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Culver City High School

Parent Newsletter

October/November 2015

CCHS Mission Statement

Culver City High School is an engaged and caring academic community where diversity is valued and respected. We are committed to educating and inspiring all students to become life-long learners and contributing members of our global society.

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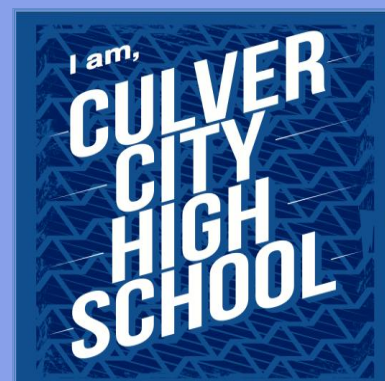


1. **All** students will graduate.
2. **All** students will be proficient in ELA and Math.
3. **All** students will be College/Career ready.
4. **All** students in 9th grade will earn 60 credits.
5. **All** students will participate in athletics and/or extra-curricular activities.

Principal's Message

Dr. Lisa Cooper

The 10-week grading period is fast approaching (October 30th). Please make sure that you are communicating with your student and utilizing available parent tools such as Aeries.net to monitor student attendance and class progress. If your student is in need of support, CCHS provides peer tutoring before & after school (flyer attached) and Centaur Plus (during the school day). Please establish communication with your student's teacher first to address any concerns. All teachers can be contacted by email and please allow 48 hours for a response. A staff directory of emails can be found on the CCHS website. We want to make sure that every CCHS student is successful and we have plenty of resources to assist. As a parent myself, I know that our day-to-day can be very busy. Culver City High school teachers and staff are here to assist you so please do not hesitate to reach out to us and we will do our best to keep you well-informed and supported.



2015 HOMECOMING



Home coming week will take place October 26th-30th with plenty of activities, a school-wide assembly on October 28th, a fun-filled Tailgate before the big game and of course our homecoming football game on Friday, October 30th as the Centaurs will play Hawthorne. Our Homecoming Dance will take place on Saturday November 7th. Tickets will go on sale Wednesday October 14th.

Homecoming Dance 2015

Where: CCHS Del Goodyear Gym

Date: Saturday, November 7, 2015

Time: 7pm-11pm

Dates on sale	With ASB	Without ASB	Time	Room
10/14-10/16	\$15	\$15	Lunch/after school	16
10/19-10/23	\$15	\$20	Lunch/after school	16
10/26-11/6	\$20	\$25	Lunch/after school	16

Activities



Asst. Principal, Kelli Tarvyd



Character Counts Student of the Month

9th grader Shavit Melamed- nominated by Ms. Peacock

“Shavit offered to show students in her PE class how to locate their first Centaur Plus class. She asked to take 30 kids to the tech center to use the computers to help her classmates log onto their accounts. The best part is that Shavit worked with students that she doesn’t know and probably doesn’t hang out with on campus. I love that she selflessly helped her class mates and me.”



The Time of Their Lives... Encourage your student to “Make this the Time of Their Lives”. Culver City High School has 67 established clubs. Their focuses vary from current events to assisting the needy to school-related focus. I am sure that your student will find something to peek their interest! Have your student stop by room 16 for a complete listing of all clubs or consult the student page of the of the high school website. ASB is in the processing of updating the student section of the website. Please look at it in the next few weeks for updates and changes.

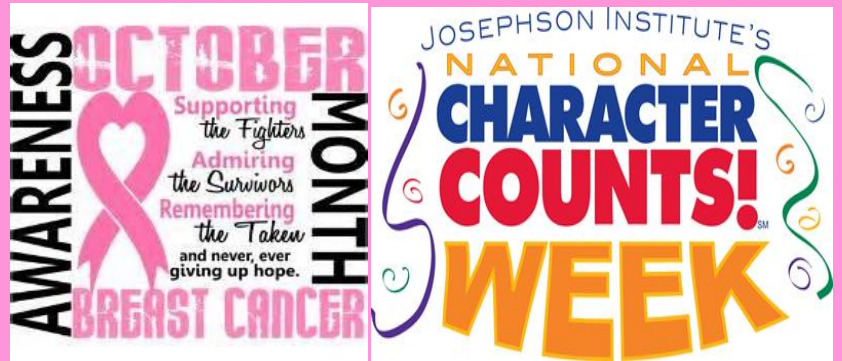
Our students are result-driven! Last month’s UCLA Blood Drive collected 103 pints of blood that will be available for those in need. I am extremely proud of our students and their activism.

Culver City High School is in the process of preparing its application to become one of the first high schools in Los Angeles County to be recognized as a California Democracy School. Led by Dr. Valverde, the team is preparing the rigorous application for this school honor. Democratic values are essential in our diverse community and CCHS embeds Socratic Seminars, reflective thinking and democratic skills within our curriculum to prepare our students to be involved and active citizens.

CLASS of 2016

Can you believe that graduation is around the corner???? A senior activities letter was mailed home last week with information regarding senior events and activities to help you with planning. A copy of the letter is posted on the school website.

October



DIG PINK! Oct. 22nd

Character Counts Week 19th-23



Wheelchair Basketball game on Friday, October 23rd. Centaurs will play the Long Beach Flying Wheels- the oldest men’s wheelchair basketball team in the world!

Counselor's Corner



Principal, Dr. Lisa Cooper

Counseling Office Hours

Monday-Friday
7:30am-4pm

EVENTS:

- *Case Study College Night* – Thurs, Oct. 15th
- *Counselor's Coffee & Chat*—Tues, Oct. 20th **Featured Topic:** (CAASPP Testing & CENTAUR Plus)
- **PARENT ENGAGEMENT Night**—Tues, Nov. 17th

COLLEGE/CAREER:

- PSAT – Wed, Oct. 14th
- CSU/UC **Application Workshop Assistance** offered *Wednesday's* in the Tech Center from 1:15-2:15PM during the months of Oct and Nov.
- **Teacher/Counselor Letter of Recommendation Request**
DEADLINE: November 10th

Lunch and Learn Career Guest Speakers

Oct 2nd – Physical Therapist

Oct 9th—Software Engineer

Oct 16th—Talent Producer, *NFL Network*

Oct 23rd—Nurse Practitioner

Nov 6th—Chef, *Food TV Network*

Nov 9th—Veterinarian

- **UPCOMING Standardized Test Dates:**

SAT- Nov 7th and Dec 5th, 2015

ACT – Oct 24th and Dec 12th, 2015

- **College Application Deadlines:**

CSU campuses – November 30th

UC campuses –November 30th

ACADEMIC:

- **Senior graduation status letter** mailed (Sept)
- **Junior graduation status letter** mailed (Oct)
- **Peer Tutoring**—Encourage students to utilize FREE on campus tutoring assistance by attending peer tutoring before and after school.
- **11th Grade Presentations**—November 4th

COUNSELING ON THE GO!

Students can now ask questions on the go. Counselors will be available @ lunch every Tuesday out on the lunch patio area to meet students, provide resources and answer quick questions.



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COFFEE & CHAT COUNSELOR MEET & GREET W/PARENTS

Come out and meet your student's counselor

Wednesday October 21st

7:30am-8:30am

College & Career Center
(2nd floor CCHS Library)

CCHS Guidance Counselors

Rebekah Howard

Dan Fagas

Candace Mackey

Tim Walker

Steve Gyepes

College Counselor- Thelma Valverde

Career Counselor- Adrienne Madrid

Intervention Counselors

Ida Spencer & Rosa Maldonado

Lunch & Learn

Encourage your student to attend CCC Lunch & Learns to explore various careers from experienced professionals. Check the CCHS website for dates.

Athletics



Asst. Principal, DuBois McMillan

Fall Sports:

- Football
- Cheer & Dance
- Cross Country
- Tennis (Girls)
- Volleyball (Girls)
- Water Polo (Boys)



Pursuing Victory With Honor

We believe every student-athlete at Culver City High School should demonstrate a high level of ethics and sportsmanship during athletic competitions. As a program specifically created for athletes to give coaches, teachers, and administrators the tools to help foster good character in young athletes, it was adopted by the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) in 1999 in recognition of the impact that sports can have on developing good character in student-athletes.

Student-athletes are expected to uphold the Six Pillars of Characters: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship. These principles were developed by the Josephson Institute of Ethics and part of the Character COUNTS initiative that provide common language and expectations that shape school culture. It is our goal to have every student-athlete embody these core values as he or she *Pursue Victory With Honor*.



PVWH Student of the Month

10th grader Alexander Smith- nominated by DuBois McMillan

“During an injury timeout when all players go to their team’s sideline, Alex was quick to run to the opposing team side to help the injured player. Alex showed great character and proudly represented CCHS.”

Winter Sports

- Boy’s Basketball
- Girl’s Basketball
- Boy’s Soccer
- Girl’s Soccer
- Water Polo Girl’s



AVPA

www.avpa.org

- ✓ October 17th- Sip for Schools CCEF (Jazz Combo)
- ✓ October 29th- Fall Musical
- ✓ November 7th- Fall Play-
The Mental State

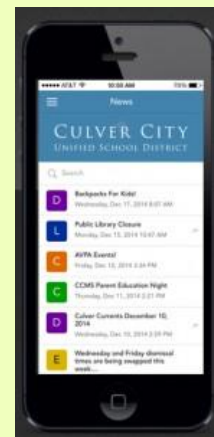
Important Dates

- October 14th- PSAT
- October 15th- Great Shakeout drill,
- College Case Study Night
- October 19th-23rd- Character Counts Week
- October 20th- School Site Council Meeting
- October 22nd- Dig Pink Volleyball Game
- October 28th- Homecoming Assembly
- October 30th- Homecoming Game/Tailgate
- October 30th- 10 week grading period ends
- November 7th- Homecoming Dance
- November 11th- School Holiday
- November 17th- Parent Engagement Night
- November 25-27- School Holidays



Get Connected!

CCUSD has gone mobile. Stay in touch with Culver City Unified School District by downloading our new mobile app. Download on your mobile device today and select yes to receive push notifications with the latest news.



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Parent information to be

INVOLVED--INFORMED--CONNECTED

Western Association of Schools & Colleges (WASC)

CCHS will need parent volunteers to be a part of our WASC accreditation Self-Study committee. If you are interested please contact WASC Coordinator, Januari Penman

Januaripenman@ccusd.org

PARENT PORTAL

Parents can access student information through our Parent Portal. Log in often to access student attendance reports, teacher grade books, and grade reports as they become available.



JOIN CCHS PTSA ANYTIME!

Meetings are open to all. Join us to find out what is happening in your school! Please check the CCHS website and click the PARENT tab to get membership info and meeting dates.

To get involved or be added to our email notification list or to contact us, send a message to: cchsptsa@ccusd.org



Join the CCHS Booster Club

The Culver City High School Booster Club helps to support student clubs, organizations, athletic teams, and other extra-curricular activities through financial support and volunteerism. Joining the CCHS Booster Club and volunteering at school events are great ways to support our students, to meet other parents, to reconnect with fellow alumni, and to get involved with Culver City High School.



Culver City Education Foundation

CCEF works throughout the year to raise the funds needed to ensure that every student at each of our CCUSD schools has a rich and engaging education. To make this happen, we need your help. Please show our students that their community supports them, by supporting CCEF. Please donate at CCEF90230.org



CCHS Peer Tutoring

Get a good start to a new year!

Peer Tutors are CCHS students who are trained and qualified to tutor a range of subjects (including Honors and AP levels) to help you meet your academic goals.

Please bring your class materials (homework, notes, textbooks, handouts, practice tests, drafts, etc) to tutoring.



Mondays: 3-4pm in Room 86
Tuesdays: 7-8am in Room 86
3-4pm in Room 96A
Wednesdays: 1:03-2:03pm in Room 86
Thursdays: 7-8am in Room 86
3-4pm in Room 96A

Peer Tutors can help with:

- ✓ Homework
- ✓ Writing
- ✓ Reviewing for tests (including ACT, SAT, CAHSEE, and finals)
- ✓ Developing organizational, study, and test-taking skills
- ✓ Improving your learning process

Questions? Contact the Program Coordinator, Mrs. Fontijn, at mariahfontijn@ccusd.org.

This tutoring service is FREE to any CCHS student.

Drop in or come by regularly.

**CCUSD CULVER CITY HIGH SCHOOL
& CULVER PARK HIGH SCHOOL PTSA
2015-2016**

Names of Members _____

CCHS Student(s) _____ Grade(s) _____

Address _____

Telephone Number (with area code) _____

E-mail Address _____

(E-mail addresses will be used only for CCHS PTSA messages and announcements. They will not be shared with any group outside of the school district.)

Check the school your child attends CCHS CPHS

PTSA Membership (not tax deductible): **\$6.50** x _____ **members = \$** _____ **Additional**
Donation to CCHS/CPHS PTSA (tax deductible): **\$** _____

Donations support PTA sponsored programs at CCHS & CPHS which will benefit your student.
Mail to CCHS PTSA 4401 Elenda Street Culver City CA 90230

**CCUSD CULVER CITY HIGH SCHOOL
& CULVER PARK HIGH SCHOOL PTSA
Los invitan a que sean miembros para el año 2015-2016**

Nombre del Estudiante _____ Grado _____

Nombre de Miembros _____

Domicilio _____
Código Postal

Numero de Teléfono (____) _____

Correo Electronico _____

(El correo electrónico será usado solamente para anuncios y mensajes. No será compartido con otros grupos de la comunidad. Por favor de darnos correos adicionales atrás de esta página.)

Marcar la escuela de su hijo CCHS CPHS

Membresía de PTSA: (no hay deducciones de ingreso): **\$6.50** x _____ miembros = \$ _____

Donación Adicionales: (deducciones de ingreso): \$ _____

- Donaciones suportadas de PTSA de programas patrocinadores y eventos en CCHS y CPHS benefician a los estudiantes.
- Mail to CCHS PTSA 4401 Elenda Street Culver City CA 90230