



# CCHS NEWSLETTER

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Dear CCHS Parents,

Thank you for a wonderful year as president of the CCHS Parents Association! It has been a pleasure to meet and work with so many thoughtful, creative, generous, caring and supportive people across Concord and Carlisle. And thanks as well to the CCHS school administration and staff and our gifted teachers and students who have been delightful to work with. I look forward to an additional year as PA president with the hope that together we can address the challenges and opportunities our school and students will face in 2009-2010.

On May 19<sup>th</sup>, the CCHS Parents Association had its final meeting of the year. First, we held our **Annual Business Meeting**. We elected our officers for the coming school year, and I am pleased to announce and congratulate them:

**Vice Presidents:** **Meena Rajgopal**  
**Astrid Williams**

**Secretary:** **Pam Gechjian**

**Treasurer:** **Bernadette Desrosiers LeBlanc**

I also want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation and gratitude to **Sue Myers** and **Kate McCandless Tomkinson** who served as officers this year. They along with Meena, Pam and Bernadette, and our dedicated committee chairs and members, as well as countless other parent volunteers, contributed so much to the school community and our children this year, and made my term as President both easy and gratifying. At our Annual Meeting, we also approved our budget for the 2009-2010 year.

Following the business meeting, **Kathy Bowen, our CPS Health Coordinator** discussed the Concord-Carlisle Youth Risk Behavior Survey results and their implications. On the eve of her retirement, we thanked Kathy for her years of service at the Concord Schools and across the community. Presentation of the YRBS results is particularly timely given the year-end festivities of proms and graduation that we work to make safe and enjoyable for our students and families. As mentioned elsewhere in this newsletter, the **Concord Police Department anonymous tip line** is 978-318-3407 and provides the community with an option of reporting risky behavior on a non-attribution basis, specifically house parties at which under-age drinking may be occurring.

Within days, our seniors will be graduating, with all the accompanying senior-week activities, including **All Night Live**. If you have any questions or still want to volunteer, contact [allnightlive@comcast.net](mailto:allnightlive@comcast.net). The next few weeks will also be filled with all the normal and exciting end-of-year performances, sports events, banquets, and award ceremonies for the rest of our students. I hope you and your families enjoy them all.

I would like to thank the PA's **Grants Committee** for reviewing a large number of requests for funds to initiate a wide range of interesting and innovative projects sponsored by faculty and staff. Their newsletter should shortly be arriving with greater details. Thanks to your contributions to our **Annual Appeal** we will be able to support a large percentage of them.

I would like to thank **Peter Badalament** and **Diana Rigby** for meeting with the parent community on a regular basis at their monthly morning coffees and afternoon teas, respectively. I look forward to this year's final Superintendent's tea on June 5<sup>th</sup> at the CCHS Library at 2:30 p.m. Please be aware that despite the results of Town Meetings, changes in the state's financial situation may have a substantial impact on the final budget for CCHS. These issues may be addressed at upcoming School Committee meetings and should there be information that parents need to know, we may be contacting through the summer months.

I wish you and your families a happy and rewarding end to the school year and a summer that includes enjoyable times together. I hope to see many of you around town.

On behalf of the CCHS PA Board,  
Linda Miller, President  
978-369-0586 or [lindaimiller@earthlink.net](mailto:lindaimiller@earthlink.net)



## Notes from Mr. Badalament

Well it is finally here – the end of the year! In many regards, it went by very quickly. I have truly enjoyed working with many of you over the past twelve months, and it goes without saying, but I couldn't have done it without the support of each of the key constituent groups.

I know I speak for the whole community when I say we will miss the Class of 2009. They are a wonderful group of students who have demonstrated tremendous leadership and outstanding work in both the curricular and co-curricular arenas. Thanks to the Guidance department I have some interesting data to share with you based on a survey that the seniors completed:

- 95% reported having a connection with at least one adult in the CCHS community
- We processed over 2,650 transcripts (mean sent per student = 8)
- 75% of students applied Early Decision or Early Action / 73% of those students were accepted to at least one school
- 91% of our students were accepted at one of their top three choices

How did they do it all? Parental support - I have never seen such devoted parents. Whether it is fundraising, helping at school functions, supporting teachers, supporting one's own child, or planting flowers on the school property, the parents have been overwhelmingly terrific. Once again, thank you from the bottom of my heart for all you do to make this a school that you can be proud of.

I know everyone appreciates the professional staff at CCHS. They are great and for good reason. The working conditions and some of the atmosphere created by the students and parents as mentioned above helps us attract a fabulous candidate pool from which to choose. Once here the professionalism and the high expectations that we have at CCHS are obvious to the newcomers. When you take a highly qualified professional and place them into an environment that encourages excellence the result is predictable. I hope people also appreciate the work of the non-professional staff at CCHS. The secretaries, custodians, tutors, kitchen workers, bus drivers and so forth all are hard workers who want to do their best for the school. I am particularly proud of the work that the front office staff does. Louisa Coleman is a critical piece of everything I do. Sharon Trainor, Kathy Merry, and Martha Hammer create a welcoming and comforting atmosphere for everyone who needs to traverse the bureaucracy of the school culture. Mary Tessari is unbelievable as she processes upwards of 2600 college applications with grace and dignity in a highly stressful environment that does not allow even a single mistake. I often wonder if people in Concord and Carlisle really appreciate what they have in these dedicated individuals. I hope so. They are special.

As many of you know, several teachers are retiring this year: Brad McGrath, Andrei Joseph, Kathy Pendergast and Dick Kerr. They have all dedicated many years of service to the students of CCHS. As Goethe once said, "Treat people as if they were what they ought to be and you help them to become what they are capable of being." They all did this over the course of their careers – they recognized the potential in a student and then realized what a precious gift it was. Ultimately, they sparked the fire that helped that young person truly become "a life long learner." Thousands of people are forever indebted to them for this.

I think you know CCHS is a great school in many ways. I suspect you know that CCHS can be better than it is. I look forward to continuing to work with all interested parties to continue the process of improvement. I hope you all have a restful and productive summer.

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## Thank You Very Much

The faculty and staff wish to thank the Parents Association and all of the volunteers for the fabulous luncheon on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. It was

**Fantastic.**



# Final Exam Schedule 2009

**FRIDAY – JUNE 26 IS A HALF DAY**

**REGULAR 8 PERIOD DAY A-1 ON FRIDAY 6/26**



Get plenty of rest.

Eat a good breakfast.

Study for your exam subject.

Be Prepared with the correct materials to take your exam.

Monday 6-22	Tuesday 6-23	Wednesday 6-24	Thursday 6-25	Friday 6-26
7:25 H-Exam	7:25 C-Exam	7:25 B-Exam	7:25 A-Exam	7:25 A - Block 7:57
10:10	10:10	10:10	10:10	8:01 B-Block 8:23
10:15 Lunch	10:15 Lunch	10:15 Lunch	10:15 Lunch	8:27 C-Block 8:49
11:15	11:15	11:15	11:15	
11:20 G-Exam	11:20 F-Exam	11:20 E-Exam	11:20 D-Exam	8:53 D-Block 9:15
2:08	2:08	2:08	2:08	9:19 E-Block 9:41
				9:45 F-Block 10:07
				10:11 G-Block 10:33
				10:37 H-Block 11:00

## Important Information

**Seniors** who have any outstanding obligations not taken care of by June 5 will not be able will not be able to participate in graduation. Please return or pay for these items **NOW**

**Juniors, Sophomores, and Freshmen** who have outstanding obligations **will not have co-curricular privileges, parking or open campus** until these obligations are taken care of. Please return or pay for these items **NOW**



# Opening Day for 2009-2010

**FRESHMEN ORIENTATION on Tuesday, September 1, 2009.**

**FRESHMEN AND UPPERCLASSMEN REPORT on Thursday, September 3, 2009 to begin classes.**

**OPENING OF SCHOOL INFORMATION will be mailed home in the BACK TO SCHOOL PACKET IN AUGUST**

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## Important Information

A letter will be mailed home to all Students in August (*in your Back to School Packet*) who have not taken care their outstanding obligations for materials/books not returned or paid for. **Students who have outstanding obligations in September will not have Co-Curricular privileges, Parking or Open Campus until these obligations are taken care of.**

Please return or pay for these items **NOW**

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**WORK PERMITS**  
See Mrs. Trainor in the main office for Work Permits. You must have a job before a work permit is issued. We are coming on to a busy season so allow 2 days to get a permit. Work Permit applications may be obtained from Mrs. Trainor in the main office between 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. each day.

### **THOUSANDS OF BOOKS AT CONCORD LIBRARY SALE JUNE 6**

More than 15,000 books will be for sale on the Main Library lawn Saturday, June 6, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Browsing categories include "mystery/sci fi," "theatre," "biography," "sports," "history," business," and "cooking." For high school students, this is a great way to pick up inexpensive books in French, Spanish, German and other languages.

Hardback books are \$2, trade paperbacks \$1, and mass market paperbacks four for \$1. Children's hardbacks are \$1.

The Friends of the Concord Free Public Library is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Friends book sales and memberships fund all movie DVDs, music CDs, books on CD, and museum passes for both libraries. The Friends also sponsor children's programs, concerts, poetry readings, author talks, and films at the Main and Fowler libraries.

The regular sale starts at 10 a.m. with a live auction of special titles beginning at 9:15 a.m., all on the Main Library lawn, 129 Main Street. The rain date is June 13. To see the catalog of auction items, visit [www.concordlibrary.org](http://www.concordlibrary.org).

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## Spotlight on -

# Outdoor Club Advisor: Ms. Giunta

The Outdoor Club is very active at CCHS! The students have planned various activities thought the year. Possible activities include: hiking in the Whit Mountains, overnight camping, white water kayaking, skiing, rock climbing and more. No prior experience is necessary. Often basic instructing is included, but the primary focus of the activities is to have fun.

**Goals:** To learn outdoor skills, have fun, and to experience different outdoor activities

**Membership:** All CCHS students are welcome to participate regardless of experience.

**Participation:** Club members will meet to plan various activities throughout the year and to organize fundraising efforts necessary to support the planned activities.



# PARENTS OF JUNIORS, SOPHOMORES & FRESHMEN YOUR HELP IS URGENTLY NEEDED ALL NIGHT LIVE IS ONLY TWO WEEKS AWAY!!

**ALL NIGHT LIVE**, is an all-night, substance-free graduation party for seniors, with a 95% attendance rate. It is an elaborate production of fun-filled activities, gastronomic delights and decorations that transform CCHS to a wonderful, celebratory oasis for the graduates. **ALL NIGHT LIVE** is a 20-year tradition sponsored and chaperoned by **Freshmen, Sophomore and Junior parents**.

Please consider joining your fellow CCHS undergraduate parents in chaperoning for one of the shifts below! Call a few friends; go out for dinner and then head on over to CCHS to see the seniors in their splendor. Coffee and snacks are provided for chaperones.

## **Chaperones are still needed for:**

- ⇒ **Saturday, June 13th from 9:15 pm -1:15 am ----- Eleven more Chaperones needed**
- ⇒ **Sunday, June 14th from 1:00 am -3:00 am -----Fifteen more Chaperones needed**
- ⇒ **Sunday, June 14th from 1:00 am -5:00 am -----Eight more Chaperones needed**

## **Volunteers are also needed to help decorating the Cafeteria**

- ⇒ **Friday June 12<sup>th</sup> 2pm-5pm ----- thirteen more volunteers needed**
- ⇒ **Friday June 12<sup>th</sup> 5pm-8pm ----- twenty three more volunteers needed**

## **And finally we need three more parents to help guard the cafeteria during graduation,**

- ⇒ **Saturday June 13<sup>th</sup> 12pm-2pm or 2pm-4pm**

## **Interested in helping out? Please contact All Night Live**

Devra Feshback-Meriney  
telephone: 978-369-8949  
email: [allnightlive@comcast.net](mailto:allnightlive@comcast.net)



# June Calendar

1. Free
2. Choral Pops Dress Rehearsal @ 6:30 p.m.
3. **Choral Pops Concert @ 7:30 p.m.**  
**METCO Awards Night – off campus**
4. Free
5. **Band Pops Concert @ 7:30 p.m.**  
MCAS  
**Senior Last Day**
6. Free
7. Free
8. Attendance Review Board Meeting  
**Senior Week Begins**
  - ⇒ Pancake Breakfast @ 7:25 a.m. in the Cafeteria
  - ⇒ Graduation Rehearsal in the Upper Gym @ 8:25 a.m.
  - ⇒ Senior Farewell Assembly @ 10:30 a.m. in the Upper Gym
  - ⇒ Paw Sox Game – Depart CCHS @ 3:45 p.m.
9. Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal and Cap & Gown Pick Up. All seniors report to the upper gym @ 10:00 a.m.  
⇒ Baccalaureate Night @ 7:30p.m. in the auditorium
10. Senior Prom: Hyatt Harborside – 7:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.
11. Senior BBQ and Movie Night 6:30 p.m. – CCHS Lower Fields
12. Free

**All Students:**

**Clear up any attendance issues as soon as possible. See Mrs. Merry in the main office if you have any questions.**

## Saturday, June 13, 2009



## GRADUATION DAY!

All students should arrive at the high school no later than 1:00 p.m. to prepare for the processional to the field. Student should bring their cap/gown/tassel with them. We do not have extras! All seniors should gather in the lower gym. Please ask family and friends to proceed to the field. Only faculty and students are allowed in the lower gym in preparation for the ceremony. All Night Live Celebration will begin at 9:30 p.m.

14. Free
15. Free
16. Free
17. Free
18. Free
19. Free
20. Free
21. Free
22. **Finals H & G**
23. **Finals C & F**
24. **Finals B & E**
25. **Finals A & D**
26. **Last Day of School for Students – ½ Day (Quarter 4 Ends)**
27. Free
28. Free
29. **Teacher PF Day**
30. Free

**SENIORS:**

**COURSE OBLIGATIONS**

All outstanding course work (**including community service work**) must be completed by **June 5, 2009**

**MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT OBLIGATIONS**

All materials and equipment loaned to you by the school must be returned to the appropriate teacher, coach, or advisor no later than **June 5, 2009**.

**PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR**

All seniors please see Mrs. Tessari in the Registrar's Office **PRIOR** to **June 5th** concerning your plans for next year.



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS



### PLEASE TAKE NOTE

The Concord Police Department, Concord Fire Department, and CCHS ask that motorists obey and respect the **NO PARKING SIGNS THAT ARE POSTED**. Should an emergency occur, it is important that emergency vehicles have access and not be impeded by illegally parked vehicles. Parking around the circle in front of the high school “Live Parking” has become an issue.

- ⇒ **IF YOU ARE GOING TO THE BEEDE CENTER, PLEASE PARK YOUR CAR IN THE BEEDE CENTER PARKING LOT.**
- ⇒ **DO NOT PARK/BLOCK THE HANDICAPPED PARKING SPOTS IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL OR IN THE BACK OF THE SCHOOL.**
- ⇒ **NO “LIVE PARKING” IN THE CIRCLE IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL.**
- ⇒ **DO NOT BLOCK THE HANDICAPPED RAMP IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL.**
- ⇒ **DO NOT BLOCK CARS THAT ARE TRYING TO EXIT A LEGAL PARKING SPOT.**

Thank you for your cooperation

**Illegally parked vehicles may be ticketed or towed at the owner’s expense. Please pass the word along**

## *Willard Carnival*

The annual Willard Carnival is just around the corner! The Carnival is Sunday, June 7th at the Willard School. It is a great community event and a wonderful opportunity to earn community service hours. Set up for the carnival begins at 8am and the booths are open from 12pm-4pm. We would greatly appreciate volunteers to help with set-up, the booths, and clean-up. Any student that is interested in helping, please contact Ann Breckenridge at breckannie@yahoo.com. We have shifts available throughout the day. The carnival has been a great success in years past in part to the incredible volunteers from CCHS. Thank you for your support of this fun event!

## **An Important Note:**

If any class has a flyer or an article for the September Newsletter, please send it to Mrs. Coleman via email ([lcoleman@colonial.net](mailto:lcoleman@colonial.net)) by June 30<sup>th</sup>. Items not sent in by the deadline will not be able to be put in the August Packet. Separate Sheets or Additional Flyers etc will not be added to the August Packet. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Coleman.



## **CCHS SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Among the mandates contained in the educational reform legislation is a requirement that all schools have a council to serve in an advisory capacity to the principal. Each council is to assist the principal in adopting educational goals for the school; identifying the educational needs of students attending the school; reviewing the annual school budget; and formulating a school improvement plan.

At the Concord Public Schools and Concord-Carlisle Regional School District each school advisory council will consist of at least nine members and should be broadly representative of the racial, ethnic, and role diversity of the school and the community. At CCHS, Council members include: the school principal who serves as one of two co-chairs; four teachers at the school; five parents of students attending the school; one member of the junior class and one member of the senior class for the Concord-Carlisle High School; and other persons, not parents or teachers of students at the school, drawn from such groups or entities as municipal government, business and labor organizations, institutions of high education, human service agencies, building support staff or other interested groups.

### **CURRENT PARENT MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL AND THEIR TERMS OF OFFICE ARE:**

*Stephanie Eisenstat '10*

*Karen O'Toole '10*

*Jay Vogt '10*

*Philip Peck '10 (Ex-Officio)*

**We need to elect 2 parents to serve a two-year term.**

Please fill out the Voting Ballot below and send it to Louisa Coleman at  
CCHS – 500 Walden Street – Concord, MA 01742

**OR**

email - **lcoleman@colonial.net**

with your vote.

**Deadline for votes is June 20<sup>th</sup>.**

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**I WOULD LIKE TO VOTE THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) FOR THE CCHS SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Milayros Gonzalez \_\_\_\_\_

Dawn Petitpas \_\_\_\_\_

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### **SUBSCRIBING TO THE LIST SERVE:**

Go to [www.lists.ptgconcord.org/mailman/listinfo](http://www.lists.ptgconcord.org/mailman/listinfo)

and click on the link to your child's class. **If you have children in multiple classes, repeat the process for each child.** **READ and FOLLOW the INSTRUCTIONS** provided. **You will need to have your child's student I.D. handy when subscribing.** When you subscribe, you will receive an auto-generated response which you **MUST REPLY** to in order **TO ACTIVATE** your **SUBSCRIPTION**. **IF YOU DO NOT REPLY, YOUR SUBSCRIPTION REQUEST WILL SIMPLY DISAPPEAR FROM THE SYSTEM. PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION ALONG TO ANYONE WHO HAS NOT SUBSCRIBED YET.**



## Concord-Carlisle High School - 2009-2010 School Calendar

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**STUDENT ATTENDANCE**

**Item: JH**

Regular and punctual school attendance is essential for success in school. The Committee does recognize that parents of children attending our schools have special rights as well as responsibilities, one of which is to ensure that their children attend school regularly, in accordance with state law.

Therefore, students may be excused temporarily from school attendance for the following reasons: (1) Illness or quarantine; (2) Bereavement or serious illness in family; (3) Weather so inclement as to endanger the health of the child; (4) Observance of major religious holidays. A child may also be excused for other exceptional reasons with approval of the school administrator.

A student’s understanding of the importance of day-to-day schoolwork is an important factor in the shaping of character. Parents can help their children by refusing to allow them to miss school needlessly. Accordingly, parents will provide a written explanation for the absence and a tardiness of a child. This will be required in advance for types of absences where advance notice is possible. In instances of chronic or irregular absence reportedly due to illness, the school administration may request a physician’s statement certifying such absences to be justifiable.

**School Committee Policy**

ADOPTED: CSC: 27 September 2005  
 CCSC 27 September 2005

<p><b>ADMINISTRATION - RIPLEY BUILDING</b>  <b>Diana Rigby</b> - Superintendent  <b>John Flaherty</b> - Deputy Superintendent of Finance &amp; Operations  <b>Kathryn Codianne</b> - Director of Teaching &amp; Learning  <b>Jessica Murphy</b> - K-12 Special Education Director  <b>Kelly McCausland</b> - Director of Human Resources</p> <p><b>SCHOOLS</b>  <b>Peter Badalament</b> , Principal - Concord-Carlisle High School - 978-318-1400  <b>Arthur Unobskey</b>, Principal - Concord Middle School - Peabody Building -978-318-1360                  Sanborn Building -978-318-1380  <b>Sharon Young</b>, Principal - Alcott Elementary School -978-318-9544  <b>Robert Colantuono</b>, Principal - Thoreau Elementary School -978-318-1300  <b>Patricia Fernandes</b>, Principal - Willard Elementary School - 978-318-1340</p>
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<p><b>SCHOOL COMMITTEES</b></p> <p><b>Peter Fischelis</b>                  CSC,CCRSC, Chair CSC  <b>Fabian Fondriest</b>                  CSC,CCRSC,                  Vice Chair CSC  <b>Pamela Gannon</b>                  CSC, CCRSC  <b>Jan McGinn</b>                  CSC,CCRSC,                  Vice Chair CCRSC  <b>Louis Salemy</b>, CCRSC  <b>Dale Ryer</b>, CCRSC  <b>Jerry Wedge</b>                  CSC, CCRSC, Chair CCRSC</p>
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**Lost and Found**  
 Items in the lost and found box will be sent to Goodwill next week. If you are missing anything check it out now.

**Lockers**  
 Now is the time for all students who have lockers to start cleaning them out.

**PHYSICALS**  
 This is a good time to book your back to school physical with your doctor. Remember that you will need an updated physical in August/September for school and sports.

**VISITORS/GUESTS**

Visitors are most welcome at the high school and we request that all appointments be made in advance. All visitors are asked to report first to the Main Office to register and a visitor's pass will be issued to them.

**ALSO**

Students: Permission must be obtained from the Principal, or one of the Assistant Principals **BEFORE a guest is brought to school**. A permission form (available in the main office) must be filled out prior to a student visit. If permission is granted, the host student is expected to bring his/her guest to the Main Office to register as a visitor and to meet the Principal, or one of the Assistant Principals, at the beginning of the school day. We request that all guests be of high school age. **PLEASE NOTE, no guests will be allowed on days prior to long weekends, vacations or during exams.**



**CC Fights Back Benefit Concert**

The CCHS Dance Club is sponsoring a benefit concert for the fight against breast cancer on Thursday, June 4th, at 7:30 pm in the Auditorium. It promises to be an exciting night of dance, song and great music for everyone, young and young at heart. Tickets are \$10 and will be sold during all lunches from May 28th through June 4th. Tickets will also be available at the door the night of the concert. Proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society. Please plan to join us for this great cause. Bring your family and friends. Donations will be greatly appreciated.




**GRADUATION DVD'S AVAILABLE**

For the third year in a row CCTV and a crew of volunteer producers will be capturing all the action at The CCHS Graduation Ceremony. CCTV will be using the Anycast live switcher to produce a 3-camera shoot of the entire event. CCTV is proud to assist in the video production of what is surely an important milestone in the lives of CCHS' graduating seniors. Many of which we've watched sharpen their production skills at our facilities. **Congratulations!**

The ceremony takes place on **Saturday June 13th**, and a DVD will be made available soon after so that parents, students, and friends can have a professional quality keepsake of this important event. **DVD's will be available for \$20. Preorder your copy today by emailing [manager@concordtv.org](mailto:manager@concordtv.org) or call 978-369-5038.**





# Student Senate and Student Government School Year 2010 - 2011

## Class of 2010

President: Zack Cutler  
Vice-President: Kathy Delsener  
Secretary: Alexandra Earle  
Treasurer: Katie Curran  
Advisors: Jill Curry, Erin Davis

## Class of 2011

President: Alexandra Ting  
Vice-President: Will Moss  
Secretary: Jamie Potter  
Treasurer: Greg Gouillart  
Advisors: Kevin Pennucci, Carla Sechman

## Class of 2012

President: Lily Gordon  
Vice-President: Sam Barrett  
Secretary: Kelseagh Budris  
Treasurer: Ileana Wu  
Advisors: Lauren Giunta, Dan McGrath

### SENATE

Moderator: Elise Goodhue  
Moderator-Elect: Will Banfield  
Secretary: Meredith Lorch  
Historian: Marree Budris  
Treasurer: Charles (C.J.) Horvath  
School Committee: Sophie Gechjian, Kathryn Miller  
School Advisory Council: Lara Gechjian, Tommy Veitch  
Student Advisory Council: TBA  
Advisor: Brian Miller

### Senators:

Patrick Boyle '10  
Dylan Clark '10  
Celeste Hall '10  
Phillip Lavelly '10  
Nitya Rajgopal '10  
Anna Stabler '10  
Lindsey Cook '11  
Alexander Gromer '11  
Olivia Patsos '11  
Patrick Rodgers '11  
Victoria Tremblay '11  
Margaret Waterman '11  
Jessica Freedman '12  
Vera Hanson '12  
Thomas Mathiasen '12  
Olivia Meyerson '12  
Jack Michaud '12  
Currin Wallis '12

**Students will be charged a replacement cost for lost and/or damaged books/materials.** Please take care of your books/materials and return them to your teacher or to the library in good condition.

## WHAT IS YOUR STUDENT DOING THIS SUMMER?

### Help Wanted

- Students looking for **C**ommunity **S**ervice **H**ours during **J**uly and **A**ugust should see Mrs. Coleman in the main office. **You must be able to commit to a schedule.** Days and times are flexible.



**It's Time to Get Your CCHS  
2009 –2010  
School Planner  
Student Assignment Notebook**

Great for tracking school assignments AND full of information including the school calendar, class events, sporting events, dances, plays, CCPops, meetings, administrative names and contact phone numbers – it is all here in an easy-to-use format. Get organized! These planners are great for parents to have as well – helpful in keeping track of the kids and their schedules and activities.

**This is a fundraiser for the Class of 2010.**

Pre-Ordered Planners/Purchased at School - \$10

Pre-ordered planners will be distributed to students in their homeroom the first day of school. Limited additional planners will be sold during lunch breaks the first few days of school in the fall. A limited number are available, and once sold, you're out of luck!

Name and year of student/s for whom you are ordering a planner:

_____	2010	2011	2012	2013
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Number of Planners \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ paid

*Please make checks out to "CCHS Class of 2010"*

Parent

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_



#### **PERSONAL PROPERTY AND VALUABLES**

The high school administration **strongly discourages** students from bringing money or valuable items to school. Likewise excess money or valuable items **should not be stored in lockers**. If you must bring extra money or a valuable object to school you may keep it in the main office until the end of the day.

#### **SUMMER SCHOOL**

Students planning to take summer school courses for credit must complete an application form **PRIOR** to taking the course. Only those courses that are approved in **ADVANCE** by the appropriate department chairperson will be recognized as those for which CCHS credit may be granted. For further information about summer school opportunities and procedures, students and parents should contact the guidance office.

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#### **EARLY DISMISSAL FROM SCHOOL - END OF YEAR**

*All students are expected to remain in school through the last day. There is no early dismissal. Parents and guardians are requested to do everything possible to avoid the need to remove a student from school before the regular school year has finished. Any questions may be directed to the Principal.*

#### **FAMILY VACATIONS AND END OF YEAR**

*Parents and students are reminded that Massachusetts Law requires compulsory attendance for students. We strongly discourage family vacations when school is in session. In addition to compromising the attendance law, family vacations interrupt the educational process of each course in ways that make-up work cannot reverse.*

*If family vacations are planned, a letter from the parent/guardian must be submitted to the principal at least 1 month before the vacation date. Please note that teachers are not required to make special provisions for students who miss school for family vacations.*

#### **WITHDRAWAL FROM SCHOOL**

*Students withdrawing from school must obtain a withdrawal form from the transcript office located in the main office. Mrs. Tessari (Registrar) and/or the student's guidance counselor will explain the procedures to be followed to return all materials and to obtain teacher's signatures of the withdrawal form.*

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## **News from 2Volunteer**

After marveling at the quality of the student production of "Miss Saigon", and pondering its relevance to so many important social issues, both then and now, 2Volunteer decided to sponsor an essay contest open to all students who saw or participated in the play, offering cash prizes of \$150, \$100, and \$50. 2Volunteer saw it as an opportunity to relate academic/extracurricular work to real world issues, in line with our dedication to the concept of Service Learning. Students could write about anything that affected them, and the results were very gratifying to Director George Kendall and to 2Volunteer, as there were as many themes of reflection as there were essays. After long and difficult deliberations, the winners were recently announced, and they were Val Caddell (1<sup>st</sup>), Merrill Brady (2<sup>nd</sup>), and Victoria Rea-Wilson (3<sup>rd</sup>). Clearly, the play had a powerful effect on everyone involved.

Students and parents should take special note of the section in the 2Volunteer website (linked off the CCHS home page) which announces "Special Requests and What's New". This section is designed to point students to community service opportunities in the immediate future, and sometimes contains emergency requests for volunteer help.

Summer is a great time for Community Service work, with school pressures off. Check the website for summer needs for volunteers.

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# Class News

## Senior Class - 2009

### CAP AND GOWN

There are still a number of seniors who have not purchased a Cap and Gown. A list is posted on the window in the main office. Seniors should bring a check for \$35.00 to Mrs. Coleman as soon as possible. **If you have a cap and gown from a previous graduate that you will be using, please see Mrs. Coleman to have your name taken off the list. You will still need to purchase a 2009 tassel.** Remember, without a Cap and Gown you will not be allowed to participate in Graduation. **If you are not planning on participating in the graduation ceremony, please see Mrs. Coleman NOW!!!!!!**

### OUTSTANDING OBLIGATIONS

Seniors should be taking care of any outstanding obligations this month. **A list is posted on the window near Mrs. Trainor.** Don't wait until the end of the year. **See Mrs. Trainor now if your name is on the list**

### SENIOR INFORMATION TO REMEMBER

All graduating seniors will be given their temporary school record, recommendations, assorted testing scores, and their health record when they pick up their cap and gown in June. **We do not keep copies of these records.** Please put them in a safe location because you will need them. We do keep a copy of your transcript, testing scores, and only your counselor recommendation. Transcripts are kept on file for 60 years.

### A REMINDER FROM THE REGISTRAR

Seniors who owe transcript fees should see Mrs. Tessari now, **don't wait until the last day of school.** You can check Naviance to see if you have an outstanding balance or see Mrs. Tessari. Checks are payable to CCHS and should be given to Mrs. Tessari.

## Important Information

**Seniors** who have any outstanding obligations not taken care of by June 5 will not be able will not be able to participate in graduation. Please return or pay for these items **NOW**

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### Dear Parents,

We are very grateful to all the parents for their support and involvement in the many 2009 events over the past four years. It has been such a pleasure and a privilege for us to be parent advisors with this great group of students and parents. Thank you, all.

### Senior Week, June 8-13:

- Monday - pancake breakfast, graduation rehearsal, farewell assembly and Paw Sox game
- Tuesday - graduation rehearsal & Baccalaureate Night
- Wednesday - Senior Prom
- Thursday - Barbecue & movie night
- Saturday - Graduation

Please watch for class emails with the most up-to-date information about Senior Week and other end of year details.

Farewell and all the best to our wonderful seniors,  
Claudia Feeney, Cathy Galligan, Anne Marks and Kathy Robey  
Class of 2009 Parent Reps

## Junior Class - 2010

### **PLEASE TAKE NOTE:**

**THE ABSOLUTE DEADLINE** for any flyers, informational articles, class news, etc must be turned in **NO LATER** than **JUNE 30** to be included in the CCHS Back to School Packet.

## Important Information

**Students** who have any outstanding obligations not taken care of by the end of the school year, will receive a letter this summer. All students who have outstanding obligations **will not have co-curricular privileges, parking or open campus** until these obligations are taken care of. Please return or pay for these items **NOW**

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June is already upon us and this will be the last newsletter of the school year. Senior year, here we come! In recent weeks, we have been quite busy with spring activities.

The Faculty Follies and the post-performance reception was a huge success! Special thanks to **Claudia Feeney, Lee Means, Betsey Jackson, Amy Fennick, Isabel Materne, Nicole Bloomfield, Pat LeVan, Dawna Carrette, Sue Myers and Pam Gechijian** for their wonderful support and assistance prior to and on Saturday night. Also, thank you to **Laurie Cadigan and CC Donelan** for making all those chocolate covered strawberries (yummy).

The Junior Prom was a great evening. It was a treat to see our comely sons & daughters, as well as their guests, off to the prom -- followed by the opportunity for parents to mingle and visit in the cafe. Thanks to Sophomore Parent and Junior Prom Reception chair **Alex Ward** and her committee for a wonderful spread. Thanks also to **Deb Verano and Peggy Burling** for their quick thinking and planning of the Parent Social the evening of the Prom. Thanks to **Lisa Harris** for coordinating the Tux Order Day at the school and for obtaining a new Red Carpet for the students to "parade" to the buses. Thanks also to **Roseanne Swain** for her assistance with the vases and the centerpieces. All this stuff couldn't happen without you wonderful volunteers!

The Junior-Faculty Reception was well attended. Many of the students took advantage of this opportunity to mingle, enjoy light refreshments, chat about plans & preparations for life after CCHS, and ask faculty members to write a letter of recommendation for their college applications. Thanks to all the parents who supplied refreshments for the event. Thanks also to **Lisa Harris, Deb Verano, Peg Burling and Nancy Orlando** for the help and presence at the event. A special thank you to **Martha Hammer** for allowing the parents to drop off their refreshments in her office.

The June 13 graduation day reception is approaching quickly. **Co-chairs Gail Burmeister and Patti Worth** have plans well underway and many more parents are stepping up to assist. It's not too late to volunteer, and this is an enjoyable opportunity for being part of the festivities and seeing what graduation day holds. (Watch the email list for last-minute volunteer opportunities).

A special thank you to **Mariellen Perugini** for all her efforts as List Moderator for the Class. We appreciate all her work and will miss her. Good luck in your new endeavors! Thanks to **Linda Fabrizio** who has offered to take on the role of List Moderator for our senior year.

As the year winds down, it's worth reiterating what a great class 2010 is; students and parents alike. Throughout the year we try to "name names" of parents who have taken a leadership role in the class activities. Behind this visible group are the unsung heroes, the dozens of parents who quietly support the many requests for time, materials and effort. Thank you all!

Wishing everyone a safe and restful summer,  
Peggy Burling, Bernadette Desrosiers LeBlanc, Lisa Harris, Nancy Orlando, Mariellen Perugini, Deb Verano,  
Class of 2010 Parent Reps

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## Sophomore Class - 2011

### **PLEASE TAKE NOTE:**

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### News from the Class of 2011!

Believe it or not, the end of the year approaches! As always, it seems to fly up from nowhere. As we close this year, a big thank you is in order for all the people who have supported the Sophomore Class. "Many hands make light work" and there is always a small army working behind the scenes for every event. Your donations of time, food, and materials are so appreciated and please know that these events wouldn't happen without you! Whether you were involved in the Tailgate, Fundraising Sales, Fall Parent Social, the Hypnotist event, Dance Chaperoning, Sophomore Semi, Junior Prom Reception, Wine Tasting Social or Parent Coffees, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

As of this writing, everything is in good shape for the **Junior Prom Reception**, hosted each year by the Parents of the Sophomore Class. **Thank you especially to Alex Ward and Ru Terajewicz** for keeping our Parent Rep team organized with their incredible ability to attend to a million details. We are grateful to all who have donated their time and effort to making this reception happen.

If you're already eager to sign up for next year, please consider getting involved in hosting or planning a parent social. Our students will soon be Juniors and these socials are a great way to keep parents united towards making their high school experience the best possible, not to mention giving us a chance to meet each other for some well deserved fun. Please contact any one of the class reps below if you are interested in volunteering.

### Enjoy the summer!!!

**Questions?** Contact one of the parent representatives if you have questions or comments.

#### **Class of 2011 Parent Representatives:**

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# Class News

## Freshmen Class - 2012

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Come one, come all! *The Class of 2012 Mom's Night Out* is Thursday, June 4, 2009 at 7:30 PM at the home of Lauren Huyett, 235 Main Street, Concord. Please bring a bottle of your favorite beverage. **PLEASE RSVP** to Maura Kenney at [maura.kenney@comcast.net](mailto:maura.kenney@comcast.net).

The Freshmen Class was busy in April and May - they did an outstanding job selling hot and iced coffee, bottled water, candy, fruit, and fresh and store-bought baked goods at all 3 nights of Town Meeting. They managed to make a nice profit for their Freshman Fund to pay for upcoming events. The Class also ran a small booth at Faculty Follies selling water and candy bars. And, as a Community Service Project, several Freshmen worked at the Town Swap-off /Drop-off in what turned out to be a fun and beautiful day to a part of Concord!

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Dear Class of 2012 Parents:

It is hard to believe that June has arrived and our children have completed their first year of High School! Our Freshmen were very active in academics, sports, and social events. They had many new experiences, as did we. Making new friends, managing their time, and hopefully learning a little bit about who they are were just a few. We were able to experience what pickup from an All School Dance is like! (and they got to dance barefoot in the cafeteria). I am sure we could all provide many different perspectives on the growth we have seen in our kids this year.

Your parent reps were busy getting to know one another, and came together nicely to form a strong group of dedicated parents. We enjoyed working with the students on fundraising events, and the class has benefited financially from these efforts. We are also a VERY social group and have lots of fun planning events to bring parents together. We are already gearing up for some fun events next fall. Look for information in the August back to school packet. And, there will be many more opportunities for you to volunteer at some events next year.

As we move into summer mode, where we will all enjoy some much needed down time, take pride in knowing that our children have worked hard this year and are well prepared for Sophomore year. We look forward to working with the kids and with you next year. Have a wonderful summer.

Your Parent Reps,

- Alan Budris
- Barbara Green
- Joyce Hogan
- Lauren Huyett
- Maura Kenney
- Lucy McBride
- Nancy St. Jean
- Betsy Yamron
- Sara Zirkel



# Class News

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Class - 2013

Have a wonderful summer and we will see you at Freshmen Orientation

Look for your Back to School Packet which will be mailed to you the second week in August. This packet will contain forms that your parents will need to fill out and sign. There will be information about freshmen orientation, parent association information, a health card to fill out, the Student/Parent Handbook and much more.

Forms that need to be filled out should be returned to the high school when you return on September .....Forms will be collected by your homeroom teacher on September .

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## Mark your Calendar Now with these September Dates to Remember

Tuesday, September 1 – Frosh Orientation  
Thursday, September 3 – Classes Begin for all CCHS students  
Thursday, September 24 – Back to School Night for Parents  
More Information to Follow for all of these important events.

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## Parents of the Class of 2013.

The Class of 2013 needs your help. Please volunteer to be a parent rep or to help out in other ways. Please contact Linda Miller, PA President at 978-369-0586.

# Welcome to CCHS!



**BLOCK SCHEDULE FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2009-10**

LETTER = BLOCK & NUMBER = DAY (Ex. C-3 means C block on Wednesday)

MONDAY (1)	TUESDAY (2)	WEDNESDAY (3)	THURSDAY (4)	FRIDAY (5)
7:30 <i>A-1</i>	7:30 <i>A-2</i>	7:30 <i>A-3</i>	7:30 <i>A-4</i>	7:30 <i>B-5</i>
8:29	8:29	8:29	8:29	8:29
8:33 <i>B-1</i>	8:33 <i>B-2</i>	8:33 <i>B-3</i>	8:33 <i>C-4</i>	8:33 <i>C-5</i>
9:35	9:35	9:35	9:35	9:35
9:39 <i>C-1</i>	9:39 <i>G-2</i>	9:39 <i>C-3</i>	9:39 <i>G-4</i>	9:39 <i>G-5</i>
10:38	10:38	10:38	10:38	10:38
10:42 <i>D-1</i>	10:42 <i>D-2</i>	10:42 <i>D-3</i>	10:42 <i>D-4</i>	10:42 <i>D-5</i>
11:28	11:28	11:28	11:28	11:28
11:32 <i>E-1</i>	11:32 <i>E-2</i>	11:32 <i>E-3</i>	11:32 <i>E-4</i>	11:32 <i>E-5</i>
12:18	12:18	12:18	12:18	12:18
12:22 <i>F-1</i>	12:22 <i>F-2</i>	12:22 <i>F-3</i>	12:22 <i>F-4</i>	12:22 <i>F-5</i>
1:08	1:08	1:08	1:08	1:08
1:12 <i>H-1</i>	1:12 <i>H-2</i>	1:12 <i>G-3</i>	1:12 <i>H-4</i>	1:12 <i>H-5</i>
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2:11	2:11	2:11	2:11	2:11



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## Congratulations to the Class of 2009!

### Final Report Card

Every year many students and families miss information on the **fourth quarter report card** that can have consequences if not responded to in a timely fashion. Students should check for credit reductions (\*), incompletes (I), and F's. Getting an F in English or Health and Fitness might require a last minute decision to attend summer school.

Students must obtain **prior** approval from appropriate department chairs to get credit for summer school courses. After school is out approval may be obtained from the high school administration. Incompletes (I's) should be attended to in September as they change to F's if not completed by the end of the **first quarter**. Quarter four credit reductions should be cleared up **immediately** upon return in September by getting them signed off or by appealing them to the **Attendance Review Board**.



### Summer School Facts

**Minuteman Regional High School, Lexington, MA**  
781-861-7150 or 7151 [www.Minuteman.org](http://www.Minuteman.org)

**Action-Boxborough High School, Acton, MA**  
978-264-4700 ext. 3497 [www.ab.mec.edu](http://www.ab.mec.edu)

*METCO, Inc., will mail registration information to Boston families.*

**Belmont Hill School, Belmont, MA**  
617-993-5215 Janice Campisi

**Middlesex Community College**  
1-800-818-3434 sessions starting early June, [www.middlesex.cc.ma.us](http://www.middlesex.cc.ma.us)

In order to receive CCHS credit, the summer school course must be approved by the chairperson of the appropriate academic department prior to the end of the current school year. To document this approval, students need to pick up a **Course Credit Application** form from Mary Tessari in the CCHS Records Office, have it signed by the appropriate department chair for each course, and return the form to Sharon Trainor in the Principal's Office. Using this process, students may obtain credit for course work from any accredited summer program, but they must provide a written description of the course in addition to the number of hours the course meets for courses other than the summer programs listed above.



### Notes from the Nurse....

We wish all those in the graduating class of 2009 the best of health as they continue in their life's journey.

Research concludes that healthy students learn better. To make the next school year 2009 – 2010 as healthy as possible, school health plans are developed for students with allergies, asthma and other chronic conditions if the school nurse is notified by the parent/guardian. Contact the office regarding potential health needs for next year during regular school hours or leave a message at 978-341-2490 extension 7158. Check the school website.

Participating in interscholastic sports is a great way to stay fit. All athletes **must** have a copy of their annual physical examination **on file** in the Health Office to be **eligible for try-outs**. Updated exams and vaccinations should be forwarded to



the Health Office no later than **August 7, 2009**. Interim physicals are not accepted, as per Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) rules. All athletes must check the expiration date of their physical as recorded in the Health Office to ensure their eligibility for fall sports. *Please stop by the Health Office before the end of the school year.*

Summer packets will include an emergency card which needs to be completed on both sides and returned to the Health Office by mail or in homerooms on the first day of school. This is vital information for the care of an ill or injured student. Have a great summer!



### **Making the Most of Summer**

Summer vacation can provide an opportunity for students to explore career and college options, shore up academic skills, and engage in various enrichment experiences.

Summer work or volunteer experience can be valuable activities. Many students use summer volunteer work to meet their community service requirement. The extra flexibility of summer schedule allows for a deeper level of involvement or for service in a more interesting setting than might be possible during the school year. Community service, internships, or summer jobs can provide a way to explore possible career interests.

For juniors, the summer provides the opportunity to research colleges through web-sites and to visit colleges in which they have an interest. Summer is also good time to identify scholarship information online. The Guidance section of the CCHS website provides an introduction to college research and links to many useful sites.

Summer also offers the opportunity for academic endeavors. Area summer schools provide programs for students needing to make up credits for high school course work, and several colleges offer summer enrichment programs which may include living on campus. Some students use the summer as an opportunity to prepare for the SAT or ACT.

Individual activities such a travel, summer reading, and various personal experiences can also broaden horizons and may provide learning opportunities not available during the school year.

Students who are interested in learning more about any of the options above should visit the Counseling Resource Center.

# **Have a safe summer - see you in September**