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The High School of Champions Roars Into Second Quarter

Collinsville High School
“The High School of Champions”

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are well into the 2018-2019 school year at Collinsville High School and I definitely like what I see at the “High School of Champions!” Our student body has been exceptional to work with thus far. I anticipate that will continue throughout the school year as I am very proud of our student body. While we cannot formally recognize every student, our Character Education program focuses on promoting essential character traits on a daily basis. As a staff, we strive to model those important attributes. We also recognize Students of the Month and Departmental Achievement Award recipients for outstanding work. Kahok Pride is alive and well at CHS as evidenced by our recent Homecoming Week and various student activities.

Your parental support is appreciated as our students prepare for their future. Skyward provides an excellent opportunity to monitor your son or daughter’s progress. Do not hesitate to contact your child’s teacher if you have any questions. Furthermore, Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for November 1st and 2nd. I can assure you that our staff is working diligently to provide students with first-rate educational opportunities. This is evidenced by the meaningful conversations our various Professional Learning Community (PLC) teams have every Wednesday in order to

address curriculum. In addition, we have an active Data Team, Curriculum Council, and School Improvement Planning Team. CHS students are afforded opportunities to take Advanced Placement Courses, dual-credit classes, and vocational courses.

CHS is proud to provide numerous academic support systems. Math and Foreign Language Labs are available during study halls. The CHS Writing Center is open throughout the school day. Formal tutoring sessions are available after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays for various subjects. A Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) program also assists students who encounter academic difficulties. Supports are definitely in place to assist students of all ability levels. Our staff is working diligently to prepare students for the SAT Exam. Students should utilize Khan Academy in order to further prepare for that important test. Please discuss these educational opportunities with your son or daughter in order to maximize academic performance. I am pleased to announce that our students now have access to Naviance, which is a comprehensive college and career readiness solution that helps align student strengths and interests to postsecondary goals, improving student outcomes and connecting learning to life. Parents

are encouraged to contact their child’s respective school counselor for educational planning assistance.

In closing, I will mention a few recent Kahok highlights. Mr. Kyle Gordon serves as Executive Director of the Illinois Association of Student Councils. Shannon Wobbe, a senior at CHS, will host the District Student Council Convention. Tyme Sampson, a CHS senior, is one of only twelve St. Louis area students selected for the Student Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis. Jimmy Moore, another senior, has been named a National Merit Scholar Semifinalist. The aforementioned accomplishments are indicative of the exceptional academic programs and extracurricular opportunities provided by Collinsville High School. Please follow CHS and other District #10 schools on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Collinsville-Community-Unit-School-District-10/114375208911675> or get daily news at www.kahoks.org at the CHS link. GO KAHOKS!
 Sincerely,
 David G. Snider,
 CHS Principal

CHS Choir Performance

The CHS Choirs in collaboration with the SIU-E Opera Theater Class and Starlight Dance Studio ballerinas will present a one-act opera, Amahl and the Night Visitors by Gian-Carlo Menotti, on Friday, December 14th at 7:00 pm in the CHS auditorium. This short, family-friendly opera is available for only \$5 admission at the door. St. Louis Opera Theatre is coming to our auditorium on October 22nd to provide workshops and inspiration for our CHS Choirs and CMS 8th grade Choir members. This unique opportunity is being paid for by a Maritz Arts and Education

Fund grant.
 A brief synopsis of the opera:

Time: The first century, just after the birth of Christ
 Amahl, a disabled boy, and his widowed mother are destitute. His mother weeps prays that Amahl not become a beggar. Three splendidly dressed kings (the Magi) arrive at their house seeking a respite from their long journey to give gifts to a wondrous Child. Amahl is told to go fetch the neighbors to see the 3 kings. Once the neighbors leave, the kings sleep and

the mother attempts to steal some of the gold for her son. When she is discovered, Amahl defends his mother. And the king says she may keep the gold as the Holy Child will not need earthly power or wealth to build his kingdom. Remorseful, she wishes to send a gift but has nothing to send. Amahl, too, has nothing to give the Child except his crutch. When he offers it to the kings, his leg is miraculously healed, and he leaves with the kings to see the Child and give his crutch in thanks for being healed.

The Importance of Being Involved at CHS

For a long time, student activities have been the subject of a curious chicken-or-egg style debate: Do student activities improve student performance, or do better-performing students participate in student activities? The implications of this debate have left stakeholders scrambling for answers.

Let X = Student Activities, a program developed by the Alliance for Student Activities in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, proves that the answer to both of these questions is an emphatic yes! A wealth of rigorous, peer-reviewed research indicates that activities are the spark that ignites measurable improvement in student performance. The results are even more pronounced among students with previously low GPA's or discipline concerns.

Studies have shown:

- *Student activities boost academic performance.
- *Student activities reduce dropout risks.
- *Student activities lead to college and career success.
- *Student activities build social and emotional skills.
- *Student activities set students up to make better choices and reduce high risk behaviors.

The studies cited here represent only a fraction of the more than one hundred studies that prove whatever your desired outcome, participation in student activities benefits students of all academic levels and backgrounds.

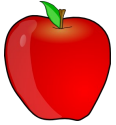
Here at CHS there is something for everyone! Please encourage your child to get involved!

Organization	Sponsor/Sponsor
Anime Club	Mrs. Flannigan and Mrs. Thomas Room 221
Art Club	Mrs. Houshmand Rooms 513/514
Band Program	Mr. Wright Room 502
Baseball	Mr. Warneke Room 104
Basketball (boys)	Mr. Lee Main Office
Basketball (girls)	Ms. Billy Lbilly@cusd.kahoks.org
Book Club	Mr. Neuber & Ms. Tracey Schmidt Room 301/Library
Bowling	Mr. Hay Room 125
Cheerleading	Ms. Hassamear Gym
Chess Club	Mrs. Johnson Room 228
Chorus	Mrs. Cleveland Room 508/519
Christians in Action	Mr. Lugge Room 209
Class of 2020	Ms. Cary and Ms. Cook Room 213A
Class of 2019	Ms. Hartle & Ms. Perry Room 509 / 157
Class of 2022	Mrs. Bosetto and Mr. Nichols Room 309 / 317
Class of 2021	Mrs. Fedorchek Main Office
Cross Country	Mr. Frerker Gym
CPR Club	Mrs. Gresh Room 517
Dance Team	Mrs. Geisen Room 203
Distributive Clubs of America(DECA)	Ms. Ponce Room 226
Drama Club	Mrs. Ledford Auditorium
Drum Line	Mr. Stack Room 502
Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)	Mr. Bilyeu Room Gym
Football	Mr. Popovich Gym
French Club	Mrs. Blair Room 227
Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)	Mrs. Reed Room 230
Garden Club	Mrs. Lobb Gym
Gay/Straight Alliance (GSA)	Mrs. Kulupka & Mrs. Furlow Rooms 320 & 211A
German Club	Ms. Capellmann Room 215
German Honor Society	Ms. Capellmann Room 215
Golf (boys)	Mr. Moore Room 109

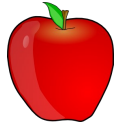
Golf (girls)	Mr. Schneider Email: sschneider@cusd.kahoks.org
Gospel Choir	Mrs. Cleveland <i>Rooms 508/519</i>
Health Occupations Student Association (HOSA)	Mrs. Weggener <i>Room 219</i>
Jazz Choir Ensemble	Mrs. Cleveland <i>Rooms 508/519</i>
Junior Engineering Technical Society (JETS)	Mr. Withee <i>Room 121</i>
Kahoki Newspaper	Mrs. Westphal <i>Room 318</i>
Kahokian Yearbook	Ms. Geppert & Ms. Fuhrhop <i>Rooms 154/155</i>
Kahoks Against Drugs and Alcohol (KADA)	Mrs. Gresh <i>Room 517</i>
Kahok Ambassadors	Mrs. Elliff & Mr. Kee <i>Counseling Office</i>
Kahoks on the GO!	Mrs. Reed <i>Room 230</i>
Kahok Sound Show Choir	Mrs. Cleveland <i>Rooms 508/519</i>
KAHOKstrong	Mr. Post and Ms. Geisen <i>Rooms 141/203</i>
Key Club	Mrs. McCoy & Ms. Federico <i>Rooms 316/131</i>
Knitting Club	Ms. Capellmann & Ms. Reese <i>Rooms 215/108</i>
Latin Club	Mr. Stark <i>Room 225</i>
Latin Honor Society	Mr. Stark <i>Room 225</i>
LEO Club	Ms. Gatuso <i>Room 142</i>
Marching Band	Mr. Wright <i>Room 502</i>
Math Club – Mu Alpha Theta	Ms. Tesdall <i>Room 220</i>
Math Team	Mr. Gottschalk <i>Room 314</i>
Model United Nations	Mrs. Lindauer <i>Room 206</i>
Multicultural Kahoks Club	Mrs. Lindauer <i>Room 206</i>
National Arts Honor Society	Ms. Dodson <i>Rooms 512/514</i>
National Honor Society	Mr. Neuber & Ms. Reich <i>Rooms 302/120</i>
National Technical Honor Society	Ms. Geppert <i>Room 154</i>
People Against Littering (PAL)	Mr. Kemp & Ms. Federico <i>Rooms 309/131</i>
Pep Club	Mrs. Cashen-White <i>Room 127</i>
Quill & Scroll	Ms. Westphal, Ms. Geppert & Ms. Fuhrhop <i>Room 318/ 154</i>
Robotics Club	Mrs. Hankins <i>Room 137</i>
Saturday Scholars	Mr. Gordon <i>Room 218</i>
Scholar Bowl Team	Mr. Ashby <i>Room 204</i>
Science Club	Mrs. Szpila <i>Room 128</i>
Science Olympiad	Mrs. Szpila <i>Room 128</i>

Skills USA	Ms. Geppert <i>Room 154</i>
Soccer	Mr. Luge <i>Room 209</i>
Softball	Mr. Toberman <i>Main Office</i>
Spanish Club	Mrs. Barr & Mrs. Kettler <i>Rooms 222/223</i>
Spanish Honor Society	Mrs. Barr <i>Room 222</i>
Speech & Debate Team	Ms. Lewis <i>Room 313</i>
Speech & Dramatic Arts Club	Mrs. Dodson <i>Room 512</i>
STEM Club	Mrs. Bednara <i>Room 128</i>
Student Council	Mr. Gordon <i>Room 218</i>
Swimming and Diving	Mrs. Butler margaretmath@hotmail.com
Table Tennis	Mrs. Hankins <i>Room 134</i>
Tennis	Taylor Cox <i>Rooms 513/514</i>
Thespian Society	Mrs. Dodson <i>Room 512</i>
Track & Field (boys)	Mr. Frecker <i>Gym</i>
Track & Field (girls)	Mr. Kee <i>Counseling Dept.</i>
Tri M – Music Honor Society	Mr. Stack <i>Rooms 502</i>
Video Game Club	Mrs. Trapp and Mr. Stark <i>Counseling Dept. and Room 227</i>
Volleyball	Mrs. Hanger <i>Gym</i>
Winter Guard	Mr. Perigo <i>Rm. 502</i>
Wrestling	Mr. Blaha <i>Gym</i>
Writing Club	Mrs. Knebel <i>Room 303</i>
Young Americans for Freedom	Mr. Schusky & Mr. Sopiars <i>Room 201 & 200</i>





Join Us For Parent Teacher Conferences!



Research has shown that parental involvement is the most important factor in a student's success in school. For many parents, that involvement begins at parent-teacher conferences. Our parent-teacher conferences will be held on November 1 and 2, 2018. Please join us Thursday from 12:00pm-4:00pm or 5:00pm-8:00pm. Friday's hours are 7:30am-12:30pm.

Both parents and teachers know that regular and honest communication is essential to student suc-

cess. The most important strategy for parent-teacher conferences is to be prepared. The following questions may help you to identify topics to discuss during the conference:

- *What general questions do you have about classroom curriculum, standards, evaluation techniques, or procedures?
- *What specific concerns do you have about your child's academic progress or behavior?
- *What questions or concerns does your child have about school?

*What do you want the teacher to know about your child?

*What help can you offer the teacher?

We at CHS also encourage you to be a Skyward parent. Please log-in and become a user of this program that allows you 24 hour access to your child's grades in all of his or her classes. Please contact Christopher Oatman at 618-346-6350 ext. 4286 or coatman@cusd.kahoks.org if you need assistance accessing your account.

Math Tutoring Available During Study Halls

The Math Department of Collinsville High School has been working to provide all students with the chance to receive extra enrichment and help with their math courses.

If your child is struggling or needs a little extra help with their math, he or she can take advantage of the tutoring sessions available during the school day. Tutoring is offered during all study halls. If your child's study hall is during 3a,

he or she can see Mr. Tayloe in room 102. 4a study hall students can see Mr. Glynn in room 312. 4b tutoring is available from Mr. Liljegren in room 106. 5a tutoring is provided by Mrs. Schmidt in room 103. Mr. Warnecke tutors during 5b in room 104. Passes can be obtained from any math teacher to be a part of the tutoring program.

Also, tutoring is available every Tuesday and Thursday from

3pm to 4pm in the library.

This is a great resource for students who need extra help in math and our tutors are waiting to help your child any way they can. So please encourage your child to take advantage of this great opportunity!



**CHS PARENT –TEACHER CONFERENCES
TEACHER LOCATIONS**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2018-TIMES: 12:00-4:00 p.m. AND 5:00-8:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2018-TIMES: 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Alexander, Katie	208	Flanigan, Heather	213B	Krumsieg, Ellie	101	Russell, Amy	224
Anderson, Eric	GYM	Flowers, Amy	200	Kulupka, Cathy	214	Schmidt, Catherine	103
Anderson, Mark	136	Frerker, Darryl	GYM	Lewis, Dawn	313	Schmidt, Tracey	LIB
Arnold, Jeri	135	Fuhrhop, Vicki	155	Liljegren, Mike	106	Schneider, Stephen	107
Ashby, Ryan	204	Furlow, Alicia	211A	Lindauer, Barbara	206	Schusky, Mark	201
Barr, Terrie	222	Gattuso, Rachel	145	Lobb, Kim	GYM	Schuster, Aaron	148
Bednara, Cindy	142	Geisen, Toni	203	Lugge, Robert	209	Schweppe, Stephanie	134
Bilyeu, Zac	GYM	Geppert, Shawn	154	Martens, Cheryl	306	Schwierjohn, Brent	CD
Biondi, Stephanie	310	Gloria, Linda	126	Mayfield, Julie	517	Seegers, Hunter	118
Blaha, Tom	GYM	Glynn, Christopher	312	McCoy, Mary	316	Sisk, Ryan	211B
Blair, Adam	107	Glynn, Tara	CD	McGinnis, Sarah	311	Sleeper, Ryan	105
Blair, Kristine	227	Gordon, Kyle	218	McIlvoy, Brenna	122	Smith, Yvonne	GYM
Blumberg, Lori	142	Gottschalk, William	314	Modeer, Sheryll	151	Stapleton, Adria	316
Bossetto, Lisa	309	Gresh, Cara	GYM	Moore, Colin	315	Stark, James	225
Burgess, Wesley	322	Gresh, Stephen	609	Moore, Kristie	147	Swartz, BethAnn	132A
Cann, Justin	138	Gruber-Huster, Diana	GYM	Mueth, Michelle	304	Szpila, Pat	128
Capellmann, Gabi	215	Hankins, Kathy	137	Neuber, Darrin	301	Tayloe, Brad	102
Carroll, Alice	302	Harres, Krysten	229	Nichols, Michael	317	Tesdall, Cindy	220
Cary, Terri	213A	Hartle, Stacy	132A	Noeth, Mary Sue	205	Thomas, Jeanie	219
Cashen-White, K	125	Hay, Sean	123	Nowak, Donald	100	Thompson, Sarah	315
Chambliss, Talisha	308	Houshmand, Emma	514	Olsen, Karen	CD	Trapp, Kristin	CD
Cleveland, Lisa	519	Hylton, Ralph	127	Parris, Nicole	139	Varner, Cheryl	124
Collins, Chris	216	Iler, Lauren	307	Perry, Akiya	156	Vermeiren, Lynn	141
Cook, Tracy	509	Johnson, Heather	228	Pinney, Caitlin	311	Voelkel, Danielle	322
Corey, Jason	CD	Kee, TaRael	CD	Plagemann, Tracy	305	Warnecke, Ryan	104
Cruise, Carla	AVC	Kemp, Ryan	309	Ponce, Kelli	319	Wegener, Kristin	217
Curry, Brian	GYM	Kettler, Cara	223	Popovich, Mike	GYM	Welch, Alan	150
Daugherty, Eryn	129	Kimbrell, Ross	130	Post, Jacob	108	Westphal, Kristin	318
Demick, Michelle	133	Kloustermeyer, Ashley	131	Randall, Scott	207	White, Brett	300
Detering, Kim	320	Knebel, Katrina	303	Reed, Emily	230	White, James	202
Dimitroff, Dawn	323	Koester, Rosematy	512	Reese, Jenille	321	Withee, Tom	121
Elliff, Carla	143	Kolda, Cindy	GYM	Reich, Amy	120	Wright, Rachel	310
Fedorchak, Micki	CD			Romoser, Shelly	226	Wright, R./Stack, R.	502

**CD – COUNSELING DEPARTMENT
LIB – LIBRARY
AVC – AREA VOCATIONAL CENTER
WC – WRITING CENTER (LOCATED IN THE CHS LIBRARY)**

KAHOKstrong KRAZY BINGO!



GLOW Bingo is our Biggest fundraiser of the year. This year it will be held on November 3rd, 2018 starting at 7:00 pm. at the VFW in Collinsville, IL. Reserve a table in advance, the cost is \$160 (Maximum of 8 people per table).

To make a reservation please email Jacob Post at jpost@cusd.kahoks.org.

Harry Potter

THE LORD OF THE RINGS

GAME OF THRONES

STAR WARS

GEEK

STAR TREK

TRIVIA

DOCTOR WHO

MARVEL DC

VIDEO GAMES



DECEMBER 15TH

Doors open at 6:30pm, trivia starts promptly at 7pm

CATEGORIES

Harry Potter
Lord of the Rings
Game of Thrones
Star Wars
Star Trek
Doctor Who
Marvel and DC
Modern Video Games
Retro Video Games
Soundtracks

DETAILS

-Tables are \$100
-8 players per table
-Cash Bar (No outside beverages)
-Bring your own snacks
-Silent Auction



To reserve a table, contact Tom Withee

Phone: 217-851-0122

Email: twithee@cusd.kahoks.org

LOCATION

Collinsville Firemen's Hall
9510 Collinsville Rd, Collinsville, IL 62234

Positive Parenting Tips for Teenagers

During the teen years, it is a time of changes for how teenagers think, feel, and interact with others, and how their bodies grow. During this time, your teen is developing his or her unique personality and opinions. Relationships with friends are still important, yet teens have other interests they develop a more clear sense of who they are. This is also an important time to prepare for more independence and responsibility.

Here are some tips you, as a parent, can do to help your teen during this time:

- Show interest in your teen's school and extracurricular interests and activities and encourage them to become involved in activities such as sports, clubs, music, theater, and art.
- Encourage your teen to volunteer and become involved in civic activities in the community.
- Compliment your teen and celebrate efforts and accomplishments.
- Show affection for your teen. Spend time together doing things you enjoy.
- Respect your teen's opinion. Listen your teen without playing down their concerns.
- Encourage your teen to develop solutions to problems or conflicts. Help your teenager learn to make good decisions. Create opportunities for them to use their own judgment, and be available for advice and support.
- If your teen engages in interactive internet media such as games, chat rooms, and instant messaging, encourage him or her to make good decisions about what they post and the amount of time spent on these activities.
- If your teen works, use the opportunity to talk about expectations, responsibilities, and other ways of behaving respectfully in a public setting.
- Talk with your teen and help them plan ahead for difficult or uncomfortable situations.
- Talk with your teen about his or her concerns and pay attention to any changes in his or her behavior. Ask your teen if he or she has had suicidal thoughts, particularly if they seem sad or depressed. Asking about suicidal thoughts will not cause teens to have these thoughts, but it will let them know that you care about how they feel. Seek professional help if necessary.
- Discuss what they can do if they are in a group and someone is using drugs or under pressure to have sex, or is offered a ride by someone who has been drinking.
- Respect your teen's need for privacy.
- Encourage your teen to get enough sleep and exercise, and to eat healthy, balanced meals.
- Talk with your teen about the dangers of drugs, drinking, smoking, and risky sexual activity. Ask your teen what they know and think about these issues, and share your feelings with them. Listen to what your teen says and answer their questions honestly and directly.
- Keep television sets out of your teen's bedroom.
- Know where your teen is and whether a responsible adult is present. Make plans with your teen for when they will call you, where you can find them, and what time you expect them home.

Adapted from: <https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/childdevelopment/positiveparenting/adolescence2.html>

Most teens want to have a good relationship with their parents and being a good listener can help build the foundation of trust, respect and care. You may hear things that surprise you or you may uncover something your teen has been uncomfortable talking about. In these instances, know that you are not alone. There are many agencies in the community that are available to assist and support families. Don't hesitate to talk with your child's doctor, your insurance company or use local agencies like the United Way to access resources to help your teen and your family at <https://www.stl.unitedway.org/people-we-help/united-way-2-1-1/> or by calling 211. The Madison County Mental Health Board is available to provide information and referrals at



http://www.co.madison.il.us/departments/mental_health/index.php or by calling 618-877-0316. The St. Clair County Mental Health Board also offers resources at <http://stc708.org/resources/>. The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is available 24 hours a day to provide confidential support and resources at 800-273-8255. With patience and understanding, you can make this confusing time in your child's life easier. You can help build resilience in your teen by providing guidance in a safe, supportive and positive way.

Mental Health Awareness

We recommend being aware of early warning signs and symptoms of mental illness. Having a combination of symptoms (not just one symptom) indicates that someone might be showing signs of a mental health condition. Be aware of these symptoms when they last longer than a few weeks and start to affect school, work, relationships, or everyday activities:

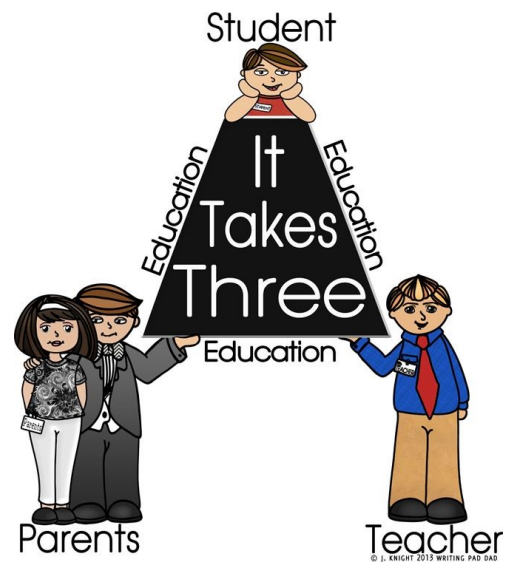
- Problems with concentration, memory, or ability to think clearly
- Changes in eating such as loss of appetite or overeating
- Not being able to complete school or work tasks
- Feeling overly worried
- Feeling sad, empty, hopeless, or worthless
- Sensitivity to sounds, sight, smell, or touch
- Irritability and restlessness
- Loss of interest in activities that are normally enjoyable, withdrawal from others, or disconnection
- Feeling like your brain is playing tricks on you. Hearing knocking, scratching sounds, voices, or your name being called. Seeing things that other people do not see, like shadows, changes in light, figures.
- Changes in energy level and sleep patterns. Often someone will sleep during the day and be up at night.

Signs & Symptoms that Require Immediate Attention:

- Thoughts or plans of killing or hurting one's self or another person
- Hearing voices or seeing things that no one else can hear or see
- Unexplainable changes in thinking, speech, or writing
- Being overly suspicious or fearful
- Serious drop in school or work performance
- Sudden personality changes that are bizarre or out of character

If you or someone you know is in crisis, call 1-800-273-TALK (8255), go to your local Emergency Room or call 911.

Adapted from: <http://www.mentalhealthamerica.net/b4stage4-get-informed>



HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) weathered the cold on Saturday, September 28th at the 1st annual CARD garage sale. Students came together to make puppy chow and hot chocolate to serve to attendees. Donations were accepted and over \$150.00 was collected. The money donated will go toward the HOSA State Leadership Conference scheduled for March of 2019.



Athletic Department Update



*Boys Basketball Season Ticket Applications are now being taken for the upcoming season. We will have ten regular season home games and four sessions in the Prairie Farms Holiday Classic Tournament in this year's season package. The cost will be \$50.00 for an adult season ticket and \$16.00 for a student season ticket. A student season ticket does not include the Prairie Farms Tournament. Please contact the Collinsville High School Athletic Department at 618-346-6320 ext. 1122 All applications need to be turned in by November 13, 2018. Past season ticket holders will be receiving an application in the mail.

*Winter sport practices will begin on Monday, October 22nd, 2018 for Boys Bowling, Monday, October 29th, 2018 for Girls Basketball, and Monday, November 5th, 2018 for Boys Basketball, and Wrestling. Girls Bowling will start on Monday, November 12th, 2018. The on-line athletics form needs to be filled out in Skyward and a valid physical on file to be able to participate in the tryout.

*Just a reminder of the IHSA Academic standards that have been passed and applied to all high schools in the state of Illinois. All student-athletes must be passing at least 5 courses each week to be eligible to participate in athletics here at CHS. Also when the spring semester starts all student-athletes must have passed at least 5 courses from the previous semester to be eligible to participate in the spring.

Parents and Fans are encouraged to check out: <http://il.8to18.com/Collinsville/>

This has the entire athletic calendar for all Kahok sports teams along with announcements and pictures.

*Congrats to all of our Fall Athletics as we have had numerous teams and athletes excel this past fall as they have continued to prove that Collinsville High School is truly the "High School of Champions"



Latin Students Recognized at IJCL South Convention



22 students from CHS Latin program attended the 2018 annual Illinois Junior Classical League South convention at Monmouth Illinois. While they weren't running around throwing javelins, consulting Greek oracles, weaving ancient clothing, and exploring many other ancient activities, the students had opportunities to compete against other schools in numerous artistic and academic categories. This year, our delegation came home with **22 individual artistic and academic awards** for high test scores and outstanding art projects. Furthermore, our lower and upper levels respectively earned 1st and 2nd place trophies in Certamen (Quiz Bowl). Be sure to join us next year as Collinsville itself will be hosting the 2019 IJCL South Convention!

Individual Awards

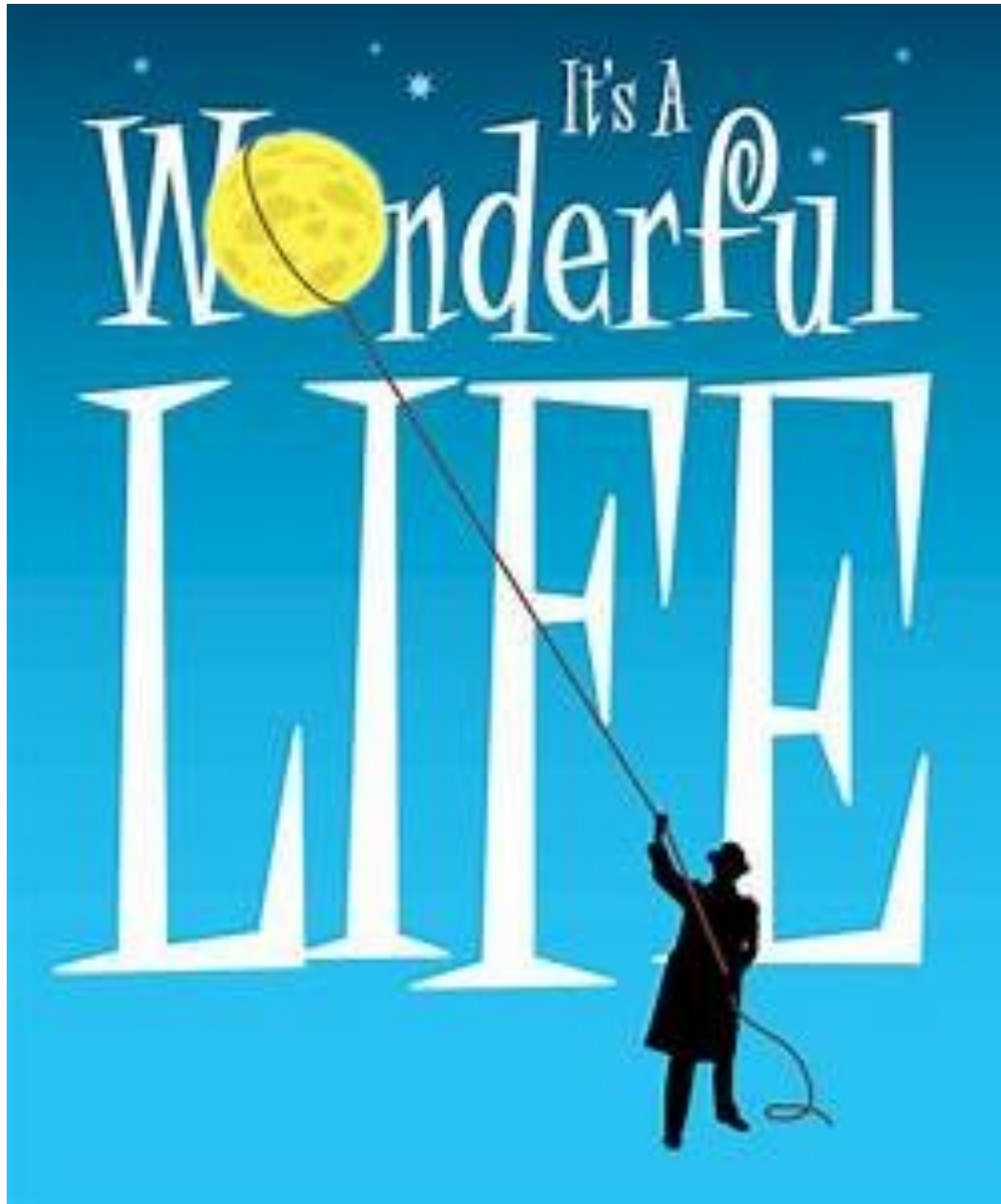
Category	First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Academic	<p>Tyler "Dominus" Garner - Roman Life</p> <p>Annika "Pallas" Cosgrove - Myth</p> <p>Christina "Lucia" Weber - Vocabulary</p> <p>Julia "Aurora" Eversmann - Vocab</p>	<p>Jeremy "Pluto" Ovalle - Mythology</p> <p>Nicole "Diana" Pacheco - Vocabulary</p> <p>Kenia "Somna" Banuelos - Roman Life</p>	<p>Chase "Odiosus" Haluch - Roman Life</p> <p>Justus "Iustitia" Meacham - Myth</p> <p>Laila "Nox" Elkerdawy - Mythology</p> <p>DJ "Lanius" Thomas - Derivatives</p> <p>Melanie "Sola" Johnson - Derivatives</p> <p>Rocio "Athena" Romo - Derivatives</p>
Art	<p>Rocio "Athena" Romo - Painting</p> <p>Jeremy "Pluto" Ovalle - 3D Art</p> <p>Gabriel "Captiosus" Duncan - Photo.</p> <p>Laila "Nox" Elkerdawy - Misc.</p>	<p>Annika "Pallas" Cosgrove - Photograph</p>	<p>Christina "Lucia" Weber - Painting</p> <p>Julia "Aurora" Eversmann - Drawing</p> <p>Melanie "Sola" Johnson - Mosaics</p>
Olympics	<p>Jeremy "Pluto" Ovalle - Javelin (B)</p> <p>Chase "Odiosus" Haluch - Discus (B)</p> <p>Ashleigh "Bella" Milligan - Discus (G)</p>		<p>Bradley "Octavius" Wilson - Javelin (B)</p> <p>Rocio "Athena" Romo - Girls Javelin</p>

Team Awards

Lower Level Certamen (Quiz Bowl) First Place	Upper Level Certamen (Quiz Bowl) Second Place	Gladiatorial Combat 1st Place	Tug-O-War 2nd Place
<p>Tyler "Dominus" Garner</p> <p>Julia "Aurora" Eversmann</p> <p>Gabriel "Captiosus" Duncan</p> <p>Jahvon "Mars" Linen</p>	<p>Annika "Pallas" Cosgrove</p> <p>Gabrielle "Proserpina" Smith</p> <p>Tyme "Camilla" Sampson</p> <p>Bradley "Octavius" Wilson</p>	<p>Tyler "Dominus" Garner</p> <p>Justus "Iustitia" Meacham</p> <p>Jahvon "Mars" Linen</p>	<p>Malika "Camilla" Finke</p> <p>Ashleigh "Bella" Milligan</p> <p>Tyme "Camilla" Sampson</p> <p>Leslie "Faustina" Ramirez</p> <p>Tyler "Dominus" Garner</p> <p>Chase "Odiosus" Haluch</p>

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Kahoks on the GO! will have an informational meeting in November. This will be our 4th year participating in the program. Partnering with GO! St. Louis, students go from running or walking one mile in November to completing a half marathon in April. Students train as a group two days per week after school and on Saturdays in Forest Park starting in January. GO! St. Louis provides students lots of benefits such as the race entry, group training, free running shoes, a finisher's jacket, two race shirts, a pasta party dinner and scholarship opportunities for seniors. We hope to have our biggest group ever this year. Whether you are an athlete or have never run a mile before, we'd love to have you. Further information about our first meeting will be in the announcements. Contact Mrs. Reed with any questions at ereed@cusd.kahoks.org.

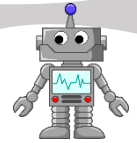




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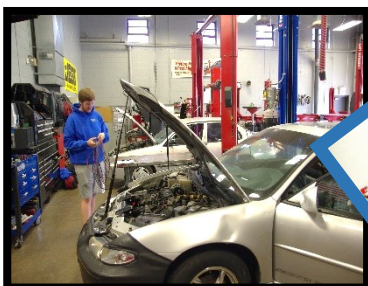
CAVC *update*

The Collinsville Area Vocational Center is a two-year, public vocational training center for high school juniors and seniors. CAVC serves the Collinsville, Dupo, East Alton Wood River, Lebanon, Mascoutah and Triad school districts.

Sign Language and Auto Clubs Form at CAVC/CHS

In order to meet the ever changing needs of our students and to keep them active and involved here at CAVC we are proud to have expanded our clubs and organizations to include both an Auto Club and a Sign Language Club this year. Ms. Geppert, who sponsors the sign language club, is passionate about this opportunity for students. As a sister of someone who is legally deaf, she knows first-hand how important it is to be able to communicate in the world around you. This club allows her to combine some of the content she teaches CAVC Early Childhood students, both high school and pre-school, with so many other students who may not be able to take the class. Since its inception, the Sign Language Club has met ## times and now has ## members!

Additionally, CAVC has also started an Automotive Club. This club allows students to share their love of all things cars and trucks. The group will be coordinating activities, meetings, guest speakers and field trips so interested students can expand their knowledge and build positive relationships with their peers who share that interest. Mr. Schuster and Mr. Welch, Automotive Repair and Auto Body Teachers at CAVC, are incredibly excited to be able to offer this club.

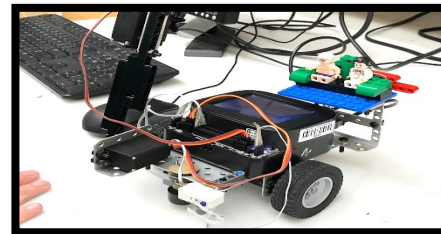


Robotics Summer Camp

This summer current and former Electronics and Robotics students from CAVC and CHS banded together to share their love of all things robotics with an amazing group of 5th through 8th graders. Students participated in a four day camp held at CAVC and learned exciting S.T.E.M. concepts such as:

- *Learning to code in text based language
- *Using engineering design concepts to build their own autonomous robot
- *Varying codes and skills to assist robots in completing missions
- *Experiencing real-life robotics problem solving

Approximately 20 intermediate and middle school students were able to take advantage of this amazing opportunity. Coincidentally, it may have been the high school students who benefitted the most! The high school students were able to share their knowledge, develop confidence in their skills and hopefully inspire a younger generation of students to expand their knowledge in Robotics.



Auto Body Paints Little Libraries for Fairmont City

As the school year wound down for 2017-18, Auto Body classes agreed to take on one more project. At the request of Sarah Gray, Title 1 Director, classes were asked to paint "Little Libraries". While many people are not familiar with this growing trend, Little Libraries are designed to provide reading materials to communities on a take-one leave-one basis. This project was near and dear to the hearts of so many teachers within the Collinsville School District who see the importance of keeping books in the hands of not only children, but adults as well. After purchasing the Little Libraries, Ms. Gray wanted to paint them in a way that would inspire a sense of community within our district, so what better way to do that than to make them Kahok purple. Once painted, each library was stenciled with a Kahok head to complete the package. Hopefully, these Little Libraries provided reading material for students over the summer and will continue to do the same for many years to come.



Counseling Department Spotlight

Seniors & College Applications

Now is the time for seniors who are planning to attend college or technical schools in fall 2019 to apply for admission. Students will simply go to the college/tech school website and click "Apply" and follow the application directions. Students may also search on the college admissions website for an application link. After applying, students should see their CHS Counselor to complete a "Transcript Release Form" to have their official transcript sent to that college/tech school.

Financial Aid & Scholarships

Seniors who are planning to attend college or technical school next fall will need to complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) as soon as possible. The FAFSA is used by colleges and tech schools to determine eligibility for grants, work-study opportunities and loans. For additional information about the FAFSA visit: <https://fafsa.gov/>

Seniors should also consider applying for scholarships. Resources and links to scholarship websites can be found at: <https://chsscholarships.shutterfly.com/>



Registration For Next Year's Classes

Current freshmen and sophomores will register for next year's classes in November. Freshmen will select classes for 2019-20 in the library computer lab on November 15th and 16th and Sophomores on the 19th and 20th. We recommend that you plan ahead! Please review the registration materials and complete the registration form that will be mailed home on November 5th; This information will also be distributed to freshmen and sophomore English classes. We previously surveyed your child about which career he/she is interested in pursuing. The registration materials you will receive in the mail will include a suggested four-year course plan for your child's identified career of interest. After reviewing the list of suggested courses, please help your child select courses on the green or blue registration sheet so they are prepared to enter these classes in November. Current juniors and 8th grade students (registering for 9th) will sign up for classes in January.

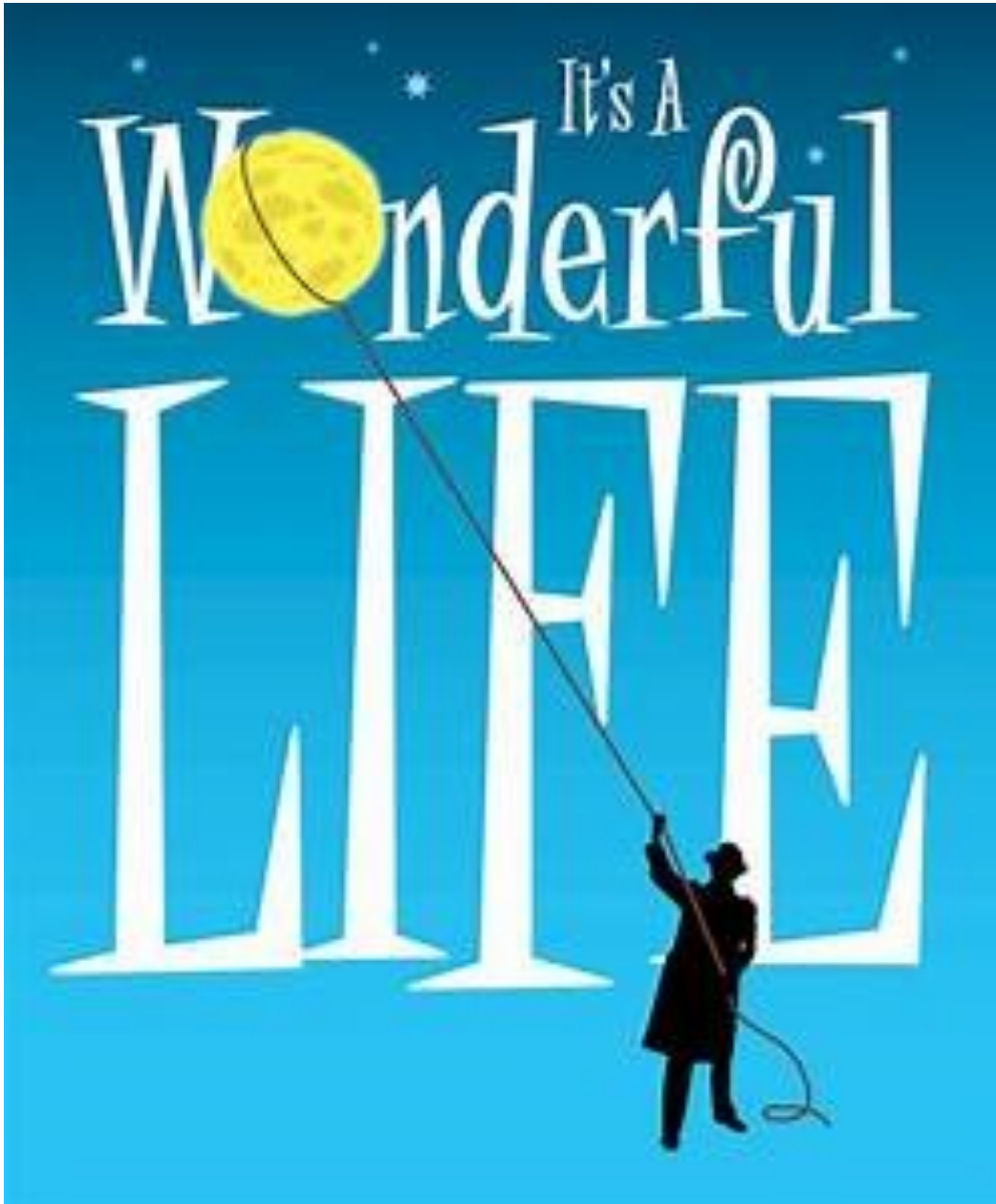
Google Classroom

To receive updates from the CHS Counseling Department about programs, important deadlines, etc. please sign up for Google Classroom by adding the appropriate link:

Class of 2019- j87rr8f
Class of 2020- yrjx0ec
Class of 2021- y9hr5k
Class of 2022- snsorw

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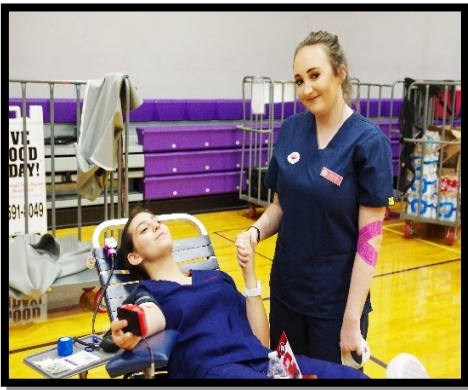


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Clinical Health Occupations Classes Host Blood Drive



On September 25, Clinical Health Occupations students hosted their annual blood drive in collaboration with Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center. Once again, CHS students and staff were extremely generous in their donations and we were able to surpass our goal and collect 181 units. These units will produce as many as four different blood components from each donation and serve up to 724 patients at local hospitals. In a letter from Amanda Hess, Director of Donor Relations, she stated, "With the help of partnering organizations like yours, blood is on the shelves when patients need it. Please express my appreciation to all who participated for their commitment to our mission."

The annual blood drive is one of the many community service related projects the Clinical Health Occupations classes undertake each year. While students in CHO are initially preparing to enter the medical field as Certified Nurse Assistants, most go on to continue their education in the medical field, potentially obtaining positions such as Registered Nurses, Physicians or even Surgeons.



Other Things CAVC Students Have Been Working On!

