



Cañon City Tigers *Newsletter*

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CCHS Mission Statement

ALL Canon City High School students will have opportunities to explore career pathways of interest while gaining skills needed to be successful in any life endeavor, and while enjoying many traditional high school experiences valued by students and the greater community.

From the Desk of Bill Summers, CCHS Principal...

I want to thank the CCHS staff for their hard work and dedication to improvement over the course of this year. When you look back at what they have accomplished on behalf of students, it's simply astounding. Teachers and paraprofessionals have implemented an extracurricular work session and Saturday session program that allows students the opportunity to better learn. This learning is partly reflected in the dramatic reduction of failures across the entire school. In fact, looking at the first semester alone, 3.31% fewer "Fs" were given than the previous five-year period's average. That translates to approximately 140 fewer failures across the school in one semester!

Next, teachers have created 16 new courses for CCHS students next year. Imagine the work it takes to create one new curriculum, teach it, improve it, and archive it into the district curriculum software program. Our teachers have volunteered to do this 16 times before we begin next fall. Students have signed up for these new courses in droves, affirming our teacher's commitment.

Additionally, six teachers are stepping into the brave new world of online courses by translating their existing courses into a digital format to offer blended learning classes next year. The first 50, or so, students to sign up with a counselor will have the opportunity to experience CCHS curriculum online while having the support of a CCHS teacher in a live classroom to lean on at least once per week. Current courses offered are US History, American Literature, Early European Literature, Quantitative Literacy, Principles of Chemistry, Honors Accounting II, Digital Graphic Design, and Web Design, and our plan is to expand this program in the 2018-19 school year.

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Desert Canyon Farm
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Administration *News, continued...*

And if that's not enough, CCHS will offer the Tiger Open Pathway program next year to a limited number of students who apply. This program will allow select students to earn a diploma through project based learning and online courseware, while working in the community to improve their 21st-century skills. They will have an alternative schedule while still being able to take courses throughout the high school if they choose. Applications will be offered soon through the program's brand new website: <http://www.tigeropenpathway.org/>



Finally, we have established an awesome partnership with American Furniture; anytime you purchase items at any of their stores, it helps our school! Let's not miss out on the opportunity that if you have or if you know someone that has home furnishing needs, why not help our school too? AFW gives back to us a percentage of each purchase and it all adds up. We ask if you would be kind to also please share this with others and to please encourage them to use of our school code CCTY37 at time of purchase. Again, purchases at any time count for us!

Thank you everyone!
~ Bill Summers

Art News



Fremont County Schools Art Show

An Exhibit Of Grades 1 Thru 12

April Date To Be Announced When Finalized

Presented By: Fremont Center For The Arts,

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Parent News

When you call the attendance line...

PLEASE SPELL YOUR STUDENT'S FIRST AND LAST NAME.

719-276-5870 ext. 2or 9

When reporting a partial day absence, please state the time when the student will be out of school – NOT THE BLOCKS, for example, 9:00 am to 10:00 am – NOT 2ND AND 3RD BLOCKS. We have various schedules for different days.

If a student will miss part of a school day, please have the student deliver a parent's note to the attendance office before school begins or call a few hours ahead on the day of (or day prior to) the appointment. This way, students will be ready to leave on time and will have a permit to leave class and the building. Parents cannot expect students to be ready to leave in a timely manner if no advance warning is given.

Please make every effort to refrain from picking up your student from 2:40 to 3:00 pm. This office is inundated with calls and activity at this time. Thank you.

Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

- Notify school of current contact information
- Contact the school for attendance related issues
- Know the attendance policies for each school
- Provide proper documentation if requested

FEES & FINES

Parents, please be aware of any fees or fines that have been assessed to your student(s). This information can be found on the parent portal under the fees tab. If you feel that the fee/fine is in error or has already been paid, please contact us. Please DO NOT ignore this statement as student fines and fees must be paid in full prior to graduation in order for your student to receive their diploma.



Counselor News

Students are allocated to a counselor by the first letter of their last name.

Mr. Ritter (A thru D) Mrs. Andrews (E thru K)

Ms. Graham (L thru Q) Mrs. Kingery (R thru Z)

Upcoming Parent Nights

8th GRADE PARENT NIGHT – Thursday, April 13th at 6:00 pm

JUNIOR PARENT NIGHT – Wednesday, April 19th at 6:00 pm

PCC CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT NIGHT – Wednesday, May 10th from 6:00-8:00 pm

Upcoming College Entrance Exams

SAT

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadlines</u>
May 6, 2017	April 7, 2017
June 3, 2017	May 9, 2017

For registration information go to
<http://sat.collegeboard.org>

ACT

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadlines</u>
April 8, 2017	March 3, 2017
June 10, 2017	May 5, 2017

For registration information go to
<http://www.actstudent.org>

For both courses - Must have successfully completed Geometry
 For admission to AP Computer Science A, completion of AP
 Computer Science Principles is recommended.

For more information, contact
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 Canon City High School
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Canon City offers two new classes:
**AP Computer Science
Principles**
AP Computer Science - A

For more info click this ad or
contact your school counselor

Senior News

2017 SENIOR CORNER

Graduation is right around the corner -- here's information to help you meet deadlines:

Commencement Exercises

Thursday, May 25, 2017

6:30 p.m.

Citizens' Stadium or Tiger Dome

Graduation Practice

All Graduating Seniors must attend

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

7:15 a.m. to Noon



A **Senior Class meeting** was held on September 20th.

Students were given information to order graduation caps and gowns, announcements, and other specialty items.

You must order a cap, gown and tassel – please don't wait, order it NOW! ALL graduating Seniors must wear

caps and gowns at graduation. Graduation orders are due November 1. *Caps and gowns purchased after December 1 will double in price.* If you miss order dates please contact Jason Workman, with Jostens, at 647-8880 or directly place your order at Jostens.com specify Cañon City High School.. If you have any **questions** or concerns regarding graduation please contact Mrs. Chalyn Frederick, Principal's Secretary, at 276-5877.

Graduation With Honors applications must be submitted by students by the end of the third quarter (by March 15, 2017) to be considered for this honor. Applications are available online at cchscounseling.org. Students who earn **Graduation With Honors cords** (gold, silver and bronze) to wear at graduation will receive the highest level of cord earned during the Senior Honors Night, May 23, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the DelPizzo Center.

Early graduates need to submit a letter to Mr. Summers by November 17 requesting early graduation. You may get a sample letter from your Counselor. *Early graduation paperwork will be picked up December 21 and 22 from Mrs. Frederick to check out of school on December 22.* Only students who have completed ALL graduation credits are considered early graduates. You will receive your Early Graduation Letter January 11, 2017. Anyone without proper credits will remain enrolled until credits are completed!

Senior pictures must be submitted Mrs. Lyons, the yearbook advisor, by the Friday before Christmas Break. The 2"x3" vertical wallet size photos must be head and shoulder shots only. To ensure correct proportions, head size from chin to crown of head should measure 1½ inches. Portraits will appear in

color (you may submit black and white photos) but glossy photos reproduce best. Digital photo files are preferred, send in JPEG or TIFF with a minimum of 225 DIP to lyonsr@canoncityschools.org or take a CD, jump drive or other media to Mrs. Lyons. Cell phone pictures will not be accepted.

Each senior will meet with his/her counselor in a **Senior Interview** to discuss current graduation status and post-secondary plans. Students may go to the counseling office to set an appointment or wait for their counselor to make contact during the first semester. Parents are welcome to join their student for the senior interview, please call ahead to schedule this meeting.

College applications are available in the Guidance Office or at collegeincolorado.org for most Colorado colleges and universities. Completed applications and fees should be returned to the student's counselor to be mailed with an official transcript. *Be aware of deadlines!*

Each student can receive five free copies of **transcripts**. Additional transcripts are \$2.00 each. If "official" copies are not needed, students are encouraged to make copies on their own.

Seniors needing **letters of recommendation** are encouraged to obtain those letters from teachers, counselors and/or employers in advance to prepare for scholarship requirements. You may get resume forms in the Guidance Office.

Students are encouraged to visit colleges they are interested in attending. Parents should notify the Office prior to the college visit to set up a pre-arranged absence. Upon return, the student must bring documentation from the college for the absence to be excused. Various colleges schedule days at CCHS to meet with small groups of students. To attend one of these meetings, listen for announcements and sign up in the guidance office; you will need a pass to attend.

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Senior News, continued...

In April, the *Daily Record* and *Cañon Shopper* gather information for their annual graduation inserts. The school provides a **graduate list** and the school portraits taken for ID/yearbook pictures. Seniors are responsible to provide additional information and/or senior portraits for printing in the graduation inserts. Contact the *Daily Record* and *Cañon Shopper* directly.

The **Senior Calendar** of May events may be picked up by May 1 from the front office. Class events and other May activities are listed.

Seniors will check out from school on Monday, May 22. Seniors are to pick up clearance cards in the Commons area before school - then attend regular classes. Seniors must clear with every teacher for the Spring semester; turning in books, uniforms, etc., to the appropriate teacher by this day. All fines and fees must be cleared. Senior check-out will begin at 1:20 p.m. in Commons. Any fines, books or materials not turned in on Monday, will be expected to be cleared before the end of school on Wednesday, May 24. **Any Senior who does not turn in a yellow clearance card, pay a fine, or turn in books will not be issued a diploma until they are cleared.** During check out caps, gowns, and tassels will be handed out.

All Seniors are expected to be at CCHS for **graduation practice** on Wednesday, May 24 at 7:45 a.m. and remain until the practice is completed at approximately noon. **Any Senior who misses practice without prior approval will not go through the ceremony Thursday!** A Senior breakfast will be served at 7:10 a.m. in Commons. This continental breakfast is free to all senior students.

Senior Funfest will begin at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 24. This is a fast-paced, fun-filled community-sponsored activity for the Class of 2017. You don't want to miss it! Seniors will be given more information during graduation practice. *Plan to attend!* For the Senior class only!

Commencement Exercises will be held on Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. – location to be determined.

All Seniors need to be in Tiger Dome by 5:30 p.m. Do NOT decorate cap or gown. *Only* Graduation With Honors cords may be worn during commencement; no leis, medals, pins, etc. Seniors will begin walking onto the field for graduation at approximately 6:20 p.m. **AFTER THE CEREMONY, graduates need to pick up their diploma in Commons!** A professional photographer will be at graduation taking photos of graduates receiving their diploma covers. You will have an opportunity to review and purchase these photos. Ordering information will be in the graduation program. Seating for graduation is on a first-come basis. There are a few cut out sections in the bleachers for wheelchair access, and limited seating is available on the track for disabled and handicapped people. If sitting on the track, we request only one family member sit with them.



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Student Council *News*

PromFest Week!

April 18th thru April 22nd

Keep listening to the announcements for all the fun that Student Council has in store.

CCHS Appreciation Banquet!

Wednesday, April 26th @ 6:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy those retiring staff members as they are roasted!

Enjoy lots of laughs and a great meal!

Student Council Elections!

May 8th thru May 12th Listen for the Who? What? and Where?

2017 PROM

Under the light of the moon on April 22nd, take the step from reality to fantasy and experience *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

It all begins at 8:00 and ends at 11:30.

After prom location has yet to be determined.

School News

ACCOUNTABILITY

Our Accountability Committee meets once a month in the high school library at 6:30 p.m. with meetings usually lasting about an hour. We are comprised of parents, community members, faculty, staff, students and administration whose common goal is improving the high school experience for all of our students.

Please join us!

For more information, contact Mrs. Chalyn Frederick at 276-5877.

Upcoming meeting dates are: April 12, and May 10.

TASK FORCE WORK DAYS

April 12th and May 10th

*Dates subject to change.

(The second Wednesday of each month)

The Fremont RE-1 Board of Education has agreed to allow days during the school year for the high school staff to work together as a staff. This time will be spent on Progressive Educational Initiatives such as those recommended by the Secondary Task Force and several other committees that have student needs for the 21st Century as their focus. CCHS is closed until 9:00 a.m. when the commons opens.

At this time, students may purchase breakfast.

PLEASE REFER TO THE WEBSITE FOR ALL BELL SCHEDULES

TESTING SCHEDULE FOR CCHS 2017

April 11 ELA- 9th graders; PSAT10-10th graders; SAT-11th graders;

April 13 CMAS Science for juniors only

April 18-20 (PARCC)ELA/MATH for freshmen only MATH for 8th graders

Half days of classes to follow the testing. Testing will begin at 7:40 each day.

Bell schedules to follow

Athletic News

2017 CANON CITY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Spring Sports - Baseball, Girls Golf, Girls Soccer, Girls Tennis, Track

At sports registration an athlete will be given a Blue Slip. The blue slip is turned in to the coach and tells the coach that the student athlete has completed all necessary paperwork.

No one will start practice without a blue slip.

To obtain a blue slip athletes will turn in all required paperwork and pay the athletic fee.

Forms Required For Blue Slip – Yellow Emergency Card; Full white sheet, front and back includes athletic registration, permit/pledge, insurance information and physical. (copy of a current physical can be turned in instead of having the white sheet signed by a physician): Athletic Fee (extracurricular fees, next page)

**Additional forms needed for exchange students: CHSAA Forms #7 and #12

**Additional forms needed for transfer students: CHSAA Forms #7 and #9

CCHS Activity Office – 276-5878

New website – www.canonathletics.com is up and running



Want to be notified of a school building lockdown, lockout or drill?

Parents and Guardians can choose to be notified of a school building lockdown, lockout, drills or other notices via phone, text message or email.

Users must have a Parent Portal account or be approved after submitting a form to the District Office.

Instructions on how to sign up and manage the Notify Me Priority Notification settings within Parent Portal will be available on the canoncityschools.org website.

Watch the website for the NotifyMe button under the quick links section on the home page.

CCHS News

Getting More Students To Begin Their Day with Breakfast **“Take the School Breakfast Challenge” Encouraging Families** To Choose Breakfast At School

Busy weekday mornings make it a challenge for families to find time for a healthy breakfast. However, US Department of Agriculture data show that more students are starting their day with a nutritious breakfast in their school cafeterias. To encourage more families to take advantage of the healthy choices available with school breakfast, Cañon City schools will recognize National School Breakfast Week during March 6-10, 2017.

The National School Breakfast Week (NSBW) campaign theme, “School Breakfast Challenge”, reminds the entire school community that school breakfast provides a healthy, energizing start to the day for students. Students will be encouraged to “Take the Challenge” from March 6-10 with special menus, decorations, cafeteria events, and more. We will be taste testing NEW breakfast items for next year and ALL STUDENTS EAT FREE FRIDAY, March 10th. There will be chances to win prizes and you never know who might show up!

A healthy breakfast at the start of the day is one way to ensure students are getting the best education they can. National School Breakfast Week helps educate parents and students about all the healthy and appealing choices we offer. We prepare breakfast and lunches every day that meet federal nutrition standards – limiting fat, calories and sodium – and encourage students to choose from the fruits, vegetables and whole grains offered with school meals.

National School Breakfast Week was launched in 1989 to raise awareness of the availability of the School Breakfast Program to all children and to promote the links between eating a good breakfast, academic achievement and healthy lifestyles.

Heather Williams
Nutritional Services

Sponsorship space in this newsletter is very affordable! Reach parents in your local community & a significant portion of your investment goes back to the district! Businesses that want to sponsor this school, please contact Doug Hay at doug@tscaschools.com or (970) 279-1605.



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 The School Communications Agency

Are You Concerned About Drug Use?

Please join us in addressing a growing issue in communities across the country, to do what we can to raise awareness and understanding of the issues, availability and effects of drug use on our children and community, March 30th at 6-7:30pm in the Tiger Dome at CCHS.

GUEST SPEAKER Lynn Riemer is an accomplished speaker, trainer and advocate on issues relating to substance abuse. Lynn is president of ACT on Drugs, Inc., a non-profit organization with a mission to educate parents, teens and professionals about addictive and psychoactive substances available in our community. She has spoken to over 250,000 students and groups, and her engaging, captivating style brings a real, personal and vivid face to issues presented by illicit drug use, making an informative and driven evening **message you won't want to miss.**

Ms. Riemer will be presenting to all CCHS students during the school day on March 30th, and will be in the Tiger Dome at 6pm, welcoming parents and all interested community members.

The student presentations will cover drug trends and the effects these drugs have on users, families, and society. She will discuss why it is important to make good decisions and the consequences people face when they make the wrong ones.

The evening presentation for parents will cover what the drugs look like, how long they stay in the system and the physical, speech and performance indicators of someone under the influence. Lynn has examples for parents to see, as well as guests who have lost children to drug use, to share their stories. Lynn is booked across the state and CCHS is lucky enough to share in her knowledge and expertise on March 30th, to help Canon City be safe and drug free.

This informative, engaging evening is FREE to the public, and child care may be available- please inquire at CCHS as the date draws near. Come help us ACT on drugs now, at CCHS!

School Menu in the Palm of your Hand

We are pleased to announce a new Mobile Menu App that offers an easy way to view menus and nutrient information for products right from your smart phone.

The new Web Menus mobile App includes:

- Interactive Nutritional Menus
 - Daily menus
 - Menu item nutrient information
 - Menu item description
 - Menu item photos
- PDF Documents
- Link to Online Payment Provider
- Link to Nutrition Services website
- Superkids Nutrition Newsletter & Tips



This is just one more step we are making in an effort to continually improve the quality of the menus we offer our students and raise the bar on the standards of our school meals. Our focus is on enhancing the diet of students with more nutritious choices here at school and by providing nutrition education that will help students form healthy habits that last a lifetime!

Key nutritional improvements that we have made include offering more scratch cooking and a variety of more fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and fat-free and low-fat fluid milk with our meals. We are also reducing in the levels of sodium, saturated fat and have eliminated added trans fat. We do not supersize our meals, but instead strive to meet the nutrition needs of students within their age specific calorie requirements.

The "Web Menu" App is free and available at the App Stores!

Web Menus by
School Nutrition &