



Hilltop Notes

for the CHS Community
2.4.24



CHS Calendar Reminders

2/6 5:30pm	Grade 10 Family Meeting Regarding IB Diploma Program
2/6 3:30pm	CHS Wellness Team Meeting
2/12 5:30pm	Grade 11 Family College Planning Kick-Off
2/13 6:30pm	Grade 8 Family Meeting Regarding Trip to Pathfinder Island
2/7 5:30pm	PTSCO General Meeting (Remote). More information at www.chsptsco.org
2/16	Course registration forms due to School Counseling Office for grade 8-11 students. IB DP Applications due in IB Office.
2/19-2/23	Mid-Winter Recess- No School
3/26 8:30am	"On School-Time" SAT for all Grade 11 students

Attention Grade 8 Families

There will be a meeting for all 8th grade families on **Tuesday, February 13th at 6:30pm** at CHS regarding the 8th grade trip to Pathfinder Island. A representative from Camp Pathfinder will provide a presentation about the experience and answer questions from families. Mr. Sharratt will also provide additional details about the trip and costs. We strongly encourage all 8th grade families and their child to attend this meeting. Questions? Email jsharratt@buffaloschools.org

Get Paid to Work at Pelion Outdoor Classroom at CHS this Summer!

Pelion Outdoor Classroom at CHS is a host site for Mayor Brown's Summer Employment Program. Work at Pelion this summer if you love: growing food, CHICKENS, flowers, butterflies, CHORES, using your muscles, the outdoors, WNY or the FUNshine on your face!

We work a four-hour morning shift Mon-Fri. Make up days can be scheduled if there is a family appointment, summer school, or short vacation. [Click here for complete job description](#) and link to the Mayor's Summer Youth Application Page which is now open. Students who wish to be placed at Pelion this summer need to add "Pelion Outdoor Classroom" to their application. Contact

Ms.Caesandra if you have questions regarding the tasks peliongarden@gmail.com DEADLINE: Friday, March 29, 2024

World Hijab Day in BPS



WORLD HIJAB DAY

PRESENTED BY: BUFFALO PUBLIC SCHOOLS, BUFFALO BOE, & SUPERINTENDENT DR. TONJA WILLIAMS

FEBRUARY 1 - FEBRUARY 9, 2024

To foster personal freedom of religious expression and understanding, Buffalo Public Schools invites women to experience the World Hijab Day Celebration by:

- Writing a paragraph to describe how you feel in your hijab
- Sharing your experience of wearing a hijab or headress with others
- Learning more about World Hijab Day and sharing information
- Sending a photo of yourself in a hijab or other headress
- The 5 schools with the most submissions to bpswebmaster@buffaloschools.org will win \$100 from a donated incentive

Please submit photos and other ways of recognizing World Hijab Day to:

bpswebmaster@buffaloschools.org

Attention Grade 10 Families

Students in grade 10 who plan to pursue the full IB Diploma Program are reminded they must submit their applications to the IB Office by the end of the day on Friday, February 16th. Please contact Mrs. Banas, IB Diploma Coordinator, for any questions: ebanas@buffaloschools.org

BPS Looking to Showcase It's Performing Talent

Help us find the Buffalo Public School's next Ani Difranco or Goo Dolls- the next Las Vegas Magician, Broadway Dancer or future famous Comedian. We need your help! If you know of a student who deserves a chance to share their talent with the world, let us know. If we decide to showcase them, the BPS Social Media Team will be in touch ASAP. Please [use this link](#) if you know a student performer who should be spotlighted by our school district!

Attention Families in Grades 6-8*

The WNY Lacrosse Foundation will be offering after-school Lacrosse for boys and girls again this spring! The Spring After School Lacrosse Program runs from March through May and is designed to

make it convenient for students to attend practices and games. We hope to have multiple locations this year based on participation level and geographic location of players, and a complete schedule including practices and game times will be available on our website. There is a small fee for participation in the Spring program to cover costs such as coaching, facilities, and insurance, however, the Foundation is happy to discount or waive this fee for those in need. In addition, the Foundation also has a limited amount of equipment available for students.

The Spring registration link can be found at www.wnylacrossefoundation.org. If you have any questions, please email wnylacrossefoundation@gmail.com.

CHS to Host Class C Sectional Swim Championships

The City Honors Natatorium will host the Class C boys preliminary sectional swim championships on Feb 8. Section VI does not take cash at the door. Anyone interested in attending must use the link or QR code below to purchase their ticket.



BUY TICKETS ONLINE

USE THE QR CODE BELOW, OR
VISIT GOFAN.CO & SEARCH
NYSPHSAA - SECTION VI

<https://www.gofan.com/section-vi-swimming-class-c-pre-lims>



BOYS SWIMMING CLASS C PRE-LIMS

FEBRUARY 08, 2024

DOORS OPEN 5 PM

SWIM STARTS 5 PM

CITY HONORS SCHOOL

186 E. NORTH ST

BUFFALO, NY 14204



Now is the Time to Purchase an Ad in the CHS Yearbook

Want to honor your graduating senior? Interested in getting some additional visibility for your business? Please consider purchasing an advertisement in this year's CHS Yearbook. Adverts and yearbooks can be purchased [at this link](#). Contact Mr. Hecker at ETHecker@buffaloschools.org for any questions.

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Reminders for Our Families During This Time of COVID

Keep Our CHS Students and Staff in School- Keep Our Families Safe!: We strongly encourage you to consult with your family doctor about having everyone five and older in your household vaccinated for COVID/receive a COVID booster where applicable. Need more reasons to get vaccinated? [Read more from the CDC](#). This is a critical matter for our school to function and to keep our community safe!

Free COVID Testing: The ECDOH offers free, walk in rapid ID Now and PCR testing at 608 William St Buffalo, NY from 9AM-3PM and at 3359 Broadway Cheektowaga, NY at 8AM-PM M-F. [Click on this link](#) for more information on these sites.

When You Need A Helping Hand

Tutoring and Test Prep Help: The CHS School Counselors have compiled a detailed listing of both free and for-hire academic and test prep tutoring services [at this link](#). Do you know of another valuable tutoring resource in our community? Email Mrs. Wright at acwilliams@buffaloschools.org and we'll add it to our list.

BPS Staff and Family Helpline: The Buffalo Public Schools have established a 'Staff and Family Helpline' at 716-816-7100 to provide answers within 24 hours to our most frequently asked questions in the areas of Technology, Mental/Physical Wellness, Instruction and Professional Development, Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Initiatives (CLRI), Multilingual, Elementary and High School needs, Food Services, Child Care, and Volunteerism. If you need assistance in any of these areas, please contact the hotline number.

The CHS Student Support Team (SST): If you are seeking additional support or assistance, please do not hesitate to make a referral to the CHS SST. The Request for Assistance Form can be found [at this link](#). Once your form is submitted, a member of the SST will be in contact with you.

Mental Health Supports: Here is a [quick reference guide](#) which provides contact information for mental health support from the Buffalo Public Schools and our partner organizations.

Connect with CHS!

Click on the following links to better connect with the CHS Community

[CHS Website](#)

[CHS on Facebook](#)

[CHS on Threads](#)

[CHS on Instagram](#)

[Pelion Outdoor Classroom at City Honors](#)

[Easy/No Cost Ways to Support City Honors](#)

[Fosdick Field Restoration Project](#)

[City Honors/Fosdick-Masten Park Foundation](#)

[CHS PTSCO \(Parent, Teacher, Student, Community Organization\)](#)

[New York State Dignity Act \(DASA\) Information](#)

Children are endangered by underage house parties and underage drinking. Concerned adults, teachers, students and friends can call 24 hours a day in Erie County to report planned underage drinking parties; underage drinking parties in progress or other activities that may be harmful to the health, safety and welfare of young people. The tip line (1-800-851-1932) is ANONYMOUS, CONFIDENTIAL and free. Erie County now has a "Social Host Law" that holds adults accountable for allowing minors to drink. [LEARN MORE](#)