Cañon City Tigers Newsletter

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From the Desk of Bill Summers, CCHS Principal

2018-2019 scheduling season has arrived!

Ms. Graham and Ms. Carlton are busy coordinating with juniors and sophomores on their next year's course load. The registration process for the upperclassmen will include the opportunity to pick from 14 new courses, workplace-learning opportunities in the form of internships, and blended online courses using their brand new Chromebooks issued next August. Juniors and sophomores may also register for one of 50 early college courses offered at Canon City High School through our partnership with Pueblo Community College – Fremont Campus.

Ms. Andrews is diligently preparing our current freshmen to make a Career Pathways selection; she will then schedule their next three years of high school. All of the opportunities in the previous paragraph are on the table for the Class of 2021, along with the opportunity to become endorsed in a single or multiple specific Career Pathway tracks. At a recent freshmen assembly, I challenged each freshman to earn as close to an Associate's Degree as he or she can before they graduate from high school, saving thousands of dollars for their families.

Ms. Kingery will soon visit middle school across the community to welcome our new freshmen, the Class of 2022. These students will register for our Freshman Base Camp, preparing them to pick a future Career Pathway. Speaking of welcoming freshmen, CCHS will introduce a nationally recognize freshman transition program called, Link Crew. Link Crew selects juniors and seniors, trains them to become upper-class leaders and counselors to the incoming freshman class, and then matches them up during freshman orientation so that they can "watch over" their freshman friend through the critical first year of high school. Selection for Link Crew junior and senior leaders begins with an application process and group interviews. We hope to select 60-70 leaders and train them in May. Applications may be picked up in the counseling office.

Have a great Spring Break!

Bill Summers

CCHS, Principal

Administration News

PARENT ADVISORY BOARD

Our Parent Advisory Board meets once a month in the high school library at 6:00 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 Sara Marietta at 276-5877.

Upcoming meeting dates are: March 14th, April 11th, and May 9th

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

March 14th, April 11th, and May 9th

*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.

EARLY DISMISSAL DATES - SPRING 2018

P.M. Activity Bell Schedule will be followed, with classes being released at 1:10 p.m. Busses will run at 1:10 p.m.

MARCH	APRIL	MAY
7th (Wed)	10th Tuesday	2nd (Wed)
29th Thursday	18th (Wed)	16th (Wed)
	25th (Wed)	





School News

CMAS Science Testing Juniors Only March 29, 2018

7:35-7:45 Seating Students and passing out testing tickets
7:45-8:00 reading directions and ensuring all machines are working
8:00-8:50 Science test 1
8:50-9:00 break
9:00-9:50 Science test 2
9:50-10:00 break
10:00-10:50 Science test 3
10:50-11:00 Collect tickets and used scratch paper
Minimum time before a lab can move to next test is 35 minutes
No lab can be dismissed prior to 10:00 am.

SAT Juniors Only April 10, 2018

7:20 – 7:30	Staff check out materials in Front Office
7:35 – 7:40	Arrival and Seating of Examinees
7:40 - 8:10	Distribution of materials to examinees & directions
8:10-9:15	Administration of Test 1-65 min
9:15-9:20	BREAK - NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES ALLOWED AT THIS TIME.
9:20-9:55	Administration of Test 2-35 min
9:55-10:20	Administration of Test 3-25 min
10:20-10:25	BREAK - NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES ALLOWED AT THIS TIME.
10:25-11:20*	Administration of Test 4-55 min
11:20-11:40 until ALL materials ar	Collection & verification of test materials & dismissal of examinees- Do not dismiss re collected and verified.
*11:25-12:20	ESSAY 50 min- for those who signed up (separate room)

12:20-12:30 Collection & verification of test materials & dismissal of examinees

(No classes either day these days are part of the high school early release days)

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April 12, 2018

PSAT10 - Sophomores

7:20 – 7:30	Staff check out materials in Front Office
7:35 – 7:40	Arrival and Seating of Examinees
7:40 - 8:10	Distribution of materials to examinees & directions
8:10-9:10	Administration of test 1-60 min
9:10-9:20	BREAK
9:20-9:55	Administration of test 2-35 min
9:55-10:20	Administration of test 3-25 min
10:20-10:25	BREAK
10:25-11:10	Administration of test 4-45 min

11:10-11:15 Collection & verification of test materials & dismissal of examinees- Do not dismiss until ALL materials are collected and verified.

PSAT8/9 - Freshmen

7:20 – 7:30	Staff check out materials in Front Office
7:35 - 7:40	Arrival and Seating of Examinees
7:40 – 8:10	Distribution of materials to examinees & directions
8:10 – 9:05	Administration of test 1 – 55 min
9:05 – 9:10	BREAK
9:10 - 9:45	Administration of test 2 – 30 min (time includes 5 minutes for directions)
9:45 - 10:10	Administration of test 3 – 20 min (time includes 5 minutes for directions)
10:10-10:15	BREAK
10:15 – 10:55	Administration of test 4 – 40 min (time includes 5 minutes for directions)

10:55 – 11:00 Collection & verification of test materials & dismissal of examinees- Do not dismiss until ALL materials are collected and verified.

11:15-11:50 - Lunch

- 11:55 12:25 Block 1
- 12:30 1:00 Block 2
- 1:05 1:35 Block 3
- 1:40 2:10 Block 4
- 2:15 2:45 Block 5

Counselor News

Class of 2019 Student and Parents

Ms. Christy Graham, Class of 2019 Counselor, will be hosting 6 sessions to support Juniors in preparing for their SAT test and Parents in learning how to use the College Board Tools to support your child through this semester and through the Senior Year.

Juniors--you are encouraged to attend as many sessions as possible for direct support in making sure your Khan Academy account is linked to your College Board account for direct instructional support based on your PSAT test scores. If you don't have your College Board account set up yet, go to <u>www.collegeboard.org</u> and create an account. You will also need a Khan Academy account for your SAT practice. Go to <u>www.khanacademy.org</u> to set that account up. Link the two accounts for practice specific to your PSAT test. See Ms. Graham if you need assistance.

Parents--you are encouraged to attend at least one session if you would like to learn more about your child's College Board account and all the tools that are available to you for Finding Colleges, Exploring Careers, Paying for College and a variety of resources.

Junior SAT Practice for Students and College Board Tools Support for Parents

Thursday, March 8 6:15-7:45 Wednesday, March 14 3:00-5:00 Wednesday, March 28 5:00-7:00 Thursday, April 5 3:00-5:00 Monday, April 9 3:00-5:00

SAT TEST: Tuesday, April 10 at CCHS for ALL Juniors

Location: 110/112 Lab





Counselor News

Cañon City High School is proud to announce a new freshmen transition program coming in the fall, 2018! Tiger Pride Link Crew aims to help freshmen discover what it takes to be successful during their transition to high school. Junior and Senior Link Leaders will be chosen from the class of 2019 and class of 2020. Link Leader goals will be as follows:

- Build a mentor relationship and give freshmen information about how to be successful in high schoolS
- Support freshmen academic success and character development
- Connect with freshmen outside the classroom at social events to increase student engagement and promote positive school climate
- Connect with their freshmen on a more individual basis

Qualities we are looking for in Tiger Pride Link Leaders:

- Strong communication skills
- Dedicated
- Kind
- Interest in helping others
- Positive role model
- Willingness to lead others
- Respect for diverse ideas and personalities
- Enthusiastic
- Responsible enough to manage a group
- Willingness to take risks
- Accountable to show-up throughout all phases of the program during the year
- Self-confident and self-directed

TIGER PRIDE LINK CREW - we got your back!

College Credits!!!

Take advantage of getting college credit while in high school! The Concurrent Enrollment program at Canon City High School is an extensive program with up to 50 high school classes being offered for college credit. Please refer to the Student Pathway book for identified courses. For more information, call or please come to the counseling office.



Student Council/Athletic *Events*

PROMFEST WEEK Monday, April 16th - Saturday, April 21st

CCHS APPRECIATION BANQUET Wednesday, April 18th @ The Abbey Events Center

STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS Head Boy/Head Girl - Tuesday, May 8th and Wednesday, May 9th Freshmen, Sophomore, and Junior Representatives - Friday, May 11th

CROSS COUNTRY

YETI (Youth Exercise Training Initiative) April 10th - May 5th



CROSS COUNTRY INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Tuesday, May 22nd @ 3:00 p.m.

Check the Activity Calendar for other upcoming sporting events!







Graduation is still months away, but plans are in the works -- here's information to help you meet deadlines:

Commencement Exercises

2018 SENIOR CORNER

Thursday, May 24, 2018

Graduation Practice All Graduating Seniors must attend

Senior Class meeting will be held on October 3rd. Students will be 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 Ms. Sara Marietta, 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, 2018) 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 Ms. Marietta 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 <u>lyonsr@canoncityschools.org</u> 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. <u>Be aware of deadlines!</u>
- 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.
- 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.

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- Seniors will check out from school on Monday, May 21. Seniors are to pick up clearance cards in the Commons area before school then attend regular classes. Seniors must clear with <u>every</u> 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 1:15 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 23. *Any Senior who does not turn in a yellow clearance card, pay a fine, or turn in books <u>will not</u> 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 23 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 7:15 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 23. This is a fast-paced, fun-filled community-sponsored activity for the Class of 2018. 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 24, 2018 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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SENIOR CHECK LIST

The Senior year will go by very fast and activities and deadlines come quickly. The 2018 Senior Corner is filled with information for Seniors and parents. Attending the Senior Class Meetings throughout the year will keep students informed on graduation based information and deadlines. Some of these include: Graduation With Honors application and due date, cap/gown/tassel and other specialty graduation items to order, how to access and search for scholarships (both local and national) and deadlines. The following list is provided for Seniors and parents to consider or to be completed before graduation arrives.



Cap, gown and tassel are ordered. Please order now to avoid double costs in the Spring. A payment plan is available for items ordered from Jostens. Information given to Seniors October 3rd and orders are due November 1.

Senior Parents Night, October 5, 6:00-7:30 p.m. DelPizzo Center

Financial Aid – FAFSA follow-up workshop, October 24, 6:00 p.m. at PCC (Pueblo Community College)

College Night, November 7 6:00-8:00 p.m. hosted this year at Cañon City High School – parents welcome

Senior Portrait turned into Mrs. Lyons by December 23 (submission information in Senior Corner and Yearbook handout)

Early Graduate Check Out. Request letter to principal given to counselor by November 17 (remember to sign the letter). Pick up paperwork from Ms. Marietta on December 21 and check out December 22. You will receive your Early Graduation Letter January 11, 2018.

Graduation With Honors Application is completed and turned in to Counselor – Applications are available online at cchscounseling.org. Students may be eligible for more than one area to receive honors and *must submit an application for each area of study*. All applications are due by the end of third quarter (March 15, 2017)). At graduation only one honor cord will be worn on the gown representing the highest level achieved. All study areas and achievement levels will be printed in the graduation program. The honor cord will be presented during Senior Honors Night, May 23 at 6:30 p.m.

Counselor Meeting to check credits for graduation and other items

Letters of Recommendation – Request them early; go to cchscounseling.org. Early Graduation tab then Student Information Sheet Form.

Scholarship Applications Completed – Local and National – Beware of various deadlines!

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SENIOR CHECK LIST, continued...

Complete the *Shopper Profile* and turn in with a portrait. The Profile will be handed out in a class meeting and may be turned into the office within approximately 10 days. Or return directly to the *Shopper* office. This is your responsibility. CCHS provides a list of graduates and school portrait day photographs.

Daily Record – Parents/family members must contact the *Daily Record* and complete requested information for the special graduation issue. CCHS provides a list of graduates and school portrait day photographs.

Give scholarship(s) received information to Mrs. Vertrees, Registrar, by early April deadlines and TBA early May to have printed in the graduation program

Turn in all textbooks and uniforms *and* Pay ALL fines/fees before graduation – diploma will be held if not paid or turned in

Complete Senior Check Out – May 21 1:15 p.m. Commons – Turn in yellow check out card (diploma will be held if not turned in). Cap/Gown/Tassel will be handed out.

Senior Honors Night, May 23 at 6:30 p.m. DelPizzo Center – Scholarships (local and national) announced and awarded. Graduation With Honors recognition and honor cord given to student.

Graduation Practice, May 23 at 7:45 a.m. – *All graduating students must attend*. Only students who have completed ALL the required credits are eligible to walk in the graduation ceremony. Senior Breakfast (free) is served starting at 7:10 a.m. in the Lobby area.

Senior Funfest, May 23 at 3:00 p.m. for the Senior Class only! Graduation Day – Seniors report at **5:30 p.m.** in Tiger Dome. *AFTER* graduation, Graduates return to Commons to pick up Diploma!

Congratulations! You completed your Senior Year!

Art News

Fremont County Schools Art Exhibit

April 6th through 28th - High School, Middle School, and Elementary School art will be displayed together for 3 weeks.

RECEPTION - First Friday, April 6, 5:00-8:00 P.M. Judging and awards for High school & Middle School work will be presented.

Fremont Center for the Arts

505 Macon Avenue Canon City, CO 81212

(719) - 275 - 2790

Some of the previous entries and winners!

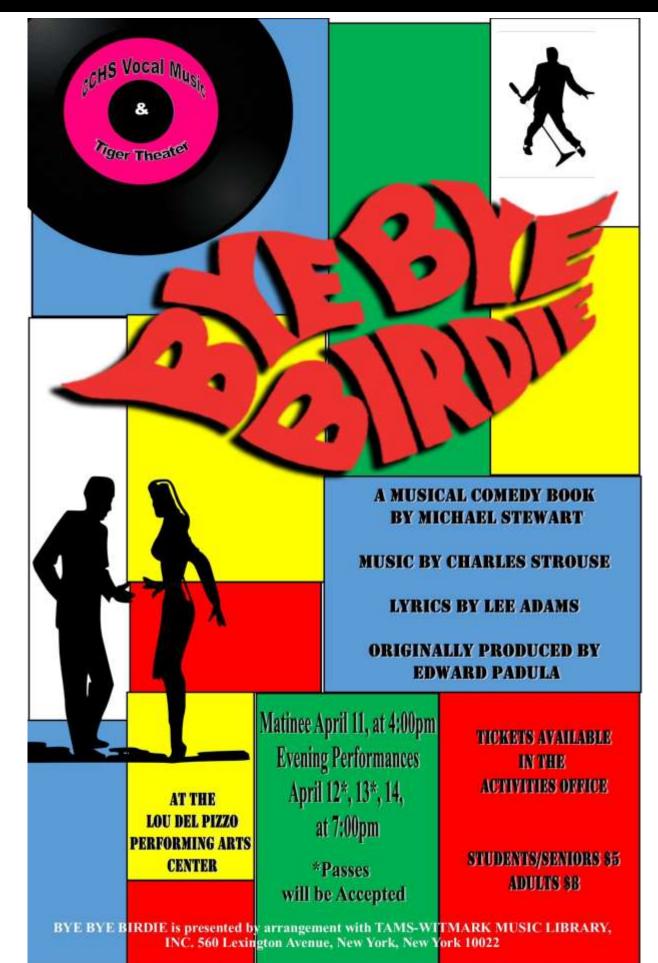












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Our Mission Statement

ALL Cañon 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.



KIDS IN CANON CITY HIGH SCHOOL? YOUR SCHOOL HAS AN APP FOR YOU!

SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS AGENCY APP





HOW TO DOWNLOAD THE SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS AGENCY APP:

- 1. Go to the App Store (iPhone) or Google Play (Android)
- Search for "The School Communications Agency" app and download it to your device
- Open the app, type "Cañon City" into the search box and select it to open the school app
- Select "Set as Default" and the Cañon City app will automatically open each time you open the School Communications Agency app

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