



# CHS Cougar Connection



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*Thank you!*

to our wonderful **Capital High School Parent Organization (CHSPO)** for the eight thousand dollars in grants they made available to our school staff this school year. We are fortunate to have such a generous and supportive parent organization. Are you interested in joining the CHSPO? Email Beth Schilling at [chsपो.chair@gmail.com](mailto:chsपो.chair@gmail.com) for membership information

Here are some of the things CHSPO grants have paid for this year:

- 33 copies of The Alchemist in Spanish for our World Languages department
- 14 DVD films for our Film Studies classes
- 73 "Best Books of 2011" for our school Library
- 100 books for our Read 180 program
- Math Learning Partner books for the Math department
- 5 Chemical Models for Science classes
- 35 solar calculators and 24 white boards for Science classes
- 1 digital camera for our Visual Arts department
- Portable PA system with wireless microphone for school events
- 2 Cellos (matched funds from the OSD) for our Music Department

March/April  
2012

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**Daylight Savings** time begins at 12:01 a.m. Sunday, March 11. Set your clocks ahead 1 hour.



## LATE BUS DAYS

Olympia School District morning buses pick up 1 hour late on the following Wednesdays during the 2011-2012 school year: May 2, and June 6th. Call the Transportation office at 596-7700 with route and time questions, or you can access the information on-line at the Olympia School District website: [www.osd.wednet.edu](http://www.osd.wednet.edu)



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Mark your calendars for the annual CHS Horticulture Club Plant Sale on May 11 and 12. Check the CHS website closer to the event for times. [www.chs.wednet.edu](http://www.chs.wednet.edu)

### **Congratulations to the following students who placed at Regionals & have qualified for the Future Business Leaders State Conference in April!**

#### **Khanh Ly Le**

- Cyber Security - 2nd place
- Graphic Design - 3rd place (team with Rachel Serrano)
- Public Speaking II - 5th place

#### **Rachel Serrano**

- Graphic Design - 3rd place (team with Khanh Ly Le)
- Business Ethics - ? place - top 5 (team with Greg Nobes)

#### **Greg Nobes**

- Business Ethics - ? place - top 5 (team with Rachel Serrano)

#### **Will Dean**

- Graphic Design - 5th place

#### **Peyton Wallace**

- Introduction to Business - 1st place
- Personal Finance - 5th place

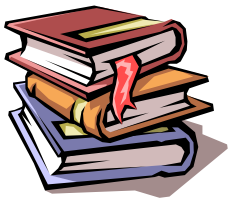
\* Peyton is also running for Regional VP at the State conference!



## Important Dates



March 10	SAT Test @ OHS 8:00 a.m.
March 13	HSPE Testing (Writing)
March 14	HSPE Testing (Writing)
March 15	HSPE Testing (Reading)
March 17	Booster Club Fundraiser (see pg. 9 for information)
March 20	Band Concert- 7:30 p.m.
March 21	B Schedule
March 21 & 22	Band Festival at Olympia High School
March 22	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night-6:30 p.m.
March 28	B Schedule-Clubs
March 29	C Schedule-ASB Elections/Senior Class Meeting
April 2-April 6	<b>NO SCHOOL-SPRING BREAK</b>
April 11	B Schedule- <b>NO LATE BUSES</b>
April 12	C Schedule-Advisory
April 14	Sadie Hawkins Dance
April 18	B Schedule
April 20	C Schedule-Class Elections/Senior Class Meeting
April 25	B Schedule-Clubs
April 26	<b>No Regular Classes</b> —Culminating Projects & Student Led Conferences Only
April 27	<b>No Regular Classes</b> - Culminating Projects & Student Led Conferences Only
May 2	B Schedule- <b>A.M. BUSES RUN 1 HOUR LATE</b>
May 3,4,5	CHS Playmakers Present: <i>How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying</i>
May 9	B Schedule
May 10	C Schedule-Advisory
May 10,11,12	CHS Playmakers Present: <i>How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying</i>
May 11	<b>No Regular Classes</b> -Culminating Projects & Student Led Conferences Only
May 11&12	Annual Horticulture Club Plant Sale-watch CHS website for times
May 16	B Schedule
May 22	Arts & Recognition Night (Time TBD)
May 23	B Schedule-Clubs
May 28	<b>NO SCHOOL-MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY</b>
May 30	B Schedule
May 31	C Schedule-Advisory
June 2	Senior Prom-The Red Lion Inn
June 8	CHS Graduation @ Saint Martin's Marcus Pavilion-7:00 p.m.
June 19,20,21	Final Exams for 9,10,11 grades
June 21	OSD Last Day of School-11:07 Release



# News from the CHS Library

By the time you read this, two great things will have happened:

#1 – 97% of the freshmen will have been trained on how to do great research by creating their own essential question, citing their variety of sources in MLA format and synthesizing their research into a paper or debate case. Ask them what a database is, or how they know a website is credible. These are skills we review every year in various curricular areas.

#2 – CHS teachers will have attended a training day on using technology to differentiate their instruction for students. Our teachers are working hard to meet individual students' needs and web 2.0 tools are being implemented into research assignments across the board that offer flexibility and motivation. Ask your student what cool tech tool they've used recently and have them teach you!

Lastly, a thankful shout-out to the Buckley family for their generous support of the library this year. THANK YOU!!!

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All remaining **Traffic Safety** classes for the 2011-2012 school year are full. However, if there is enough interest we will open up a **second** summer session in late July. The cost will be \$385 and class will meet Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Contact Rachel Beard at 360-5968015 or [rbeard@osd.wednet.edu](mailto:rbeard@osd.wednet.edu) to put your student's name on the class list.



## Quote of the month

*"Some painters transform the sun into a yellow spot, others transform a yellow spot into the sun."*

*-Pablo Picasso*

## Parents:

Did you know you can access your student's grades and information on-line with **Skyward Family Access**? **Family Access** provides you with information regarding your student's attendance, discipline, immunization records, food service account, and lets you access their teachers' grade book, to view assignments and current grades. Don't already have **FamilyAccess**? Follow the link below to download and print out a request form, then mail it to: **CHS FamilyAccess, 2707 Conger Ave. N.W., Olympia, WA 98502**

Forms will be available at freshmen/new student orientation, and in the main office. Your form will be processed quickly and you will receive your password via email!

## CHS DRESS CODE

The administration and staff at Capital High School are committed to providing a quality learning environment for all students and teachers. To help maintain this goal, the following dress expectations will be maintained.

- Shorts and skirts must be no shorter than **4 inches above the middle of the knee**.
- Shirts must cover the stomach, back, shoulders, and chest. Tube tops, halter-tops, spaghetti strap tank tops and only one shoulder strap are not appropriate for school.
- Cleavage must not be visible.
- “See-through” material is not appropriate for school.
- Undergarments or clothing worn as undergarments must not be showing. This includes pants worn so low that garments worn under the pants are showing.
- Shoes or sandals must be worn at all times.

Students may not wear clothing or accessories that:

- Advocates or conveys alcohol or drug usage messages
- Promotes violence or illegal activity
- Demeans or degrades individuals or groups of people
- Exhibits sexual innuendos, blatant sexual messages, vulgarity, profanity or other inappropriate language
- Interferes with the operation of the school or classroom
- Is determined by local law enforcement to be affiliated with gangs

If a student’s clothing is objectionable under these provisions, a staff member will request the student make appropriate corrections. If a student refuses to comply, the appropriate discipline action for non-compliance or willful disobedience will result. This policy is in effect for all school related events on or off campus. Please refer to the Student Handbook for Capital High School policies and procedures.



## Not feeling well? Need to go home?

Make sure to call your parent/guardian **from the nurse or attendance office** to ensure that you are excused and that we know where to find you for your ride home.

**Attendance Line: 596-8019**



**Saturday, March 10th**

**Capital High School 10 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

**Brought to you by the Thurston County Chamber Foundation**

An event for Thurston County students (8th-12th grades) and their parents, designed to assist both in post-high school career and education choices. The better informed students are of the choices they have after graduation, the better choices they will make for themselves. A well-educated and trained member of the community brings visibility and leadership skills needed for a healthy community.

**Student Day of Event Timeline:** 10:00am – Doors & Resource Fair Open 10:25am – Welcome 10:30am to 11:15am – Session 1 11:30am to 12:15 pm – Session 2 12:15pm – Meet Parents back at the Resource Fair 1:00pm— Thank you for attending, drive home safely.

For more information & to register:

Thurston County Chamber Website [http://thurstonchamber.com/?page\\_id=2196](http://thurstonchamber.com/?page_id=2196)





## The following students had perfect attendance 1<sup>st</sup> semester:

Luz Agreda, Paige Anderson, Blake Beaulieu, Anna Belford, Sumukh Bharadwaj, Mackenzie Bisek, Darian Bjornerud, Andrew Borota, Jasmine Braden, Filipp Braun, Emmalee Burdick, Qianru Cai, Paul Cha, Sol Ho Choi, Lisa Chong, Max Clarke, Lisa Colvin, Alexander Costa, Bradyn Cox, Hailey Crabill, Thanh Dang, Alexander Davis, Duncan Davis-Hall, Olga Dix, Colin Dooley, Benjamin Driver, Sampath Duddu, Madeleine Elliott, Rio Faltys Burr, Kimberly Farrar, Valentina Granada Venegas, Konner House, Conner Kennedy, Samuel Kim,

Teagan Kosage, Elissa Krause, April Lai, Sangdy Lang, An Le, Khanh Ly Le, Andrew Lee, Paul Lester, Don Li, Kilinahemalie Ling, Marco Lucero, Curtis Lull, Zachary Lynch, Germain McCullah, Roman Mikulak, Benjamin Monk, Reed Morgan Steiner, Alex Musser, Chelsea Nelson, Kimberly Nguyen, Kiri Nibler, William Nooney, Joseph Orf, Jordan Painter, Madison Peoples, Tran Pham, Anne Phan, Jeremy Pogue, Alexander Pratt, Destiny Quenga, Christian Rohrer, Vineet Sandhinti, Julian Setina, Lee Shouse, Jun Sin, Amanda Solberg, Beau Stalder, Nathan Stolz, Jacob Taylor, Andrew J. Tejero, Andrew Thai, Joshua Thompson, Benjamin Weaver, Jack Wheeler, Katie White, Deborah Xi, Matthew Zeller

## News from the Cougar Career Center

### Resume - Cover Letter - Application

Do you need assistance in completing any of these items? These items are required by your junior year to have in your High School & Beyond Portfolio.

Class of 2012, 2013 & 2014. If you haven't completed your resume yet, stop by during late start Wednesdays and we are available to help you complete the items you will need to GRADUATE!

**Seniors** - Where are you headed? Where were you accepted? What is your plan after graduation? Stop by the Cougar Career Center to pin your name & location to our US map.

Scholarships are still coming in everyday, so check the list. There is something for EVERYONE.

**College Planning Fair** - Monday March 26th - Interested in attending? Please stop by the Cougar Career Center to sign up. This is a off campus field trip to a local college to meet recruiters and admission reps from colleges across Washington state. We are also looking for parent chaperones. Space is limited.

**College Admissions & Scholarship Search Workshops** for Class of 2013. It's never too early to start planning!!

Tuesday April 10th - 3rd period

Thursday April 12th - 6th period

Tuesday May 1st - 2nd period

Thursday May 3rd - 5th period

\*Sign ups begin March 19th

**-Jen Boelts, CHS Career Center (360)596-8041**





Congratulations to the following winter sports & programs for being named **W.I.A.A. Winter Sports Academic Champions:**



**Band** 1st place

**Boy's Swimming** 1st Place

**Orchestra** 3rd Place

**Choir** 4th place

**Gymnastics** 6th place

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## What is Arts Recognition Night?

- At this event, CHS will recognize student achievement in Fine Arts, Performing Arts, Music and Literature. Sponsored by the CHS Parent Organization, Recognition Night is supported by the teachers and staff of CHS.
- A formal invitation to attend this event, honoring students for their achievements, will be mailed to competition participants, honorees and their families.
- Art competitors' submissions will be on display in the lobby. After the competition, some art may continue to be displayed in the school. Writing submissions will be published in the school's literary magazine, available the night of the event.

### Why should you participate?

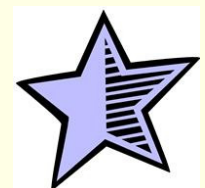
- This event is a celebration of your talents!
- Gift certificates are presented for selected submissions and certificates of achievement are presented to every participant.
- Looks great on college or job applications!

### How do you participate?

- Students can participate in the Fine Arts and/or Literature competitions.
- The Fine Arts competition includes the following categories: Ceramics, Painting, Drawing, Photography, Metal, and Wood.
- The Literature competition includes the following categories: Non-Fiction, Fiction, and Poetry

Submission(s) and entry forms must be received by the teachers of the competition

categories **no later than April 20, 2012.**





# Class of 2012 News

Because of the 4 days missed in January due to weather , four days have been added to the district calendar. Here is the schedule for senior make-up days:

**Saturday, March 10th- 9:00 a.m. to noon.** This day will focus on High School & Beyond Plans and Culminating Project work. Students may also attend the Thurston County Chamber of Commerce "Find Your Future" event at CHS from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (For more information & to register for "**Find Your Future**", go to [http://thurstonchamber.com/?page\\_id=2196](http://thurstonchamber.com/?page_id=2196))

**Saturday, April 21st-9:00 a.m. to noon.** Culminating Project help, High School and Beyond plans, I.B. testing preparation, 1st Aid/CPR class (part 1 of 2), Apex available.

**Saturday, May 5th-9:00 a.m. to noon.** High School & Beyond plans, I.B. testing preparation, 1st Aid/CPR class (part 2 of 2), Apex available.

**Tuesday, June 12th-9:00 a.m. to noon.** 60 seniors needed to visit Griffin Middle School, Jefferson Middle School and Marshall Middle School in caps and gowns for "**Commitment to Graduation**".

See your senior advisor with any questions.

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## Information from Jostens:

Attention seniors and senior parents! If you have not yet placed your order with Jostens for your cap, gown & graduation products, it is not too late, please go to [www.grad-auto.com](http://www.grad-auto.com) to place your order.



**Special Note:** If you are using a cap/gown from a previous student or previous year you would still need to purchase the souvenir tassel and class stole for 2012 graduates. Please call the Jostens office at 253-210-0575 to complete this order request. This cannot be done online because it is considered a special order.

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## Important dates for seniors:



- May 22nd Cap/Gowns distribution during both lunches in Commons
- May 25th Senior grade check-Seniors must be passing all of their classes
- May 31st Last senior advisory. All fines must be paid. Seniors will not be able to participate in graduation or receive tickets or a diploma until fines are paid.
- June 2nd Senior prom at The Red Lion Inn
- June 3rd Baccalaureate (time and place TBA)
- June 4th Senior final exams periods 1,2,3 **Graduation tickets distributed at lunch (7 per senior)**
- June 5th Senior final exams periods 4,5,6 **Graduation tickets distributed at lunches (7 per senior)**
- June 7th Senior breakfast-in Commons 8:30 a.m., Mandatory graduation practice #1 9:30-10:00 CHS gym, Senior Awards Assembly (all school) CHS Gym 10:00-11:00 a.m., Mandatory graduation practice #2 11:00-12:00 p.m. CHS gym.
- June 8th Mandatory graduation practice #3 @ St. Martin's University Marcus Pavillion, 11:00 a.m. Graduation at St. Martin's, 7:00 p.m. –plan on arriving by 5:45 p.m. Bus transportation from CHS to St. Martin's will be available. Be at CHS @ 5:00 p.m. if you plan on taking the bus to Saint Martin's.





# CHS Booster Club Annual Fundraising Auction



Join the CHS O'Booster Club for its annual fundraising event as we aim to raise  
**\$20,000 for Performing Arts Upgrades**

These updates will greatly enhance the **PERFORMING ARTS** and **MUSIC PROGRAMS** as well as general administrative use of the facility.

saturday, march 17 • 6-10pm  
**st patrick's day**  
south pugest sound community college



We need help from **YOU**, parents of CHS students!

## *What can **YOU** do?*

- Attend the 2012 Fundraising Auction!
- Donate or procure items for the Auction!
- Join the Booster Club (it's only \$15)!

### **Find Auction RSVPs and Procurement forms at:**

<http://capital.osd.wednet.edu/community/boosterclub>

### **Auction Questions?**

email Mary Moreno at [mary.j.moreno@comcast.net](mailto:mary.j.moreno@comcast.net)

### **Booster Club Membership Questions?**

email Shelly Davis at [teamdavis24@comcast.net](mailto:teamdavis24@comcast.net)



The Booster Club was established to promote and support athletic teams and all other WIAA activities at Capital High School. In addition to all CHS Sports teams, these groups include Orchestra, Band, Choir, Drama, Debate, Cheer, and Drill Team.