



Hilltop Notes for the CHS Community 4.3.22



CHS Blood Drive

Attention CHS students and staff! Would you like to help save lives with out the hassle of medical school? Now you can just by donating blood! The CHS Connect-Life Club is hosting a blood drive on April 8th to do just that. Be a hero by donating blood.

You must be 17 or older to donate, or 16 with a signed parent permission slip. To sign up, scan the QR code on one of our informational posters (at right) around the school building or at our information table in all lunch periods.

Please see Ms. Juergens or Mrs. Yager if you have any questions. You can enjoy some refreshments and snacks after your donation and the satisfaction of helping those in need of help right here in Western New York!

Important Dates Reminder for All Families

Tuesday, April 5

Early Release Day 11:45am

Wednesday, April 6

Superintendent's Conference Day (No School)

April 11-April 18

Spring Break (No School)

Please send your child to school every day we are in session this week! Our teachers will continue to deliver their course curricula each day right up until spring break. Our students have done an **extraordinary** job attending school this year and have been resilient in the face of obstacles, but they have missed a good deal of school over the past few years and we need to take full advantage of the school days that we have available to us. A big thank you to our parents for supporting our teachers by ensuring your child has been at school each day they have been healthy this school year. You have been **extraordinary** too!

CHS Model United Nations Team Excels at UB

On Tuesday, March 22nd, 2022, twenty one students from The City Honors delegation of Model United Nations, representing Mexico, participated at a Conference at The University at Buffalo's North Campus. With nearly 30 schools, from all over Western New York in attendance, representing nearly 50 nations, City Honors finished 2nd overall. Great Job Centaurs! Model

ConnectLife
BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, April 8
8am - 2pm
City Honors School
LGI Room 117 • 186 East North Street

Bee a donor

Scan the code or sign up with
Ms. Juergens in Rm 116 or with Ms. Yager in the gym.
Or email kjuergens@buffaloschools.org
or jmyager@buffaloschools.org.

Hockey
Blood

All April blood donors will receive
an exclusive Sabres t-shirt.

**April is National
DONATE LIFE
Month**

Learn more about organ, eye,
tissue, and blood donation at
ConnectLife.org

UN is an academic simulation of the United Nations where students assume the role of delegates from different nations and attempt to solve real world issues with the policies and perspectives of their assigned country.



CHS Mock Trial Team Defeats Nichols to Capture Second Consecutive County Title



Congratulations to the City Honors Mock trial team! After earning the top seed in the County tournament through wins in the preliminary rounds, the defense side beat Depew in the quarterfinals and the prosecution topped Clarence in the semi's. On March 30, the team won the Erie County championship for the second straight year, this time against Nichols.

Attorneys Charlie Nowak and Nathan Lloyd dominated their opponents with astute objections and arguments, and witnesses Connor Wyckoff, Tim Tidd and Grace Laughlin testified convincingly, often turning the tables on the Nichols attorneys. The MVP of the night however, was opening attorney Ciah Courtney, who earned perfect scores on the coach's scorecard for all three phases of her case.

In the complex criminal case this year, a hedge fund manager is charged with securities fraud. Like the defense side, the CHS prosecution side remains undefeated, featuring attorneys Aaron Weinmann, Manu Anpalagan and Annika Wilewicz and witnesses Liam Rio, Liam Cobb and Sumaia Alam. Congratulations to the entire team as they take their 5-0 record and try to repeat as Region 1 Champions in New York State!

Special Collection for City Mission Women's Ministries

My name is Hannah Woodhull. I am a senior at City Honors. As an International Baccalaureate Diploma Candidate, my peers and I participate in Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS) experiences. This year I am completing the IB Program's CAS Project, allowing me to address and engage in a strand of CAS to further explore and develop a variety of different skills, such as communication, cooperation, problem-solving and decision-making.

For my project, I am focusing on the area of service. I am collecting personal hygiene products to be donated to the Women's Ministries of the Buffalo City Mission during the week of April 4th through April 8th. A donation bin will be located outside of the main office during that week.

Some items that are needed are: toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, conditioner, body lotion, shave gel, deodorant, brushes/combs, bandages, hand sanitizer, tissues, nail clippers, hair ties, and feminine hygiene products (tampons and pads).

Thank you for your consideration and support!

Sincerely,

Hannah Woodhull '22

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.**

During 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](#)