



Hilltop Notes

for the CHS Community
3.27.22



Cardinal Craze Week

After a hiatus during the pandemic, the first Cardinal Craze Week in almost two years proved to be loads of fun once again! The week concluded with two super spirited pep assemblies and the awarding of the Rock of Mt. Pelion to the **junior class** which amassed the greatest number of spirit points. The **6th graders** took second place overall and the **seniors** took third place. Here are the results in just a few of the scoring categories:

	1st place	2nd place	3rd place
Hype Video	7th	12th	8th
Dance-Off	11th	6th	12th
United for Ukraine Day	12th	5th	6th
Hallway Decorating	11th	12th	9th





CHS Has Talent!

Mark your calendars CHS, **the CHS Talent Show is back!** The talent show will be held on Friday, **May 27th at 6:00pm** in the CHS Auditorium. This annual event serves as a final fundraiser for the senior class and is always a crowd pleaser as CHS has loads of talent! All grades are invited to attend as well as parents and CHS families. Tickets are \$5.00 each. More information about auditions and tickets sales will be out shortly.

Centaurs Shine in Silver Hoops All-Star Game

Congrats to Caleb Chapman '22 and Charlie Hilmey '22 who played in the Silver Hoops Senior All-Star game today. Their Yale Cup 2 team led by our own Coach Badger beat ECIC Div. 3/4 80-66. Caleb was named sportsmanship player of the game and scored 11pts while Charlie chipped in 3pts for the victors.



CHS Donates Generously to Help Ukraine

Our students and staff donated \$1,716.46 on Friday, March 11 for 'United for Ukraine' Day on the Hilltop. A check in this amount has been sent to the Red Cross Humanitarian Fund for the Ukraine. Thank you to all who donated as well as the CHS Senior Class and CHS Amnesty International Club which organized this fund drive.

UB Nursing Summer Program for High School Students

The University at Buffalo School of Nursing is hosting an extraordinary opportunity for Buffalo Public high school students from grades 9 through 12 to explore career opportunities in the nursing field. This half day program will include interactive learning and preparation for motivated high school students to expand their knowledge of the field of nursing.

The University at Buffalo's School of Nursing (SON) Summer Program is a unique program that brings students onto campus to experience a wide range of learning experiences. These include:

- Lab simulation
- Panel of nurses in various steps of their career
- Pathway to becoming a nurse
- Skills planning
- Meet with undergraduate admissions advisors



Application for the 2022 Summer Nursing Program are open and close May 1st. Learn more and apply [at this link](#).

Class of 2023 Day at Applebee's

Please come support the Class of 2023, on Monday, March 28th, by purchasing menu items from Applebee's located at 2656 Delaware Ave. 15% of online, or to-go, orders will be donated to The Junior Class. Please be sure to mention you are supporting the City Honors Class of 2023 when you place your order. These proceeds will offset the cost of Senior dues next year. For more information, please contact Mr. Ross at sfross@buffaloschools.org. Thank you!

Congrats Drea Favorito '22!

Drea Favorito recently won the best in show in the high school division of the district Side-by-Side

show "Untethered." The fibers piece was called "Human Necessity." The show was held at the El Museo Francisco Oller y Diego Rivera Galler on Allen street.

Summer Workshop at UB's Center for Computational Research

The 2022 Eric Pitman Summer Workshop at UB's Center for Computational Research is back! The Workshop will be held June 27-July 8, 2022 at CCR, 701 Ellicott St in Buffalo. The workshop is open to students who have completed the first year of high school, taken a year of high school algebra, and have taken at least one high school science course – Living Environment, Chemistry or Physics. Students do not need a background in computing but they do need a good foundation in math and science and a willingness to learn some computing.

Students MUST be able to commit to attend each day of the workshop. There is no cost to participate in the workshop and lunch is provided daily. The deadline for applications is May 1st or until spots are filled. Apply early to ensure your spot!

Information and the application can be found [at this link](#). A link at the bottom of the page brings you to the application form. UB policy requires students to be fully vaccinated to attend. Preference in acceptances will be given to (i) seniors and (ii) earlier received applications. Because of the topic of the projects this year – Bioinformatics and Chemistry – preference will be given to students who have taken additional math and Chemistry courses. Students do not need a background in computing but they do need a good foundation in math and science and a willingness to learn some computing.

We also encourage all teachers who can, to join us for student team presentations on their projects, on Friday July 8, at 9:30 AM. The presentations are a wonderful time to see the kinds of things your students were learning during the summer.

CHS Annual Fund

The 2021-22 CHS Annual Fund continues to receive donations from CHS families, alumni and friends of the school. Thank you to all families and staff who have already sent in their donations or have given through the United Way or SEFA. You can make your family's donation and learn more about the CHS Annual Fund [at this link](#). When EVERY CHS family contributes to the Annual Fund, EVERY student at CHS benefits!

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!

Reporting COVID Cases in Your Household: Please email news of any COVID cases in your household to Ms. Hamilton, one of our three assistant principals, as well as Nurse Cammarata. These staff members are managing our COVID safety initiatives and response. It is important that you email Ms. Hamilton (thamilton@buffaloschools.org) and Nurse Cammarata (dcammarata@shccares.com) as this will allow them to receive your communication outside of school hours and provide the quickest possible response. They will need to know your child's name, grade, if they are vaccinated, and both when the student started having symptoms and when they tested positive (if this has occurred.)

They will outline next steps for your family as it pertains to school. **Please do not leave voicemails or messages in the main office.**

As we stay indoors in cold weather, the COVID virus has a greater opportunity to jump from person to person. We are emphasizing good safety practices with our students including distancing, proper mask wearing and hygiene. Please stress these practices with your child at home and with family members. We strongly encourage anyone in your household approved by your family doctor and eligible to receive the flu and COVID vaccines to receive them as soon as possible, if they have not already. These steps will help to keep our students and staff in school where they need to be!

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.

COVID Testing at School: COVID-19 testing is a great way to monitor and contain the spread of the virus. The Erie County Department of Health (ECDOH) has ended its partnership with Buffalo Homecare, Inc., and Quadrant Biosciences, Inc. Laboratory for in-school COVID testing. Buffalo Schools is awaiting information on who the new provider of this surveillance screening will be. In the interim, we are sharing that the Erie County Department of Health now offers walk-in sites for COVID testing at the following locations: 608 William Street, Buffalo (Erie County Health Clinics) and 3359 Broadway, Cheektowaga (Erie County Emergency Training and Operations Center).

Thank you for working with us to help fulfill our goal of keeping our buildings safe and open for instruction.

Daily COVID-19 Health Screener: Families and staff should complete the daily health screener once again each day BEFORE they leave for school. [This link will take you to this year's screener.](#) Families are encouraged to paste the link into the 'reminder' app on their smart phone to alert you each morning.

When You Need A Helping Hand

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 Twitter](#)

[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](#)