

Hilltop Notes

for the CHS Community 10.18.23



CHS Calendar Reminders

CHS Saturday Placement Testing for students attending private/charter schools
or BPS students testing for grades 6 & 8. Final day to pre-register is November
9th at 33 Ash Street. More info at this link.
Grade 10 PSAT
Grade 11 PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test
Grade 5/6 Haunted Lockers & I-Scream Social
CHS Connect Life Club Blood Drive (see info below)
CHS Open House for all families considering attending City Honors
Election Day- No School (Please vote!)
School Photo Make-up Day. More info at this link.
Veteran's Day- No School (Please take a moment to honor a veteran!)
Cardinal Craze Week

PTSCO Meetings

Dear CHS Families and Staff- PTSCO will meet on November 1st at 5:30 pm in the LGI room at City Honors School. PTSCO will be discussing plans for upcoming social events and other issues at City Honors School. To add items to the agenda, please send them to Elizabeth Garner Masarik at emasarik@brockport.edu by October 30th.

Please Note: We have recently updated our meeting calendar for the year. Please be sure to save the dates below.

- -Wed. Dec 6, 2023, 5:30-6:30 pm Google Meet
- -Wed. Jan 3, 2024, 5:30-6:30 pm LGI Room
- -Wed. Feb 7, 2024 5:30-6:30 pm Google Meet
- -Wed. Mar 6, 2024, 5:30-6:30 pm LGI Room
- -Wed. April 10, 2024 5:30-6:30 pm Google Meet
- -Wed. May 1, 2024, 5:30-6:30 pm LGI Room
- -Wed. June 5, 2024 5:30-6:30 pm Google Meet

For more information about PTSCO, upcoming events, and meeting agendas please go to chsptsco.org!

Attention Boys in Grades 7-12 who are Interested in Varsity Swimming for CHS

There will be a brief informational meeting held in the pool from 3:15- 3:25PM on October 19th to discuss the upcoming varsity swim season. Our first practice will be held on November 13th. Please email Mrs. Yager (jmyager@buffaloschools.org) if you have any questions!

School Safety

Please take a moment to read the important letter from Superintendent Dr. Tonja Williams <u>at this</u> link.

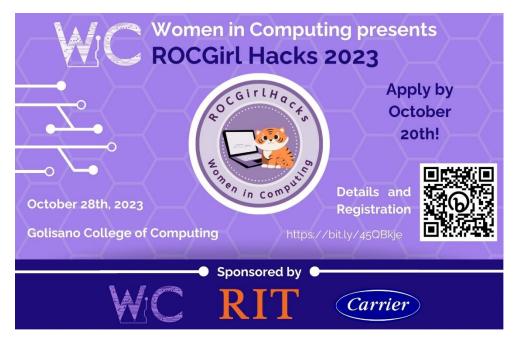
Attention Girls in Grades 6-12

Are you interested in computing? The Rochester Institute of Technology Women in Computing Club (WiC) is hosting a girls "Hack-a-thon" to held on Saturday, October 28 on the RIT campus in the Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences. Participants will be able to learn about game or web development, then create a project and win some prizes!

During the event, there will be four lesson tracks that the girls can choose from:

- -Intermediate Web Dev
- -Beginner Web Dev
- -Intermediate Game Lab
- -Beginner Game Lab

In the morning, participants will learn about the track that they choose, then we will have lunch and team formation. In the afternoon, individuals and teams will work towards putting together a project using the skills that they have learned. We will then have industry professionals



judge the projects and decide on the winners of each category! We will also have a keynote speaker from Carrier that will talk about women in tech and a short "TechTalk" presented by a current RIT professor.

Please see the attached purple flier for registration for this event the deadline to register is October 20th.

City Honors Golf Teams Brings Home City Championships!

Congratulations to Coach Andrew Krause and our City Honors golfers for winning both the boys and girls Buffalo Public Schools Golf League Championship. The boys were 8-0 and the girls were 7-1 this season. The following Centaurs represented our school on the course this fall.

Boys:

Miles Eagan Grade 11 Owen Sauvager Grade 12 James Halt Grade 12 Sean Parf Grade 8 Shane Jordan Grade 8 Samson Bolduc Grade 11 Oscar Rubeck Grade 8
Max Medakovich Grade 9

Girls:

Zea Zgoda Grade 10 Zoe Zgoda Grade 12 Juliana Nowak Grade 12 Mia Kirisits Grade 12 Ella Pava Grade 12

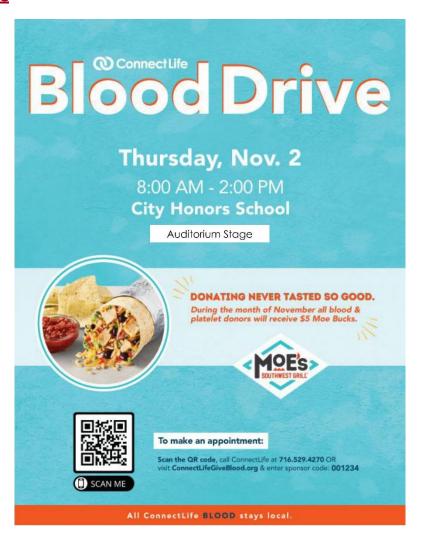
Special congratulations go out to Junior Miles Eagan who qualified for the Boys sectional tournament in the Spring. Nice work Centaurs!!

CHS Connect Life Club to Hold Blood Drive

Students in the CHS Connect Life Club study how blood and organ donations help to save, extend and make life more enjoyable for those facing life threating illness in our community. All students (16 and up), staff and families are encouraged to take part in our fall blood drive on November 2. In exchange for your generosity to others, we will be giving each donor a \$5 gift card to Moe's Southwest Grill. Students 16 and older who would like to donate should see Ms. Frischholz for a permission slip in room 1005.Use the QR code on the attached flyer to schedule your appointment now!

Join High School Ski and Snowboard Club*

Love Snow? Us Too! Join the CHS High School Ski and Snowboard Club (grades 9 - 12) again this season on Friday nights at Holiday Valley! We've got seats left on the bus for anyone who needs a ride, and you're always welcome to grab your lift tickets through the club's Holiday Valley store (whether you ride the bus or not). Interested? Please check out our PTSCO web page for additional details.



Middle School Basketball at School #45

The Buffalo Schools athletic department is offering middle school basketball at School #45. Students with interest should visit the athletic department website at this link.

Buffalo Public Schools is Going Pink on Friday, October 20th



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

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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. <u>Click on this</u> link for more information on these sites.

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 <u>at this link</u>. Once your form is submitted, a member of the SST will be in contact with you.

Mental Health Supports: Here is a <u>quick reference guide</u> 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