

# CHS Communiqué

Parent Student Faculty Association Newsletter

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The PSFA also has important PSFA announcements via our email system.

**Please take a moment to register online at <http://chs-psfa.org/communique/>.**

## Co-Presidents' Corner

*By Jessica Evans and Kathy Gilbert*

Best wishes for a happy, healthy, peaceful and prosperous New Year to all! As we begin this New Year of 2015, we look forward to continuing to work with the students, parents, and faculty of CHS to support an outstanding environment for learning.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 21st, 2015 and come to "A Night at the Midnight Masquerade!!!" The Dinner/Gift Raffle committee is busy working on CHS's largest fundraiser of the year which provides the capital to enrich our children's education with events and programs offered throughout the year. Its success is contingent on your involvement. The proceeds from the Dinner/Gift Raffle will go toward class trips, Color Wars Barbeque, school wide events, Bagel Breakfasts, and graduation expenses for

the remainder of the school year. Please consider volunteering your time and making a donation to help with our efforts to make this event a great evening for all!

The PSFA is excited to bring the improv group, Eight is Never Enough, to CHS on Friday March 27th for a school-wide assembly and two FREE after school workshops to relax and inspire students before finals! From their website: "Currently in it's 10th Season, "Eight is NEVER Enough!" is the product of talent and vision. The troupe consists of NYC performers and artists that are dedicated to captivating audiences through old school comedy entertainment. This energetic cast comes from a variety of backgrounds including the dramatic stage, film, tv, stand-up, opera, classical and musical theatre. Turn the "8" on its side you will find an infinity sign: "nothing is ever enough". There is no such thing as too much heart and ENERGY on stage or in life." Visit them online <http://www.eightimprov.biz/> for more information and be on the look-out for information regarding workshop sign-ups closer to the date.

The PSFA is hosting a Princeton Review Course which offers 30 hours of live instruction plus 4 full length practice tests to prepare for the March SAT exam. Detailed information is provided in The Communiqué. To date, we have no registrants and may have to cancel the course. If you are interested in signing up, please do so as soon as possible!

Please remind your child that the PSFA will provide a "Bagel Breakfast Before Exams" on January 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>! Volunteers are needed to help with this important and fun event!

We encourage all CHS parents to resolve in this New Year to volunteer with the PSFA. It is a wonderful opportunity to be involved in your child's daily life. These four years pass quickly; be a part of them to show your child how valuable you consider their education. On behalf of the entire CHS PSFA Executive Board, have a happy, healthy, peaceful and prosperous New Year!

# Communications High School PSFA 2015 Magazines and Memories Sale

**These offerings make great gifts. Thank you for your support!**

**Magazines-** Renew, order New, or give Gift subscriptions from 550+ titles, including 140+ Digital selections.

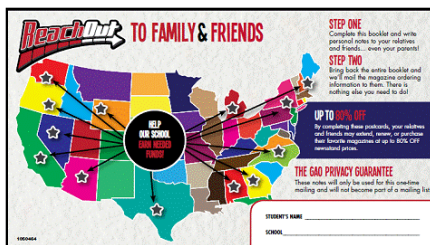
**Memories-** Custom Photo products- Holiday/Christmas photo cards, photo books, invitations and more.  
Larger quantities of photo cards are available online (see below).

**Online-** Visit [gaschoolstore.com](http://gaschoolstore.com) and shop year-round from over 1,700 products. Include student name.

## CHS PSFA online ID 232926

Checks payable to CHS PSFA - Pay by credit card online.

Every order helps our school!



## ReachOut Book

Complete 7 postcards to 7 out-of-town relations who are likely to support us.

Place orders (in an envelope) and return to the Office.

## FAQ's

- 40% stays with our school.
- Renewals simply extend your current subscription.
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- Include email on order form to receive order confirmation.
- Return white and yellow copies with payment.
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- Check your order at 877-289-6247 or [www.MagTrak.com](http://www.MagTrak.com)
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- Checks payable to **CHS PSFA**

# Your **dream schools** are just **one SAT prep course** away

## SAT Ultimate Courses

- Master the SAT with the most **comprehensive** prep course.
- 30 hours of **live** instruction PLUS four full-length practice **tests**.
- Covers all of the content plus exclusive testing **strategies**.
- **Access** to essential insider admissions **advice**.
- Improve your score by at least 200 points or your money back.\*

## UPCOMING SAT ULTIMATE COURSE AT YOUR SCHOOL TO PREP FOR THE MARCH 14, 2015 EXAM

**Communications High School [Course # 220110]**

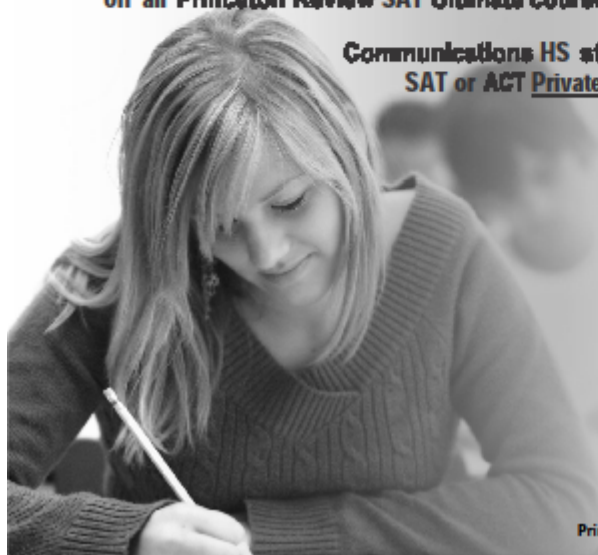
**February 7<sup>th</sup> to March 12<sup>th</sup>**

**10 Classes: Tues/Thurs (2:45-5:45pm) / 4 Practice Tests: Sat (9am-1pm)**

*Please note: Each class will require a parent volunteer to chaperone.*

Through a partnership with Communications HS, all CHS students receive a \$200 discount off all Princeton Review SAT Ultimate courses. Promo code: \$WVDT\$

Communications HS students also receive a 10% discount off SAT or ACT Private Level 24-hour Tutoring Packages.



**The  
Princeton  
Review**

**800-2Review (800-273-8439)**

**[www.PrincetonReview.com/SATUltimate](http://www.PrincetonReview.com/SATUltimate)**

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## Midnight Masquerade!!!

Invitations will soon be in the mail for the 11th Annual CHS Dinner & Gift Raffle! We are looking forward to wonderful evening! Please see below to find out how you can lend a hand!!!

**This single event is our largest fundraiser and helps to fund the events and programs that our children enjoy throughout the school year. We need *everyone's* help to make it a success. Our Goal: 100% family participation in gift donations.**

***Post-Holiday Sales are everywhere! Show your CHS support now a grab a bargain or two at sale prices for the Gift Auction. No item is too small, and no gift is too small. We truly appreciate all contributions! Please support Communications High School, there are many ways to help:***

**MAKE A CASH DONATION OF \$25.00** to be used to purchase items to create gift baskets. We will do the shopping for you! Checks should be made out to: *CHS PSFA*.

**DONATE A GIFT ITEM VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$25.00** to be used as part of a basket.

**OBTAIN A BUSINESS CONTRIBUTION from a place that you frequent.** Do you own or work for a business that could make a contribution of merchandise or services? Perhaps you know a business or restaurant that might donate a gift certificate?

**SUPPORT THE AD JOURNAL** by placing an ad for your business or service in the Journal.

**OBTAIN AN AD for the Ad Journal** by approaching businesses that you frequent and ask them to place an ad.

**ATTEND THE EVENT!** The PSFA Dinner & Gift Raffle is scheduled for Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at Jumping Brook Country Club in Neptune, NJ. We hope to see you there!

***\*\*We are in need of baskets & frames – please considering donating any extras you may have\*\****

Please contact either **Kathy Gilbert** at [pkgilbert@att.net](mailto:pkgilbert@att.net) or **Judi Taglieri** at [jtags1@hotmail.com](mailto:jtags1@hotmail.com) or with any questions. Checks should be made out to: *CHS PSFA*.



**Parent Student Faculty Association**  
 1740 New Bedford Road, Wall, New Jersey 07719-3740  
 chs.mcvsd.org                      732-681-1010  
**PSFA 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner and Gift Raffle**  
***MIDNIGHT MASQUERADE***  
 Saturday, March 21, 2015  
 Jumping Brook Country Club, Neptune

Dear Family, Friends, and Community Members,

The Communications High School Parent Student Faculty Association (PSFA) is pleased to announce that plans are under way for our annual Dinner and Gift Raffle. This event is our school’s largest fundraiser, with the goal of ensuring that our students continue to realize their full potential through providing needed financial resources. Our success depends on the support of our families and community.

**Please support our students by placing an ad in our Dinner and Gift Raffle Program.** Our organization is tax-exempt under section 501(c) of the IRS code. Our tax-exempt number is 22-3759364.

All ads should be camera ready (black and white business cards are ideal). Ads may be mailed to “*PSFA Dinner Gift Raffle Ads*”, at the above address. We would appreciate receipt of ads by **Friday, February 20, 2015**. Please make checks payable to: “*CHS PSFA Dinner Gift Raffle*”.

If you have any questions, please contact Judi Taglieri at 732-425-2910 or jtags1@hotmail.com  
 Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely, Communications High School PSFA Dinner and Gift Raffle Committee

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**ADVERTISEMENT INFORMATION:** Select ad size. Attach copy and graphics and send with check (payable to *CHS PSFA Dinner and Gift Raffle*) to “*PSFA Dinner Gift Raffle Ads*” at the above address.

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Contact \_\_\_\_\_

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| ___ Full Page Ad (4 ½ x 7 ½ inches)-----             | \$100 |
| ___ ½ Page Ad (4 ½ x 3 ½ inches) -----               | \$50  |
| ___ ¼ Page Ad (business card – 3 ½ x 2 inches) ----- | \$25  |
| ___ Booster (3 ½ x 1 inch) - Your own message -----  | \$20  |



## Parent Student Faculty Association

1740 New Bedford Road, Wall, NJ 07719-3740

**chs.mcvsd.org 732-681-1010**

PSFA 11th ANNUAL DINNER and GIFT RAFFLE

### ***MIDNIGHT MASQUERADE***

Saturday, March 21, 2015

Jumping Brook Country Club, Neptune

Dear Family, Friends, and Community Members,

Communications High School, an academy in the Monmouth County Vocational School District, is located in Wall, New Jersey and serves 300 students from more than forty school districts in Monmouth County.

The Communications High School Parent Student Faculty Association (PSFA) is pleased to announce that plans are under way for our annual Dinner Dance and Gift Raffle. This event is our school's largest fundraiser, with the goal of ensuring that our students continue to realize their full potential through providing enhancements to their education. Our success depends on the support of our families and community.

**Please support our students by donating a gift, services from your organization, or by making a cash donation.** All donations will be prominently acknowledged on the raffle tables and in the evening's Advertisement Journal.

Our organization is tax-exempt under section 501(c) of the IRS code. Our tax-exempt number is 22-3759364.

Donations may be mailed to "*CHS PSFA Dinner Gift Auction*", at the above address. Please make checks payable to: "*CHS PSFA Dinner Gift Auction*". We would appreciate donations arriving by **Friday, February 20, 2015** We will be happy to pick up your donation if you prefer.

If you have any questions, please call Kathy Gilbert at 732-282-1291 or Judi Taglieri at 732-425-2910 email to [pkgilbert@att.net](mailto:pkgilbert@att.net) or [jtags1@hotmail.com](mailto:jtags1@hotmail.com)

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,  
Communications High School PSFA Dinner and Gift Raffle Committee

## Ms. Harmon Looks Forward to Her New Role Within the District



Kelly Harmon will become the Acting Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction for the Monmouth County Vocational School District beginning on February 1, 2015. Harmon has been the 9<sup>th</sup> grade English instructor at Communications High School in Wall, NJ since 2006 and recently completed The Foundation for Educational Administration's Expedited Certification Program to receive her supervisor and principal certification. Not only has Harmon been an advocate for her peers at the district level, but she has also supported educators at the state level. Harmon currently serves as a state correspondent, contributing to the NJCORE Educator Resource Exchange and collaborating on the Department of Education's Preliminary Report on AchieveNJ.

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## PSFA Membership

Dear CHS Parents,

It's never too late to join or to extend your membership in the PSFA. Even though 2014-2015 directories have been distributed for the school year, there are many other benefits of being a member.

Your membership dues benefit each and every student, at every grade level. Benefits provided to each student are student planners (distributed the first week of school), breakfast during midterm and final exams, Freshman Orientation at Thompson Park, Back to School Social, Color Wars, the end of year BBQ, transportation for junior class trip and finally Senior Graduation Awards.

**Regarding Senior Graduation Awards:** Remember that in order for your student to qualify for one of ten \$500 PSFA Graduation Awards, the student's family must have been a PSFA member for all four years (DA students for 2 years).

Please use the membership form in this issue. If you have any questions about membership, please feel free to contact: Patricia Lober ( [patricialober@gmail.com](mailto:patricialober@gmail.com) ) or Stephanie Ladiana ( [SJTL6221@gmail.com](mailto:SJTL6221@gmail.com) )

***Submitted by Patricia Lober & Stephanie Ladiana  
Membership Committee***



**Communications High School PSFA  
MEMBERSHIP/DIRECTORY FORM**

**PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR STUDENT AT CHS. PLEASE JOIN!**

It's never too early or too late to join the PSFA. Please make checks out to "CHS PSFA."  
All Communications High School PSFA members have the option to be included in the directory published by the PSFA for its members. Check "YES" for each item that you want included in the directory. Check "NO" for each item that you do not want included in the directory.

**Mail to: Patricia Lober : 11 Third Avenue, Atlantic Highlands, NJ 07716**

**MEMBERSHIP DUES**

Check one box:  
 **4 Years - \$125** (save \$15)  
 (remaining dues will be refunded for any reason)

1 Year - \$35

Please make checks payable to:  
**CHS PSFA**

**PSFA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Please select all committees in which you would like to participate.

- Beautification Committee
- Hospitality
- Fundraising
- Membership
- Newsletter
- Parent/Student Activities

**PSFA USE ONLY**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_

Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Expires \_\_\_\_\_

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Student Name (Last, First)	Class of:		Include in Directory?	
	YES	NO	YES	NO
Name: Father Last	First		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Name: Mother Last	First		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Name: Guardian Last	First		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home Address Street			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
City	Zip		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home Phone			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cell Phone	Mother/Guardian	Father/Guardian	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Email1			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Email2			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I give permission for the above information to be included in a directory for distribution ONLY to members of CHS PSFA. The directory information and permission are effective for the duration of my membership. If I wish to have information changed or removed, I will contact the CHS PSFA. Upon student leaving CHS, membership/directory forms will be shredded.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_



# Outsmart the SAT

## Learn A Strategy For Every Question You'll Face On The SAT

***The Catalyst SAT Bootcamp* is a momentum-boosting seminar that arms students with go-to strategies for every question they'll face on the day of the test. Topics include how to:**

- Spot hidden clues that instantly reveal the main idea in long reading passages
- Avoid the four sneakiest ways SAT Grammar questions try to trick students
- Shortcut math questions that stump more than 90% of test-takers
- Compose a perfect-score essay – no matter what question the SAT asks

### OUR UNIQUE GUARANTEE

The Catalyst SAT Bootcamp is not a "mock" SAT or an infomercial for our services; it's real preparation designed by instructors who have earned multiple perfect scores on the actual SAT. In just one weekend, the Catalyst SAT Bootcamp ignites confidence and momentum by teaching students how to outsmart every type of question – and trap answer. Plus attendees walk away with Catalyst's SAT Bootcamp book, self study materials, diagnostic tests, and even copies of essays that have earned perfect scores on actual SATs. Our SAT Bootcamp is for students taking the SAT or PSAT before the Spring of 2016.

<b>LOCATION</b> Communications High School	<b>COST</b> Just \$175 to enroll by Wednesday, March 4 <sup>th</sup> at 6pm. We unfortunately cannot accommodate walk-in students.
<b>SCHEDULE</b> Day 1: Saturday, March 7 <sup>th</sup> , 10am – 2pm Day 2: Sunday, March 8 <sup>th</sup> , 10am – 2pm  Students attend both days.	<b>TO ENROLL</b> Visit <a href="http://www.CatalystPrep.com">www.CatalystPrep.com</a> and click on "Bootcamp Sign-Up" on the website menu bar. For more information email <a href="mailto:info@CatalystPrep.com">info@CatalystPrep.com</a> or call 800.235.0056.

***A Portion Of The Proceeds Benefits The Communications PSFA!***

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# Yearbook News.....



## \$\$ Pre-Order your Yearbook & Save!

Order your CHS Yearbook right NOW. Don't delay, cost now is \$85.00, Post Production cost \$95

Order online @ <http://shop.jostens.com/>

### Got Pictures?

Share them with Mrs. Rod  
on GoogleDrive

you can also send us a link to your

FLICKR, or any other site.

The Yearbook Staff invites you to submit photos for the yearbook. If you've got great photos, we'd like to see them. Our photographers can't be everywhere. Help us get as many photos as possible to create a terrific book everyone will want to have. Submit photos online.



### You must have been a beautiful baby.....

CHS Class of 2015 WE WANT YOU!

Please share your pic on google drive drop it in the Pink Box in room 220. or send in a baby pic to Mrs Rod. Put your name on the back so we can return it asap!



### Seniors.. what do you want to say ?

Your Quotes for the yearbook are due ASAP via google drive

Please try to come up with 2 quotes, so we can eliminate duplicates

## Parents: Order your Ad today! Order online 24/7 at [JostensAdService.com](http://JostensAdService.com)

1. Choose your ad size and layout.
2. Enter your text.
3. Upload or mail your photos.

Full Page \$225.00

1/2 Page \$120.00

1/4 Page \$60.00

1/8 Page \$30.00

Hannah

Congratulations on a job well done! You have brought us joy, happiness, and laughter. We are extremely proud of you and all your accomplishments!

Love,  
Mom, Dad, Leah, Greg, & Mark

