

February 10, 2020

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Good Morning Parents and Guardians,

I hope you have a great weekend. In the event that you missed my school messenger notification last week, report cards were distributed last Wednesday in school. In addition to that, a mid year average letter will be mailed this week so that you and your child is aware of where he or she stands academically through the first half of the school year. Please review your child's average letter – if your child is not passing a course, I would strongly recommend registering him or her into our credit or grade recovery twilight program so that he or she can recover the grade now and not wait for the end of the school year. If interested, please contact your child's counselor so that your child can be registered and begin as soon as possible. In addition to the mid-year average letter you will also be receiving a Parent-Teacher conference letter in the mail soon. Please save the date of Thursday, March 12. It will be an early dismissal for students and conferences will be held in the afternoon.

Last week we held our annual scheduling information night. The window for students to enter course requests opened on Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> and will close at the end of the day this Thursday, February 13. A special thank you to our counselors

**Mrs. Norman, Mrs. Rodgers, and Mr. Shirk** as they have been spending a lot of time assisting students this past week with entering the requests by having our Social Studies classes meet in the library for this to occur. The course selection guide can be found at the following link: [2020-2021 Course Selection Guide](#) You can view the course selection presentation by clicking on the following link: [2020-2021 Course Selection Night Presentation](#) .



The Coatesville Area School District received some very exciting news this past week. Dr. Dunlap contacted us late last week to inform us that he was notified that our AFJROTC program will remain open! The CASH and CAIHS Administration is excited to once again offer this program to students. There are many benefits to this course, including leadership opportunities, community service, and the opportunity to earn honors credit upon the successful completion of the program.

The Coatesville Area School District would like to thank Senator Pat Toomey, Tony Ward, DoD (Marine Corps) Fellow, Representative Chrissy Houlahan (PA-6), Ray Renaldi, Solicitor Oxford Area School District, and Joseph Crescenz for their help in making this possible for us. The ROTC program is an outstanding opportunity for students and we are grateful to be able to offer this again. Please speak to your child and ask them to consider this program for the 2020-2021 school year. This program is a citizenship program that assists builds the skills needed to be successful beyond that of high school. The course is now active in the course request page in the Home Access Center. If you have any questions about specifics to the curriculum of the program please feel free to reach out to our tremendous instructors **Colonel Turnbull at [turnbullj@casdschools.org](mailto:turnbullj@casdschools.org)** or **Master Sergeant Sidoli at [sidolic@casdschools.org](mailto:sidolic@casdschools.org)** .

In addition to AFJROTC, another tremendous opportunity that our students have is the opportunity to earn college credit and possibly an Associate Degree through our Delaware County Community College (DCCC) Dual Enrollment program. This program offers students the opportunity to travel to DCCC – Exton Branch daily to take college courses. If interested students will first need to apply (see the link below to apply online or one of our counselors for a paper application) then students will need to test as college ready through an exam which will be administered in early March.



Applications are due by February 21 so if interested please act soon! I also included the accuplacer practice exam link below which may help students perform better on the DCCC exam.

[DCCC Dual Enrollment Application](#)

[Accuplacer Practice App](#)

Congratulations to our CASD Science Fair awards winners for the 2019-2020 school year. The awards evening was held last Wednesday in the Senior High School Auditorium. The winners for each grade level are listed below:

**Individual winners:**

First Place: Jaleah Bowman-Blanton

Second Place: Jhonn Linaeres

Third Place: Jeffrey Clemons

**Team winners:**

First Place: Kyle Vanconia, Spencer Ferguson, and Jake Martin

Second Place: Owen Ellis & Xander Korth

Third Place: Henshee Afaga & Anastazia Skiles



The first official practice date is Monday, March 2. Please be reminded that student-athletes will not be able to participate in any team activities, including try outs, until all the necessary PIAA paperwork (Comprehensive Initial or Recertification Pre-Participation Evaluation) is signed by all necessary parties to include parent/guardians, authorizing physician, and student-athlete. All CASD paperwork (extra-curricular code of student conduct, emergency procedure card) is also needed along with the PIAA paperwork. We will be offering physical exams on Feb 24th from 10:30-1 and Feb 25th from 8-10. Please make an appointment with Mrs. Taylor in the CAIHS nurse's office. Remember – students must have a completed PIAA form with them during their appointment. In addition to the physicals, I will be soon releasing information about a parent/student-athlete meeting evening to provide you with important information on procedures and expectations of our student-athletes. As soon as I schedule the date I will make sure it is communicated.

Winter is one of the times of the school year where student absences can spike impacting academic performance. Please be sure that your child is making as many efforts as possible in staying healthy so that their school attendance is not impacted. I have included some useful information related to attendance on page 6 to reference. To view the flu season notice click on the following link: [Flu Season Notice](#) . To review the differences between the flu, a cold or allergies please click [here](#) .

Thank you for reading and hope you have a great week. Please also see page 3 for an important invitation and sign up information for girls in an exploration of STEM activities (GETT), pg 4 has the February upcoming dates.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian M. Chengler".

Brian M. Chengler

Principal



# SAVE the DATE

**March 28, 2020**

12:30 pm - 5:00 pm

[www.gettpa.org](http://www.gettpa.org)

at Great Valley High School

- Explore a hands-on STEM career exploration day just for girls in grades 5-10
- Join in over 100 interactive activities during the GETT Expo
- Discover new ways to connect your passions to Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math

**Registration begins February 14, 2020**

[2020GETT.eventbrite.com](https://2020GETT.eventbrite.com)





| Day              | Start Date | Start Time | Sport                  | H/A | Opponents/Title              | Facility              |
|------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-----|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Wednesday</b> | 12-Feb     | 7:45 PM    | BOYS VARSITY WRESTLING | A   | @ Church Farm School         | Church Farm School    |
|                  | 12-Feb     | 7:00 PM    | BOYS JV WRESTLING      | A   | @ Church Farm School         |                       |
|                  | 12-Feb     | 6:30 PM    | GIRLS INDOOR TRACK     | A   | Consolation Meet             | Lehigh University     |
| <b>Friday</b>    | 14-Feb     | TBD        | BOYS INDOOR TRACK      | A   | Last Chance Meet             | Lehigh University     |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 15-Feb     | TBD        | BOYS INDOOR TRACK      | A   | PA Track Carnival            | Lehigh University     |
|                  | 15-Feb     | 8:00 AM    | SWIMMING AND DIVING    | A   | Scott Elliot Swim            | West Chester U        |
|                  | 15-Feb     | TBD        | Color Guard            | A   | CAB CALLOWAY HS              |                       |
|                  | 15-Feb     | TBD        | Drumline               | A   | OLD BRIDGE HS                |                       |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | 16-Feb     | 3:00 PM    | BOYS INDOOR TRACK      | A   | The Armory                   | The Armory - NYC      |
|                  | 16-Feb     | 3:00 PM    | GIRLS INDOOR TRACK     | A   | Armory                       | The Armory - NYC      |
|                  | 16-Feb     | TBD        | SWIMMING AND DIVING    | A   | Scott Elliot Dive Meet       | West Chester U        |
| <b>Friday</b>    | 21-Feb     | 6:30 PM    | GIRLS INDOOR TRACK     | A   | Meet of Champions            | Lehigh University     |
|                  | 21-Feb     | TBD        | BOYS VARSITY WRESTLING | A   | 3A District I West           | Oxford High School    |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 22-Feb     | TBD        | BOYS INDOOR TRACK      | A   | Meet of Champions            | Lehigh University     |
|                  | 22-Feb     | TBD        | BOYS VARSITY WRESTLING | A   | 3A District I West           | Oxford High School    |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 22-Feb     | TBD        | Drumline               | A   | Hatboro-Horsham HS           |                       |
| <b>Friday</b>    | 28-Feb     | TBD        | BOYS VARSITY WRESTLING | A   | PIAA 3A South East Regionals | Souderton High School |
|                  | 28-Feb     | 7:00 PM    | DRAMA                  |     | Wizard of Oz                 | CAIHS Auditorium      |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 29-Feb     | TBD        | BOYS VARSITY WRESTLING | A   | PIAA 3A South East Regionals | Souderton High School |
|                  | 29-Feb     | 7:00 PM    | DRAMA                  |     | Wizard of Oz                 | CAIHS Auditorium      |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 29-Feb     | TBD        | Drumline               | A   | Downingtown East HS          |                       |

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

I hope you and your family are settled in after the holidays. This is the time of year when the winter takes a toll on school attendance. Snow and slushy weather can keep parents from getting their children to school. So can colds, fevers and earaches that often come with winter months.

These absences even if they are excused, can add up to academic trouble. If it is a snowy or rainy day but school is still open, students miss out on learning if they aren't in class. These absences can result in lower test scores and grades.

There's not much we can do about the weather, but there are steps every family can take to help keep your children healthy:

- Dress children warmly for the cold weather and make sure they have hats and gloves.
- Encourage them to wash their hands regularly.
- If your children do get sick, talk to a doctor or the school nurse about whether they should come to school and when it is okay for them to return.
- Keep an open line of communication with school nurse. The more the school nurse knows about your child's health, the better prepared everyone will be to work together for your child.

Above all, let us know how we can help. We want your children and all of our students to succeed. And that means attending school every day possible.

Sincerely,



Brian M. Chenger  
Principal