Reporting Absences

When absent from school, a student is to have his/her parents or guardian phone the school 330-664-4823 before 9:00 a.m. on the day of absence so that the reason for the absence will be known. The attendance office routinely calls parents/guardians to verify absence. Parents should not be offended by the call. The call is only to ensure the location and safety of the student. Without parent contact, a student will be presumed unexcused and dealt with accordingly. NOTE: Doctor and dentist appointments should be made after school hours when possible. Regardless of the reason, if a student misses more than 2½ hours of the school day, the student will be charged a minimum of ½ day absence.

Smoke Signals

Look for it the 1st week of each month on the CHS website! Issue submission deadline is the 20th of each month. Issues of Smoke Signals can be accessed on line by:

- Visit www.copley-fairlawn.org
- Select School tab; Select Copley High School
- Click on News Tab; Smoke Signals
- Download Smoke Signals
- PDF icon listed below desired month

Email all submissions in Microsoft Word to Carol Hurd at:

carol.hurd@copley-fairlawn.org

Submissions received after the deadline will be published the following month.

Hard copies of Smoke Signals may be picked up in the main office or mailed by request. If you would like your issue mailed, please email your information to Carol Hurd.

Please Remember:
The circular drive in front of Copley High School is closed to any traffic on both sides in the morning 7:00 to 7:30 a.m. and at the end of the day from 2:10 to 2:40 p.m. This is necessary to allow our buses free access and to provide a safe loading and unloading area for our students. Please do not drop off/pick up or park on the circle in front of the building at these times.

Information and updates from Mr. Coury and Mr. Oden can be found in the weekly Indian Express publications. You can read those updates at:

http://www.copley-fairlawn.org/domain/414

Spring Conference Scheduling

DATES: FEBRUARY 9 & FEBRUARY 16, 2017

“This year Copley High School has gone online for setting up conference times! The high school will be using myconferencetime.com/copleyhs to schedule times. There are a limited number of appointments for each conference day (we recommend that you sign up early for your preferential time and date). Please sign up for a time slot by visiting:


You can also visit our website at www.copley-fairlawn.org/chs where you will find a link to the conference scheduler.

If you are unable to sign up for a time and date via your personal computer or public library, please call our high school office at 330-664-4822 and we will gladly schedule your conference for you. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.”
WADSWORTH HS STUDENTS SHARE FAVORITE RECIPES WITH CLASS

Tino Santiago is a student in the Culinary Arts program and Chef Prep Marketing at Copley High School. He travels from Wadsworth HS each day to learn about running a restaurant from Chef Joe Schmeltzer and Marketing a restaurant from Ms. Diane Dann.

The Chef Prep Marketing class has been studying niche marketing and using ones heritage and family recipes in the business. Tino prepared delicious empanadas filled with beef and potato from his Puerto Rican family recipe. Most in the junior class had not eaten empanadas before and everyone enjoyed them!

Brandon Harrod, also a Culinary student from Wadsworth HS expressed a fondness for Archway Frosty Lemon Cookies. In looking at the Archway Cookie website he discovered a recipe for a Frost Lemon Milkshake using 12 of the cookies. He prepared it for the class and Morgan Spencer (Wadsworth) added a dollop of Cool Whip to top it off!

The Junior Chef Prep Marketing class is enjoying sampling new food specialties. Students can broaden their food experiences while exploring new culinary options!

Top 10 Reasons to Buy a Yearbook

10 ~ Proof that you went to school with someone famous

9 ~ Give your future children something to laugh about when they see your hairstyle and clothing

8 ~ Look at your picture day outfit and ask yourself “What was I thinking?”

7 ~ Read the stories and see the pictures of the year’s events

6 ~ Remember what your friends used to look like when you see them at the 25 year class reunion

5 ~ It will be around a lot longer than Snapchat or Twitter

4 ~ So you won’t miss out on all the fun and excitement when the yearbooks arrive

3 ~ Years from now, you will find something in it that will make you smile

2 ~ Only a limited number of copies are printed

And the #1 reason for buying a yearbook…. YOU are in it!

Order online at http://jostensyearbooks.com?REF=A06377600 by May 1, 2017 or contact Mrs. Casida at chsyearbook@copley-fairlawn.org
Copley High School End of Course Assessment Schedule*
Spring 2017

Session One: 7:25am - 10:25am (3 hours)
Lunch: 10:30am - 11:15am (45 minutes)
Session Two: 11:25am - 2:25pm (3 hours)

March 28th
ELA - Grade 9
ELA - Grade 10

Make-ups: March 29th - April 13th (given during the regular school day)

April 20th
Government - Part 1**
Regular School Day – All students report

April 21st
Government - Part 2**
Regular School Day – All students report

April 25th
Biology (9th/10th Grade Enrolled)
American History (All Enrolled)

April 26th
Algebra or Geometry (All 9th Grade)
Algebra or Geometry (All 10th Grade)

Make-ups: April 27th - May 10th (given during the regular school day)

*Students should only attend if they are testing in the subject areas listed
**The Government End of Course Assessment will be given during a regular school day.

Important Notes:

- Busses will run on their normal schedules. Students unable to arrive late or leave early will report to study tables located in Room 127 and Room 132.
- AP students may still be required to meet with their AP classes on testing days. Please check with your AP teachers.
- Students are not required to test in two different subject areas on the same day. In the event that a student is enrolled in two subjects that are scheduled for the same day, the student will take the afternoon subject on a makeup test day. For example, a student enrolled in Biology and in American History will take American History on a makeup test day.
- CCP Students: Please follow your CCP schedule. Any required end of course exams will be administered on a makeup test day.
- Compact students must still report to their Compact programs. The Compact bus will run on its usual schedule.
- Juniors: Excellent opportunity for a college visit
- Seniors: Excellent opportunity to complete volunteer hours

Students Taking a Scheduled Assessment
Please arrive at your scheduled test site no later than 7:25am or 11:25am for your scheduled test session. Test sites will be posted on the main office windows, online, and in the commons during the weeks leading up to the test days.
To take Senior Marketing see your guidance counselor. For More Information see Ms. Dann

Marketing for Seniors with Early Release

Class Credits
Class meets Mods 5-8—2 credits
Job (12 hours/week)—1.5 credits
Total of 3.5 credits

What will I learn?
• Entrepreneurship Skills
  Own your own business
• E-Commerce—Web sites that sell a Product/service/support a business
• Professional Sales Techniques
• Analyze existing business models
• Advertising & Sales Promotion
• Market Research
• Explore Careers in Marketing
• Managing a Business
• Using Social Networking sites to promote your business

What about the job?
• $$$Get paid—Make Money $$$
• 1.5 credits for the job
• A grade to boost your GPA
• Job Application Skills
• Job Interviewing Skills
• Use the job you already have
• Only need an average of 12 hours per week for 1.5 credits

No new business, new idea, or new invention will ever move forward unless MARKETING makes it happen.

Tech Prep means you can get 6 college credits @ the University of Akron or Kent State by taking this class!

Ms. Diane Dann
Room 181/183
Copley High School

CHS Phone: 330-664-4860

E-mail: diane.dann@copley-fairlawn.org
Who would of thought ceramic food would look so appetizing? Mr. Pastor's Ceramic I class put their creatively realistic food on display outside of the art wing for everyone to see. The response to the "Ceramic Cafe" display has been outstanding. The display includes meals throughout the day and a menu to help guide the viewers as they are looking at the art work. The class thoroughly enjoyed the process of creating their art work and also have taken so much pride and showing their peers, teachers and family. The art work will be on display until February 10th.

Keely Murray
Paige Reynolds

Sophia Muratori

Cammie Monachino

Jerry Nusbaum
EVENING PRESENTATIONS SPONSORED BY THE CHS GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT
*All presentations will be held in the CHS Auditorium

8th GRADE PARENT ORIENTATION
When: Thursday, February 9th 5:30 p.m.
Presented by: Copley Guidance Department
Information about high school requirements, testing, scheduling, etc. Recommended for students and parents of incoming Freshmen (Class of 2021)

COLLEGE PLANNING NIGHT
When: Thursday, February 16th 5:00 p.m.
Presented by: Copley Guidance Department
Information from public and private universities regarding college, ACT/SAT, financial aid, college visits, etc. Recommended for parents and students grades 10-11, but all are welcome to attend.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS MEETING
When: Thursday, February 16th 6:00 p.m.
Presented by: The University of Akron
The College Credit Plus Program allows students in grades 7-12 to complete high school and college credits at the same time. NOTE: Although this option is available for students in grades 7-12, students must meet college admission standards in order to enroll in this program. *This meeting is mandatory for students interested in College Credit Plus or Distance Learning next school year

STATE-FUNDED ACT
All districts and schools must administer a state-funded college and career readiness test to juniors in the spring of 2017. Copley High School will administer the ACT to all juniors on Tuesday, March 21st. The test will be administered in the auxiliary gym at CHS in the morning from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

SCHEDULING INFORMATION FOR 2017-2018
In February, juniors, sophomores, and freshmen will receive registration information for next school year. Scheduling forms, signed by parents, are due February 15th to English teachers.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS
Two College Credit Plus opportunities will be offered to students next school year: College Credit Plus classes taught on The University of Akron campus, and (2) Distance Learning classes that will be taught on The University of Akron campus and streamed via technology to our CHS campus. Students interested in either opportunity MUST follow the instructions in the next paragraph.

The College Credit Plus Program allows qualified students to earn high school and college credit simultaneously. Students have the opportunity to take college classes on the college campus, online, or at Copley High School through The University of Akron’s Distance Learning classes. If your student is interested and qualified to participate in CCP in the fall of 2017 or the spring of 2018, (1) a parent and the student must attend the CCP presentation on February 16 at 6:00 pm, (2) by April 1, the Intent to Participate form must be returned to the Guidance Office, and (3) the student should take his/her ACT by April 2017.

OHIO GRADUATION TESTS
The Ohio Graduation Test (OGT) will be administered the week of March 13-17 to all seniors who have not passed all test sections.
COLLEGE PLANNING SEMINAR FOR JUNIOR PARENTS
On Thursday, February 16 at 5:00 p.m., parents will have the opportunity to learn about the college process, financial aid, and college entrance testing. Kim Gentile from The University of Akron will address characteristics of public, private, and community colleges. She will discuss college visits, the application process and timeline, including the Common App and more selective schools. She will briefly touch on financial aid and will talk about how to gather more information.

COMPACT CAREER TECHNICAL PROGRAM DEADLINE
Registration forms for sophomores interested in a career-tech program during their junior and senior years were due on January 27, 2017. Spots may still be available but are limited so if your student is interested, have them stop by the Guidance Office ASAP to get a registration form or see Mrs. Morganti with any questions. Visit www.fourcitiescompact.org for more information.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS
All Advanced Placement students received the AP registration form & the Bulletin for AP Students and Parents in December so please ask your child to review it if you have not seen it. If the student is eligible to receive accommodations, a request for accommodations must be made by February 17th to the College Board. See Mrs. Morganti several weeks prior to this deadline if you need to request accommodations. The exams are scheduled for the first 2 weeks in May. Exams are mandatory for those students enrolled in AP courses and payment is due February 17, 2017. Fee reductions are available to eligible families. Please see Mrs. Morganti or Mrs. Kramer in the Guidance Office with any further questions.

ACT Prep Classes
1) ACT Test Preparation offers ACT Prep classes. The class costs $179.00. Call Laura Icardi at 330-722-7235 or email her at licardi@ACTTestPrep.info for more information or to sign up for one of the classes below.

   Medina County Career Center - Medina, OH
   #105   Feb. 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 2017   6-8 p.m.
   #106   April 18, 25, May 2, 9, 16, 2017   6-8 p.m.

   Lutheran West High School - Rocky River, OH
   #110   Feb.13, 27, March 6, 13, 27, 2017   6-8 p.m.

   Cuyahoga Valley Career Center - Brecksville, OH
   #119   Feb. 4, 2017   1-Day Intensive   8 a.m.-2 p.m.
   #114   Feb. 14, 21, 28, March 7, 14, 2017   6-8 p.m.

   Oberlin High School - Oberlin, OH
   #111   Feb. 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 2017   4-6 p.m.

   Wadsworth High School - Wadsworth, OH
   #118   Feb. 14, 21, 28, March 7, 14, 2017   6-8 p.m

   Copley High School - Copley, OH
   #116   April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 17, 2017   6-8 p.m.

   Highland High School - Medina, OH
   #121   April 20, 27, May 4, 11, 18, 2017   6-8 p.m.

   Online Class
   #112   6-8 p.m.

2) PATHworks offers ACT Prep classes and sessions. On-line registration is available at www.pathworksohio.com.

SUMMER 2017 PROGRAMS
If your student is interested in a pre-college, summer program, check out this link for in-state and out-of-state opportunities: http://www.studenteducationprograms.com
LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS
More than $75,000 in local scholarships will be awarded to members of the senior class through funds generated by groups and individuals within the Copley-Fairlawn City Schools community. One application fills the requirement for most of the 80 local scholarships. Find the application on the high school webpage, www.copley-fairlawn.org, or pick up a hard copy from Mrs. Kramer in the Guidance Office, beginning February 1. A student will not be able to save the on-line application and then return to it at another date. Applications are due back in the Guidance Office by February 17.

If you complete the application on-line, you will not be able to save information and return to the application at a later date. You will need to complete the application in one sitting.

PARTIAL LIST OF THE APPROXIMATELY 80 SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE:

- Andy & Susan Rader Memorial Scholarship $1000
- Blair David Oliver Memorial Scholarship $ 500
- Copley All-Sports Booster Club Scholarship $ 750
- Copley M.S. P.T.S.A. Scholarship $ 600
- Copley Teachers’ Association $1000
- Copley-Fairlawn Support Staff $ 500
- Copley-Fairlawn Schools Foundation $ 500-2000
- Copley-Fairlawn PTA Council $ 500

Keep Us Informed of Any Scholarships You Earn
Any senior who receives a scholarship or award should provide a copy of the award letter to Mrs. Kramer in Guidance. We keep an up-to-date record of scholarships and awards won by the members of the senior class and we will distribute that list at Commencement.

FINANCIAL AID
If a senior wants to apply for need-based financial aid (grants, work study, and low interest loans), parents must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid. File online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Apply for a FSA ID at www.fafsa.gov.

HALFWAY THROUGH SENIOR YEAR
The first semester is now history and hopefully you have successfully achieved your goals for the first half of your senior year. As the final semester of your high school experience begins, your education/career plans following graduation should become more concrete. The Guidance Department is ready and willing to help should you need assistance during the critical decision-making period.

TIPS FOR BORROWING MONEY
1. Learn the language. Sort out terms and definitions.
2. Evaluate how much you really need to borrow.
3. Evaluate how much you will be able to repay.
4. Shop around. Student loans subsidized by the government tend to have lower interest rates and deferred payment provisions; parts of some loans may be “forgiven” if you perform certain kinds of work or service after graduation.
5. Know the full facts before you commit yourself: What is the interest rate of the loan? Date payment begins? How long to pay off?

OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND FOR COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

FAFSA on the Web: www.fafsa.gov
www.fastweb.com
https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search
www.scholarships.com
DON'T GET SCAMMED 
ON YOUR WAY TO COLLEGE

Look for six signs that a scholarship search may be a scholarship scam:

1) “This scholarship is guaranteed or your money back.” No one can guarantee that they will get you a grant or scholarship. Refund guarantees often have conditions or strings attached. Get refund policies in writing – before you pay.

2) “You can’t get this information anywhere else.” There are many free lists of scholarships available. Check with your school or library before you decide to pay someone to do the work for you.

3) “May I have your credit card or bank account number to hold this scholarship?” Don’t give out your credit card or bank account number on the phone without getting information in writing first. It may be a setup for an unauthorized withdrawal from your account.

4) “We will do all the work.” Don’t be fooled. There is no way around it. You must apply for scholarships or grants yourself.

5) “The scholarship will cost some money.” Don’t pay anyone who claims to be “holding” a scholarship or grant for you. Free money shouldn’t cost a thing.

6) “You’ve been selected by a national foundation to receive a scholarship” or “You are a finalist in a contest.” (a contest you never entered) Before you send money to apply for a scholarship, check it out. Make sure the foundation or program is legitimate.

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**Note:** CHS is a test center.

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**Note:** Both the SAT and the ACT require registration at least one month prior to the actual test date. Late registration is available with an extra fee. Students can go to the websites listed above to create an account, register for test dates, and take advantage of sample test materials and resources.

National testing dates have deadlines. If you go beyond the deadlines, additional fees are charged. In addition to the SAT, Subject Tests are required for the more selective schools. These subject area tests are usually given on the same dates as the SAT. Check with your counselor for specific details.
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<td>Akron Urban League Scholarship</td>
<td>250 word essay &quot;After graduating from college I plan to achieve…&quot;, a minimum 2.5 gpa and a letter of recommendation</td>
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<td>Aspiring Nurse 2017 Scholarship</td>
<td>Seniors who plan to pursue college education in nursing, including LPN/LVN, ADN, and BSN programs <a href="http://www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com">www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com</a></td>
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<td>Charles L Warren Memorial Heritage Scholarship (OACAC)</td>
<td>Seniors who demonstrate and show a continued commitment to cultural and intellectual diversity, attend an OACAC member high school, a cumulative 3.0 gpa in a college prep curriculum, required to attend an Ohio college/university, and submit an online application at: <a href="http://www.oacac.org/student-scholarships">www.oacac.org/student-scholarships</a></td>
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<td>Concordia Lutheran Ministries Scholarship</td>
<td>Seniors who plan on continuing their education and majoring in a healthcare-related field, academics and financial need</td>
<td>$2500</td>
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<td>Fields of Learning Scholarship</td>
<td>Essay contest where students from high schools in Ohio submit essays between 500 and 1500 words with the theme being “Something I learned related to high school football”. This scholarship is not limited to players (cheerleaders, band members, trainers, etc.) Interested students may apply online at <a href="http://www.fieldsoflearning.org">www.fieldsoflearning.org</a></td>
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<td>Goodyear Tire &amp; Rubber Company “Greatness STEMs from Me” Scholarship</td>
<td>Seniors who are planning to pursue a Bachelor’s or Associate’s Degree in a STEM discipline, a minimum 3.0 gpa, a U.S. Citizen and the applicant should attend the Goodyear STEM Career Day on April 29, 2017.</td>
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<td>Greater Akron Touchdown Club - James E. Sovacool Scholarship</td>
<td>Seniors who reside in Summit, Portage or Medina Counties, enrolled in college fall of 2017, during senior year earned at least 1 varsity letter, and meet the minimum academic standards set for applicants for Athletic grants-in-aid.</td>
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<td>Groth &amp; Associates Scholarship</td>
<td>Seniors with a minimum 3.0 gpa, online application and a 500 word essay</td>
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<td>Junior Women’s Civic Club Scholarship</td>
<td>Female seniors who will attend an Ohio college or university in the fall of 2017, volunteer service, minimum 2.5 gpa, financial need and cannot be a child or grandchild of a JWC#CC member</td>
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<td>Kappa Foundation of Akron-George C. Miller Scholarship</td>
<td>Graduating senior from Summit County, will enroll in a college/university for the Fall 2017, and a minimum 2.5 gpa</td>
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<td><strong>The Levy Law Office Scholarship</strong></td>
<td>Graduating senior who will be enrolled in a 2 or 5 year institution in 2017 in Ohio or Kentucky, a short 2-3 minute video and 1000 work essay on 1 of 2 topics about safe driving <a href="http://levylawoffices.com">http://levylawoffices.com</a></td>
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<td><strong>National Academy of Television Arts &amp; Sciences Scholarship</strong></td>
<td>Seniors who plan to attend a four-year college/university and intend to pursue a career in television or a television-related field. Application process in completed online at <a href="http://www.natasgl.org">www.natasgl.org</a></td>
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<td><strong>Ohio Association of Career Colleges and Schools (OACCS)</strong></td>
<td>Seniors with a “C” average, nomination by a civic or community leader or a member of the Ohio Legislature and will attend classes in the summer or fall following their graduation. (Most schools are 2 yr. schools – ex. Bryant &amp; Stratton)</td>
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<td><strong>Ohio Newspapers Foundation 2017 Minority Journalism Scholarship</strong></td>
<td>Applicants should be African-American, Hispanic, Asian American or American Indian, enrolled in a college/university for the fall of 2017, a minimum 2.5 gpa, 750 to 1000 word autobiography and 2 letters of recommendation.</td>
<td>$1500</td>
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<td><strong>Ohio PTA Memorial Scholarship</strong></td>
<td>3 Scholarships Offered: Students who will pursue a Bachelor’s Degree; Students pursuing a Technical or Associates Degree; and a Special Education Scholarship (student must have a current IEP or 504 Plan)</td>
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<td>U.S. Citizen who resides in an Ohio township, plans to attend a two or four year college/university in the fall of 2017</td>
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<td><strong>Ohio Association for Career &amp; Technical Education Darrell Parks Scholarship</strong></td>
<td>Senior career-tech students, who will enroll in a college/university within one year of being awarded the scholarship and a 500-1000 word essay explaining how your career-technical program has benefitted you and why you are applying for this scholarship</td>
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<td><strong>Slater &amp; Zurz Law Firm Scholarship</strong></td>
<td>YouTube Video (2-4 minutes) or a 500-1000 word essay on 1 of 2 topics: 1) Existing Ohio law that needs to be changed; 2) create a new law that would benefit the community-visit website: <a href="https://slaterzurz.com">https://slaterzurz.com</a></td>
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<td><strong>The William D. Squires Scholarship</strong></td>
<td>Financial need, the EFC on your FAFSA Student Aid Report must be less than 8,000 to apply, applicant must already know their career goal, student must be highly motivated and have good character and has a minimum 3.20 cumulative gpa. Visit <a href="http://www.wmdsquiresfoundation.org">www.wmdsquiresfoundation.org</a></td>
<td>$3000 (renewable)</td>
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PTSA NEWS

COPLEY HIGH SCHOOL

February 2017

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2016-2017 CHS PTSA Meeting Dates

February 8
March 8
April 19
May 10

All meetings are held at 6:30 pm in the high school main office conference room.

Dates To Remember

February 9 & 16
February 15
February 15
February 20
March 1
March 8
March 6

PTA Council meeting
After Prom decorating
CHS PTSA meeting
Evening Conferences
Founders Day
After Prom meeting
No school – President’s Day
PTA Council meeting
CHS PTSA meeting
No School – Staff Development Day

CHS PROUDLY PRESENTS:

2016-2017 Outstanding Educator – Mr. Joe Schmeltzer

The Copley High School PTSA chose Mr. Joe Schmeltzer as our Outstanding Educator winner for 2016-2017.

Mr. Schmeltzer is the Culinary Instructor and Curriculum Coordinator for the Culinary Arts Program at Copley High School.

Mr. Schmeltzer is married to JoAnna and has three children. Mr. Schmeltzer is a Copley High School graduate. He has a Culinary and Hospitality Management Degree from The University of Akron, A Vocational/Career Tech Teaching Degree from Kent State University and a Master’s in Education from Mary Grove University. In 1997 he became a Certified Culinary Educator.

Mr. Schmeltzer has been an instructor for the Culinary Arts Program at CHS for 23 years. In this program students learn how to prepare and serve food to the public. Mr. Schmeltzer does an excellent job preparing students to become a short order cook, chef, cater, restaurant manager, event or party planner. In order to learn about food service operations, Mr. Schmeltzer and the students run a school-based restaurant which is open to the public; the Tomahawk Room. They also prepare food and cater many events each year. This is a big benefit to our PTA’s in each school, CHS and in the community. Mr. Schmeltzer is always willing to have his student help with our PTA’s food item or catering needs, in any of the schools. Mr. Schmeltzer and the students always do their best to make each event special.

Mr. Schmeltzer is also a Serve Safe Instructor. He provides this instruction to his students so that they can become certified; a requirement to work in the food service industry. In 2013 he started the Culinary Marketing class for students to learn marketing strategies in the food service industry.

Mr. Schmeltzer is a member of several professional organization including the Akron Area Chef’s Association and the Akron Area Chef Educator Association. He is a Chapter Advisor for Family, Career and Community Leaders of America which Student Organization that provides personal growth, leadership development, and career preparation opportunities for students in Family and Consumer Sciences education. Mr. Schmeltzer has received the 2011 Ohio PTA Achievement Award and the Culinary Chef Educator Award in 2008.

Mr. Schmeltzer’s nominator says that he is a positive influence for the students, always encouraging them to achieve their best. He seeks to understand each student’s educational needs and provides support and direction for each student. He is an advocate for students seeking employment and a resource for those seeking to further their education in the Culinary Arts field.

In Mr. Schmeltzer’s own words, “My educational philosophy or personal goal is to challenge students and watch them grow to their full potential; to take students at different levels and see them develop together for the betterment of each individual. Group work and team work is the key to having a successful class and is something I value, especially with junior and senior students. The impact of group work, when student help fellow students, changes each person and transforms the atmosphere of the classroom. In my classroom, I want student to have freedom that allows for expression and creativity. Student should be able to experiment with likes and dislikes and recognize their strengths and weaknesses. After this is discovered I can mold and develop strategies in the curriculum that can tie into each student leaning style. I want to give each student direction to help better themselves and encourage lifelong learning to motive them to reach their full potential”.

These are just a few reasons why Mr. Schmeltzer is the CHS Outstanding Educator of the Year.

Congratulations Mr. Schmeltzer!
The Copley High School PTSA chose Debbie Forster as the 2016-2017 Helping Hands winner. Debbie is married to Eric and they have two sons, AJ who is a sophomore at Rice University and JT who is a senior at Copley High School. Debbie enjoys being outdoors and gardening. She believes in sustainability, recycling and reusing.

Debbie has been a PTA member for 15 years. If you were to name individuals that have been actively involved with PTA since their kids began elementary school, there is no doubt that Debbie would be at the top of the list. Debbie says it was Belinda Check that got her involved with PTA by asking her if she would chair the Fort Island Land Lab. During her time at FI Debbie chaired most committees and was President from 2007 -2009. Debbie was also very involved at Copley-Fairlawn Middle School. She volunteered her time serving on many committees including the; Magazine Drive, Turkey Trott, Canned Food Drive, Veteran’s Day, Baking, Conference Dinners, Cookies for Hospice and Staff Appreciation. Her hard work and dedication was recognized in 2012 when she was chosen as the CFMS Helping Hands winner.

Debbie did not slow down or take a break from serving when her boys reached Copley High School. Over the last 5 years she has chaired Staff Appreciation (2 years), Conference Night Desserts (2 years) and has chaired the Nominating Committee. This last summer Debbie Chaired the Extreme Garage Sale to begin the fundraising for this year’s After Prom. Debbie has also helped with Commencement Receptions, the Touch-A-Truck Fundraising Event and served on the After Prom and By-Law committees, and who knows how many times she has baked when there was a need.

Debbie has also served on the PTA Council. Debbie was the PTA Council President from 2009-2011. The years following being President she held the Second Vice President position, First Vice President position and has been a Delegate at Large. She organized selling Krispy Kreme Donuts to raise money for scholarships. Debbie was the PTA Council Helping Hands winner in 2012. Debbie is currently serving as a Council Delegate at Large and the Reflections Chair. Debbie has also been on the Nominating Committee for Council for many years. Debbie is very dedicated to supporting and mentoring many new leaders for PTA.

Debbie has also been very involved through the years with the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. Debbie was a Cub Scout leader for Pack 3300 and Committee Member for 14 years. Even though her boys have moved on to Boy Scouts years ago, she continues to be involved in the FI Cub Scout Pack. The number of Cub Scout events and activities she has organized and attended are too numerous to mention. Debbie is very involved and dedicated to the Boy Scout Troop 390. She is a committee member and active volunteer and has been for 10 years. Every Tuesday night Debbie can be found working with the Boy Scouts. This is probably the right place to add that Debbie is the proud mother of two Eagle Scouts.

Debbie’s nominator says that it is Debbie’s character that sets her apart. She steps up and chairs events whenever asked. She does so in her quiet and modest way. She is creative, highly organized and does not get easily flustered. She is a committed PTA member and a great volunteer. She has a strong commitment to the mission of PTA.

Debbie says it is a privilege to have the time to stay so involved in PTA for all these years. Debbie says the programs that the PTA puts together are second to none. When I asked her if she had a favorite event or program she came close to mentioning them all. She says it is all the people working together that keeps our PTA’s going strong. I would agree with Debbie and add that Debbie is one of those individuals that has made our PTA’s strong. The Copley Fairlawn Schools have benefited greatly because of her dedication to the PTA’s mission. The number of young lives Debbie Forster has touched through the years cannot be counted.

Congratulations Debbie!
Congratulations to Sophomore Destiny Reed for her Reflections piece advancing to States!

This year’s theme was “What’s Your Story?” and Destiny submitted a poem in the literature category.

Judging at the state level will take place later in January.

**Senior Parents:**

We are looking for any candid photos of your senior student taken throughout their childhood and teen years. These photos will be displayed on the Senior Photo Wall during After Prom and Commencement. Please look through those old photos or print out a dozen and send them in!

Please send copies of your photos to school in an envelope marked “After Prom – Senior Photo Wall”

**NOTE:** photos will not be returned

Looking ahead to Next Year…….

In the next few months our nominating committee will be meeting to select the slate of officers for the 2017 - 2018 school year.

If you would like to be considered for a position on the board, please contact Pam Knight at pjknight12@icloud.com

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**After Prom News**

**After Prom Meetings**

The next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, February 15th at 7:00 pm in the CHS Main Office Conference Room.

Decoration Workshops have begun. Please join us in the Art Room on Thursday's from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. We will be working on all aspects of the After-Prom Festivities. No art skills are required as there will be lot to do to get ready for the event!

**Fundraisers**

Let us help you say ..........

The PTSA will be selling carnations for $2 each during lunch Mods the week of January 30 – February 3. Proceeds benefit the After Prom. Each flower will be delivered with your personal message on February 14th. Carnations can also be ordered by using the attached form on page 15.
Senior Parent Donations

Each year we count on the support of our senior parents to make After Prom a fun and memorable event for our seniors and their guests. There is still time for Senior parents to donate. Submitting your donation promptly allows us to more effectively budget and plan After Prom for the Class of 2017. Please use the attached form. We would like to extend a sincere thank you to the following senior parents who have given generously to After Prom 2017 so far!

**Gold**

Nathan & Kathy Blice and Becky Blice - Brian Blice
Diane and Chuck Caye - Alex Caye
Tom and Jennifer Connolly - Tommy Connolly
Lisa Consilio - Nicholas Mastrangelo
Elyssa and Lee Hilton - Rachel Hilton
John and Debbie Houdeshell - Nathan Houdeshell
Tim and Pam Knight - Jaclyn Knight
Michele and Jason Lenke - Coltan Lenke
Paul Levy and Sylvia Chinn-Levy - Jared Levy
John and Karen Martin - Jill Martin
Dave and Linda Maynard - Hannah Maynard
Mario Muratori - Sophia Muratori
Ron and Cindy Pavlovich - Nate Pavlovich
Toni Randall - Alexandra Williams
Matt and Jessica Vargo - Sara Vargo
Steve and Renae Yashnik - Hope Yashnik

**Bronze**

Janice Consolacion - Armando Consolacion
Weldon Ellison and Pati Patrick - Max and Paige Ellison
Beth and David Hertz - Alyssa Hertz
Paula and Bob Lundell - Matt Lundell
Craig and Christine Miller - Jared Miller
Dan and Debbie Rosso - Nick Rosso
Myrna Suarez - Gema Suarez
Josha Walker - Justice Walker

**Silver**

Mark and Rudi Demechko - Sydney Demechko

**Senior Parent Level**

Melissa Carr - Haley Carr
Ann and Dick McCord - Sarah McCord
Terri and Gary Rich - Kevin Rich

Thank You So Much
AFTER PROM 2017

Dear Senior Parents,

One of the events that the students look forward to as a Senior is Prom and After Prom. Copley High School PTSA is proud to sponsor the After Prom 2017 party for Seniors and their guests on May 20th from 11:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. After Prom is a safe, alcohol/drug free event immediately following the Senior Prom. This is a great night full of many fun activities such as inflatables, games, prizes and food. All Seniors are invited to After Prom, regardless of whether they attend Prom.

Though it is only November, the After Prom organizing and planning is already in full swing. One way that helps make this fun evening possible is through donations from our Senior Parents. Please consider supporting this event that has become a tradition at Copley High School. Your prompt response would be greatly appreciated and will allow us to more effectively plan for a fun-filled night for your Senior.

We have several sponsorship levels:

- **Gold Level** $100
- **Silver Level** $75
- **Bronze Level** $50
- **Senior Parent Level** $30

Checks should be made payable to CHS PTSA. Please send your donation to: Copley High School PTSA, Attn: Debbie Houdeshell, 3807 Ridgewood Rd., Copley, 44321 or send it to school with your Senior in an envelope marked "PTSA-After Prom, Attn: Debbie Houdeshell".

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 330-322-2567 or Houdeshell4@roadrunner.com.

Thank you so much for your support!

Debbie Houdeshell
2nd VP and After Prom Committee Chairperson

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**After Prom Senior Parent Donation**

Student Name: __________________________________________

Name of Parent or Sponsor: __________________________________________

Sponsorship Level:

- [ ] Gold - $100
- [ ] Silver - $75
- [ ] Bronze - $50
- [ ] Senior Parent - $30

Please return this form with your donation to school in an envelope marked PTSA After Prom –Debbie Houdeshell
Let the PTSA be your florist for Valentine’s Day!

❤️ Parents and Students ❤️

Send carnations and share your heart for Valentine’s Day.

Flowers will be delivered to students on February 14th during mods 12-13

Name of Recipient ________________________________

Name of Purchaser (optional) ________________________________

Message on card: __________________________________________

Number of Carnations ________

$2.00 each ______

TOTAL ______

Proceeds go to CHS PTSA After Prom

Please make checks payable to: CHS PTSA

Please return this completed form and payment by Thursday, February 3rd in an envelope marked “After Prom Flower Sale” to CHS main office or mail to:

Copley High School – PTSA After Prom

3807 Ridgewood Road, Copley Ohio 44321

If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Houdeshell at 330-322-2567 or houdeshell4@gmail.com
C.A.A.S.B.C.
Reverse Raffle and
Adult Sports Extravaganza

Friday, March 24
6:30 PM-10:30 PM
St. George’s Fellowship Center

$125 for one prize entry and two admissions
$100 for one prize entry and one admission

Heavy Hors D’oeuvres and Open Bar included

To purchase tickets please contact
Jill Royka Kline at mkline5616@aol.com
Bryan Panovich at bryanapanovich@eaton.com
Jim Ruch at dr218@aol.com

Donation of silent auction prizes is encouraged. Please contact Rhonda Cotleur at rcotler@aol.com or Ceci Jontry at cecij4@gmail.com.
All donations are tax deductible.
CALENDAR

February

1  PTA Council Meeting, 9:30 am
2  Groundhog Day
6  Sports Boosters Meeting, 6:30 pm, MOCR
8  PTSA Meeting, 6:30 pm
9  Evening Conferences, 3:30 - 7:05 pm
   (see note on Page 1)
   8th - 9th Grade Parent Orientation, 6:00 pm
13  Music Boosters Meeting, 6:30 pm
14  Valentine’s Day
15  PTA Founder’s Day, 9:00 am, Tomahawk Room
   After Prom Meeting, 7:00 pm
16  Evening Conferences, 3:30 - 7:05 pm
   (see note on Page 1)
20  NO SCHOOL - President’s Day
21  Board of Education Meeting
25  Academic Challenge Tournament
28  Choir Pre-Contest Concert, 7:30 pm

March

1  PTA Council Meeting, 9:30 am
2  Band Pre-Contest Concert, 7:30 pm
6  NO SCHOOL - Staff Development Day
   Sports Booster Meeting, 6:30 pm, MOCR
8  PTSA Meeting, 6:30 pm
10  OMEA District VI Adjudicated Event (Away)
11  OMEA District VI Adjudicated Event (Away)
12  Daylight Saving Time Begins
13  Music Boosters Meeting, 6:30 pm
13-17  OGT Testing Week, Grade 12 only, all five tests
15  Winter Sports Reception, 6:00 pm
   After-Prom Meeting, 7:00 pm
17  St. Patrick’s Day
18  Sports Extravaganza
20  Spring Begins
   Spring Sports Community Night, 6:00 pm
22  Musical Theater Production, 7:30 pm
23  Musical Theater Production, 7:30 pm
24  Musical Theater Production, 7:30 pm
   End of 3rd grading period
25  Musical Theater Production, 7:30 pm
26  Musical Theater Production, 2:30 pm
28  Bands in the Round, 5th, 7th, Symphonic, 7:00 pm, CHS
29  Bands in the Round, 6th, 8th, 9th, Wind Ensemble, 7:00 pm, CHS
31  Report cards go home

President’s Day