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 online by:

* Visit www.copley-fairlawn.org
* High School tab
* Click on Smoke Signals on the right side of the site
* 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.
Advertise in The Copley Drumbeat!

The high school newspaper, The Copley Drumbeat, is selling advertisement space in order to fund the next five student-generated issues, November-May, released throughout the year. For as little as $35, you can promote your local business to students, teachers, and community members. The paper gladly accepts patrons who would like to purchase space to wish teams or organizations good luck, as well. Patrons of the paper:

- Bronze: $10-20
- Silver: $21-50
- Gold: $51 and up.

If you are interested, please contact the advisor, Sara Janiga, at 330-664-4999, ext. 527559 or email her at sara.janiga@copley-fairlawn.org.

SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT NEWS

Civic Education

An ongoing goal of the CHS Social Studies Department is the promotion of civic education; civic education takes on added significance this year, as it is a Presidential Election year. This fall students are busily engaged in many activities to increase their civic literacy, including our annual observances of Constitution Day and Veterans Day, as well as student participation in a contest sponsored by The American Legion - The Americanism and Government Test.

In recognition of Constitution Day (September 17) CHS students participated in activities commemorating the ratification of The United States Constitution; students learned about the formation and signing of our Constitution and about our rights and responsibilities as U.S. citizens. In observance of Veterans Day, students will attend a school-wide assembly dedicated to American veterans of all wars.

State Testing in Social Studies

In the fall of 2011 new state standards and model curricula for Social Studies were developed by the state of Ohio. State tests aligned to the new standards and model curricula were administered to 9th and 12th graders last spring and will be administered again this year. These tests assess students’ knowledge of American History and American Government. 9th grade American History students are being prepared for this year’s tests by Mr. Chouinard, Mrs. Chupek, Mr. Collins, Mrs. Klatt, and Mr. Ullman. 12th grade American Government students are being prepared for this year’s tests by Mr. Dies and Mr. Beard. Over the past four school years, the Social Studies Department has aligned CHS curriculum to the state standards; staff members participated in professional development to accomplish this task. Four years ago the department completed analysis and review of curriculum and textbooks; students received new textbooks three years ago.

On November 9, many of our students will be taking the Americanism and Government Test sponsored by The American Legion. This test examines students’ knowledge of the Constitution, Declaration of Independence, the United States Flag, and Federal, County, City and School Board Government. One boy and one girl from grades 10, 11, & 12 will be selected from all who take the examination at CHS, to be entered into competition at the District level. District level winners may then be selected to compete at the State level. The American Legion, Department of Ohio, will then select, based on test scores, state finalists, who will receive a 5 day all expenses paid trip to Gettysburg PA and Washington D.C. in the spring of 2017. The Legion expects in excess of 65,000 students from over 500 high schools to participate in the competition. Local winners will receive an award from the Copley American Legion Post. In 2016, Copley student Thomas Varley, qualified as a state finalist and was granted a trip to Gettysburg and Washington D.C. Thomas was one of just 18 state finalists out of 65,000 test takers state-wide.
Dining To Donate
Enjoy A Meal That’s Filling and Fulfilling.

Copley High School
Speech and Debate Team

Needs Your Support
Applebee's® will donate 15% of your check when you dine at

Montrose
3938 Medina Rd.
Akron, Ohio 44333

Present this to your server or Carside To Go Specialist.

Tuesday, November 29
11:00 am – 9:00 pm

Donation percentage excludes tax and tip. Valid ONLY at above mentioned location during specified hours. Must present flyer in order for organization to receive credit for purchase. Flyers are not to be distributed in the restaurant or within the perimeter of the parking lot. Doing so will result in a voided event.
Sarah Damron
In the gardens at the Tomahawk Door

Growing light plantings

Creative Art Projects

Garden projects
Copley Spirit Shop
Operated by Mrs. Chalfant & Mrs. Markin’s Class
http://www.copley-fairlawn.org/domain/541

Label for the new lip balm
in the Copley Spirit Shop
The Copley-Fairlawn Schools Foundation is proud to announce its

2ND ANNUAL CASINO NIGHT
Saturday, November 12, 2016.

Join us for an evening of fun and games.
Try your luck while helping us raise monies for Copley’s graduating seniors and classroom grants.
We appreciate your support! Hope to see you there!

Saturday, November 12, 2016
Doors Open at 6:30 pm
Games begin at 7:30 pm

St. George’s Antiochian Church
3204 Ridgewood Road
Fairlawn 44333
Held in the new party center in back

DONATIONS
$125 per couple
$100 per single

Includes heavy hors d’oeuvres, beverages and games.
All donations go to graduating senior scholarships and classroom grants.
Additional Counseling Resource in the Guidance Office

Mrs. Amy Gray is a mental health counselor from Child Guidance. We are fortunate to have her to help our students. Mrs. Gray can see students who are referred to her by our guidance counselors.

Stewart’s Caring Place: Cancer Wellness Center is located in Fairlawn off of Miller Road. This non-profit organization provides support services, free-of-charge, to individuals and families touched by cancer. Programs and services that are available for children and teens include a Children’s Support Group, Teen Recreational Group, Stewart's Family Night, Digital Art Class, and Kids Activity Group. For adults, they provide workshops, yoga, massage therapy, counseling, attorney consults, wigs, and much more. Visit the website for more information (www.stewartscairngplace.org).

To Parents of Sophomores

November 22, 2016
College & Career Day

1. The Copley High School PTSA will sponsor the third annual Career Fair the morning of November 22nd. The PTSA has organized over 15 community members to present informational sessions to our students regarding their occupations. Sophomores will choose four speaker sessions to attend to help explore different career fields. Thank you to the PTSA for organizing this valuable effort. We are looking forward to another successful, informative event.

In the afternoon of November 22nd, the Four Cities Compact will host the COMPACT Career Day at Barberton High School. The COMPACT provides career technical education to our juniors and seniors through 17 programs housed at Copley, Barberton, Norton and Wadsworth High Schools. Prior to the field trip, Mrs. Morganti and Mrs. Magensky (the COMPACT career pathways counselor) will visit sophomore English classes to explain this opportunity that will allow students to visit with COMPACT program teachers and students, college representatives, and military representatives. In addition, sophomore students will set up an Ohio Means Jobs account. www.ohiomeansjob.org is a valuable resource for students to take an assessment regarding their interests and explore careers and occupations.

The Parents of Juniors

1. Teacher in-service days, spring break, or an occasional pre-planned absences are excellent opportunities for college visits. Summer visits have value, too. However, during the summer, there are generally fewer students on campus and it is harder to understand how the campus operates during the regular school year. An official visit booked through the college’s admissions office is more beneficial than a drive-through or walk-through visit. Students should visit several schools before making a decision.

2. Counselors will facilitate a College Planning Information Night on Thursday, February 16th. Guidance staff and college representatives will present a comprehensive program ranging from standardized tests to financial aid. There will be time for questions.

3. PSAT score reports will be distributed in mid-January to the sophomores and juniors who took the test on October 19.
4. **ACT, SAT, and possibly SAT Subject** tests should be taken for the first time during the second semester of the junior year. Some students elect to take these tests earlier in their high school experience. Registration may be done at any time prior to the deadlines established for each test. To register for these tests and to view a listing of test dates, go to [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) for the ACT, and go to [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) for the SAT. For the latter, click on SAT since the College Board sponsors a number of testing programs. In addition, valuable information about the two tests can be found on the high school website under the Our School tab. Click on the link to the Guidance Department. The ACT and SAT testing should be completed by December of the senior’s school year. Neither test is offered in the summer.

**To Parents of Seniors**

1. The Common Application allows a student to complete one application and submit it to multiple schools. Visit [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org) to register for a free account, search for the colleges the student is considering, add them to the student’s “My Colleges” list, and begin the application. As part of the Common Application, some schools have supplements that must be completed. Finally, supporting documents such as a transcript and letters of recommendation from the high school must be included. A student should request permission from a teacher before he or she lists that teacher as a person who will write a letter of recommendation. All of this is explained in The Common Application directions.

2. The monthly publication of **Guidance Notes** is delivered to the mods 3-4 class of every senior during the first week of every month. Please read the information below that has been edited to reflect current deadlines. Go to [www.copley-fairlawn.org](http://www.copley-fairlawn.org), click on the high school page, and click on the Guidance Department to view the original documents from September and October.

**ACT Prep Classes**

PATHworks, located at 2106 Braewick Circle, Suite 202C, in Akron, will offer a 3 hour prep class on Saturdays, November 12 or 19 from 9 a.m.-noon or 3-6 p.m. Register on-line at [www.pathworksohio.com](http://www.pathworksohio.com) or contact Patricia Smoot Wicks at 330-861-4073.

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NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION
The 2017 NMSC announced the Semifinalists for this year’s scholarship competition. Copley High School’s Semifinalists are Kevin Du, Katherine Holland, and Pranav Muthigi. In order to advance to Finalist standing and qualify for potential scholarships to college, these students have submitted a lengthy application. In mid-February the Finalists will be announced. Congratulations, Lily, William, Simon, and Zachary.

NATIONAL MERIT COMMENDED STUDENTS
NMSC named the Commended Students in the 2017 National Merit Scholarship Program. We are pleased to announce that CHS has three Commended Students: Nicole Basinski, Aronno Elahi, Jae Jeong, Yoonji Lee, Caitlin Villers, and Sheridon Ward. Although these students will not advance to scholarship competition, their scores demonstrated their competence in academics. Congratulations Nicole, Aronno, Jae, Yoonji, Caitlin, and Sheridon!

APPLYING TO COLLEGE
When you apply online, you will need a transcript to complete your application. Fill out the Transcript Request Form on the Guidance Website or see Mrs. Kramer in Guidance to request that transcript. Bring with you any forms required in that college’s application process.

If you need a teacher recommendation, request the recommendation from a teacher who knows your academic performance and can attest to your positive character traits. If the person responds positively, give him/her the recommendation form which should outline the details needed in the letter. Give your recommender a stamped envelope addressed to the college and appropriate department. Inform the recommender of the deadline date, and remember that you should allow at least two weeks for the person to write, edit, type, and deliver your letter. Once the letter has been delivered, send the teacher a thank you note.

If you need a letter of recommendation from a counselor, give the counselor two weeks notice and a copy of your resume.

DECEMBER 1ST COLLEGE APPLICATION DEADLINES
If you have a December 1st college application deadline, request your transcript and letter of recommendation (if required) by Thursday, November 17. We do not have school from November 24-November 28. Stay organized and turn in your applications in a timely fashion.

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION
Personnel at the colleges’ Financial Aid Administrator’s offices will be able to provide important information about federal and campus-based programs. Your guidance counselor’s office is a valuable resource, too. The FAFSA is required for students to be considered for federal financial aid and some state aid programs. If you would like more information on the FAFSA, visit its Web site at www.fafsa.ed.gov.
APPLYING FOR FAFSA ONLINE

The Federal Student Aid PIN was replaced with the FSA ID on May 10, 2015. The new FSA ID consists of a user-created username and password to electronically access personal information on Federal Student Aid web sites, including FAFSA on the Web. You can use your FSA ID immediately to sign your FAFSA, but must wait for the Social Security Administration to verify your information before you can use this FSA ID to create a renewal FAFSA, make corrections to your FAFSA, or view your SAR.

Students and at least one parent need to apply for a Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID) before they start filling out the online FAFSA. Students and parents need FSA IDs to file online; therefore, it is timely to establish your FSA ID now. Establish your FSA ID now by using the link at www.fafsa.ed.gov so you can submit your FAFSA by mid-February at the latest.

If you already had a PIN because you filed a FAFSA before May 2015, it has been disabled. You will need to create your FSA ID from scratch.

Students and their parents can complete a Pre-Application Worksheet to guide them. A printable version of the worksheet is available on www.fafsa.ed.gov. Beginning October 1st, the 2017-2018 version of the FAFSA will be available on the web. Parents will submit 2015 tax information to the online FAFSA.

DECEMBER 1ST PRIORITY DEADLINE FOR FAFSA

Many colleges have a priority deadline of December 1st for the FAFSA. Go to https://fafsa.ed.gov/ to apply today!

THE MONEY GAME

College-bound students in search of scholarship money may be attracted to the computerized search services that are springing up all over the country, reports U.S. News & World Report. For a fee of anywhere from $13 to $60, high school and college students are promised leads on little-known sources of financial aid. But, even the best of services supply only leads, not money; and the worst of them offer bum leads, such as incorrect addresses and application deadlines that have already passed. You may fare better by doing your own research. Most educators insist that the best source of information about college scholarships is the local library. Students can come up with the same data that a service provides by putting in time at the library or researching Web sites that require no fees. Check out the Scholarship Section under College Planning on the Guidance Website for more scholarship information.

PROSPECTIVE COLLEGE STUDENT ATHLETES

Student-athletes must complete the NCAA Clearinghouse process to be eligible to play athletics at Division I and II colleges and universities.

NCAA Clearinghouse Online Registration at www.eligibilitycenter.org:

- Click on NCAA College Bound Student Athlete.
- Print a transcript release form and take it to Mrs. Kramer or fill out the transcript request form online.
- Request a final transcript be mailed in June to the Clearinghouse.
- Have your ACT/SAT scores sent directly from the test agency to the Clearinghouse.
- Students who used an ACT fee waiver qualify for a NCAA fee waiver. See a counselor for details.
- You are responsible for NCAA eligibility. Refer to the website for determining factors.
Free SAT and ACT preparation available online

Students interested in preparing for the ACT and SAT may access many resources at INFOhio's Learning Express Library. There they will find free practice tests for the ACT and SAT, as well as many advanced placement tests. Students will need to create an account here, where they will log in and can keep track of their work.

Today's students are finding the admission and scholarship process highly competitive. One of the most important factors in your career is acceptance to the university of your choice. Colleges use the scores from the ACT to select applicants and award scholarship dollars.

This course is designed to help students develop the skills necessary to improve their ACT scores and reach their testing potential. English, math, reading, writing, and science skills are reviewed and test-taking techniques are emphasized.

Some students who successfully complete this course have increased their ACT score by as much as 5 points.

"Fun and enjoyable… Mrs. Icardi was a great teacher, I learned a lot." ~ Matthew D.

…the tips were actually applicable to the test. ~ Amanda

Boost Your ACT Score! Ace the exam for college admission, scholarships!

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For more information or to register:
www.ActTestPrep.info
Laura Icardi 330 -722-7235
Need based scholarships available
OHIO MEANS JOBS
Have you ever wondered what careers would be a
good fit for you? Through the
www.ohiomeansjobs.com website, a student can
create a career profile, career plan, and search
occupations.

FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE COLLEGE
CHOICE
This is a ranking of students’ reasons for selecting a
particular college.
1. Academic quality in major
2. School’s overall reputation
3. Scholarship/financial aid
4. Graduate program in major
5. Career placement aid
6. Tuition

COLLEGE VISITATION DAYS
Most Ohio colleges and universities sponsor
Visitation Days each year when special programs
are presented on campus for high school students.
This is an excellent way to visit the campus and
take part in some special activities in a particular
field of study or become more familiar with the
institution in general. Check out college websites
and follow their instructions to register for these
opportunities.

CAMPUS CRIME WEB SITE
A federal web site offers online statistics from over
6,000 colleges and universities:
While many colleges and universities already
include crime statistics on their own web sites, the
federal site allows comparison in three dozen
categories.

CHOOSING A COLLEGE – FIVE USEFUL
GUIDEBOOKS
This is a list of college admission guidebooks most
often recommended to students and parents.
1. College Entrance Examination Board, The
College Handbook (New York: College
Board, published annually).
(New York Times Books/Random House,
published annually).
3. Cass-Liepmann, Julia, Cass and Birnbaum’s
Guide to American Colleges (New York:
4. Barron’s Profiles of American Colleges
(Hauppauge, NY: Barron’s Educational
Series, Inc., published annually).
5. Peterson’s Guide to Four-Year Colleges
(Princeton, NJ: Peterson’s Guides,
published annually)

BEST INTERNET SITES FOR COLLEGE
PLANNING/FINANCIAL AID
http://www.collegeboard.org
http://www.collegeview.com
http://www.fastweb.com (financial aid)
http://www.finaid.org (financial aid)
http://www.mycollegeguide.org/ACG/search.html
http://www.princetonreview.com
http://www.petersons.com
http://www.christiancollegeguide.net
http://www.hillel.org (Jewish campus life)

Fastest growing occupations
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<td>Seniors who plan on continuing their education and majoring in a healthcare-related field, academics and financial need</td>
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<td>Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Scholarship</td>
<td>High school seniors who are U.S. Citizens and plan to pursue a four year degree (full-time basis), leadership and financial need. Online applications <a href="http://www.elks.org/scholarships/applyMVS.cfm">www.elks.org/scholarships/applyMVS.cfm</a></td>
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<td>The Levy Law Office Scholarship</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>Mensa Education &amp; Research Foundation Scholarship</td>
<td>Applicants will enroll in an accredited educational institution for fall 2017, 550 word essay explaining his/her career, academic and/or vocational goals. <a href="http://www.mensafoundation.org">www.mensafoundation.org</a></td>
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<td>Ohio Association for Career &amp; Technical Education Darrell Parks Scholarship</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>P.E.O. Star Scholarship</td>
<td>Senior female students who exhibit excellence in leadership, academics, extracurricular activities, community service and potential for future success, has a minimum 3.0 gpa and is a U.S. Citizen or legal permanent resident.</td>
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<td>Ronald McDonald House Charities Scholarship</td>
<td>Seniors who have demonstrated achievement, leadership, community involvement &amp; financial need. There are four different scholarships offered. <a href="http://www.rmhc.org">www.rmhc.org</a></td>
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<td>Rove Pest Control Scholarship</td>
<td>Graduating seniors, academics, will attend college in the fall, minimum 3.0 gpa</td>
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<td>Slater &amp; Zurz Law Firm Scholarship</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>Open to students in grades 9-12. Submit a 3-5 minute audio essay on the topic: “My Responsibility to America”</td>
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<td>Student will attend 1 of 10 participating schools and minimum 3.5 gpa <a href="http://www.waceinc.org">www.waceinc.org</a></td>
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PTSA News

Dates To Remember

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*MOCR – Main Office Conference Room

ATTENTION: SENIOR PARENTS

Mark your calendar to attend an informational meeting at CHS on Thursday, November 10th at 6 pm.

Senior year is a busy time with many activities and deadlines occurring outside of the classroom and it can be very overwhelming. The PTSA wants to help you navigate through the year. Join us on November 10th to get information on topics such as senior pictures, senior service hours, ordering the cap and gown and graduation announcements, Prom, After Prom, Graduation, etc.

Hope to see you there!

IT’S NOMINATION TIME AGAIN!

Copley High School is fortunate to have many outstanding educators and volunteers. One way to recognize these individuals is through the PTSA Outstanding Educator and Helping Hands awards. Please take a moment to complete the form to nominate a deserving teacher or volunteer for these awards.

The eligibility criterion is included on the form, which can be found in this newsletter and on the PTSA website. All nominees meeting the criteria will be considered. Nomination forms can be dropped off in the CHS main office, mailed to Copley High School PTSA, 3807 Ridgewood Rd., Copley, OH 44321 or they can be emailed to Pam Knight at pjknight12@icloud.com.

Nominations are due by November 18th.

Be sure to LIKE and Follow us on Facebook at Copley High School PTSA!
Membership News

Welcome back! The beginning of a new school year means that it is once again time to join PTSA! Membership in PTSA is a great way to get involved in your child’s school and helps you to stay connected to the high school.

Your support of CHS PTSA helps us to fund many great school activities, including Staff Appreciation and After Prom. In addition, only seniors whose families are members of the PTSA will be considered for our generous scholarships at the end of the year.

We welcome any and all help, but we do understand that is not always possible. If you are unable to volunteer, please support us by sending in your membership dues today. All parents, teachers, students and community friends are encouraged to become a PTSA member for $5/member. Again this year, there is an option on the membership form for you to make an additional donation to our general fund. We know that parents and students are stretched in many directions with fundraisers, this option is an easy way to raise some much needed funds. Just fill out the form included in this issue and return to the office with your payment today!

REFLECTIONS

If you would still like to participate in the PTSA Reflections program, we can extend the deadline by a few weeks if you contact the CHS Reflections Chair, Chris Hopkins at cjhopkins@roadrunner.com by November 7th.

You must contact the Reflections Chair in order to receive a deadline extension.

Entry forms and rules by category are available in the Main Office or at Ohiopta.org/programs/reflections.

After Prom News

Every year, the PTSA sponsors “After Prom”, which is a safe, alcohol and drug free event for our Seniors and their guests that immediately follows the Senior Prom.

Although this event isn’t until the end of May, the After Prom Committee begins planning and organizing this fun night full of many activities in September. Parents from ALL grade levels are encouraged to be part of this committee it is a great way to be involved in your child’s High School experience. Join us on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, November 16th at 7:00 pm in the main office conference room.

Please consider supporting After Prom with the following Fundraising opportunities!

- **Wednesday, November 16th from 4:00 – 8:00 pm** Chipotle fundraising event; see attached flyer. Chipotle will donate 50% of food purchases to After Prom! Pick up your Chipotle and then join us for the planning meeting!

- Senior Parent Donations – see attached form
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 that will take place on May 20th from 11:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. After Prom is a safe, alcohol and 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.

As early as September, the After Prom committee will start to plan and organize this fun event. It takes many volunteers to make this event successful so please join us on September 21st at 7pm in the CHS Main Office Conference Room. Also, each year we count on the support of our senior parents to make this a memorable evening. Although After Prom is 9 months away, 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:** __________________________________

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Please return this form with your donation to school in an envelope marked PTSA After Prom –Debbie Houdeshell
Welcome to Copley High School PTSA

CHS PTSA MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please return to CHS PTSA at 3807 Ridgewood Road Copley, OH 44321

Fill out the following form and submit it with your student’s school papers or mail along with a check made out to “CHS PTSA” or CASH in the amount of $5.00 per member.

Please Print Name(s):__________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________

Phone Number: _______________________________________________

Address/City/State/Zip:_______________________________________

E-mail Address: _____________________________________________
(To be used for PTSA communications only and will not be shared)

CHS Student Name__________________________________________
(To be used to send you your PTSA card)

HAVE A SENIOR? What’s their name for entry into scholarship: ________________________________

___ I would like to add a voluntary additional contribution of $__________ to my membership.

CHS PTSA VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES Please return to CHS/PTSA
Please select any volunteer opportunities that interest you. Thank you for your help!

___ After Prom Chaperone    ___ Sophomore Career Day
___ After Prom Clean Up Committee    ___ Desserts for Conference nights (4)
___ After Prom Decorations Committee ___ Student Directory
___ After Prom Food Committee    ___ Staff Appreciation
___ After Prom Set Up Committee    ___ Commencement Reception
___ After Prom Sign In/Sign Out    ___ Touch-a-Truck Event
___ Smoke Signals (PTSA Newsletter) ___ Baking

If you have any questions please contact Giselle Davis at giselledavis@gmail.com or 330-666-9494
CHS PTSA Outstanding Educator Award
NOMINATION FORM

Selection Guidelines

- Nominee must be a PTSA member.
- Nominee must be involved with the educational process as a certified educator.
- Nominee has participated in activities involving youth.
- Nominee is dedicated to the PTSA Mission and Purposed of PTSA.
- Nominee must provide PTSA involvement and support.

Nominee’s Name:
________________________________________________________________________

The reason I nominate this person:
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CHS PTSA Helping Hands Award
NOMINATION FORM

Selection Guidelines

- Nominee must be a PTSA member.
- Nominee must provide PTSA involvement and support.
- Nominee has made a positive impact on the lives of children.
- Nominee has participated in activities involving children and youth.
- Nominee is dedicated to the PTSA Objectives.

Nominee’s Name:
________________________________________________________________________

The reason I nominate this person:
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NOMINATIONS ARE DUE BY NOVEMBER 18th. Please return to CHS Main Office.
Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Copley PTA After Prom. Come in to the Chipotle at 3890 Medina Rd Suite A in Akron on Wednesday, November 16th between 4:00pm and 8:00pm. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you’re supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Copley PTA After Prom.

Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.
Be a Part of PTA’s Reflections® Program

2016-2017 THEME:
What Is Your Story?

Entries from all grades and all abilities welcome.

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES:
Submit to the Main Office any day the week of October 24 - 31.

FOR DETAILS, CONTACT:
Information in Main Office or on CHS website under Organizations, CHS PTSA

Learn more and get involved!
PTA.ORG/REFLECTIONS
VISUAL ARTS
Original print, drawing, painting, collage, photographic collage, metal etching or punch work, fiber work, or computer-generated artwork
Dimensions of 2D works not to exceed 24 x 30 including matting
No frames
Mount 2D artwork on a sturdy backing
*Category expanded to include 3D works. Local unit rules apply. Must include three photos for each 3D entry. See Handbook for details.

MUSICAL COMPOSITION
Original Composition Voice, instrument(s), or a combination of voice and instrument(s)
Not to exceed 5 minutes
FORMAT
Audio Recording of Music Performance:
MP3, MP4, WMA, WAV, ACC, FLAC
Record production on CD or flash drive
Music notation is required for Middle and High School entries
Lyrics are optional

PHOTOGRAPHY
Color
Black and White
Photomontage, multiple exposure, negative sandwhiches, and photograms
No larger than 11” X 14” including matting
No thicker than 3/8”
No frames
No slides or transparencies

LITERATURE
Fiction or non-fiction
Prose, poetry, drama, song and lyrics
Do not exceed 2000 words
Grade appropriate grammar, punctuation and spelling
May be illustrated, handwritten or typed
Two copies: use 8.5 x 11” paper

REFLECTIONS at a GLANCE

DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY
Original work of one student
Not to exceed 5 minutes
Credit music used
FORMAT
Video: AVI, MOV, MPG, MPEG, WMV, FLV
Maximum Upload File Size: 1GB
Record production on DVD or flash drive

LITERATURE
Animation
Narrative
Documentary
Experimental
Media presentations
Original work of one student
Not to exceed 5 minutes
Credit music used
FORMAT
Video: AVI, MOV, MPG, MPEG, WMV, FLV
Maximum Upload File Size: 1GB
(one gigabyte)
Record production on DVD or flash drive

AGE CATEGORIES
Primary:
Preschool – Grade 2
Intermediate:
Grades 3 – 5
Middle/Junior:
Grades 6 – 8
Senior:
Grades 9 – 12
All entries must be signed by student and parent (unless over 18)

LOCAL DEADLINE:
Enteries must be submitted to the Main office any day of the week of October 24—31.
Entry forms and complete rules by category are available in the Main Office or at Ohiota.org/programs
Questions? Contact Mrs. Hopkins cjhopkins@roadrunner.com

SPECIAL ARTIST
Disability as defined by Americans with Disability Act (ADA)
May enter in any category
See guidelines for accommodations in Reflections Handbook
Student Entry Form must be signed by parent/guardian regardless of age

FILM/VIDEO PRODUCTION
Animation
Narrative
Documentary
Experimental
Media presentations

2016-2017 theme
What’s Your Story?
The search is on for the 2018-2019 National PTA Reflections program theme!

The student who submits the winning entry will receive $100, and his or her theme will be announced at the National PTA Convention and Exhibition in June 2017.

Please review the past themes listed on the next page. Repeat themes will not be considered. Use this form to submit theme ideas. Only signed original forms will be considered.

Submit entries to the Main Office by October 31, 2016
Or Submit entries to Ohio PTA, 40 Northwoods Blvd Ste A, Columbus 43234, by November 4, 2016.

Theme Idea:  

Student Name__________________________ Grade______

Address__________________________________________

City__________________________ State______ ZIP________

Parent/Guardian Phone ___________________________ Email________________________

→__________________________  →__________________________

Student Signature  Parent/Guardian Signature

To be completed by PTA before distribution

FULL PTA NAME: __________ Cooley High School PTSA

NATIONAL 8-DIGIT ID NUMBER: 00020890

REFLECTIONS CHAIR NAME: Christine Hopkins EMAIL: cihopkins@roadrunner.com

PTA ADDRESS: 3797 Ridgewood Road Copley, OH 44321

Local PTA good standing status:
☐ Membership dues paid date 9/14/16  ☐ Insurance paid date 9/14/16  ☐ Bylaws approval date 3/9/16
1969-1970  Reflections: Children and Youth, Mirror Their World
1970-1971  Reflections: Children and Youth, Look to Tomorrow
1972-1973  Reflections: This is Our Country
1973-1974  From Sea to Shining Sea
1974-1975  Our Heritage—Our Hopes
1975-1976  Spirit of ’76—Miracle of America
1977-1978  Love Is...
1978-1979  Look Out Your Window
1979-1980  Behind the Gates of Tomorrow
1981-1982  What Makes Me Smile
1982-1983  Life in These United States
1983-1984  I Have a Dream
1984-1985  What Sparks My Imagination
1985-1986  From Liberty’s View
1986-1987  In Celebration: A Past to Remember, a Future to Mold
1987-1988  Wonders of the World
1988-1989  Proud Experiences
1989-1990  Where Does the Sky End?
1990-1991  If I Had a Wish
1992-1993  Imagine That
1993-1994  If I Could Give the World a Gift
1994-1995  Dare to Discover
1995-1996  Just Open Your Eyes and See
1996-1997  It Could Happen
1997-1998  Wouldn’t It Be Great If...
1998-1999  Suddenly You Turn Around And...
1999-2000  Anything is Possible...
2000-2001  It Would be Really Strange If...
2001-2002  I Hold in My Hand...
2002-2003  Signs of Courage
2003-2004  I Am Really Happy When...
2004-2005  A Different Kind of Hero
2005-2006  I Wonder Why...
2006-2007  My Favorite Place
2007-2008  I Can Make a Difference By...
2008-2009  Wow!
2009-2010  Beauty Is...
2010-2011  Together We Can...
2011-2012  Diversity Means...
2012-2013  The Magic of a Moment...
2013-2014  Believe, Dream, Inspire
2014-2015  The World Would Be a Better Place If...
2015-2016  Let Your Imagination Fly
2016-2017  What Is Your Story?
2017-2018  Within Reach
2 PTA Council Meeting, 9:30 am
4 Report cards go home
5 OMEA State Marching Band Finals, 4:00 pm
6 Daylight Saving Time ends
7 Sports Boosters Meeting, 6:30 pm
National Honor Society Induction, 7:00 pm
8 Election Day
9 PTSA Meeting, 6:30 pm
Veterans Day Assembly, 8:00 am
Evening Conferences, 3:30 - 7:05 pm (see note on Page 1)
Senior Parent Information Night, 6:00 pm
Marching Band Concert - 7:30 pm
Veterans Day
14 Music Boosters Meeting, 6:00 pm
CHS Music Florida Trip Chaperone Meeting (MANDATORY), 7:00 pm
15 Fall sports Reception, 6:00 pm
16 Foundation Meeting, 7:00 am
Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 pm
PTSA After-Prom Meeting, 7:00 pm
17 Evening Conferences, 3:30 - 7:05 pm (see note on Page 1)
Fall Play - Rumors by Neil Simon, 7:30 pm
18 Fall Play - Rumors by Neil Simon, 7:30 pm
19 Fall Play - Rumors by Neil Simon, 7:30 pm
21 Winter Sports Community Night - 6:00 pm
22 PTSA Career Fair, 8:20 am
Grade 10 Four Cities Compact Field Trip, 11:45 am
24 - 28 Fall Break - NO SCHOOL
25 Thanksgiving Day
25-30 CHS Music Florida Trip

5 Sports Boosters Meeting, 6:30 pm
7 PTA Council Meeting, 9:30 am
12 Music Boosters Meeting, 6:30 pm
13 Winter Choir Concert, 7:30 pm
14 PTSA Meeting, 6:30 pm
15 Wind Ensemble Concert, 7:30 pm
17 Hall of Fame Inductions, 5:00 pm
20 Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 pm
21 Winter Begins
23-31 Winter Break - NO SCHOOL
24 Christmas Eve
Hanukkah begins at Sundown
25 Christmas Day
26 Kwanzaa begins
31 New Year’s Eve

1-3 Winter Break - NO SCHOOL
1 Kwanzaa ends
Hanukkah ends at Sundown
New Year’s Day
4 PTA Council Meeting, 9:30 am