Central Catholic High School

CCHS College Placement News

Welcome Back! Mrs. Blake and Mrs. Rohrig hope you had a wonderful summer and are ready for another wonderful year at CCHS!

For those of you who are new to our bi-weekly newsletter, it is our way of communicating and providing you with information about the college planning process. We will be assisting you with college visits, ACT/SAT tests, scholarships and applications for admission, and financial aid, and more.

Senior 101 Knight

The Senior Parent Meeting at CCHS will be on **Wednesday, September 16th at 6:30 PM** in the Great Hall. This meeting is for parents/guardians, and we ask at least one from every family please attend. **Students do not need to attend.** It will be an informative meeting as we will be discussing **everything** that you need to know to guide you through this busy senior year. A representative from Jostens will be here that evening to walk you through the process of cap, gown, and announcement ordering.

Senior Seminar

Seniors will be participating in Senior Seminars with Mrs. Blake and Mrs. Rohrig once a month during x-hour in the Great Hall. We will discuss a variety of things from college applications, scholarships, and more. Please note your attendance is mandatory**.**

We will have our first seminar on **Tuesday, September 29th during x-hour** in the Great Hall.

Jostens

A representative from Jostens will be at CCHS on **Tuesday, September 22nd during all lunch periods** taking orders for cap & gown, graduation gear, class rings, and letterman jackets. Flyers are at the end of the newsletter.

FAFSA Knight

We will be providing detailed information about the FAFSA (what it is & why you need it) at Senior 101 Knight. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend our FAFSA Workshop on **Tuesday, Oct. 27 at 6:00 PM** in the **CCHS TEAL Lab (2nd floor)**.

Mr. Brian Bollinger from WVU will give a brief financial aid presentation.

Mrs. Blake, Mrs. Rohrig, and Mr. Bollinger will be assisting parents/guardians **AND** their student with the completion & submission of the FAFSA. **STUDENT AND PARENT WHO WILL BE COMPLETING THE FAFSA MUST ATTEND TOGETHER.**

Parents/guardians are also more than welcome to complete the FAFSA on your own (**the FAFSA will open Oct. 1**) but if you do, you are encouraged to do so **WITH YOUR STUDENT PRESENT.** There are steps that are required that involve all parties and the accurate joining of the application.

***Parents/guardians -** if you have ever created an account for a FAFSA with an older student at any time, then you will already have a studentaid.gov account & must use that previous account.

Counseling Office Google Classrooms

Mrs. Blake has created Google Classrooms for juniors and seniors. If you have not joined, this needs done by **Tuesday, September 8th.** We will post helpful information, scholarship information, important deadlines, etc. We encourage parents/guardians to sit down with your students and review Google Classroom from time to time.

Letters of Recommendation

Seniors should be starting to request letters of recommendation now. You need to make sure you allow teachers, coaches, bosses, etc. a **minimum of 2 weeks** to get this completed. Also, you need to ask permission from whomever you will be listing as a recommender on applications. The date to have these requested is December 1st. Please have your recommender email a copy to Mrs. Rohrig (erohrig@cchsknights.org), you will likely need to use the letter more than once and this way she will have it readily available for you. Letters of recommendation are not required but highly encouraged.

Transcript Requests

Students needing transcripts sent to colleges must email Mrs. Rohrig (erohrig@cchsknights.org) and request those. Please let her know the college and how the college would like to receive the transcript (electronically or by mail). We must have a written request to release the transcript; we cannot send anything without the student's written permission.

Resumes

Seniors- Mrs. Rohrig needs a copy of your resume. These will be used to consider you for recognition, awards, and potential scholarships. It may also be helpful to those you ask to write letters of recommendation. Please submit your resume through the **Counseling Office Google Classroom by September 30th.**

US Service Academy Days

Students interested in applying to one of the US Military Academies, Senator Shelley Moore Capito is hosting four service academy days around the state of WV in September to learn about the application and nomination process.

The application process for the Service Academies is very stringent, so it's crucial you are fully aware of the requirements & timelines.

All students at the following institutions of higher education receive full tuition, room and board and books at no cost. Four of the five academies - U.S. Naval Academy (USNA), U.S. Military Academy (USMA), U.S. Air Force Academy (USAFA), and U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA) - require applicants to apply for and receive a congressional nomination from either a U.S. Representative or a U.S. Senator. Congressional staff will be present to explain the nomination process. For more information, click here.

Date	Time	Location
Saturday, Sept. 19th	2:00- 4:00pm	Jefferson High School

Sunday, Sept. 20th	2:00- 4:00pm	Woodrow Wilson High School Auditorium
Saturday, Sept. 26th	2:00- 4:00pm	South Charleston High School
Sunday, Sept. 27th	2:00- 4:00pm	University High School

College Admission Visits/CCHS Mini College Fair

We will host our "Mini College Fair" on **Wednesday, November 4th** during x-hour in the Great Hall. All seniors will attend; any interested junior may attend as well.

Juniors- a sign up will come out closer to the dates, you will need to sign up to attend.

WVU will be at CCHS on **Tuesday, September 15th,** during x-hour in the TEAL Lab to meet with interested students. Any interested junior or senior will need to sign up to attend. The sign-up will be sent out next week.

Project Best Career Fair

Project BEST is a non-profit organization created by the Upper Ohio Valley Building Trades and the Ohio Valley Construction Employers Council to facilitate industry development and promote the Ohio Valley's public and private construction. Working closely with JATC apprenticeship programs we encourage the skilled trades as an avenue for anyone interested in a tuition-free career. Project BEST advocates for the responsible contracting policies, ensuring contractors have a track record of completing quality jobs while providing employees with fair wages and benefits. (adapted from projectbest.com).

Project Best is hosting a job/career fair on **Wednesday, September 16th**. CCHS will be taking interested juniors and seniors. All interested students must sign-up to attend using the Google Form posted in the Class of 2027 and Class of 2028 Googe Classrooms. Students will need to complete a permission form and return it to Mrs. Rohrig by **Monday, September 14th.**

Wheeling Area Chamber of Commerce College Fair

All juniors and seniors will be attending the Wheeling Area Chamber of Commerce College Fair on **Wednesday, October 28th** at the Highlands Sports Complex. More information to come.

WVU Medicine's Center for Nursing Education

The 21-month registered nursing diploma program in Wheeling combines classroom instruction with hands-on clinical experience to prepare students for RN licensure. Fall 2027 applications are open now! The deadline to apply is **October 5, 2026, at 11:59pm.**

Tuition waiver covers tuition, books, fees, and required supplies. Graduates commit to three years of employment with WVU Medicine in a bedside nursing position.

See the flyer at the end of this newsletter for more information.

U-Launch Program Information Session

Interested in learning more about a career in behavioral health, such as social work, psychology, or counseling? West Liberty University and Marshall University have partnered to develop the grant-funded **U-LAUNCH program**, designed to help high school juniors and seniors explore careers in behavioral healthcare. Interested juniors and seniors are encouraged to attend a presentation hosted by West Liberty University on **Tuesday, September 8, during X-Period in the TEAL Lab**.

This informative session will provide students with an overview of behavioral health careers, the majors and educational pathways available, and the meaningful impact these professionals can have in their communities.

Ohio University Eastern- Explore OHIO: Destination Eastern

Ohio University Eastern is hosting "Explore OHIO: Destination Eastern" registration is now open. This event is for Juniors and Seniors interested in learning more about OUE!

The event will be on **Friday, October 2nd.** Check-in starts at 8:45am and the event begins at 9:30am and will last until 12:30pm with lunch included.

Students will be able to register to learn more about different majors at the major's fair, tour campus, and apply if they are a senior.

Major Tracks students get to choose from:

- Education
- Exploring (Undecided)
- Social Work and Psychology
- Sociology Pre-Law and Sociology-Criminology
- Health Services Administration and Communication Studies
- Nursing (BSN) and Biology Pathway Majors

CCHS Legacy Information

Mrs. Espina needs to have all CCHS legacy no later than **January 31, 2027**. She does not need names, just the number of family members who graduated from CCHS. A Google Form will be linked in the new newsletter.

Junior Parent Knight

The Junior Parent Meeting at CCHS will be on **Tuesday, November 10th at 6:30 PM** in the Great Hall. At least one parent/guardian is encouraged to attend to learn more about what juniors should be doing now to prepare for their senior year. We will review helpful information and important timelines, please plan to attend.

Free/Reduced Lunch Forms

Please make sure to return your free/reduced lunch forms to Mrs. Hoge. Forms are available in the Main Office and the Counseling Office. If a student qualifies for free/reduced lunch, they automatically qualify for fee waivers for ACT/SAT testing and reduced AP exam fees so please apply if you could benefit from this additional financial assistance.

ACT Test Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
October 17, 2026	September 11, 2026	September 29, 2026
December 12, 2026	November 6, 2026	November 29, 2026
February 27, 2027	January 22, 2027	February 9, 2027
April 10, 2027	March 5, 2027	March 23, 2027
June 12, 2027	May 7, 2027	May 25, 2027
July 10, 2027	June 4, 2027	June 22, 2027

SAT Test Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
October 3, 2026	September 18, 2026	September 22, 2026
November 7, 2026	October 23, 2026	October 27, 2026
December 5, 2026	November 20, 2026	November 24, 2026
March 6, 2027	February 19, 2027	February 23, 2027
May 1, 2027	April 16, 2027	April 20, 2027
June 5, 2027	May 21, 2027	May 25, 2027

ACT/SAT Codes

CCHS School Code: 491400

WV Promise

- ACT: 4539
- SAT: 3456

NCAA: 9999

WV Promise Test Codes

WV resident students when you register for the ACT or SAT make sure you add the Promise test codes to have your scores sent for the Promise Scholarship. It is extremely important to add the test codes when registering for the tests. Failure to do so could result in a delay in the awarding of your Promise Scholarship.

ACT Code: 4539
SAT Code: 3456

CCHS Knight School

Struggling in a class? Do you feel like you need a little extra help or support? Plan to stay after school for Knight School to receive assistance from teachers on their designated night.

- **Mondays-** Math & Religion
- **Tuesdays-** Foreign Languages & Science
- **Wednesdays-** English
- **Thursdays-** Social Studies

Test Prep/SAT/ACT/Everyday Problem Solving with Mr. Perdziola

Mr. Perdziola is offering Saturday morning test prep; the cost is $300, and checks can be made payable to CCHS. Classes will cover various problem-solving techniques from Pre-Algebra to Precalculus. This class is appropriate for students in grades 7-12. Class size is limited. Each student will need to bring a graphing calculator (TI-84) and a notebook. Please reach out to Mr. Perdziola (tperdziola@cchsknights.org) for more information. Class time is 7:30-9:30 AM.

September 5th, 19th, & 27th
October 3rd, 10th, & 17th
November 7th & 14th
December 5th & 12th

Union Test Prep

Union Test Prep is an online resource with practice standardized tests. They offer practice tests for the ACT, SAT, and much more. For more information, click here.

Tutoring/Test Prep

West Virginians now have access to online tutoring, test prep, and job support at no cost, if they have a library card. All West Virginians can access services between 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Through TutorWV, every West Virginian gains no-cost access to 1-to-1 tutoring and drop-off review services, test prep and self-paced resources, and job search assistance.

Live tutoring is also available for standardized tests like the GED®, ASVAB, and AP® as well as practice quizzes, video lessons, and test-preparation resources for the SAT®, ACT®, MCAT®, LSAT® and more.

Tutoring is available for all students- elementary school through college!

Please visit www.tutor.com/tutorwv for more information.

ACT & Collegewise

Navigating college admissions can be overwhelming, but fear not Collegewise is here!

Join us to take a deep dive into what admission officers are really looking for. Our expert speakers will guide you through every step of the college admissions journey, from making the most of high school to researching universities and crafting successful applications, all while maintaining your sanity.

You will uncover:

- How to navigate course selection in high school
- What to do over summer and winter break
- Why extracurriculars matter and how to craft unique ones
- How to create a narrative throughout the application
- What makes a great college essay
- What admissions officers value in applications
- And so much more.

Click here for more information and to register.

Schoolhouse Program

Schoolhouse is a non-profit with the mission of connecting the world with free, peer-to-peer tutoring. They offer free, virtual tutoring programs for high school students. Schoolhouse was founded by Sal Khan of Khan Academy in 2020 and has supported 100,000+ students so far. All programs are 100% free thanks to our generous donors and our volunteer tutors.

Programs Offered:

- SAT Bootcamps
- Math Learning Labs
- Homework Help
- College Admission Workshops
- Dialogues

For more information and to register, click here.

QuestBridge

QuestBridge is a nonprofit that connects academically outstanding students from low-income backgrounds with admission and full four-year scholarships to over 50 top colleges through the National College Match.

We encourage you to learn more about the National College Match for high school seniors. Through this college and scholarship application process, you can apply for free to the nation's best colleges and be considered for early admission and a full four-year scholarship from the college. More information about eligibility is available at questbridge.org. Please check it out!

College For WV Scholarship Search

Seniors don't forget to utilize the scholarship search on the College for WV website. You will build a scholarship profile and be matched with scholarships to apply for. Do not let scholarship opportunities pass you by!

Scholarship.com

Scholarships.com is a website that lists national scholarships. They also are a matching service for scholarships students might qualify for. Below is a scholarship calendar from their website, https://www.scholarships.com/.

Important Dates

September 7th	Labor Day- No School
September 9th	Parent Knight
September 16th	Project Best Career Fair
September 16th	Senior Parent 101 Knight
September 17th	Project Best Career Fair
September 17th	Senior 101 Knight **(Senior Parents-Seniors do not need to attend)**
September 18th	2-hour delay
September 22nd	Jostens Graduation Orders Due
September 24th	Interim Reports
October 14th	Juniors- PSAT/NMSQT Testing
October 18th-23rd	Homecoming Week
October 27th	FAFSA Knight
October 28th	Wheeling Chamber of Commerce College & Career Fair
October 30th	End of Q1

Scholarship Opportunities

National Honor Society Scholarship
Amount: Varies
Deadline: Nov. 20 at 5:00PM
More Information & Application: Counseling Office Google Classroom

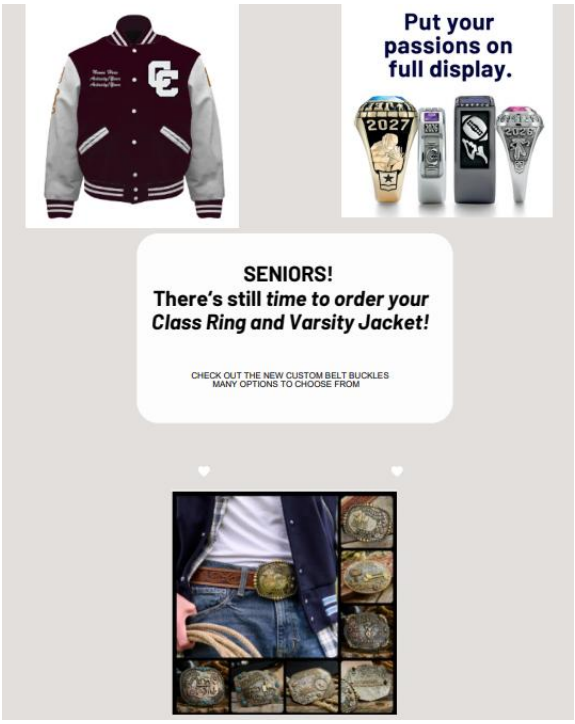
College Events

Marshall University Green & White Days
Dates: Sept. 12, Oct. 17, Nov. 13, Nov. 14
More Information & Registration: Click Here

Ohio University Eastern: Explore OHIO
Date: October 2nd
More Information & Registration: Google Classroom

West Liberty University Black & Gold Days
Dates: Oct. 10 & Nov. 11
More Information & Registration: Click Here

	West Liberty University College-Specific Open Houses **Health Sciences-** Sept. 25 **Biological Sciences-** Oct. 2 **Education & Human Performance-** Oct. 30 **Liberal & Creative Arts-** Nov. 6 **More Information & Registration:** Click Here
	WVU Open House **Dates:** Oct. 24 & Nov. 7 **More Information & Registration:** Click Here
	Meet WVU **Dates:** Oct. 27 **More Information & Registration:** Click Here
	Bethany College Fall Visit Experience **Date:** Sept. 17 **More Information & Registration:** Click Here



WHAT IS A DIPLOMA NURSING PROGRAM?

- A hospital-based nursing program that combines classroom instruction with extensive hands-on clinical experience to prepare students for RN licensure. Graduates take the same NCLEX-RN® licensure exam as graduates of associate and bachelor's degree nursing programs.
- All students receive a tuition waiver covering tuition, books, fees, and required supplies in exchange for a three-year employment commitment at any of WVU Medicine's 25 hospitals across WV, PA, MD, and OH in any bedside nursing position after graduation.
- The program features one-on-one academic support services, intensive clinical experiences and extensive student support
- Acredited by ACEN, the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing

DO WE ACCEPT AP CLASSES?

- Absolutely! A score of 3 or higher on the AP exams for Precalculus, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, English Language or Composition, or Psychology may be used to satisfy applicable general education or prerequisite requirements for admission to our program.

THREE LOCATIONS

- Morgantown, Martinsburg, and Wheeling

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION, APPLICANTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

- High school diploma or GED
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 *(*exemption form available if your GPA is under 2.5)*
- Completion of Algebra, Chemistry, and English with a grade of C or better

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- See your counselor for dual enrollment opportunities for general education classes needed in our program in psychology, anatomy & physiology and nutrition
- SAT, ACT and TEAS test scores not required but can make your application more competitive (TEAS – 60 or above on each sub score; ACT – 19 or above; or SAT – 1030 or above)

WHEN CAN YOU APPLY?

- Applications open each August and January, approximately one year before classes begin. Morgantown admits students twice a year (January and August), while Martinsburg and Wheeling admit one August cohort annually
- Interested in more information or to schedule a tour of our facility? Contact us at CNEinfo@wvumedicine.org or 304-418-1060
- Visit our website at WVUMedicine.org/CNE