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Co-Presidents' Corner

By Debbie and John Talamo

The first signs of spring are here, and we are already preparing for the final events of the CHS school year. The year is passing so quickly!

The 8th Annual Dinner Dance and Gift Raffle was held on Saturday, March 3, 2011. Once again, the families of CHS came together to result in a successful event which raised funds to benefit all the students of CHS. See pages 16, 17, & 18 for details.

We are looking for a few good ambassadors!! Freshman Orientation for the class of 2016 will be held on April 18 at 6:30 pm. The PSFA is looking to our current members to help recruit new members. If you are interested in helping out the Membership Committee, please see the article on page 20.

Our next three PSFA meetings will include the following: introducing candidates for 2011 - 2012 PSFA Officers (April 19); voting for officers (May 3); and then turning the leadership of the PSFA over to them (May 31). Please see the ballot on page 21.

At the April PSFA meeting, the special topic will be the request for committee apprentices. Some of our committee chairs will have senior students in the fall. This means they will be graduating and are in need of an apprentice. The apprentice has time to learn the ropes before the chair of the committee graduates. Please consider lending your time and talents to CHS and the PSFA.

Each year, the PSFA provides a <u>Barbecue</u> for the students and faculty on the day of the <u>CHS Color Wars</u>. This year the events are scheduled for **Friday, June 1**. Mark your calendars and look for details about volunteering to help in the May issue of the Communiqué.

As the end of the school year approaches, the PSFA needs the support of our parent community more than ever. We hope to see many of you at the upcoming PSFA meetings and events. The elections will determine the leadership of the PSFA for the next school year, and we need every member to join us to make the PSFA an active and vital part of the school. Please participate in any way you are able.

Please note that the PSFA meeting for April will be held on April 19th due to the way Spring Recess fell for 2012. The meeting will be held at 7:30 pm.

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Once again, the PSFA will present monetary awards of \$500 to a select group of seniors upon graduation. Application forms will be distributed in the coming weeks to all seniors with a 90% or higher grade point average. All interested seniors should complete the application and return it to their counselors no later than Friday, April 15, 2011. If you have any questions, please contact John Talamo at jtalamo@optonline.net.

Catalyst Bootcamp for the May 5th SAT

Dates: April 28th and April 29th Time: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Cost: \$165

Sign up on line at www.catalystprep.com and click on bootcamp for registration Chaperones are needed for both days. Please contact Debbie Talamo at

dtalamo@optonline.net

Minimum requirement for the course is 15 students

Princeton Review course for the June 9th ACT

Dates: May 8th - June 7th (Tuesdays and Thursdays) Time: 2:45-5:45 (6:45 for practice test)

Cost: \$499 (usually \$599)

Please contact Eda Saeger with any interest in the Princeton Review course at edas@optonline.net

Minimum requirement for the course is 10 students Chaperones will be needed for all classes and practice test dates

CHS PSFA BARNES & NOBLE BOOKFAIR

Thinking of buying books for that special Mom on your list? Or perhaps the latest bestseller to read while lounging on the beach? Join the CHS PSFA on

Saturday, May 12, 2012 from 9:00am to 11:00pm at Barnes & Noble -Monmouth Mall

to make your purchases benefit our school! Attached is our flyer for the event, but we will have extras at our gift wrapping table.

We will be wrapping purchases and can use your help. We are mostly in need of help from **3:00pm** to **11:00pm**. If you have **2 hours** to spare and you can help us out by working a shift, we would really appreciate it. We are asking parents/students/faculty for assistance by signing up to work a **2** hour shift.

If you are unable to make it to Barnes & Noble at all, you can also make your purchases online at bn.com. Simply use our **event ID # 10704039** to be sure that we get credit for the sale. If you are a Barnes & Noble member, you can still use your discount!

If you are able to help us out at all, please contact Paula Dazio 732-741-3824 or pdazio59@yahoo.com. Thank you!

-Submitted by Paula Dazio

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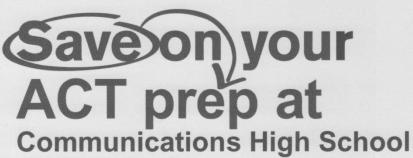
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Class	Tuesday, May 15, 2012	2:45pm - 5:45pm
Test	Thursday, May 17, 2012	2:45pm - 6:45pm
Class	Tuesday, May 22, 2012	2:45pm - 5:45pm
Test	Thursday, May 24, 2012	2:45pm - 6:45pm
Class	Tuesday, May 29, 2012	2:45pm - 5:45pm
Test	Thursday, May 31, 2012	2:45pm - 6:45pm
Class	Tuesday, June 05, 2012	2:45pm - 5:45pm
Class	Thursday, June 07, 2012	2:45pm - 5:45pm

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LOCATION: Communications High School

DATE: Saturday, April 28th and Sunday, April 29th

SCHEDULE: 9am - 1pm both Saturday and Sunday. Students attend both days.

COST: Just \$165 to enroll by Wednesday, April 25th at 6pm. We unfortunately cannot accommodate walk-in students. A portion of the proceeds benefits the Communications PSFA.

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From the Guidance Department...

Seniors: April can be a stressful time for seniors with the May 1st National Response Date hovering right around the corner. Some seniors are still waiting to hear if they have been accepted at their reach schools while others are trying to decide where to send the deposit that will hold that spot at the college they will call home for the next four years. When two or more colleges have offered similar packages and the choice is hard to make, encourage your child to attend Accepted Student days. An additional visit where they can meet the incoming class is a great opportunity to help your child finalize his or her decision.

Please have your child stop by the guidance office if they are having trouble deciding where to go. We will help them weigh the pros and cons of each choice. Once the decision is made, two excellent books that provide practical information on sensitive topics that should be discussed before students move away from home are: 1001 Things Every College Student Needs to Know by Harry H. Harrison, and The Naked Roommate: And 107 Other Issues You Might Run Into in College by Harlan Cohen.

Often, once the college choice is made, seniors feel they are finished with high school and ready to coast through the final weeks of school. Please be aware that attendance and grades still count. Colleges hold the right to rescind acceptance or scholarship offers if there is a radical decline in grades when the final transcript is sent. Also, seniors must graduate from high school to be able to attend college. Every year we have had students who jeopardize their college acceptance. It is painful when a student is not allowed to graduate because they have failed a class. Please do not let this happen in the Class of 2012.

Juniors: At the Junior Parent Night on March 8th you were given a package of forms that need to be returned to the guidance office. Please remember the due date of April 1st. This packet includes the transcript release form, the student self-evaluation, and the parent response form. Please complete and return these forms to the guidance office as soon as possible, if you have not already done so. This information is invaluable for writing letters of recommendation.

Also, your children should be registering for the SAT reasoning and/or SAT II Subject Tests. The registration deadline for the May 5th SAT is April 6th (late registration for an additional fee is April 20th) and the registration deadline for the June 2nd SAT is May 8th. If your child is considering taking the June 9th ACT, registration deadline is May 4th. You may want your child to take the ACT prep course that will be offered at CHS to prepare for this test. If a full prep class is too much of a commitment, please consider taking the one-day practice exams, also brought to you by the PSFA, on March 31st (ACT) and May 12th (SAT).

Juniors and sophomores: The New Jersey National College Fair will be held on April 25th and 26th at the NJ Convention and Exposition Center in Edison on April 25th and 26th. Visit http://www.nacacnet.org/college-fairs/students-parents/Spring/Pages/NewJerseyNCF.aspx for additional information. The Monmouth County Regional Fair will be held at Brookdale Community College on April 23rd from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Attendance at a college fair provides your child the opportunity to meet with representatives and ask questions that will help him or her define a comprehensive, realistic list of colleges and universities that match their interests and personalities.

Sophomores: We will continue meeting individually with each sophomore. As we begin preparations for next year's course selections, please be aware of courses that are prerequisites for senior year electives. We will begin to ask students to think about a path that interests them and help them to define that path. For example:

Major	Course Name	Grade Level	Credits
Digital Video	Introduction to Digital Video	9	2.5
	Intermediate Digital Video	11	5
	Electronic Field Production – Genre Studies	12	5
TV/Radio	Introduction to Radio/TV	9	5
	Live Studio Production	11	5
	Advanced Studio Production	12	5
Journalism	Journalism	10	2.5
	Photojournalism	11	5
	Advanced Journalism	12	5
Visual Communications	Introduction to Design	10	5
	Illustration and Design	11	5
	Advanced Design	12	5
Computers	Communications Technology	9	2.5
	Introduction to Java	10	2.5
	Advanced Java	12	5

Please encourage your child to use their Naviance account. Every sophomore should complete the personality type profile under the Careers tab and review the career interest profiler if they have not already done so. All of the features available under the Careers tab provide a solid foundation as we discuss majors and careers as part of the college search process.

Freshmen: Summer is a great time to volunteer! Your child can volunteer with a hospital, the Red Cross, an animal shelter, the local library, or at a vacation bible school. Community service cannot be paid (in most instances) or for your own family. (Sorry, free babysitting for younger siblings does not count.)

Many times when asked by freshman parents how they can prepare their child for post-secondary education, we refer them to the Congressional Award. This free (except for the registration fee) program encompasses community service, personal development, physical fitness, and leadership through exploration and/or expedition. Your child is probably doing most of the requirements for this program, why not take the time to have them document their accomplishments and receive congressional recognition? Visit www.congressionalaward.org for additional information.



On March 15th and 16th, 50 CHS students attended the Monmouth Council of the Arts Teen Arts Festival at Brookdale College. On Thursday, visual communications students participated in a critique session with Molly Gaston Johnson, local printmaker and professor at Ocean County College. On Friday, film students attended a workshop with Robert O'Connor, Artistic Director of "FilmOneFest" in Atlantic Highlands, and creative writing students received critiques from Merry Brennan, a past professor of writing at Brookdale. Two CHS student, Jessica Gambino and Apollo Santiago, had pieces selected for the "Identity" Gallery Show that will travel around the County through the rest of the year.

As a result of students' participation in this event, the following students were awarded "Top of the Tops" recognition:

<u>Creative Writing</u>: Victoria Palfini (one of the two kids I got to attend which is kind of ironic I guess)

<u>Video</u>: Louis Sangiorgio and Andy Do (the *only* mentions in the video category)

<u>Visual Communications</u>: Emil Gombos and Apollo Santiago



TEEN ARTS FESTIVAL









It's been a great month for the Cultural Communications Club! On March 16 we celebrated our annual festival. After last year's festival we never thought we could do a better iob but we proved ourselves so wrong. This year's fair was simply spectacular. We had 14 countries on display around the school and every grade in the school was involved. We had countries represented by freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors. At the end of the night the winners were Jamaica (2nd place) and Greece (1st place). The entertainment was represented by 19 performances including an Indian dance, karate display and some traditional Irish songs. After all these years working at CHS, it still amazes me how talented our students are. The food was, as always, fabulous. We had donations from several restaurants, parents and students, and from the MCVSD Culinary School, who donated a huge cake. Everything was perfect that night. We made \$1,300 that would be added to the rest of the money fundraised by CCC this year and sent to Saint Jude's Hospital at the end of the school year. We would like to express our gratitude to the students, the parents, the restaurants that donated food, and especially to Rachel Belli (President), Gia Reilly (Vice-president), Valerie Saeger (Secretary), Sarah Gleason (Activity Coordinator), Tyler McManus (Activity Coordinator), Nicole Swenarton (Buffet Coordinator). All the other members of the Cultural Communications Club worked very hard to make this event so amazingly beautiful. As I always say, "Anything can be done at CHS."

Submitted by: Sabina Campbell

The MCVEA PRIDE Committee Provides Popcorn to Students Hungry to See the *Hunger Games*

On Friday, March 23rd many students ventured to the movie theatre to see the midnight premiere of the highly anticipated film adaptation of their favorite trilogy, *The Hunger Games*. While a majority of students made the choice to only get three hours of sleep on a school night, there were other students who decided to wait until Saturday, March 25 to see it with other CHS Suzanne Collins fans. They bought pre-sale tickets from Mrs. Harmon and then received popcorn and soda compliments of the Monmouth County Vocational Education Association. While the students claimed that the movie was riveting, thrilling and pretty consistent with the pages they remembered reading, we all concurred that the novel was a lot better!!

Mrs. Harmon
English I Instructor

Drama Club

Come see the CHS Drama Club at the Jersey Shore Arts Center in Ocean Grove! On Friday, April 20th and Saturday, April 21st at 8 pm, join us as we perform Neil Simon's "Rumors." Tickets are \$8 for anyone under 18 and \$10 for adults.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Kidnap the Teacher,

the major NHS fundraiser, took place in March. Each class period gave money (voluntarily, of course!!!) to have its teacher kidnapped for that period. The class that collected the most money after 1 week will have its teacher kidnapped for that period and will win an ice cream sundae party for April 5. The second place winner will receive candy. Half of the money is donated to the Monmouth-Ocean FoodBank and half is used to pay for NHS Induction Ceremony supplies. The chairperson was Ciara Cornette.

Asbury Park Rotary Club Polar Plunge

For the second year in a row, NHS members raised money for cornea transplants by participating in the Asbury Park Rotary Club Polar Plunge. About a dozen members took the plunge with other members present to cheer them on and warm them up after the plunge!



ONE-TIME DONATION

A SPECIAL OFFER TO CHS FAMILIES

The Communications High School PSFA has a number of fundraisers planned for the 2011-2012 school year. Our goal is to raise money to support all of our planned student events and programs. Many CHS families want to support these efforts, but have trouble finding the time to respond to fundraising requests. Therefore, for your convenience, the PSFA is offering a **one-time fundraising donation option**.

For a one-time donation of \$100 or more, you can help our fundraising efforts, and then, knowing that you have done your part, simply disregard the PSFA fundraising that will be brought to your attention through the year. (Of course, if something appeals to you, please feel free to participate!)

If you are interested in this option, please fill out the section below and send to the school office with your check in an envelope marked "CHS PSFA – Donations". To ensure that your donation reaches us, you can mail your donation to:

CHS PSFA, 1740 New Bedford Road, Wall, NJ 07719-3740

Please note: Your family will still be informed about planned fundraising, but you can feel free to disregard the information.

As always, we thank you for your help and support.

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City:	Zip Code:	
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DOWN THE SHORE!



8th Annual Dinner Dance and Gift Raffle

The 8th Annual Dinner Dance and Gift Raffle, *Down The Shore!*, was our most successful event ever. We had more guests than ever before (178!) including faculty, alumni parents, and parents of current students. The event was supported by the largest number of CHS families ever, with incredibly generous donations of cash and prizes, as well as with more ads for our program than ever before.

The event raised over \$14,000 which will fund the PSFA events that benefit all CHS students.

During preparations for the Dinner Dance and Gift Raffle, it has been our privilege to witness the generosity and involvement of CHS parents. We are truly a community who are invested in the education of our children! It has been an honor to work with the talented, caring, dedicated parents who contributed to this event.

A very special thank you to all the volunteers who solicited ads and gifts, transported the gifts to the event, set up and decorated the ballroom, sold raffle tickets, and saw to the other countless details that helped to make this year's event a huge success.

So many people helped create *Down The Shore!* that it would be impossible to thank each one by name. We hope you know that each of you as individuals were essential to the success of the Dinner Dance and Gift Raffle. There are, however, some individuals who deserve special recognition.

- ♦ First of all, we owe many thanks to our principal, **Mr. Gleason**, who is always supportive of the PSFA.
- ♦ Thank you to **all the Faculty Members** who attended that night; it means so much to the PSFA to have the presence of faculty at our events.
- ♦ Thank you to the office personnel, Mrs. Hynes and Mrs. Kuwera, for all their help with the donations and correspondences that came directly to CHS.
- ♦ <u>Jen Duddy</u> and <u>Antoinetta Gibson</u> did an amazing job of transforming The Mill into a Seaside Resort....thank you for all your efforts!
- ♦ We are grateful to <u>Mark Allen</u> for creating such a beautiful program and to <u>Linda</u> <u>Swenarton</u> for entering all items into the program.
- ♦ Many thanks to **George Amedeo** for coordinating the addition of the Steiner Sports Memorabilia into the Gift Auction.
- ♦ Thanks to **Annette Kelleher** for coordinating all of the raffle ticket and 50/50 tickets, as well as all of the volunteers who spent much of their evening helping to sell tickets.
- ♦ **John Talamo** provided the music for the evening....with many "beachy" songs!
- ♦ Thanks to our "wrappers" **Eda Saeger**, **Sophie Weiner**, and **Judy Van Brunt** who created beautiful baskets.
- ♦ Thanks to **Judi Taglieri** for counting the final ticket results for each prize.
- ♦ We could not have had a gift auction without our gift solicitation team....many thanks to everyone who ventured into a place of business and requested a donation.
- ♦ Thanks to our fabulous setup committee for donating so much of their time, energy and talent:.

We hope that everyone enjoyed this year's event, and hope even more of you will join us next year at our 9th Annual Dinner Dance and Gift Raffle.

If you were one of the lucky winners, would you be willing to return the baskets, jewelry stands, frames and easels in which gifts were displayed? If so, please send to the CHS main office. We are already thinking ahead to preparations for the 2013 Dinner Dance and Gift Raffle!

We could not have had a successful Dinner Dance and Gift Raffle without the support of CHS Families!

A special thank you to our Gift Solicitation Volunteers:

Cindy Allen	Judi Taglieri	Kathy Gilbert	Joanne Prascsak
Mark Allen	Sue Woods	Debbie Talamo	Dorinne Cattelona
Sally Capotorto	Isabella Grove	Pat Balsamo	Pat Balsamo
Wendy Baker	Ellen Reilly	Dianne Zirkel	

Many thanks to the CHS Families who donated many of the items which were included in the raffle baskets:

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Many thanks to the CHS Families who made monetary donations to help create raffle baskets:

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Breyer	Grippo	Kazenmeyer	Prascsak	Vitali
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Submitted by Kathy Gilbert, Dinner Dance Gift Raffle Chairperson

Somerset Patriots Baseball

New York Red Bulls

West End Family Pharmacy

Lakewood Blue Claws Baseball

CHS PSFA MEMBERSHP DRIVE

It's that time of year when your Membership Committee begins our Membership Drive for the 2012-13 school year. We will start our Drive with the Class of 2016 at Freshmen Orientation on April 18th. Once all our new, eager families have signed up to join the CHS PSFA, we will turn our attention to our returning families.

We will begin by sending all returning families an email reminding them of their membership status. This is the best time for you to renew your membership. We encourage all families to renew their membership until their student's graduation. Renewing your membership in this manner saves the PSFA money that we work so hard to earn. By not sending out renewal letters on a yearly basis, we save the cost of stamps, envelopes, paper. This frees up the money we would have spent on the Membership Drive to be used to benefit each and every student at CHS.

Watch your inbox for more details...

Submitted by – Mark Allen, Paula Dazio, Mario DeFazio

ELECTION TIME FOR THE PSFA...

NOMINATING COMMITTEE NEEDED

Each year the Communications High School PSFA holds elections for officers. In order to prepare for the elections, a Nominating Committee is needed to identify candidates who are interested in serving on the PSFA Executive Board for the 2012-2013 academic year. In order to serve on the Nominating Committee, you must be a registered member of the PSFA, and *not* be planning to run for office.

The duties of the Nominating Committee are as follows:

- ♦ Collect nomination forms.
- ♦ Contact nominees to verify that they accept the nomination.
- ♦ Ensure that there is a full slate: at least one candidate for each office.
- ♦ Present the slate of candidates at the April PSFA meeting.
- Onduct elections at the May PSFA meeting.

This is an important service to the PSFA, yet it consists of a short commitment of your time. Please consider volunteering for this committee. If you would like to serve, please contact Debbie or John Talamo at dtalamo@optonline.net or 732-577-6820.

2012-2013 PSFA Officer Nomination Form Bring Your Talents to the PSFA Executive Board! **RUN FOR OFFICE**

Elections for CHS PSFA officers will be held in May. Each year the PSFA seeks candidates who are willing to dedicate their time and talents to serve as officers in the organization. We encourage all members of the PSFA who want to offer service to the school to consider nominating themselves. In addition, if you feel there is a member of the PSFA who would be an asset to the Executive Board, please nominate them.

Please do not let consideration of whether there are other candidates for an office influence your decision to run! The democratic process of election will allow the PSFA members to identify those whom they feel would best represent their interests and be of most service to CHS, and, in addition, will strengthen the PSFA.

The Executive Board consists of six positions: **two Co-Presidents** who preside over the meetings; **one Vice President** who assists the Co-Presidents and acts on their behalf in their absence; **one Treasurer** who keeps accurate records of all PSFA monies and pays all approved bills for the PSFA; **one Recording Secretary** who keeps the minutes and attendance for all PSFA meetings; and **one Corresponding Secretary** who is responsible for sending out proper notices for all regular meetings and handling PSFA correspondence

In order to be considered by the Nominating Committee, you must be a registered active member of the PSFA. Nomination forms will be distributed via this issue of the <u>Communiqué</u> and will be available on the PSFA website. Go to chs.mcvsd.org; click on "PSFA"; click on "Forms and Messages."

The PSFA Nominating Committee is scheduled to present a slate of candidates for office in April, and will hold elections for the 2012-2013 Executive Board at our meeting in May. Nominations will be accepted up until the election date.

envelope to the school office.	to nominate yourself or another PSFA member and return in a sealed Please address: <i>Attention: PSFA Nominating Committee</i>
Use this form to nominate you	rself or another PSFA member for office. Nominations may be anonymous.
I nominate (name of candidate	for the office of: e and their student's class year, if known)
□ Co-President□ Vice-President□ Treasurer	□ Recording Secretary □ Corresponding Secretary

You may complete the following or remain anonymous.

Signature:

Name: _____Phone Number: ____

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CHS CLASS OF '12 WE WANT YOU!

Please email your baby picture to Mrs.Rod via the BBS, drop it in the Pink Box in room 220, or send in a baby picto Mrs Rod. via regular mail.

Put your name on the back so we can return it asap:

BUT DON T WORRY ...

WE HAVE A SUBSTITUTE PHOTO FOR THOSE OF YOU



SENIORS.. WHAT DO YOU WANT TO SAY?

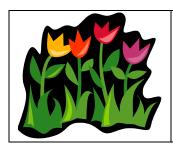
YOUR QUOTES FOR THE YEARBOOK ARE DUE ASAP VIA GOOGLEDOCS
CLICK HERE. (LINK IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE BBS CLASS OF 2012 BOARD)
PLEASE TRY TO COME UP WITH 2 QUOTES, SO WE CAN ELIMINATE DUPLICATES

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COMMUNICATIONS HIGH SCHOOL APRIL & MAY 2012 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

APRIL 2	SENIOR AUCTION DAY	
APRIL 6 –13	NO SCHOOL	
APRIL 16	SCHOOL RESUMES	
APRIL 18	NAHS FIELD TRIP	
APRIL 18	FRESHMAN ORIENTATION	6:30 рм
APRIL 19	PSFA MEETING	7:30 РМ
APRIL 20 & 21	DRAMA PRODUCTION	6:00 РМ
APRIL 23 – 27	SPIRIT WEEK	
APRIL 25	JUNIOR TRIP TO NYC	
APRIL 27	MR. CHS	6:30-8:30 РМ
May 3	PSFA MEETING	7:30 РМ
May 4	SENIOR TRIP	
May 9	NHS BLOOD DRIVE	
May 11	SGA ELECTION	
MAY 15	BIOLOGY COMPETENCY TEST NJ	
May 18	PROM – THE MILL	
May 21	SENIOR BOWLING TRIP	
May 22	SENIOR PORTRAIT DAY	9 AM - 2 PM
May 23	SENIOR PORTRAIT DAY	8 AM - 1 PM
May 23	CHS PLACEMENT TEST	3:00 рм
May 24	SENIOR PORTRAIT DAY	8 AM - 1 PM
May 24	CLASS COUNCIL ELECTIONS	
May 25 – 29	SCHOOL CLOSED	
May 31	SENIOR PICNIC	