

TC Central High School Family Focus

March 18, 2016

(There will be no Family Focus newsletter next week)

CTC See Me

Next week's schedule for CTC students is as follows:

Wednesday, March 23rd, Students attend CTC until 10:50 a.m., at which time they will be excused to come back to Central High School for dismissal at 11:25 a.m. Central High School is in session for a half day.

Thursday, March 24th Central High School is not in session. However, CTC students are expected to attend their Career Tech program at the normal time. Transportation to and from CTC must be provided by the student. However, if there are students interested in having bus transportation to CTC from Central High School on Thursday morning (leave CHS at 9:10 a.m.), they must sign up in Mr. Burns' office by Tuesday morning (March 22nd). Students would still be required to provide their own transportation home.

Eurochorale Send-Off Concert

Everyone is invited to the CHS Eurochorale Send-Off concert at Central High School on Tuesday, March 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

This is a free concert, open to the public. Eurochorale and Choral-Aires will perform all repertoires they will be performing in Europe at various cathedrals, an Easter Mass and combined concerts with natives, March 24 through April 2.



Front & Central

A fresh edition of *Front & Central* is hot off the video camera for your viewing enjoyment. This week we have a first-hand look at all three political rallies that occurred in the region last week, plus we check out the recent visit from the Acafellas along with a peek at the upcoming baseball season here at CHS. The show runs 14 minutes. Click on the *Front & Central* Logo on the CHS Home page, visit the *Front & Central* YouTube Channel, or click on the link below and enjoy(<>:)

https://youtu.be/NoJFAjn3_6M

Fanatical Oratorical

On March 14, six Central High School students attended the 2015-2016 Optimist Club Oratorical contest at the Elks' Lodge. The students were Matthew Failor, Molly Davies, Maximus Redman, Kaitlyn Argue, Issa Perdurabo, and Matthew Corrado. This is the first level of competition called the Club-level competition. Two students, Matthew Failor and Molly Davies won first and second place respectively and will compete at the Area level in Ogemaw in April. Students composed and delivered speeches on this year's topic: How my best brings out the best in others.

Best Test the Rest

The State of Michigan administers a group of tests each Spring. These assessments are required by both State and Federal law in order to ensure all children are learning and receiving a high-quality education. Traverse City Area Public Schools requires participation in the spring testing in order to graduate with a TCAPS-endorsed diploma. The State assessments provide an important snapshot of student achievement at state, district, and building levels, of valuable information to parents on their child's academic achievement and important data for teachers, schools, and districts to help guide instruction.

11th Grade:

SAT with Essay (April 12): SAT is the nation's most widely-used college admission test and is aligned with Michigan's academic standards. It is used in Michigan as a measure of students' mastery of the State's English and math curricula.

ACT WorkKeys (April 13): A work skills assessment.

M-STEP (starting April 14): Measures students' mastery of the State's science and social studies curricula.

10th Grade:

PSAT10 (April 12): The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test is designed to measure a Tenth Grade student's progress towards success on the SAT in his or her Junior year of high school.

9th Grade:

PSAT9 (April 13): The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test is designed to measure a Ninth Grade student's progress towards success on the SAT in his or her Junior year of high school.

All of these assessments are important for students and their educational success. Parents can support their student(s) by ensuring a student's attendance on test day, a good night's rest for the student prior to testing day, a quality breakfast for the student the morning of testing, and that the student bring a calculator to the testing room. Students are asked to leave all cell phones and other electronic devices in their lockers. Questions regarding testing at Traverse City Central High School can be directed to Ben Lantz at lantzbe@tcaps.net.

Hockey Rockin'

TC Central has Girls U19 Hockey players! They play on the Traverse City U19 Lady North Stars team. The team is represented by girls from TC Central, TC West, GTACS, GTA, and Manton High Schools. The girls that represent TCCHS are:

- Megan Lautner
- Alli Beauchamp
- Katie Wozniak
- Hailey Williams
- Katlin McKerchie
- Megan Matteucci

This past weekend in Alpena Michigan, MAHA (Michigan Amateur Hockey Association) hosted the Women's U19, U14, U12 and U10 State Finals. The Traverse City U19 Lady North Stars are the **State Finals Runner-up**!!

They tied Bad Axe MI on Friday night 1-1.

They beat Calumet MI Saturday am 2-1.

They beat Houghton Saturday afternoon 7-0.

In the Semi Finals Sunday morning, they beat Alpena 3-0.

They lost in the Finals, 0-2 vs. a very good Marquette team.



Explore Your Major- Health Occupations

Thursday, April 7 - RSVP by March 31 to secure a spot! 4–6 p.m. at Northwest Michigan College RSVP for this event »

- -One-on-one time with Dental Assistant, Nursing, Surgical Technology and Paramedic faculty and students
- -Hands-on simulation lab and dental lab demos
- -Dinner is provided!

Food Pantry is Open

Please remind your students to feel free to come to the Food Pantry in the Library Loft to pick up food to help your family during Spring Break. There are breakfast, lunch, and dinner options. No questions asked - everyone is welcome.

Indian Education Students of the Month

<u>February</u>

<u>Kateri Twocrow</u>: work ethic, determination to receive her diploma, positive attitude, excellent attendance

-Heather Clarke, Teacher

March

I would like to nominate <u>Skylah Lundwall</u> for her exceptional performance all year long in Algebra I. She works hard, asks great questions, and get some of the the highest grades in Algebra I.

-Julie Puckett, Teacher

Students on Point!

Here is a list of students in my Business Technology B class who earned MOS Certification in PowerPoint today. Both Central and West offer FREE certification to the students in our classes. Also, **Blake Roselle earned a perfect score!**

Aeschliman, Jacob
Araizaga, Brooke
Becker, Zane
Brott, Benjamin
Cline, Saydee
He, Zi Min
Houston, Mason
Kroupa, Kathryn
McClary, Austin
McCombs, Travis

Mohr, Anais	
Norton, Niklas	
Pearson, Tieler	
Roselle, Blake	
Socks, John	
VanKleek, Caleb	

Freeze Frame

Attention Seniors: It's time to submit photos for the 2016 Senior Slideshow. They may submit up to 10 photos of your favorite memories since kindergarten. Photos must include more than one CHS student, and be of upperclassmen only. All photos must comply with TCAPS dress code and be school appropriate. Please submit .jpg photos by April 22 to Mrs. Stark at starkka@tcaps.net.

It Would Be My Honor

Induction for the new members into the *National Honor Society* will be on April 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium. Relatives, friends, neighbors of the inductees are welcome to attend. There will be refreshments available after the program in the lobby.

Sophomores will be available to apply for NHS after spring break. Juniors who did not apply previously are also welcome to apply. Applications will be available in Mrs. Forton's room, C216 after April 4th. Students must turn in their portion of the application no later than Friday, April 22, 2016. No late applications will be accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Forton at fortonpa@tcaps.net or (231) 933-3648.

Are You Mocking Me?

All current Central High School sophomores will participate in mock interviews on Thursday, April 28th, in the morning, in the library. Students should be working on their job applications and learning how to interview and what to expect in coming weeks while in their Advisory class. Many community professionals from diverse areas of expertise will be volunteering as mock interviewers and providing our students with perhaps their very first opportunity to experience a job interview. Students are encouraged to be prepared and dress for success!

At least ten more community professionals are needed for the interviewer panel. If you are interested representing your company and donating 2.5 hours of your morning to this great event, please contact Angel at 231-933-3520 or elsenheian@tcaps.net.

Building Tomorrow (We're going to need a big tool box)

Building Tomorrow Event – April 21st and 22nd

Building Tomorrow is a construction career and college readiness even for 10th-12th grade high school students. During this three-day event, students from a five-county region will find out what it's like to be a project manager, a master electrician, an engineer and more – direct from the people who do these jobs every day. Employers

such as Windemuller, Team Elmer's, Hallmark Construction, and many other local companies will be on hand to demonstrate their trade and answer questions. Students will have the opportunity to touch, feel, and work with actual workplace equipment tools, and technology. They will also be exposed to Northwestern Michigan College's certification and degree programs while experiencing NMC's Aero Park Campus.

Interested 10th -12th grade students can pick up a permission slip in any wing office at Central. Our students will be attending this event on April 21st or 22nd for approximately 1 ½ hours. Students who sign up will be notified of the date/time and bussing will be provided. Permissions slips are due by March 22nd.

West Michigan Natinal College Fair

Fair Hours:

Wednesday, March 23, 2016 8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Location:

<u>DeVos Place</u> Hall C 303 Monroe Avenue, Northwest Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Spring Sports Physicals

A quick reminder about sports physicals for the upcoming 2016-2017 school year; Any sports physical obtained on or after April 16th will be valid for the following school year.

Don't forget that Youth Health & Wellness and K-Town Youth Care are here for your healthcare needs including sports physicals. Their clinics specialize in adolescent care for ages 10-21 and are here to make sure that cost is not a barrier for quality healthcare. Their sports physical price is only \$25 and if you get it done in April, May, or June they are offering a \$5 off incentive to get it done early.

K-Town Youth Care (Kingsley) 231-263-5895
http://www.co.grand-traverse.mi.us/725/K-Town-Youth-Care
Youth Health & Wellness (Traverse City) 231-922-6416
http://www.co.grand-traverse.mi.us/742/Youth-Health-Wellness-Center

ALSO:

The Traverse Health Clinic offers \$40 sport and camp physicals for students throughout the year. Appointments are required. Call 231-935-0799 to schedule. Traverse Health Clinic hours are Monday and Wednesday, 8am-8pm, Tuesday and Thursday, 8am-5pm and Friday 8am-4pm.

Students under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent and must bring school physical cards signed by parent/guardian and student. Traverse Health Clinic is located at 3147 Logan Valley Road, across from Logan's Landing on S. Airport Road. For more information, visit www.traversehealthclinic.org.

I Challenge You to a Dual (Enrollment)

Dual Enrollment & Early College

It's time to begin course registration at NMC for fall semester 2016. Students who are interested in taking a course at NMC can refer to the links below for registration instructions and tutorial video. Both documents are also available on the main page of Central's website. May 1st is the application/registration deadline for CHS students.

Steps to Dual Enrollment

https://docs.google.com/document/d/13ZnhximvctJ62WMhilacMb8lp11RtPlaZKuGwiGj1AU/edit?usp=sharing

Early College Enrollment

https://docs.google.com/document/d/13Aqm0J_XYUaqqFY4teBPufpRA4xHvYelvCPmrk AtxPY/edit?usp=sharing

Galop Goes the Weasel UPDATE #2:

Galapagos Islands Educational Tour is planned for June 2017

Registration has begun for this amazing educational trip. There are only a few spaces left, so be sure to register to save your spot at www.eftours.com/1799300YC A \$95 registration fee is due at the time of registration. Contact Kim Fleming, Biology teacher, Central High School if you need more information: flemingki@tcaps.net.

Tour Description; Your perspective on the world evolves when you walk in Darwin's footsteps on this fascinating archipelago tour. On Isabela, Santa Cruz and San Cristobal islands, observe the giant tortoises, finches and mockingbirds that helped solidify Darwin's theory of evolution as well as the famous Blue-footed Boobie. On mainland Ecuador, the discoveries are more culturally oriented at Quito's Independence Plaza, the Intian Museum and Otavalo.

Important Upcoming Dates

- April 12, SAT and PSAT 10th grade testing
- April 13, WorkKeys and PSAT 9th grade testing
- April 14-19, MSTEP testing
- Monday, May ***23rd Honors Convocation Rehearsal 1:00-2:00 Ceremony @ 7:00
- Wednesday, June 1st 10:00 Mandatory Senior Rehearsal @ Interlochen
- Sunday, June 5th 6:00 Graduation at Interlochen

Please note: club, team and athletic information included in our Friday Family Focus (FFF) editions are sent to me by coaches, teachers, staff and family members. Feel free to submit highlights for possible inclusion in our FFF to elsenheian@tcaps.net.

^{***}This date has been updated and changed.

