is determined by taking their total lift divided by their body weight. Luke Purtee and Deakon Rivera were crowned champions of their individual weight class but lost the BMI award to their teammates.

The team will be competing at Northwood High School on March 5, and will travel to Kenton High School for the State Meet on March 12. Good luck to all our hard working lifters.

February Youth of the Month

Congratulations to CHS Senior, Maura Carr, for being named the Exchange Club of Greater Maumee Bay February Student of the Month. On Thursday, February 24, Maura attended a breakfast to receive her award with her parents and Mrs. Turner. Maura was selected as the recipient for this award based on her volunteerism, leadership, responsibility, essay criteria, and overall commitment to Clay High School. Earning this award, Maura now advances in the district competition and can earn additional accolades. Congratulations Maura, thanks for working hard for our community and CHS!

Robotics Club Finishes in 1st Place

This past weekend, the high school robotics team travelled to Wapakoneta and competed in the First Tech Challenge competition. Struggles were real all day, but it all worked out in the end. The team slid into the final alliance captain and selected our teammates well: Higgs Boson and Quantum Leap. The team entered the semi-finals as underdogs but swept the semi-finals to proceed on to the finals. In the finals, the robotics team ended up sweeping the finals by defeating the #2 alliance and ending up as Champions! Congratulations to the team of Alex Rife, Brock Wood, Zach Baker, Curtis Stringham, Julia Derrer, Ace Derrer, and Nathan Agler. Good luck to the team as they now advance to the Virtual State Competition.

All Star Driver Education

In-person driver training classes will resume at CHS at the end of March. All Star Driver Education is conducting a driving course at Clay from March 28 – April 7 immediately after school from 2:45 – 6:00 pm. Only 15 students will be permitted to take the in-person course. Please contact 1-800-967-7719 or www.allstarde.com to register or for additional information. All questions and concerns should be directed towards All Star Driver Education.

Student of the Month

Congratulations to Kayli Hierholzer for being named the Genoa Bank/Metro Press February Student of the Month. Kayli was featured in the February 28 edition of the *The Press* newspaper. Currently, Kayli has a 4.3 cumulative GPA and ranks 6th in her class. She is a

member of the National Honors Society, Aevium, and Volunteer Focus. Kayli is the daughter of Jeff and Ethel Hierholzer. Kayli plans to major in nursing to become a neonatal nurse. She is undecided on which college she will attend. Keep up the great work, Kayli!

Limelighter Musical

The CHS Limelighters will present the delightful hit musical *Big Fish* on April 1 & 2 at 7:00 pm and April 3 at 3:00 pm. Adapted from the celebrated 1998 novel by Daniel Wallace and the acclaimed film directed by Tim Burton, *Big Fish* the musical celebrates the extraordinary in everyday life.

Big Fish tells the story of Edward Bloom, a traveling salesman who lives life to its fullest... and then some! Edward's incredible, larger-than-life stories thrill everyone around him – most of all, his devoted wife Sandra. But their son Will, about to have a child of his own, doesn't think there's any truth to the extravagant tales of his father meeting witches, kissing mermaids or joining the circus. When Edward's health begins to decline, Will must decide whether to accept his father's wild stories as truth or risk losing what he is searching for. Overflowing with heart and humor, *Big Fish* is an endearing, heart-touching musical that reminds us why we love going to the theatre – for an experience that's richer, funnier and bigger than life itself.

Reserved seating tickets are available at www.claylimelighters.org. Adult tickets are \$12 while Senior Citizen and Student tickets are \$10. Only General Admission tickets will be available at the door.

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.

Parent Information for 2022-23 Kindergarten Registration

A parent information night for kindergarten registration will be held on Wednesday, March 9. A link will be provided on the Oregon City Schools website (www.oregoncityschools.org) the day prior to the meeting. Once on the OCS website, click "Families and Students" then click "Registration and Enrollment." Individual parent appointments for enrollment will be held March 14 – 25. All information regarding kindergarten registration will be released on the March 9 meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Kris Schinharl at the OCS Board Office.

Oregon/Northwood Rotary

The Oregon/Northwood Rotary will present a Designer Purse Party Fundraiser on Wednesday, March 16 from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm at the Oregon Senior Center on Navarre Avenue. The cost is \$30 and the guests will have the chance to win one of 11 designer handbags with brand names such as Kate Spade, Coach and Michael Kors. Please open the attachment for more information.

Job Opportunity

CHS has been receiving several inquiries from local businesses/companies/individuals asking if we have any students interested in obtaining a job. If your child is interested in working at any of these companies/organizations, please click the link to obtain more information.

*Automotive Production Company

*Maumee Bay Lodge & Conference Center

*Maumee Bay State Park – Camp Office or Maintenance Staff

*Ohio Department of Natural Resources

Counselor's Corner

College and Career Night – On Wednesday, March 9, all juniors and seniors are invited to attend a College and Career Night from 6:30 – 8:00 pm at Owens Community College. This is your chance to talk with representatives from over 100 colleges, universities, and industries. There will also be experts to answer questions on financial aid, scholarships, military academies, disability services, and college athletics.

College Credit Plus – If your child is interested in participating in the College Credit Plus program for the 2022-23 school year, an Intent to Participate form must be turned in by April 1, 2022. Even students who are currently participating in the CCP program must turn in a new Intent to Participate form to be eligible for next year. All forms can be submitted to Mrs. Birr in the counseling office.

Engineering Camp for Girls – The University of Akron is hosting a summer engineering camp for girls from June 12 – 17. Girls will get the opportunity to do hands on experiments, projects and tour area companies to see engineers in action. Please open the attached document for additional information.

Nursing Visit Day – Lourdes University is hosting a nursing expo day on March 12. Open the attachment for more information.

Pharmacy Camp – The University of Toledo is hosting a pharmacy camp for high school students that will be going into their junior or senior year in the fall of 2022. Use this link for additional information and registration: <https://www.utoledo.edu/pharmacy/camp/pharmacy-camp.html>

United States Air Force – Mark Harrison, from the United State Air Force, will be at CHS on Wednesday, March 9, during all lunch periods. He will be available to talk with any student interested in enlisting in the Air Force.

University of Findlay – The University of Findlay is sponsoring their annual *Very Important Potential Pharmacist Day* on March 25. Learn what is required to become a pharmacist and the daily expectations of a pharmacist. Registration information is on the attached flyer.

University of Toledo – A representative from The University of Toledo will be at CHS during STRIDE on March 17, to talk with all interested juniors and committed seniors. UT will discuss the application process, academic programs, tuition and campus life. They will also review the next steps for all committed seniors regarding orientation and campus housing. If your child is interested in attending this meeting, please have them sign up in the counselor's office.

Upcoming Events

March 4 = Model UN Mid-American Competition
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March 7 = Band Booster Meeting at 7:00 pm in the Learning Commons
March 8 = Band Concert at 7:00 pm in the Auditorium
March 10 = BPA State Competition
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March 11 = OMEA Large Group Symphonic Band Competition
March 14 = Limelighter Booster Meeting at 7:00 pm in the Learning Commons
March 15 = Board of Education Meeting at 6:00 pm in the Learning Commons
March 16 = Jostens at CHS During All Lunch Periods to Distribute Graduation Caps/Gowns
March 18 = NO SCHOOL for Students, Staff Work Day
March 21 = Athletic Booster Meeting at 6:30 pm in the Learning Commons
March 22 = Winter Sports Awards Night at 6:30 pm in the Auditorium
March 24 = HOSA State Competition
March 25 = Grade Update for the 4th Quarter
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