

February 24, 2020

Good Morning Parents and Guardians,

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I hope you had a great weekend. As we enter the last week of February, I wanted to remind you that the link to register for our upcoming parent teacher conferences is now open. Conferences will be held on Thursday, March 12 from 12:15pm – 2:30pm . Students will be dismissed at 11:30am on that date. The purpose of these conferences is to provide you with an opportunity to discuss your child’s progress, and to help plan for the remainder of the school year.

We will again be using the on-line scheduling system. Each time slot will be 10 minutes in length with the teacher(s) of your choice, and you may schedule to meet with as many teachers as you would like. Please follow the directions on the website for scheduling a conference, scheduling multiple conferences, and/or scheduling multiple children. All conference times will be filled on a first come first served basis. To schedule a conference online, please follow the link below:

[http://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Coatesville Area Senior High School](http://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Coatesville_Area_Senior_High_School)

The link can also be found on our website at: <https://www.casdschools.org/CAIHS>

Please be reminded that the board of school directors approved a calendar revision in January. Friday, March 13 will now be a school day. The Inservice Day scheduled for that date has moved to Friday, April 3. I again included the revised school calendar for you to reference for the remainder of the school year.

The Career Connection Academy recently bused 45 ninth, tenth and eleventh students to The Whitaker Center for Science and Art in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The Coatesville Area School District students joined about 100 students from other districts to witness a robotic-assisted surgical hysterectomy and appendectomy in real time. The minimally invasive surgical procedure was live streamed from the Penn State Hershey Medical Center lead by Dr. Gerald Harkins.

After the surgery, the students watched a video of an active surgical room where the medical staff were each interviewed. Each interviewee gave a description his or her job duties, work schedule, required education and shared their personal rewards of helping people live better lives and saving lives.





I am excited to announce that our Coatesville Area Intermediate High School's Center Stage drama club will be performing two shows of the Wizard of Oz this weekend. Tickets are \$5.00 with showtimes scheduled for 7pm on Friday, February 28 and Saturday, February 29 in the Intermediate High School Auditorium. Come out and support the drama club and see a great show!

The spring sports season is beginning next week with the first official day scheduled for Monday, March 2. Please be reminded that student-athletes will not be able to participate in any team activities, including try outs, until all the necessary PIAA paperwork (Comprehensive Initial or Recertification Pre-Participation Evaluation) is signed by all necessary parties to include parent/guardians, authorizing physician, and student-athlete. All CASD paperwork (extra-curricular code of student conduct, emergency procedure card) is also needed along with the PIAA paperwork. Physical exams on scheduled for today, Feb 24th from 10:30-1 and Feb 25th from 8-10. Please make an appointment with Mrs. Taylor in the CAIHS nurse's office. Thank you to the numerous parents and students who joined one of our Athletic Trainers, Mr. Victor Bracey and myself to review our expectations of student-athletes and useful information including important warnings parents need to be aware of associated with athletics, for the upcoming spring season last Thursday evening. If you were not able to make it and have a child participating in a spring sport you can view the presentation on our website at [www.casdschools.org/caihs](http://www.casdschools.org/caihs).

Next time you come into the Intermediate High School be sure to check out the main display case. Students in **Mrs. Presser's** Painting classes researched African American painters and created their own work inspired by these artists. Students also answered the questions of Which artists would inspire you and why? See the photo the right for the display case and it is amazing of the talent that we have in our schools. Congratulations to all the students who have their work on display!



Winter is one of the times of the school year where student absences can spike impacting academic performance. Please be sure that your child is making as many efforts as possible in staying healthy so that their school attendance is not impacted. I have included some useful information related to attendance on page 6 to reference. To view the flu season notice and review the differences between the flu, a cold or allergies please click on the following link:

<https://www.casdschools.org/site/default.aspx?PageType=3&DomainID=1364&ModuleInstanceID=6855&ViewID=6446EE88-D30C-497E-9316-3F8874B3E108&RenderLoc=0&FlexDataID=9231&PageID=5613>

Thank you for reading and hope you have a great week. Please also see page 3 for an important invitation and sign up information for girls in an exploration of STEM activities (GETT), pg 4 has the February upcoming dates – including our Center Stage Drama Club's performance of "The Wizard of Oz" in the CAIHS Auditorium on Friday, February 28 and Saturday, February 29 with showtimes at 7pm on both evenings.

Sincerely,

Brian M. Chengler

Principal



**The spring parent-teacher conference website and registration is now open! To register for a conference on Thursday, March 12 please click on the link below.**

<http://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Coatesville Area Senior High School>



# SAVE the DATE

**March 28, 2020**

12:30 pm - 5:00 pm

[www.gettpa.org](http://www.gettpa.org)

at Great Valley High School

- Explore a hands-on STEM career exploration day just for girls in grades 5-10
- Join in over 100 interactive activities during the GETT Expo
- Discover new ways to connect your passions to Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math

**Registration begins February 14, 2020**

[2020GETT.eventbrite.com](https://2020GETT.eventbrite.com)





Day	Start Date	Start Time	Sport	H/A	Opponents/Title	Facility
<b>Tuesday</b>	25-Feb	TBD	BOYS BASKETBALL (Playback Playoff Game for state seeding)	H	Downingtown East	7pm
<b>Friday</b>	28-Feb	TBD	BOYS VARSITY WRESTLING	A	PIAA 3A South East Regionals	Souderton High School
	28-Feb	TBD	Swimming District Championships	A	@ Lasalle University	
	28-Feb	7:00 PM	DRAMA		Wizard of Oz	CAIHS Auditorium
<b>Friday or Saturday</b>	28-Feb or 29-Feb	TBD	BOYS BASKETBALL (Playback Playoff Game for state seeding)	TBD	TBD	TBD
<b>Saturday</b>	29-Feb	TBD	BOYS VARSITY WRESTLING	A	PIAA 3A South East Regionals	Souderton High School
	29-Feb	7:00 PM	DRAMA		Wizard of Oz	CAIHS Auditorium
<b>Saturday</b>	29-Feb	TBD	Drumline	A	Downingtown East HS	

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

I hope you and your family are settled in after the holidays. This is the time of year when the winter takes a toll on school attendance. Snow and slushy weather can keep parents from getting their children to school. So can colds, fevers and earaches that often come with winter months.

These absences even if they are excused, can add up to academic trouble. If it is a snowy or rainy day but school is still open, students miss out on learning if they aren't in class. These absences can result in lower test scores and grades.

There's not much we can do about the weather, but there are steps every family can take to help keep your children healthy:

- Dress children warmly for the cold weather and make sure they have hats and gloves.
- Encourage them to wash their hands regularly.
- If your children do get sick, talk to a doctor or the school nurse about whether they should come to school and when it is okay for them to return.
- Keep an open line of communication with school nurse. The more the school nurse knows about your child's health, the better prepared everyone will be to work together for your child.

Above all, let us know how we can help. We want your children and all of our students to succeed. And that means attending school every day possible.

Sincerely,



Brian M. Chenger  
Principal