Central Catholic
HIGH SCHOOL

CCHS College Placement News

It is hard to believe that it is officially October! This is a busy and exciting month at CCHS, and we have a lot happening. From PSAT/NMSQT and Homecoming to FAFSA Knight, college visits, and much more, there are plenty of opportunities to learn, connect, and get involved!

As we head into October, please take a few minutes to look through this month's newsletter so you don't miss any important dates, events, reminders, or opportunities. We are looking forward to a fun and productive month at CCHS!

PSAT/NMSQT- Juniors

All Juniors will be taking the PSAT/NMSQT exam on **Wednesday, October 14.**

The score you earn on THIS TEST can be used for college admission and qualifies you for national scholarship opportunities.

Very important reminders:

- Juniors will report to school at regular time- **testing will begin promptly at 7:30am**
- Chromebooks need to be fully charged and ready to go
- Students will be notified of their testing location closer to the test date
- This exam offers the opportunity for Juniors to become eligible for the National Merit Scholarship
- programs
- An early dismissal will follow the completion of all testing

Senior Seminar

We will have a special guest speaker at our senior seminar on **Wednesday, October 7** during x-hour in the Great Hall.

FAFSA Knight

We provided 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. Step-by-step instructions on completing the FAFSA were provided on at Senior 101 Knight or were sent home with your student on Thursday. Please be sure you receive this information.

***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.

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.

It is recommended and (strongly) encouraged that students offer a personal thank you to each recommender upon receipt of the letter.

Transcript Requests

As you begin the process of applying to college you will need to send a written request to Mrs. Rohrig (erohrig@cchsknights.org) for her to send your transcript. You need to do this immediately following the submission of your application. 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 your resumes were due to the **Counseling Office Google Classroom today.** If you haven't submitted yours yet, please get it done ASAP**!** Your resume may be used when considering you for recognition, awards, and potential scholarships. It can also be helpful for teachers, counselors, or others you ask to write letters of recommendation for you.

NCAA Registration

If you are an athlete planning to participate in Division I or Division II athletics in college, you must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center. Once you register, email Mrs. Rohrig so she can upload your transcript.

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.

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. Permission forms are posted in the Counseling Office Google Classrooms and available in the Counseling Office.

Franciscan University of Steubenville Nurse Visit Day

Franciscan University is hosting a Nurse Visit Day on **Friday, October 23.** If you are interested in a career in nursing and potentially attending Franciscan University this is a great opportunity to meet with faculty, explore campus, and more. For more information and to register, visit the link in the Counseling Office Google Classroom.

Bethany College STEM Career Day

Bethany College is hosting a STEM Career Day for juniors and seniors on **Friday, November 13.** This is a great opportunity to get hands-on experiences, meet faculty, explore majors, and more. For more information and to register, visit the link in the Counseling Office Google Classroom.

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.

Paid Internship Opportunity

Get hands-on experience in West Virginia's local food system. Public Market/Grow Ohio Valley is looking for 3 high school students to participate in the WV Food & Agriculture Service-Learning Internship Program. This program is open to juniors and seniors ages 16 and older.

This is a paid internship where you'll gain real-world experience while learning about local food, farming, and community-based agriculture. More information is available in the Counseling Office Google Classroom.

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.

CCHS Legacy Form

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. If you think there's even a possibility your student may qualify, we encourage you to submit an application.

ACT Test Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
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
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.

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!

American Legion Oratorical Scholarship Program

The American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program- "*A Constitutional Speech Contest*" is now open. If you enjoy public speaking, history, government, or debate, this could be a great opportunity to showcase your skills while competing for scholarship money.

Scholarships are available for finalists at the state, sectional, district, and national levels.

For more information see the post in the Counseling Office Google Classroom.

Create-A-Greeting-Card Scholarship Contest

Celebrate 20 years of creativity! Enter your original artwork in the 20th Annual Gallery Collection Greeting Card Scholarship Contest for a chance to win a $10,000 scholarship and have your design turned into a genuine Gallery Collection greeting card. This contest is open to students aged 14 and older at the time of entry.

For more information see the post in the Counseling Office Google Classroom.

McDonald's Archways to Opportunity Tuition Assistance

McDonald's Archways to Opportunity offers tuition assistance up to $2,500 per year for eligible McDonald's employees to help make college more affordable.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must work at McDonald's for at least 90 days
- Must work at least 15 hours per week
- Must be in good standing

For more information see the announcement in the Counseling Office Google Classroom.

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

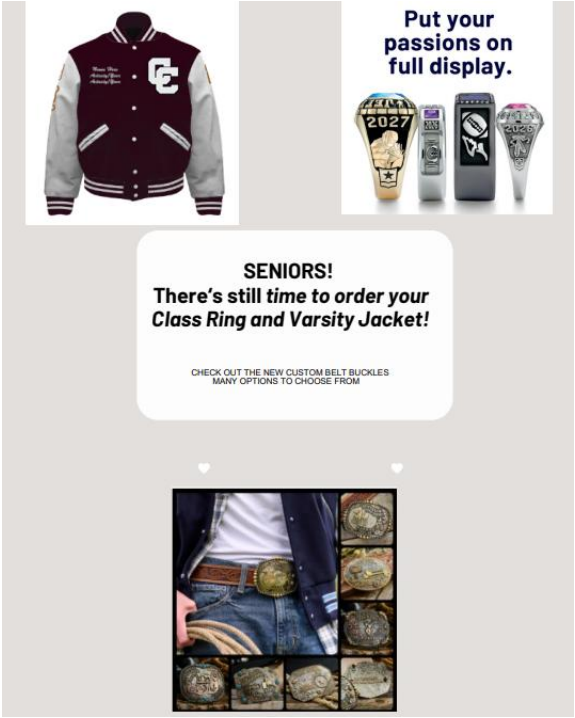
October 14th	Juniors- PSAT/NMSQT Testing
October 18th-23rd	Homecoming Week
October 27th	FAFSA Knight
October 28th	Wheeling Chamber of Commerce College & Career Fair
October 30th	End of Q1

Scholarship Opportunities	
	Elks Most Valuable Student **Amount:** 500- $1,000-$7,500 (National), 2- $1,000 & 4-$500(Wheeling) **Deadline:** Nov. 12 **More Information & Application:** Click Here
	National Honor Society Scholarship **Amount:** Varies **Deadline:** Nov. 20 at 5:00PM **More Information & Application:** Counseling Office Google Classroom
	The American Legion Oratorical Scholarship Program **Amount:** Varies- State, Sectional, District, & National Levels **Deadline:** January 2027 **More Information & Application:** Counseling Office Google Classroom
	Elks Legacy **Amount:** Up to $6,000 **Deadline:** Feb. 1 **More Information & Application:** Counseling Office Google Classroom ****Must be a child or grandchild of a living Elks member****
	Belmont Co. Retired Teachers Assoc. Carlton-Dew Scholarship **Amount:** Varies **Deadline:** Due to the Counseling Office by Feb. 19 **More Information & Application:** Counseling Office Google Classroom

College Events	
	Marshall University Green & White Days **Dates:** 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	**West Liberty University College-Specific Open Houses** **Education & Human Performance-** Oct. 30 **Liberal & Creative Arts-** Nov. 6 **More Information & Registration:** Click Here
WHEELING UNIVERSITY	**Wheeling University Fall Open House** **Date:** Oct. 17 **More Information & Registration:** Click Here
MUSKINGUM UNIVERSITY	**Muskingum University Get Hooked Visit Days** **Nursing- Oct. 8** **Education- Oct. 15** **Exercise Science- Oct. 22** **Sports Communication- Oct. 22** **Pre-Law & Political Science- Oct. 29** **Animal Science & Environ. Conservation- Oct. 29** **Engineering- Oct. 29**
	Waynesburg University Open House **Dates:** Oct. 17 & Nov. 14 **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

SENIOR YEAR IS Here!
2027
CONGRATULATIONS WHEELING CENTRAL
Graduating Class of 2027
In School Order Day
SCAN QR CODE TO SEE ALL AVAILABLE PRODUCTS. VERY IMPORTANT TO PLACE ORDER BY NOVEMBER 15TH FOR LOWEST PRICES AND BEST PROMOTIONS
Tuesday, September 22
During all Lunches
Cafeteria
Jostens


Put your passions on full display.
2027
SENIORS!
There's still time to order your Class Ring and Varsity Jacket!
CHECK OUT THE NEW CUSTOM BELT BUCKLES
MANY OPTIONS TO CHOOSE FROM

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