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INSIDE CHARLESTON CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear parents and students,

Did you hear/ feel the collective sigh that was exhaled on June 9? What a relief to complete this most unique and difficult school year that included remote learning in September, December, and January; quarantines throughout the year; lunch in the classroom every day; adjusted daily schedules; postponed and interrupted athletic seasons; and masks all the time. To say it was hard is an understatement, and we were all stretched, pushed, and pulled in so many different ways. There were highs and lows and ongoing ups and downs. Yet, as a school community, we persevered.

Getting through this school year required everyone to shoulder new and different responsibilities. I feel incredibly blessed to be a part of the Charleston Catholic community where so many were ready and willing to jump in and try new things. The maintenance staff took on the role of assistants in the kitchen to help prep lunch daily for students and teachers. Teachers used the time between classes to clean desks and transition between virtual classrooms. They spent their lunch periods distributing and cleaning up student lunches, while also trying to quickly eat. The athletic department had to sanitize equipment and spaces while also re-organizing and re-structuring to allow social distancing in all things. Parents adjusted to virtual meetings and streaming athletic events rather than attending live events. Students had to alter their daily schedules and lost the opportunity for lunch in the Commons or off campus with friends. But, we persevered.

Beyond persevering, we succeeded. Our students continued to learn despite the changes. We even managed to have some fun! We enjoyed lunches from local restaurants for a special treat every now and then. The older students were able to walk to the Civic Center and cheer on the high school basketball teams in the State Tournament. School spirit abounded during our spring Homecoming Week, and the seniors came together for end of the year events including a class dinner, their final retreat, and Project Graduation. The eighth graders were able to celebrate Moving Up complete with a dunk tank featuring Mr. Villers and Mr. Shindle. Things were different, but our young people were able to smile and to grow.

I continue to hold to my belief that Charleston Catholic is special because of the people. Charleston Catholic is not merely a building, but a living, breathing entity. More than a community, we are a family. And when we face hard times, we do it together. Helen Keller said, "Alone we can do so little. Together we can do so much." This year can be remembered for all we were able to do when we came together. We climbed mountains and overcame the obstacles that we were presented. Beyond that, we loved each other when times were hard. Those are the lasting memories I will take from this school year. I hope those are the pieces you will hold on to, as well.

I wish you a peaceful and relaxing summer!

Warmly,
Colleen Hoyer

CONDOLENCES -- We express our sympathy to our students and their families who have lost loved ones recently. May the souls of the departed rest in peace: Hunter and Bryce Wilkes' maternal grandmother; Liam and Colin McGinley's father. Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers.

BEST WISHES – Each year we must say goodbye to our faculty and staff members who are leaving us for new adventures next year. Seventh and eighth grade social studies teacher Alicia Phebus will be moving to Virginia this summer. Senior English long term sub Shirley Lycan will resume her retirement. We look forward to Mrs. Lycan popping in occasionally to sub for us. Eleventh grade English long term sub Gina Marks will be exploring the United States on a cross country trek this summer. Maintenance staff member Jesse Madden will be pursuing an opportunity to coordinate Parks and Recreation for the City of Dunbar. Director of Technology David Hoffmann will be retiring after nearly thirty years affiliated with Charleston Catholic High School! Mr. Hoffmann has transformed the CCHS technology capabilities during his time here. In addition to coordinating all things technology for the school, he has

served as a middle school math teacher, a high school French teacher, and the AP Computer Science Teacher. What talent! Mr. Hoffmann has been instrumental in keeping the school up and running and he will be missed. He looks forward to reading, relaxing, and resuming travel in his retirement. We will miss each of these individuals and send them off with love and gratitude.

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ACADEMIC UPDATES

FINAL REPORT CARDS – were mailed today, Friday, June 18. Focus on your children’s many achievements and celebrate with them. Let’s applaud their efforts and perseverance through this most unique year. Talk with them over the summer about how they can set short- and long-term goals for the next school year. Please note that middle school report cards include a year-end GPA, which averages the two semesters this year. This is not a cumulative GPA! Keep in mind that **second semester grades determine a student’s extracurricular eligibility for fall and winter activities (an unweighted 2.0 is required).**

MAP GROWTH TEST RESULTS -- Enclosed with report cards, you will find scores from the Spring MAP tests for sixth through tenth grades. The Family Report provides details on each student’s national percentile and RIT score. This report may also include growth details to show how your child’s learning changed from the fall, to winter, to spring. Due to a limited test window, not all students will have all data points. Some details about MAP are included below.

How it Works

MAP Growth is a computer-adaptive test. If your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. This type of assessment challenges top performers without overwhelming students whose skills are below grade level. MAP Growth begins with a question at each student’s grade level and adjusts the level of difficulty based on individual performance.

What it Measures

MAP Growth uses a RIT scale to accurately measure what students know, regardless of their grade level. It also measures growth over time, allowing you to track your child’s progress throughout the school year and across multiple years. Once your child completes a MAP Growth test, they receive a RIT score. The RIT scale precisely measures student performance, regardless of whether they’re performing on, above, or below grade level.

The Results: Your Child’s RIT Score

RIT scores have the same meaning across grade levels. If a fourth-grade student and an eighth-grade student have the same RIT score in reading, then they are testing at the same level in that subject. You can use your child’s RIT score to help them meet their goals.

SCHEDULING CLASSES – We are in the midst of determining class offerings and developing schedules for next year. The task is immense and will not be complete until the August registration days. The multi-stage process involves analyzing students’ and parents’ requests in addition to other pieces of the puzzle: standardized test scores; grades;

teacher recommendations including information about each student's work ethic; class offerings; and so on. Please keep in mind that **if a student needs a tutor in any class or does not enjoy a particular subject, aspiring to Advanced Placement or advanced honors courses is a misplaced concentration of effort. Success in advanced honors/Advanced Placement courses in any subject is predicated on the understanding that the students enjoy the subject matter, enjoy putting forth the extra effort, and have a natural affinity for these courses. Remember that all CCHS courses are taught at the college preparatory level at the very least, and our graduates' successes in college reflect the veracity of this statement.** It is far better for a student to be successful, productive, and happy in honors and college preparatory courses than to struggle unhappily and with limited success in advanced honors or Advanced Placement courses.



SEVENTH GRADE MATH PLACEMENT – Students' first differentiated academic experience occurs in seventh grade. Seventh graders study either Pre-Algebra or Algebra $\frac{1}{2}$. The courses differ in pace, level of abstract versus concrete thinking required, and depth of material covered. Seventh graders enrolled in Algebra $\frac{1}{2}$ are essentially skipping a math course. Students in this class must have exceptional math skills, expect and be capable of a big intellectual leap and extra work, and be committed to put forth extra effort. Faculty and staff work hard to ensure that all students are appropriately placed during their years at Charleston Catholic. Students are placed in 7th grade math courses based on **their 6th grade math class achievement, 6th grade MAP Growth scores, placement test results, teacher recommendations, and work ethic.** Students demonstrating appropriate ability and achievement in 6th grade math and in the measures listed above, as well as an advanced level of abstract thinking, are the only students who will be placed in Algebra $\frac{1}{2}$ in the 7th grade.

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD 2021-2022 - Middle and high school students who are interested in joining the Science Olympiad team should contact Dr. Fannin at jackie.fannin@charlestoncatholic-crw.org. The team will be meeting over the summer for some science trips and practices in August. If any parents or guardians would like to mentor or coach practices in the fall, please contact Dr. Fannin at the email above.

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES-- Opportunities are available for high school students this fall. Dr. Jones from Marshall University has projects studying bees, bats, or fresh water mussels. If students are interested, please contact Dr. Fannin at jackie.fannin@charlewtoncatholic-crw.org.

E- READERS --The English department will continue its e-reader program for students in grades 9-12. Students will be permitted to use e-readers in **English classes only** for required novels during the year. Students who wish to use e-readers must supply their own devices, but they may NOT use phones. *The device must be charged for use in class and the book must be accessible on the e-reader without a Wi-Fi connection.* In order to participate, students and parents must sign a contract outlining all usage expectations at the beginning of the school year. Students who break the terms of the contract and/or the school's internet usage agreement will not be permitted to continue to use the devices in class for the remainder of the school year.

SUMMER READING -- Each CCHS student is required to read selections for upcoming English classes as part of the school's summer reading program. Information about each book is on the CCHS website. Encourage your students to read these descriptions before starting to read so that they will get a preview of what is ahead. Encourage them to take notes or write summaries for each chapter so they will remember what they read! Tests will be given at the beginning of school in August – students should be prepared the first full day of school. Additional reading and writing activities involving the book(s) will occur during the first few weeks of school. Check the public library for copies and Amazon to find less than list prices. No written responses are required during the summer but will be assigned after school begins. Reminder to students: start the year right- finish reading before school begins.

SUMMER READING LIST:

Grade 12: (both books are required) *Siddhartha* by Hermann Hesse and *Circe* by Madeline Miller

Grade 11: (both books are required) *Into the Wild* by John Krakauer and *Nisei Daughter* by Monica Itoi Sone

Grade 10: (both books are required) *Animal Farm* by George Orwell and *A Separate Peace* by John

Knowles

Grade 9: (both books are required) *War Child: A Child Soldier's Story* by Emmanuel Jal and *The Book Thief* by Marcus Zusak

Grade 8: (both books are required) *Peak* by Roland Smith and *The Westing Game* by Ellen Raskin

Grade 7: (both books are required) *Out of My Mind* by Sharon M. Draper and *A Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park

Grade 6: (both books are required) *Refugee* by Alan Gratz and *The Ruins of Gorlan (Ranger's Apprentice Book One)* by John Flanagan



ARE YOUR CHILDREN READING “THE REAL THING?” -- Please encourage your students to read the original text of novels, both this summer and throughout the school year. They are doing themselves a disservice by using online novel summaries such as “Spark Notes” or by watching the movie instead of reading the text. By actually **READING** a novel, students will improve their spelling, grammar, vocabulary, comprehension, fluency, literary analysis, appreciation of the author’s craft, and so on. They might find that they actually enjoy reading!

2021-22 CALENDAR, REGISTRATION, TEXTBOOK, AND TUITION INFORMATION

PLANS FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR- The pandemic conditions are consistently improving! Case numbers in Kanawha County are decreasing, and life seems to be returning to normal. Though we have to await guidelines from the CDC and the Health Department, I expect the 2021-22 school year to be a much more normal year than we experienced in 2020-21! It is anticipated that all students will return to the building for in-person instruction. Thank you for your continued patience.

TUITION INFORMATION FOR 2021-22— including invoices, payment options, and loan information from Premier Bank was mailed on April 16. The tuition invoice also includes the general and class fees for the year. **Tuition payment in full was due June 15** (late charge assessed at \$1.00 per day after June 15) and **fee payment is due by the August registration date** (students will not be allowed to pick up their schedules until registration fees are paid). Please call Sherry Shindle at 304-342-8415 if you have payment questions.

2021-22 REGISTRATION DAYS -- The following times have been set aside for students to pick up their schedules, pay class fees, pick up/ place orders for textbooks, and pick up/buy uniform polos and jackets. Student schedules are completed during the summer months and will not be available until August registration days. **Schedules for each particular grade level will only be available during the times listed below**, so it is critical that parents and students adhere to the schedule listed. If families with more than one child would like to pick up schedules and so on for all their children at one time, they must come on Friday, August 13, from 2:30 - 4 p.m. At all other times, schedules and other items for each grade level listed will be the only ones handled at particular time slots. There will be no exceptions.

Thursday, August 12	9 - 10:30 a.m.: Seniors only 10:30 – noon: Juniors only CLOSED NOON - 1 P.M. 1 - 2:30 p.m.: Sophomores only 2:30 - 4 p.m.: Freshmen only
Friday, August 13	9 - 10:30 a.m.: 8th graders only 10:30 – noon: 7th graders only CLOSED NOON - 1 P.M. 1 - 2:30 p.m.: 6th graders only 2:30 - 4 p.m.: Families with more than one student wishing to register all their children at one time; also, anyone unable to come at scheduled times

FINALIZED CALENDAR FOR 2021-22 – Please keep this calendar in mind as you plan for next year. Remember that **exams must be taken on scheduled exam days** and students who are absent more than 5 days in a semester will have to make up those days at the end of the semester.

Wednesday, August 18	first day of school, 11:30 dismissal
Thursday, August 19	first full day of school
Monday, September 6	Labor Day-no school
Saturday, September 18	Homecoming
Thursday, November 4	Parent Teacher Conferences
Thursday, November 11	Veterans Day-no school
Wed/ Thurs/ Friday, November 24- 26	Thanksgiving Break
Wed/ Thurs/ Friday, December 15- 17	exams, 11:15 dismissal
Monday, December 20- Friday, December 31	Christmas Break
Monday, January 3	classes resume
Friday, January 14	end of second quarter, first semester
Monday, January 17	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day-no school
Monday, February 21	Presidents Day-no school
Monday, April 11- Monday, April 18	Easter Break
Tuesday, April 19	classes resume
Friday, May 27	graduation
Monday, May 30	Memorial Day-no school
Wed/Thurs/Friday June 1- 3	exams, 11:15 dismissal
Friday, June 3	8 th grade moving up ceremony

TEXTBOOK PROCEDURES 2021-2022

Please note that English textbooks are new this year. Higher level math and AP math classes will participate in the CCHS rental program. Most of the newly adopted textbooks have a very recent copyright date; therefore, used supplies on the internet are extremely limited.

Middle School

Textbooks ordered in June will be available for pick up during registration in August. **Other than new books that are only available through school, parents may order these books on their own if they so choose; please refer to the correct ISBN number on the textbook order form.**

Please note that the Theology consumable textbook used in middle school is included in your fees. Math textbooks for 7th grade will be ordered at registration once placement is known. A textbook fee for middle school foreign language will be assessed during August registration, and all middle school foreign language materials will be provided by the teacher.

High School

Textbooks ordered in June will be available for pickup at registration in August. **Other than new books that are only available through school, parents may order these books on their own if they so choose; please refer to the correct ISBN number on the textbook order form.**

Electives and some placed courses must wait until August registration for schedules to be finalized.

Core Classes: English 9 Honors, Theology 9, Health, Physical Science Honors & Advanced Honors, English 10 Honors & Advanced Honors, Theology 10, Physical Education, English 11 Honors, English 11 AP, Theology 11, US History 20/21st Honors, English 12 Honors & AP, Theology 12

Geometry and Algebra 2 use the same book across all classes so these can be ordered in June.

Electives and Placement classes

High school students will order books for electives and placement classes once their schedule is known at August registration. **Parents may order these books on their own if they so choose; please refer to the correct ISBN number on the textbook order form which will be provided in August.**

Current French II students must keep their textbook and workbook for use in French III Advanced Honors next year. In addition, students must purchase a French III textbook and order a new French III workbook. Current French III Advanced Honors students must also keep their textbook and workbook for next year in French IV. All students in French I, II, and III Advanced Honors must purchase a workbook and textbook either through the school or online using the correct ISBN provided on the textbook order form.

AP Courses & Higher Level Math (Calculus AB, Calculus BC, PreCalc II/Calc A, Trig/Precalc, Math Functions, Economics, Human Geography, US Government, World History, US History, European History, Biology, Physics, Psychology, and Art History)

There is a **mandatory rental policy** for high school students in AP classes and higher level math. Students will rent their textbooks from the school, with a rental fee included in AP or class fees. All AP/Higher Level Math textbooks **must** come from the school.



English Novels

Parents may refer to a list that will be provided by the teacher next year for information about novels to be used in English classes during the school year and should order the novels required on their own. **CCHS will not order novels.** Please pay special attention to the details of the novels to be used when ordering (ISBN, printing number, edition, etc.). In some cases, these lists may not be complete and may be added to throughout the school year. Ample notification will be given in these cases.

NOTES FROM THE ACADEMIC ADVISOR

1. Fall SAT and ACT registration is open to all students. SAT and ACT testing and registration information is available online at --www.collegeboard.org and www.act.org (CCHS code: 490-205). CCHS encourages juniors and seniors to take both the ACT and the SAT. Rising seniors should register for the first available test date. Please note that both websites are experiencing high volume due to unprecedented demand. As a result, some students may encounter delays.

2. New students (except those attending area Catholic elementary schools) must submit final report cards and standardized test results to the office by August 2.
3. Students taking summer school courses credit recovery classes for middle school and high school classes must have their courses completed by August 2.
4. All 7th and 12th graders are required to have updated TDap and Meningitis vaccines. An updated immunization record must be submitted before students will be allowed to enroll this fall. Tdap and Meningitis vaccines are offered by the Kanawha-Charleston Health Department. (www.kchdvw.org)
 - 7th graders: 1 booster dose of Tdap vaccine (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) and 1 dose of MCV4 (meningitis)
 - 12th graders: 1 dose of Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) and 1 booster dose of MCV4 if first dose of MCV4 was given before the child's 16th birthday; a booster dose is not required if the first dose was given after the child's 16th birthday.
5. Senior final transcripts will be sent to colleges by Friday, June 18. These will be submitted electronically using Naviance to the school the student indicated he/she will be attending. If there are any changes to the student's college plans, please notify Mrs. Herrick immediately so that we can send the paperwork to the appropriate school. Please note that CCHS is no longer permitted to send any immunization records to colleges or universities.

NOTES FROM THE PARENT VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION (PVA)

All volunteers must be 100% VIRTUS compliant.

1. **PVA Polos and Fleece** - Order forms for CCHS logo jackets (including the heavier weight grey jacket and a lighter weight black jacket, both in full zip and quarter zip), white uniform polo shirts, and green athletic/academic competition polo shirts are available on the CCHS website. For questions, please contact Carrie Groom (304-546-49272) for jackets, Kristina Whiteaker (304-610-5544) for green polos, and Sara Frame (304-389-1241) for white polos. OFFICIAL UNIFORM POLOS MUST BE PURCHASED THROUGH PVA. Please note that students who are members of athletic teams and academic competition teams are permitted to wear an official CCHS kelly green polo shirt with khaki pants to school on designated dates – normally home games and post season games.
2. **Cafeteria volunteers** are needed for the upcoming school year. Please contact Stephanie Sullivan at wvsteph23@yahoo.com if you would like to be on the cafeteria schedule for August and September 2021. Most volunteers will need to renew their food handlers' cards. Stephanie will give you information to do so once you have emailed her. Please indicate in your email if it has been more than 2 years since you took your food handlers course.

****The Kanawha-Charleston Health Department requires all cafeteria volunteers to have a food handler card. Cards must be renewed every two years. In order to be in compliance with this requirement, all CCHS cafeteria volunteers must complete a 75 minute online training course and 30 question assessment with a score of 70%. The PVA will pay the registration cost and will provide volunteers with an access code to participate in the course. Please contact Stephanie Sullivan for an access code. Upon completion please submit a copy to the office which will be kept on file at the school. ****



CAMPUS MINISTRY



1. Rising seniors who applied to be ILMs for the 2021-2022 school year should be on the lookout for information about an orientation near the end of the summer. In the coming weeks, you will receive a postcard and email with more information.

2. Blessed Sacrament Parish is excited to hold Camp Leon Day on June 26 at Camp Virgil Tate. It is going to be a day of fun, excitement, friendship and games. The day is going to be a little bit of everything that is usually done at the normal weeklong camp and will start at 1:00 p.m. The day will end with a campfire around 7:30 p.m. People can come for as little or as long as they want. If you have never been to camp and want to see what it is all about, this is the time to come! You do not need to be Catholic to join in the fun! For more information, contact Paula Durst: paulaLdurst@gmail.com
3. Students who attended CCHS during the 2020-2021 school year may begin to fulfill next year's community service and fine arts/humanities requirements during the summer months. We will return to our standard service requirements for the 2021-2022 school year which can be found in the student handbook. Any service completed over the summer must be submitted during the first quarter in order to receive credit. 6th graders and other students new to CCHS in 2021- 2022 may not begin to work on these requirements until after the requirements are discussed in Theology and English classes in August.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND GIVING

SUPPORT CCHS AS YOU SHOP—The programs listed below make it very easy support CCHS when you shop. Please consider participating!

1. The **Kroger Community Rewards can be used every time you grocery shop at Kroger**. To register your Kroger Plus card, go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com and use the Charleston Catholic organization number **LH615**. Be sure you have your Kroger Plus card available when you register. Kroger Plus Cards are available at the Customer Service desk at any Kroger. To participate, register your **Kroger Plus Shopper's Card (as outlined above)** and use the card when you checkout, and Charleston Catholic will receive a check from Kroger on a quarterly basis.
2. When you shop at Amazon.com, the Amazon Smile program will donate 0.5% of your purchases to CCHS when you log in to your Amazon account using the address <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/55-0630688> (or by clicking on the link on the School Home section of Ren Web) to enroll in the program.

SUMMER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES--

1. Blessed Sacrament Parish is holding Camp Leon Day on June 26 at Camp Virgil Tate! More information can be found in the Campus Ministry section above. High school volunteers are needed. Any teen who likes working with children is welcome. You do not need to be Catholic to volunteer. For more information, contact Paula Durst: paulaLdurst@gmail.com
2. The Childhood Language Center is in need of a few volunteers for their annual Firecracker 5K Glow Walk/Run on July 3rd at 9 p.m. on Kanawha Boulevard in Charleston. In the past, Charleston Catholic students have been stationed at the runners' turn-around spot on Greenbrier Street and Kanawha Boulevard to help guide the runners. Help with passing out t-shirts and medals is also needed. It's a very easy job and a great way to earn volunteer hours in the summertime. To volunteer, call or text Megan Cutlip at 304-807-8253.
3. The Gabriel Project's annual Pig Roast will be on Wednesday, August 11, at Sacred Heart Grade School. Set up and food preparation are needed on Tuesday, August 10, from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. Preparation of "to go" meals and help in the serving line are needed in shifts ranging from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Shifts are available both days. Because this service is for the Gabriel Project, which helps pregnant women and new mothers, this qualifies as special needs service. To volunteer, please call Mrs. Weimer at 304-400-9919.

HOPE 2021- Thanks to all who have donated to HOPE 2021. During the week of August 1-6, 2021, our group of juniors, seniors, college age alumni and adult work team leaders plan to make significant repairs at the homes of several low income families and seniors. We also plan for some of our volunteers to assist with the construction of a new house for a family. We have raised \$25,000, the amount needed to purchase all the building materials for the construction of the new home. If you are still interested in making a tax deductible contribution, you can donate online at www.charlestoncatholic-crw.org and search "Donate to HOPE." Or simply click on this link: [HOPE 2021 Donation Form](#)

FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

PE UNIFORMS – Uniform order forms will be distributed in August to seventh, eighth, and tenth graders. PE uniforms will be distributed at the beginning of the school year for those students. 6th grade PE does not start until the second quarter so they will place orders in the fall after school starts.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS -- The school office will be open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. until Friday, June 25. Voicemail will be checked and calls returned throughout the month of July. The office will reopen on Monday, August 2, at 9 a.m.

OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE- There is available office space available for lease in the CCHS Athletic Facility located on Dee Drive in the Hillcrest Office Park. If you are interested in learning more, please call the school office and ask for information.

PARENT ALERT COMMUNICATION TOOL—The Parent Alert text system (a Ren Web component) is an important communication tool used by the school in addition to the school website (www.charlestoncatholic-crw.org), our Twitter feed which is visible on the school website, and Ren Web email. **To be sure that we have accurate contact information for you, please review your family demographic information in Ren Web! If your family moves or your phone number changes, please update your information in Ren Web.** Be on the lookout for these Parent Alert texts with important school updates (such as school closings or delays) including announcements/reminders from the school office.

UNIFORM UPDATE -- The uniform is part of the CCHS package. The uniform policy and guidelines are spelled out completely in our handbook which is found on the website. The updated handbook for the 2021-2022 school year will be online at the beginning of August. The complete uniform code is listed below.

Uniform Code:

Uniform pants/ shorts may be purchased locally from Charleston Department Store or online from Schoolbelles at schoolbelles.com (our school number is #1246) or from Lands' End School at landsend.com/school (our school number is 900133356).

Shirts: Shirts must be either 1) a blue or white, long or short sleeved, **oxford-cloth**, button-down, with no visible labeling or 2) an official CCHS Polo. Oxford dress shirts must be worn **tucked and buttoned**. Polos must be purchased from PVA. Polo shirts may be worn untucked if the hem is straight and does not fall below the hip line. **Fitted blouses or blouses with darts are not permitted.**

Undershirts: While optional, if worn, undershirts **must** be solid white with no printing. Undershirts must not have collars or turtlenecks and sleeve length must match that of the uniform shirt. Undershirt may not hang below polo shirt.

Pants: Pants must be navy blue corduroy or twill pants and have no visible labeling or rivets. Pants must be worn at the waist and be of modest fit. (Pants deemed too legging-like by administration will not be allowed.) **Legging or joggingle pants are prohibited.** Corduroys and twill pants must not be faded. Students wearing worn, faded pants will be considered out of uniform. **Shorts:** Navy blue twill shorts must be no higher than 2 inches above the knee. Shorts must not have any visible labeling or rivets. Uniform shorts are not cargo style. Shorts must be worn at the waist and be of modest fit. Shorts must not be faded. Students wearing worn, faded shorts will be considered out of uniform. Shorts are worn from the beginning of the school year until October 15 and beginning April 15 until the end of the school year.

Sweaters: Plain navy blue crew neck or cardigan sweaters may be worn. Sweaters with embellishments, patterns, designs, etc. may not be worn.

Sweater Vests: A solid green v-neck sweater vest from Lands' End School (item number 22301-6BP4 for girls and 22301-8BP3 for boys) may be worn with oxford cloth, button-down shirts only.

Uniform Jackets/Fleece: Gray or black uniform jackets may be purchased from the PVA. These may be worn as an additional layer to the uniform. Fleece previously sold by PVA are no longer available for purchase but may be worn. **No gym/team sweatshirts or jackets may be worn.**

Socks: Socks must be worn and must be clearly visible. Leggings are not permitted.

Shoes: Shoes must be leather dress shoes that are primarily black, brown, gray, or navy in color. Shoelaces must be the same color as the shoe and must be tied. Shoes that have a place for shoelaces are required to have shoelaces. Soles may not exceed 1 inch, and heels may not exceed 1½ inches. All shoes must be closed at the toe and heel and have a hard sole. Shoe tops must be below the ankle bone. The following type of footwear is not permitted: sandals, moccasins (soft or hard soled), athletic shoes (even if leather), platform shoes, fleece-lined shoes/ slippers, wedges, clogs, or boots.

Belts: Belts are optional. If worn they should be simple dress belts.

Jewelry: Girls only are permitted to have ear piercings. No other type of visible body piercing is allowed. Other jewelry, if worn, should not be distracting. Faculty or staff may require a student to remove offending jewelry. Boys are not permitted any type of visible body piercings.

Ties: Boys only may choose to wear ties. If worn, ties must be tied at the neck and worn with an oxford cloth, button-down uniform shirt. Ties cannot be distracting or contrary to school expectations regarding clothing. Faculty or staff may require a student to remove offending ties.

VIRTUS— Be sure you're ready to help! All parents or other adults who volunteer, coach, drive students, chaperone, etc., are required by the Diocese to complete the diocesan sexual abuse awareness training before being allowed to work with our students. Complete the training online. On the CCHS website, go to the "Links" dropdown menu and choose VIRTUS registration. At the VIRTUS website, choose "Begin the Registration Process." Allow 1- 1½ hours to complete the program. Print out the certificate of completion and submit it to Mr. Villers. It is still necessary to complete the background check and sexual abuse awareness policy statement which can be done by clicking on the link at the school website at www.charlestoncatholic-crw.org.

Adults who volunteer, coach, or chaperone, may be asked to update background and policy forms. Background checks must be updated every three to five years depending on your role in the school. Policy questionnaires should be updated if they were signed before 2014. Current Diocese guidelines do not require volunteers to update the training portion of VIRTUS. Please contact Mr. Villers with any questions and to update your forms.

RISING SENIORS -- PhotoGrafix is the official CCHS yearbook photographer. Mike Hall will come to school in the fall to take the official pictures for the yearbook (i.e., suit jacket, formal drape). Students who want clothing changes and/or indoor/outdoor shots can call and make appointments (304-768-2000) any time during the summer. For pricing info, go to the website www.wvphoto.com.

ATHLETIC UPDATES

The 2020-21 athletic year is nearing its conclusion with baseball being the only season still in progress.

Middle School Golf: The middle school golf team finished third in the county this year. It was a great season. The Irish will be returning three of the four members who participated in the county tournament for next season.

Middle School Tennis: The middle school tennis team had an excellent season! The boys finished undefeated and first in Kanawha County. The girls lost one match and tied with John Adams for first the county. It was a great season for the Irish and Coach Nelson.

Middle School Track: The middle school girls track team finished the season by winning the County Meet! The Irish won the meet with only 9 girls running in the event. The boys finished 5th with only three boys participating. It was an outstanding season for the Irish, Coach Welch, and staff.

Middle School Baseball: The middle school baseball team finished fourth in the county. It was an exciting year for the Irish. Congratulations to the team and Coach Higginbotham on a great year.

Middle School Softball: The middle school softball team showed major improvement this year. In only their second season since re-forming, the Irish added three more wins to the win column and show promise for years to come!

High School Baseball: The high school baseball team is currently ranked number two in the state. The Irish are catching fire at the right time in the season. They won the regional championship and will start the State Tournament vs. Man on Friday, June 25, around 8:00 p.m. at Appalachian Power Park.

High School Softball: The high school softball team's season ended in the sectional tournament. A very young Irish team showed a lot of improvement and growth this season. Hannah Casey (senior) and Aubrey McCoy (freshman) put up impressive stats. It was a strong year for the Lady Irish.

High School Tennis: The Lady Irish tennis team finished the season as State Champions! The Irish clinched the State Championship on day two of the tournament. Evie Bastin, Annie Cimino, and Molly Murphy all won individual State Championships. The teams of Annie Cimino and Molly Murphy and Emma Cimino and Celine Hanna won doubles State Championships. Evie Bastin and Hannah Atassi were runners-up in doubles. It was a fantastic season for the Lady Irish and Coach Sadd!

High School Track: The girls track team won the regional championship and finished their season at the State Meet. Aubrie Custer finished fourth in the 2 mile. The Irish finished fourth in the 4x8 (Custer, Winter, Rushworth, and Carr); third in the 4x2 (Miller, Rahin, Mullen, Brown); and 3rd in the 4x4 (Miller, Winter, Carr, Mullen). Lindsay Carr finished third in the 800. It was a terrific season for the Irish and Coach Welch!



The Irish would like to say thank you and goodbye to one of our long-term coaches, Niall Paul. Coach Paul will be stepping down this year as high school boys soccer head coach so he can watch his son (Aidan) play collegiate soccer. Coach Paul had an amazing run at Charleston Catholic, making the State Tournament every year he was head coach. He won Coach of the Year in 2019. Charleston Catholic alum Joe Johns will take on the role of head coach this season for the high school boys' soccer program.

2021-22 SPORTS CONTACT INFO– If you are interested in a sport for the 2021-22 school year, the coaches' contact information is below. You may also reach out to Athletic Director Jacob Nelson at jacob.nelson@charlestoncatholic-crw.org with athletic related questions. The summer three week period will be July 5- 23rd. You may contact the coach or Athletic Director with questions about the summer session.

High school volleyball-Hannah King at Hking1275@gmail.com

Middle school volleyball- Jacob Nelson at jacob.nelson@charlestoncatholic-crw.org

High school soccer- Boys-Joe Johns jjohns@turnerjohns.com

Girls- Amy Mullen at cdmullen@suddenlink.net

Middle school soccer- Boys- Paul Bown at Paulbownmd@gmail.com

Girls- Ian Aubry at ianaubry11@gmail.com

High school golf- Charlie Jordan at cmjordan20@gmail.com

**Practice starts August 2! Contact Coach Jordan if interested. **

High school and middle school cross country- Hilton Ingraham at hiltoningraham@ymail.com

High school cheer – Satin Blackwell at satinblackwell@gmail.com

Middle school cheer- Mickey Miller at mary.miller@charlestoncatholic-crw.org

Middle school basketball- Boys- Jeff Blaydes at jblaydes@hotmail.com

Girls- Dennis Thornburg at dthornburg1340@gmail.com

High school basketball- Boys- Hunter Moles at coach.moles@yahoo.com

Girls- Wes Hevener at wdhevener@gmail.com

HS swim- Katie Paulson at katie.paulsonwv@gmail.com

High school baseball - Bill Mehle at billmehle@gmail.com

High school softball- Kevin Corbett at kevin@rskinc.com

High school and middle school track-Scott Welch at scottwelch34@yahoo.com
 Middle school baseball and softball- Jake Nelson at jacob.nelson@charlestoncatholic-crw.org
 Middle school golf- Jake Nelson at jacob.nelson@charlestoncatholic-crw.org
 High school tennis- David Sadd at davidsadd@suddenlink.net
 Middle school tennis- Ricky Nelson at ranelson876@gmail.com

FALL SPORTS -- Students must have a completed doctor's physical (administered after May 1, 2021) to give to coaches on the first day of practice. This physical is good for the entire school year. Once teams have been selected, students participating on teams must turn in their athletic fees (\$75 per sport) before uniforms will be issued. A student who has not turned in athletic uniforms from another sport will not be permitted to participate in the next sport. CCHS students in grades 6-12 are eligible for athletics if they meet SSAC requirements (including having 2.0 unweighted GPA at end of 2020-2021 second semester) and CCHS expectations, i.e., good behavior. If you have questions about fall sports – how to get involved, when practices start, and so on -- please email Jacob Nelson at athletic_director@charlestoncatholic-crw.org or contact the coaches listed above.

NEW CCHS STUDENTS INTERESTED IN SPORTS -- New students for the 2021-2022 school year who are interested in playing fall sports should contact the individual coaches listed above or email Jacob Nelson at athletic_director@charlestoncatholic-crw.org.

PHYSICALS -- Physical forms are available in the office or at the WVSSAC website. For a physical to be valid, it must have the correct year form (May 2020) and the necessary signatures on the form. The physical must be turned in before participating in any summer practices.



GO IRISH!

CONGRATULATIONS

- to Class of 2021 co-valedictorians Emma Cimino, Kaitlyn Keith, and Kathryn Lakin and to salutatorian Lindsay Carr for their outstanding academic achievements over the course of their high school careers!
- to Emma Wirts, recipient of the Matthew Pack Memorial Scholarship Award, a cash award toward college tuition, in memory of Matthew Pack, Class of 2005.
- to Aiden Satterfield, recipient of the Mary Ferretti Memorial Scholarship, a cash award toward college tuition, in memory of Mary Ferretti, Class of 2001.
- to Lindsay Carr, recipient of the CCHS Alumni Award.
- to Elizabeth Zacks, recipient of the Les Cotto-Thorner Memorial Award for Outstanding Community Service.
- to rising senior Ava Delgra, recipient of the Adele Bobinger Memorial Scholarship, a cash award toward senior year tuition at CCHS, in memory of Adele Bobinger, Class of 2002.
- to rising senior Matthew Malinoski, recipient of the Sullivan Scholarship, a cash award toward senior year tuition at CCHS, honoring retired CCHS principal Debra Sullivan.
- to rising junior Aidan Smith, recipient of the James Irving Scholarship from the CCHS Class of 1965, a cash award toward junior tuition in honor of alum James Irving.
- to rising sophomore Michael Strickland, recipient of the Lissa Bolles Scholarship, a cash award toward sophomore year tuition in memory of CCHS parent Lissa Bolles.
- to Hope Linton, recipient of the Charleston Catholic High School Scholarship of Merit, a cash award toward tuition during the high school years.

- to Jio Zuniga, recipient of the Bobby Hypes Memorial Scholarship, a cash award toward freshman year tuition, in memory of Bobby Hypes, deceased member of the Class of 2008.
- to Hope Linton for completing over 100 hours of community service in middle school, far exceeding the middle school requirement of 22 hours. Such generous service will help make the world a better place!
- to Ewan Becher, Sophia Frame, Zachary Harrison, Aurelia Kirby, Nadia Orcutt, Katherine Reehling, William Salutillo, John Christian Settle, Elle Smith, and Max Wilcox, who earned all A's during the six semesters of middle school, demonstrating tremendous diligence and hard work.
- to teachers Josh Fix and Sarah Griffith who were selected to serve as AP exam readers this summer for Human Geography and Calculus respectively, investing a week of their time to remotely read and score this year's AP tests. Their commitment to student achievement is much appreciated.

MANY THANKS

- to the CCHS community members for your patience, love, and cooperation in so many ways during this very different school year. It was not easy, but we did it together. Thank you!
- to our office, kitchen, maintenance, and custodial staff who took on new and additional roles this year to keep the school running during the pandemic. Their can do attitudes kept us going!
- to Father Don Higgs, president of Charleston Catholic, and Father Binu Emmauel, school chaplain, for their kindness, spiritual guidance, and commitment to the students and school community.
- to Mark Haas, choir director and pianist, for his beautiful musical contributions to school liturgies.
- to the faculty for their determination and dedication in a year that had them re-creating lessons and exploring technology in a brand new way. Teachers' daily schedules changed in so many ways yet they focused on how to support their students through the challenges of the year!
- to parents for your ongoing support. Thanks for standing with us through this crazy year and for your cooperation while we navigated the many challenges that we encountered. You are so appreciated.
- to the PVA board, committee members, and everyone who volunteered in school activities, thank you. Your care for our school community allows us to provide meaningful and memorable events for students and teachers. We are deeply appreciative of your flexibility and vision this year as we developed new ways to celebrate our students!
- to all of our coaches for sharing the gifts of their hearts and minds as they shape our student athletes into more mature and well-rounded young people. This year brought delayed and postponed seasons and quarantines of teams and players. Thank you for sticking with us through it all!
- to all who have made financial contributions to HOPE. We appreciate the support that makes this very important project possible.
- to all who supported the CCHS athletic program in this crazy year! Special shout out to our sponsors this season who made live streaming and athletic events successful: General Steak and Seafood; Apple Pie Embroidery; Children's Dentistry; Tupta Dentistry; Pile Hardware; Terra Care; DiPiero Simmons McGinley & Bastress; Hewitt & Salvatore; Barkadas; SOHO's; Kresta Hill; Calwell Luce diTrapano; MTG Dental; and Mountaineer Employment Solutions.
- to the guest speakers who joined junior theology classes via zoom this semester to share their stories. Paul Sheridan talked about his work as a Civil Rights attorney. Brianna Martin spoke of her role as the Program Director of Covenant House. Rick Wilson explained the practical value of nonviolence to bring about social change and Ted Walker shared his stories of the Catholic Worker Movement. They each shared their personal journeys as well as the challenge to bring justice and peace in the world today.
- to the Class of 2021 for their class gift of funds to support tuition needs of CCHS families economically impacted by the pandemic. The gift is an example of the kind hearts and good spirits of the Class of 2021!
- to the 8th grade Moving Up Celebration committee who provided a fun gathering for the eighth graders and their families! We appreciate the efforts of chairperson Trish Lusk and committee members Larra Winter, Jessica Anton, Stephenie Haynes, and Erin James for the time they spent in planning, set up and clean up.
- to the many volunteers who were involved with the extensive planning and successful organization to bring together the all-night Project Graduation celebration. We especially thank the volunteers who stayed at Cedar Lakes overnight with the Class of 2021: Melissa Bean, Erika Brown, Marie Green, Carrie Groom, Shawna Meeks, Amy Mullen, Kim Smith, Yolanda Tam, and Jessica Anton. We are so appreciative of the businesses who donated food for the event: Qdoba, Chick fil a, Jimmy Johns, Heavenly Ham, Spring Hill Bakery, and Krispy Kreme. There was a tremendous

response from our sophomore parents who stepped up and donated prizes and contributed monetary donations for prizes. Their donations totaled almost \$4,400! Special thanks to event chairperson Jessica Anton who was open to new ideas and constantly evolving plans for the event! The committee's hard work made the evening a huge success for the Class of 2021!

- to the Baccalaureate reception chairperson Erica Baumgras, for her thoughtfulness and creativity to celebrate the Class of 2021 through our modified Graduation and Baccalaureate ceremonies this year.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CLASS OF 2021

64 members of the class

Offered over \$6.5 million of merit-based scholarships for academics, athletics, leadership, and service

100% were involved in CCHS extracurricular activities

100% were involved in community service, contributing over 2,100 hours of service during their senior year.

80% of the class of 2021 qualified for the PROMISE scholarship.

The class of 2021 has been accepted at 115 institutions and will be attending 37 across the country.

Alderson Broaddus University
 American University
 Appalachian State University
 Arizona State University
 Bard College
 Berea College
 Berry College
 Bluefield College
 Boston University
 Brandeis University
 BridgeValley Community and
 Technical College
 Bridgewater College
 Bucknell University
 Butler University
 Carson-Newman University
 Cedarville University
 Centre College
 Chatham University
 Christopher Newport University
 Citadel Military College of South
 Carolina
 Clemson University
 Coastal Carolina University
 College of Charleston
 Concord University
 Creighton University
 Davis & Elkins College
 DePaul University

Duquesne University
 East Carolina University
 Eckerd College
 Elon University
 Emerson College
 Florida Institute of Technology
 Fordham University
 Franklin and Marshall College
 Furman University
 George Washington University
 Georgetown University
 Georgia State University
 Grove City College
 Hawaii Pacific University
 Hiram College
 Indiana University- Bloomington
 James Madison University
 Kent State University at Kent
 Loyola Marymount University
 Loyola University Chicago
 Marietta College
 Marshall University
 Marymount Manhattan College
 Miami University- Oxford
 Millikin University
 Moody Bible Institute
 New York University
 North Carolina State University at
 Raleigh

Oberlin College
 Ohio State University
 Oklahoma State University
 Otterbein University
 Pace University
 Pennsylvania State University
 Pepperdine University
 Pfeiffer University
 Purdue University
 San Diego State University
 Sarah Lawrence College
 Shepherd University
 Smith College
 St. Lawrence University
 Syracuse University
 The University of Tampa
 The University of Tennessee
 Tufts University
 University of California- Davis
 University of California- Irvine
 University of California- Riverside
 University of California- San Diego
 University of Charleston
 University of Colorado- Boulder
 University of Dayton
 University of Florida
 University of Georgia
 University of Kentucky
 University of Louisville

University of Lynchburg
University of Massachusetts-Boston
University of North Carolina at
Charlotte
University of North Carolina at
Greensboro
University of North Carolina
Wilmington
University of Notre Dame
University of Oklahoma
University of San Diego
University of San Francisco

University of South Carolina-
Columbia
University of South Florida
University of the Pacific
University of Tulsa
University of Virginia
University of Washington-Seattle
campus
University of Wisconsin- Madison
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and
State University

Wake Forest University
Washington and Lee University
Waynesburg University
West Liberty University
West Virginia State University
West Virginia University
West Virginia University Institute of
Technology
Western Kentucky University
Wheaton College
Wingate University
Wright State University
Xavier University



Happy summer vacation!