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Principal's Message

Dear Chesapeake Community:

CHS has started second semester and working its way towards graduation on June 4. Students have completed their course registration for the 2009/2010 school year and will be meeting individually with their counselors starting in late February. Parents if you are uncertain about the registration that you signed in January, you still have time to make adjustments. The Program of Studies booklet was sent home with students on January 30 which explains in detail the courses. You should speak with your student and if questions arise call the counseling office and speak with the counselors. We would like to have students in needed courses as well as courses that they will enjoy.

With the change of the semester it is a good time to review all the emergency contacts that you have given the school. If phone numbers or contact people have changed, have your student get a new emergency form from the office to have you complete. We will not change information unless there is a parent signature. Also you need to review with your student what will happen when there is a weather related closing or delay of school. If there is a late arrival, students with morning CAT N will not have CAT N classes. Students enrolled in Jump Start should be able to attend their first period class which will end at 10:15 a.m. and give them sufficient time for 11:00 a.m. AACC classes. Students with school related work study programs also will be released at 10:15 a.m. to get to their jobs. Any other early release scenario will be expected to be in school for the classes scheduled at CHS. The school follows the decision of AACPS and the website is the best place to get the most up to date information.

Another area of concern to be reviewed at this time is if your student is on a medication whether prescription or over the counter. These medicines must be registered in the Health Room. If you need the medical form, it can be found on the AACPS website. Students are not to carry any type of medication at anytime unless it has been registered with the school nurse.

The Independence and Intervention program will be continuing for second semester. We do not have the results from 2nd marking period at this point in relations to grades but saw an overall 5% increase in GPA, Honor Roll and Eligibility for 1st marking period. We are hopeful that we will have similar results. Teachers are saying they are having more students making up missed work now that they do not have to rely on staying after school. Another teacher's comment was that students are trying hard to maintain a B so that they can have Independence in all their classes. If you are able to have a discussion with your student about how they feel about I & I, it would be worthwhile to hear from their perspective. I & I will start on March 2 when student have grade reports to indicate their performance.

An area of concern is the confusion over the tardy policy. What was printed in the Agenda book is incorrect. Students have been made aware of the correct policy which is as follows:

- 1st Unexcused Tardy – Warning and Teacher call home
- 2nd Unexcused Tardy – Notice sent to office and call made to parent
- 3rd Unexcused Tardy – Detention assigned
- 4th Unexcused Tardy – Saturday School assigned
- 5th Unexcused Tardy - Referral and Suspension day
- 6th Unexcused Tardy – Referral and Further Administrative action

It is very important that students are in class at the start so as not to distract from the instruction. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated.

We are very pleased with the results of sending the newsletter electronically. The request has been made to have it once a month and CHS is going to try and meet that request. The next newsletter should arrive during the first week of March. There will be a Connect ED message sent to every home to alert when the newsletter is available.

Continue to find ways to support the excellence that is happening at CHS. We welcome you to visit or call if you are having concerns.

Always remember *Cougars Can and Will.*

Sincerely,



Patricia A. Plitt
Principal

CHESAPEAKE HIGH SCHOOL
MISSION AND BELIEF STATEMENTS

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the caring and supportive community of Chesapeake High School is to promote excellence through dynamic academic and extra-curricular opportunities that prepare students for lifelong success as productive citizens in our rapidly changing world.

BELIEF STATEMENTS

- Every student can learn.
- All students have the right to a safe and productive learning environment.
- Quality education promotes responsibility and citizenship.
- The entire community actively participates in the educational process.

The **Chesapeake Robotics Club** would like to invite everyone to our Second Season of competition. The events are Free and Open to the Public.

For more information, please contact **Michele Devine 410-255-9600 x226** MWeber-devine@aacps.org

February 26-28 DC Capitol Regional @ DC Convention Center
March 19-21 Chesapeake Regional @ Halsey Field House @ Naval Academy



Calendar of Events

February 5-6

All County Dance Festival – 7:00 p.m.
Auditorium

February 10

8th Grade Parent Night—6:30 a.m.— Auditorium
Cap & Gown Pictures-Cafeteria—2:00-10:00 p.m.

February 13

Report card distribution for all students
Last day for schedule changes

February 16

Presidents' Day – All Schools & Central
Offices closed.

February 26

Winter Sports Awards – 7:00 p.m. –
Auditorium

February 28

Health Safety Expo - 10:00 a.m.—1:00 pm.
Spring Sports Begin

March 6

Interims Distributed

March 9

Meet the Coaches – 6:30 a.m. Café

March 11, 12, 13 & 14

Spring Musical – Matinee on March 11. - March
12, 13, & 14 - 7:00 p.m. – Auditorium

March 23 & 24

High School Choral Festival - Auditorium

April 3

End of third marking period – Two hour early dis-
missal for all students

April 4

Band Craft Fair 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

April 6

Beginning of fourth marking period

April 9 -13

Easter/Spring Holiday. All schools and Central
Offices closed

April 24

Report card distribution

Chesapeake Lacrosse Parent Organization

Chesapeake Lacrosse Parents Organization
(CLAXPO) will be holding its annual Bull & Oyster
Roast at La Fontaine Bleu of Glen Burnie on Fri-
day February 20, 2009 from 7:00 PM - 12:00
A.M. Music provided by 3rd Shift. Tickets are \$40
and can be purchased by contacting Al Tenneson at
410 255-1937 or atenneson.claxpo@yahoo.com

School Counseling Department News

Scheduling for next year is well under way; high school stu-
dents completed their course selection sheets and turned them
into their teachers in January. The counselors will meet with
ALL students during the end of February into March to re-
view their credits, course selections, completers and post-
secondary options.

The Program of Study is on the Anne Arundel county Public
Schools website. Students will also be given a copy on Janu-
ary 29th in homeroom to take home to review.

February 4th and 5th the high school counselors will visit the
middle school to work with rising 9th graders. The scheduling
night for parents is Tuesday, February 10th at 6:30 pm in the
high school auditorium.

Any senior that needs a MID YEAR REPORT sent out to their
college/university please send Mrs. Linda Gender, the school
registrar, a stamped addressed envelope for each report sent.

Advanced Placement registration will start in February, if you
have any questions please contact the testing coordinator, Ms.
Wood.

Junior Class College Night for Parents and Students is March
26th at 6:30 p.m. in the media center.

To receive up to date information from our department please
go to our Naviance Family Connection webpage at [http://
connection.naviance.com/chesapeakehs](http://connection.naviance.com/chesapeakehs) you can sign on as a
guest or ask your child for their username and password.

To any parent not receiving our Family Connection emails
please send your email addresses with your student's name to
our guidance secretary, Mrs. Lisa Wilson, at [LRWIL-
SON@aacps.org](mailto:LRWIL-SON@aacps.org)

Chesapeake's High School Evening SAT PREP COURSE-
APRIL 2, 16, 23 and 30 from 7-9:15pm If you are interested
in participating please go to www.marthagagnon.com for reg-
istration. Cost is \$225

Did you know that Chesapeake High will be a Signature School?

What is a Signature? A **Signature** offers high
school students unique thematic courses and co-
curricular opportunities that are workforce rele-
vant. The **Signature** specifically relates to topics
and ideas to a theme that is unique to each school
community. Look for Chesapeake's Signature
Survey coming next month.

For more information about **Chesapeake's Signature**
plans contact: **Michele Devine 410-255-9600**

CHS Vocal Music News

The Vocal Music Boosters are off to a great start to the New Year with a renewed sense of commitment to our vocal music students. We are more determined than ever to provide a quality program for our children through music.

The Winter Concert was a huge success! Thanks to all of you who came out to support our children and watch them perform on stage! A special thanks to Mrs. Simmons for all of your hard work and dedication to our children.

Future Events:

Monday, February 2nd- Booster Meeting held at 7pm and fundraiser packets distributed

Monday, March 2nd- Booster Meeting held at 7pm

Monday, March 23rd- Required rehearsal for Choral Festival 6:30

Tuesday, March 24th- A. A. Co. Choral Assessment at CHS- 7:30AM-3:00PM

(We will need parents to help launder the chorus gowns before this event. If you can help with this endeavor, please contact Mrs. Simmons)

Our Florida competition trip is fast approaching. The dates for the trip are April 23rd-26th. We are still accepting forms from second semester students and invite everyone to join us for a worthwhile experience.

All students are encouraged to participate in the upcoming fundraisers to defer the cost of the trip. The next fundraising opportunity is through Butter Braids and Gianni's. Information packets will be sent home with students on Monday, February 2nd and Tuesday, February 3rd. In-school sales are scheduled for February 9th-13th. Money and order forms are to be returned to Mrs. Simmons no later than Monday, February 16th.

For those students who will be attending the competition trip, deposits should total \$360.00 as of February 2nd. Please make these deposits as we are obligated to the hotel, the festival company and the bus company.

A new fundraiser for the Choral Boosters is being announced! The first annual Choral Booster Vera Bradley handbag bingo will be held on Sunday, March 29th. Please look for more information coming soon. We will need all available chorus members and their families to participate to make this an overwhelming success!

Our next Ledo's fundraiser night is scheduled for Tuesday, March 24th from 5-9. Proceeds from a portion of the restaurant and carry out sales will go to support the Vocal Music program.

A CHILD'S CHRISTMAS

On behalf of the Pasadena Business Association and families who received assistance during the 2008 holiday season, we would like to say **THANK YOU** to the following Chesapeake High Organizations.

Robotics Club—Adopted an entire family

Boys Soccer, Gymnastics, Interact Club, Junior Class, Vocal Ensemble & Mr. Westcott -

Who generously donated Gift cards, gifts, toys, and time to wrap the donations.

Attention CAT-North Seniors!

You are eligible for one or more of the following Scholarships available only to CAT-North Students:

A TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE SOCIETY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – This scholarship is available to a **Computer Networking Completer** who intends to continue with his or her education in the fields of engineering, computer science, physics or math.

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY TRADES FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP - This scholarship is available to any senior who is currently enrolled in a career program in the **Construction Field** and who intends to continue with his or her education/training.

EDWARD B. DEXTER SCHOLARSHIP -This scholarship is available to **Any CATN Senior** who intends to continue with his or her education/training.

THE EVANS FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD - This scholarship is available to any senior who will be a completer in either the **Baking and Pastry** or the **Culinary Arts Program** and who intends to continue with his or her education/training in the field.

GLEN BURNIE LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP AWARD - This award is available to **Any CATN Senior** who intends to continue with his or her education/training.

LOST IN THE 50'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP AWARD - This award is available to any senior who will be an **Automotive Technology, Diesel, or Auto Collision/Repair Completer** and who intends to continue with his or her education/training.

MARY NOCK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - This scholarship is available to any senior who will be a **Medical Assistant** or the **Nursing Assistant Completer** and who intends to continue with his or her education/training.

VULCAN AND WOLF RANGE RICK GALICKI SCHOLARSHIP - This scholarship is available to any senior who will be a completer in either the **Baking and Pastry** or the **Culinary Arts Program** and who intends to continue with his or her education/training.

All applications are available now in the CAT-North Office of School Counseling and are due back by April 15, 2009. Please call 410-969-3100 for more information.

SAT SUPPORT FOR CHESAPEAKE HIGH SCHOOL

For the past several years, all high school students in Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) have had access to *The Official SAT Online Course™*. This is a very powerful resource that provides a variety of support options for students who are preparing for the SAT. To maximize the benefits of this online support, the Advanced Studies and Programs Office has created the *SAT Online Support* Blackboard site for students. This Blackboard site includes many useful features, including:

Step-by-step instructions for setting up a new *SAT Online* account.

How to navigate *SAT Online*, whether preparing for a first SAT or working to improve an existing SAT score.

How to use the *PSAT/NMSQT ScoreReport Plus™* to help prepare for the SAT.

Access to United Streaming video segments that focus on specific SAT skills and strategies in student-friendly language.

Additional resources from the College Board and from the AACPS course, *Preparing for the PSAT, SAT, and Beyond*.

Your students can access the SAT Blackboard site using the following information:

School	Chesapeake High School
Username	satchs
Password	cougars

In addition, any student living in the same household as active or retired military personnel can receive the free eKnowledge SAT/ACT PowerPrep program by visiting:

www.eknowledge.com/schools.asp?coupon=235cee2458. Requests can also be made by directly calling eKnowledge at 951-256-4076, or via email at support@eknowledge.com.

TWILIGHT SCHOOL

A Second Chance Opportunity Program



We all welcome the opportunity for a "second chance".

When: Every **Monday & Thursday** from 2:10 - 3:40 pm
First class is Monday, February 23, 2009

Where: **Chesapeake High School**

Cost: **\$80 per course** (only one course per student)

Courses being offered are:

English 9
English 10
English 11
English 12

US Government
US History
Matter & Energy
Biology

Geometry
Algebra I
Integrated Math
Passing HSA Biology

The Twilight School Program is primarily focused on the **9th Grader** in order to assure that they get off to a successful start in high school.

And . . .

On the **Senior**, so they may have the opportunity to graduate on time with their class in June.

However, this program is available to any CHS student who has failed one of the courses offered.

All courses are for remedial purposes only.



Registration will be **February 17th, 18th & 19th**

From 2 - 4 pm in the CHS Cafeteria . . . Registration forms will be given out and completed at that time . . . **payment is required at registration.**

Checks should be made payable to Chesapeake High School. **NO CASH!**

First class is Monday, February 23, 2009



A parent must be present at registration.

AP Newsletter

Volume 1, Issue 1

February, 2009

Chesapeake High School

Pasadena, Maryland 21122

Principal's Message

The opportunity to take AP classes signifies that students understand that being in a rigorous and challenging course will enhance their academic profile. This newsletter will be a vehicle of communication for students and parents to get an overview of AP throughout Chesapeake. It will be used to inform everyone of upcoming events as well as highlights of courses. The design is to give everyone the most information available to create an even higher level of success.

Patricia A. Plitt
Principal

AP Instructors, 2008-2009

AP Spanish	Mrs. Bak
AP French	Mrs. Baker
AP Calculus	Mr. Bardell
AP Calculus	Mr. Kasimov
AP Statistics	Mrs. Daubert
AP Environmental Science	Ms. Cieslinski
AP Chemistry	Mr. Dave
AP Biology	Mrs. Mikeska
AP European History	Mr. Cavendar
AP World History	Mr. Mallory
AP US History	Mr. Johnson
AP Psychology	Mrs. Bender
AP English Language and Composition	Mr. Cook
AP English Language and Composition	Mrs. Petri
AP English Literature and Composition	Mrs. Schettini-Luoma
AP Art History	Ms. Waters
AP Computer Science	Dr. Kelly

Special Supplementary AP Resources for Students and Parents

AP French

Barron's AP Workbook

Lapresse.ca

Lefigaro.fr

Quizlet.com

Moniquotidien.com

Rfi.fr

AP Chemistry

www.sciencegeek.net/APchemistry/APtaters/directory.shtml

www.trgreen.com/apchem/apnotes.htm

www.chemmybear.com

Princeton Review AP Test Preparation Workbook

AP Environmental Science

www.teacherweb.com

Princeton Review Test Preparation Workbook

AP US History

McGraw-Hill AP Achiever Exam Prep Guide

www.historyteacher.net

AP Computer Science

Blackboard.aacps.org

Java.sun.com

Bluej.org

AP English Literature and Composition

www.collegeboard.com

Barron's AP Study Guide

Five Steps to a Five Study Guide

Kaplan's Study Guide

AP English Language and Composition

www.collegeboard.com

www.schoolnotes.com/21122/perti.html

Princeton Review AP Test Preparation Workbook

AP Psychology

Barron's AP Study Guide

www.collegeboard.com

Important AP Exam Registration Dates

Monday, February 2, 2009: All AP registration material will be distributed via first period classes. If seniors do not have a first period class, the registration packets will be delivered to them later in the day. Every student registered for at least one AP class will receive a packet. The registration packet will include an information letter, a registration sheet, a schedule of exams, a return envelope, and the AP Bulletin for Students and Parents.

Friday, March 13, 2009: All monies and registration materials will be due. The exams cost \$86.00 a piece.

Friday, March 27, 2009: This the school's deadline to turn the final numbers into the College Board.

2009 AP Exam Calendar

Morning Sessions: 8 a.m.

Afternoon Sessions: 12 noon

Week 1

Monday, May 4	United States Government and Politics (a.m.) Comparative Government and Politics (p.m.) French Language (p.m.)
Tuesday, May 5	Computer Science A (a.m.) Computer Science AB (a.m.) Spanish Language (a.m.) Statistics (p.m.)
Wednesday, May 6	Calculus AB (a.m.) Calculus BC (a.m.) Chinese Language and Culture (p.m.)
Thursday, May 7	English Literature and Composition (a.m.) German Language (a.m.) French Literature (p.m.) Japanese Language and Culture (p.m.)
Friday, May 8	United States History (a.m.) European History (p.m.) Studio Art (portfolios due) (p.m.)

Week 2

Monday, May 11	Biology (a.m.) Music Theory (a.m.) Physics B (p.m.) Physics C: Mechanics (p.m.) Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism (2 p.m.)
Tuesday, May 12	Chemistry (a.m.) Environmental Science (a.m.) Psychology (p.m.)
Wednesday, May 13	English Language and Composition (a.m.) Italian Language and Culture (a.m.) Art History (p.m.)
Thursday, May 14	Macroeconomics (a.m.) World History (a.m.) Microeconomics (p.m.)
Friday, May 15	Human Geography (a.m.) Spanish Literature (a.m.) Latin Literature (p.m.) Latin: Vergil (p.m.)

A Word from the Editors

It was our desire as we gathered the content for what we hope will be the first of many AP Newsletters attached to the Chesapeake bimonthly newsletter that the information included will assist both our students and the Chesapeake parents with specific details that need to be kept in mind. In the future, we would like to include sections that concentrate on the individual departments in which AP courses are taught and, more importantly, that hone in on the many success stories of our AP students. Please look forward to another newsletter in two or three months.

Mrs. Bender
Mr. Cook



Chesapeake High School

4798 Mountain Road | Pasadena, MD 21122 | 410-255-9600



Did you know that you can recycle paper, newspapers, catalogs, magazines, junk mail, weekly advertisement circulars, TV Guides, folders, construction and poster paper, shredded paper, spiral notebook/theme books, office and school mail 24 hours a day 7 days a week at Chesapeake High School?

Did you also know that we *earn* money for paper that is dropped off at our green and yellow recycling bin? Our recycling bin is located near the front parking lot by the Auditorium. This is an easy way for you to recycle your paper every week and help us raise money for the CHS Environmental Club and to improve our recycling efforts. It is easy to get started – just place an empty box near your trash can in your classroom and place your paper in the box! We will gladly supply you with a box and/or a **Paper Only** sign for the box. Our club members will collect the paper once a week. If dropping off shredded paper – please put it in a bag. If dropping off theme books – please take off the front and back hardcover – the metal spiral may remain intact. You do not need to remove staples from paper. *Please, no cardboard.*

Let your neighbors know they can contribute to our school as well! Do you know of a local business? Ask them to bring their paper to our bin! There is no financial commitment from you, just bring us your paper! Please remember to bring your paper and drop it in the Abitibi Recycling Bin weekly. We will update you on our paper recycling progress! Thank you for your year-round support of this important fundraising effort! Recycling one ton of paper saves over 7,000 gallons of water, 390 gallons of oil, and 60 pounds of air emissions! Don't throw this piece of paper away, recycle it today!

For more information, log onto www.PaperRetriever.com.

Sincerely,

Ms. Allison Williams
Environmental Club Advisor
Chesapeake High School



for every child

CHS PTSA NEWS

HOLIDAY TREATS A SWEET SURPRISE!

On December 23rd, Chesapeake High School teachers and staff members were delighted to enjoy a holiday buffet provided by members of the PTSA. Hot chocolate, coffee and tea, a variety of specialty cookies and baked treats, breakfast breads and fresh fruit started the day off on a sweet note of appreciation to everyone who works hard to make Chesapeake High a learning community to be proud of! Hospitality Chairman Leah Stocksdale says THANK YOU to the many PTSA members who contributed to this event. Please email Leah@TNTlabs.com to assist with future hospitality events.

PTSA General Membership Meeting March 11, 2009 at 6:30 pm

2009 CHESAPEAKE HEALTH EXPO

SAVE THE DATE!

WHERE: Chesapeake Bay Middle School

WHEN: Saturday, February 28th

TIME: 10 am till 1 pm

FEATURING: Health screenings, opportunities to learn more about healthy lifestyle trends, and a variety of entertainment from local schools.

CHS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

If you haven't already signed up to be added to the volunteer email listing, please contact Volunteer Coordinator Jenni Smith (Jenni@HouseSale.com) to receive email messages for volunteer opportunities at CHS. Needs include making copies for teachers, helping with special projects, assisting with activities during lunches, and more. Joining the egroup keeps you up to date on what is needed from volunteers, and allows you to respond if your schedule permits. Send Jenni an email to be added to the list!

PTSA Offers Scholarships to Class of 2009

Current membership in CHS PTSA is a requirement for applicants for the 2009 CHS PTSA Scholarship program. Membership forms can be downloaded from the CHS website (www.aacps.org/aacps/chhs), and completed forms and dues payments can be dropped off in the school office. The membership requirement can be fulfilled by either the student, parent, or both.

Applications for the 2009 PTSA Scholarships will be distributed by the guidance department in the coming weeks.

**Minutes from PTSA
Executive Board Meetings
are available on
the CHS homepage
(www.aacps.org/aacps/chhs)
Select PTSA and click on
meeting date to review.**

Chesapeake High School
Spring Mulch Sale

Proceeds Benefit the Senior Class 2009

Premium Mulch
3 Cubic Ft Bags

Delivered to Your Home!

When: Saturday March 21st, 2009

Cost: Just \$4.00 a bag
10 or more bags – Just \$3.75 (**Buy more and Save!**)
Below retail price!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Community: _____

Phone: _____

Total Number of Bags: _____

Cost per Bag:

\$4 - 9 Bags or less

\$3.75 – 10 or more Bags

Delivery Instructions:

Total Enclosed: _____

Make Checks Payable to: *Chesapeake High School Senior Class*

Please mail this form and payment by check Before March 13th, 2009 to:

Chesapeake High School
4798 Mountain Road
Pasadena, Maryland 21122
Attention: Senior Class Mulch Sale