

NEWSLETTER

Cañon City High School



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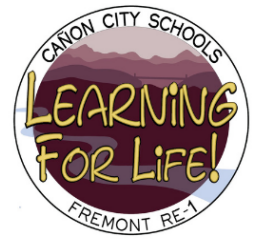
Happy 2024!

CCHS is gearing up for our annual Instructional Review. Each year, a panel of educators, parents, students, and community members descend on the school to rate us based on those items the district deems worthy. How we develop and implement curriculum, how we impart instruction, how we use our resources, and how we take care of our students' well-being are all considered as the evaluation plays out. We also survey our students and parents to determine their thoughts about our programs.

Canon City Schools is one of approximately 25 districts with a local accountability system—ours is often touted as one of the most comprehensive and forward-thinking. The results will be highlighted on our public website for all to read in May.

To read more about the local accountability system in Colorado's Department of Education, please see [this link](#).

Bill Summers
Principal, Cañon City High School



CTE News Flash!



Did You Know?

CCHS offers courses in the following career pathways:

- Agriculture
- Aviation
- Engineering
- Culinary Arts
- Interior & Fashion Design
- Health
- And many more!

It's time for students to begin thinking about what courses they want to take next school year!

Check it Out!

The 2024-25 interactive Career Pathways Handbook is available [online](#). Important pages to review when choosing classes:

- Weighted GPA Courses, pgs. 8-12
- FMI Shared Courses, pg. 14
- CTE Programs, pgs. 15-17
- Industry Standard Certifications, pgs. 18-21
- Career Pathways, pgs. 27-72
- Course Offerings, pgs. 75-131

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Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior class meetings were held in the last few days. Students were all given Course Offering sheets and instructions on how to select their classes for next school year. Please discuss this with your student and encourage them to make their selections thoughtfully. The more thoughtful their selections, the more relevant and interesting their schedule will be to them next school year. Each student will have a meeting with their scheduler over the next 6 weeks to discuss postsecondary plans and their course selections.

FEBRUARY

6th Eighth Grade Club Crawl and Parent Night
14th CCHS Instructional Program Review
26th-29th BIMAS Administration
28th First night of the Capstone Competition
29th Second night of the Capstone Competition
Capstone Expo in the Tiger Dome at 6 pm

MARCH

10th Daylight Savings Time starts
11th - 15th Spring Break
18th 4th Quarter begins

APRIL

11th PaICE Employer Fair
16th CMAS
17TH PSAT 9 and 10
NHS Induction ceremony
18th SAT

Save
The
Date



CCHS

8TH GRADE CLUB CRAWL

FEBRUARY 6TH
6 - 8 PM IN THE TIGER DOME
AND AUDITORIUM

Concurrent Enrollment Info

It's time for your students to choose their classes for next year! With that in mind, I'd like to share with you the courses that are most helpful for students who plan to earn an associates degree from Pueblo Community College and/or transfer credits to a four year college or university. (Just as an FYI - beginning this year, it will be more difficult for students to complete an associate degree while in high school due to some curriculum and degree changes at PCC.) Take some time to discuss your students' plans with them. For more clarification as to whether the credits will count, check the degree plans on the websites of the colleges that interest you.

English:

American Literature & Argument or AP Language & Composition or Career Communication & Writing will count for ENG 1021 - the first semester of freshman English.

World Literature or AP Literature will count for ENG 1022 - the second semester of freshman English (must earn credit for ENG 1021 first in order to receive the college credit)

Analytical Reading & Writing will count for ENG 1031 - one semester of English credit (often found in trades, technical or engineering degree plans)

Creative Writing will count for ENG 2021 - an English academic elective or a humanities credit for the associates of general studies degree.

Honors Public Speaking counts as COM 1150 and is a requirement in almost all two-year and four-year degrees.

Math:

Career Math, Technical Math, and Financial Math can count as math credits on a basic associate degree but will not generally transfer as math credit on a four year degree. Career &/or Technical math are required for automotive, welding, and carpentry programs and Financial Math is required for a business associate degree.

Honors College Algebra (MAT 1340) and/or AP Statistics (MAT 1260) and/or Math for Liberal Arts (MAT 1240) will count as math for an associate degree and most bachelor degrees.

Science:

Any of the following courses will give credit for college level science courses. Students should make their choice based on their interests or intended career field/degree plan.

H Chemistry (CHE 1005), AP Chemistry (CHE 1111 & 1112), AP Physics (PHY 1111), and either H Hydrology & Watersheds or H Water Quality & Ecology or Environmental Horticulture (these three classes give the same credit - ENV 1111)

We are hoping to be able to offer college credit for H General College Biology and H Human Anatomy & Physiology, but these have not yet been approved.

Social Studies:

H US History will count for HIS 1220 on almost all degree plans.

H Colorado History will count for HIS 2135 and can be used as social studies credit on some plans or academic elective on most others.

Intro to Criminal Justice is CRJ 1010, a criminal justice elective course .

General Psychology or AP Psychology will count as PSY 1001. This course is almost always either a required course or an academic elective in most degrees.

Human Growth and Development will count as PSY 2440. It is a good course for medical or education degrees but can also count as an academic elective for many others.

Arts & Humanities:

Advanced Studio Art will count as ART 1110 and Drama II or III will count as THE 1005 . Either of these will usually fulfill a college humanities requirement.

For an associate degree at PCC, the following courses may count as the humanities requirement (some degree plans designate specific courses, so check your plan): Ceramics I/II taken in the same semester, Advanced Ceramics, AP Art & Design, Creative Writing, Printmaking, Drawing II, and Painting II.

Electives:

We are fortunate to offer a wide variety of elective courses in many specific areas as concurrent enrollment courses. Check our new Pathway Handbook (which is available online) for these offerings.

If you have any questions, feel free to email our concurrent enrollment counselor at sharon.carlton@canoncityschools.org.

TIGER SPOTLIGHT



Kameron Atwood
Congratulations on
becoming a School
Winner of the Heisman
High School Scholarship
award.



James McCarthy
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Senior Spotlight of the month



Elizabeth Vertrees
Lions student of the
Month - January



Danaye Walters
Rotarian of the Month
January

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