

# Corvallis High School

*A Tradition of Excellence; Preparation for the Future*

## Greetings Parents and Guardians,

We are officially at our mid-year point for the 2009-2010 school year. The frantic studying of finals is almost behind us. Most students will be transitioning to at least one new second semester class. The promise of spring is in the air and with it comes a sense of expectancy and hope- as well as a rise in our energy levels all around campus. I love this busy time of year at CHS. There is so much going on. I want to keep everyone up to date and I hope that you will be active participants in our school community in the remaining months of this school year.

**Budget:** This month is when we typically begin talks about the budget for our next school year. We have already begun to engage the staff and students in forums about what our values are and what areas we want to preserve in the event of cuts. We hope that parents can make it to our evening Parent Connection meeting this month where we will discuss the outlook and options for 2010-2011. That meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16th at 7 pm. Spanish speaking parents will have translation provided. It should be noted that we are experiencing decreased enrollment and that budget cuts of some sort seem inevitable. The exact amount of these cuts and the impact on CHS was unknown at press time. I encourage your attendance and involvement in this process for the good of all of our students. There will be difficult decisions to make and I need your input to make them confidently.

**Attendance:** Students have been struggling to maintain a 91.5% attendance overall. The state requirement is 92% and our school goal is 94%. The flu and cold season could be partially to blame for our current rate. We still have several months left in which to bring us up. At CHS we encourage good attendance by having excellent and engaging teachers who deliver relevant instruction. There are many issues which might cause a student to have to miss school. If your student is struggling or you need help encouraging attendance, please do not hesitate to contact their counselor or Alicia Ward-Satay, the assistant principal in charge of attendance.

**Athletics:** In November you heard that about half of our students participate in sports at CHS. Did you know that we have 27 different sports our students can join? There are also several no cut sports offered each season. Involvement in athletics supports academic achievement. If you are considering a sport for your child and need more information, please contact Jan Walker, our Athletics Secretary.

**Activities:** A group of our music students (orchestra, band and choir) attended the Oregon Music Educators conference last month in Eugene. They performed for the attendees. It was a wonderful testament to the value of a well-rounded education including performing arts. Club presidents are meeting monthly and planning for our 8th Grade Open House on March 10th. They hope to get the new freshmen excited about activities at CHS. Some students are gearing up for a play performance this spring. Performed on a two-story, revolving set, Noises Off will be the biggest non-musical play the CHS stage has ever seen. Auditions will be in the CHS main stage theater


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## Dates to Remember

Feb 1, 2	Finals	
Feb 4, 5	No School	
Feb 6	ACT	
Feb 7-12	Spring Sports Clearing	
Feb 8	Wellness Committee Meeting	
Feb 15	Presidents Day, No School	
Feb 16	Parent Connection & Spanish Speaking Parents joint meeting	
Feb 17	Counselors visit Linus Pauling 8th Graders	
Feb 22-26	Spirit Week	
Feb 26	Sadie Hawkins Dance	
Feb 24-26	Winter Play	
March 1-5	International Week	

*Principal's letter continued*

on Monday March 15th and Tuesday March 16th at 3:30pm. There is more information to come in our student announcements and by contacting Laura Braibish, 757-3820 at CHS.

**Achievement:** If you had a chance to look at our school report card for AYP you will note that we have something to celebrate. Last year CHS tenth graders scored higher than 2007-2008 in every category overall. Our school also met the state required 92% attendance rate. Although we still have an achievement gap we need to work on, this news is definitely encouraging. These reports were sent home with students in January. Additional copies are available in the main office.

**High School Schedule:** The Guiding Team for Instructional Time (GTIT) has been meeting twice a month since mid-January to look at changing our high school schedule in 2011-2012. This group has student, staff and parental involvement from both high schools. We will be hosting forums for our students, staff, and parents to get input about this subject. This will be an open process and everyone is invited to participate. Our goal is to have a few schedules we believe will work to offer as possibilities to our school board by December of 2010. The hope is that we will be able to eliminate the off block time for students, start later if at all possible, and provide for teacher collaboration time. Our focus is improving student learning.

As always, I am thankful for the opportunity to work each day with your children. They are delightful and never cease to surprise me. I have had many opportunities to interact with our students this past month. I never go away without learning something new- even if it is only a slang word. Did you know "ill" is a good thing? These interactions keeps me young and I am grateful for the gift.

I am looking forward to hearing any input from parents who cannot make it to our Parent Connection evening. I also welcome feedback or ideas at any time. Please email me at dawn.granger@corvallis.k12.or.us. I will try to answer your e-mails within 24 hours. Enjoy the lengthening days and the promise of sun ...sometime.

—Dawn Granger

## First semester FINALS schedule:

Monday, Feb 1st – ODD Schedule (FINALS in classes 1,3,5,7)

Tuesday, Feb 2nd – EVEN Schedule (FINALS in classes 2,4,6,8)

Wednesday, Feb 3rd – ALL Schedule

Thursday, Feb 4th – No School (End of semester, grading day for teachers)

Friday, Feb 5th – No School (Teacher Prep day)

## Valentine's Day Dance

CHS Jazz Band, the **Blue Tones**, are playing for a Valentine's Day Dance, February 13, 8-10pm at the Troubadour Music Center (521 NW 2nd St.) \$5 for students, \$10 for adults. It's a fundraiser help defray the costs of the April trip to the Heritage Music Festival at Disneyland that CHS band students are planning to attend.

## Parent Connection

You are invited to the Parent Connection meeting next Tuesday, February 16, 7:00 p.m. in the CHS Band Room. This will be a joint meeting with the Spanish Speaking parent group.

**February 16 • 7:00 pm**

**March 16 • noon**

**April 20 • noon**

**May 18 • noon**

## Start date for 2010-11 school year

The school district's Calendar Committee will be looking at the possibility of starting the 2010-11 school year before Labor Day since the holiday falls so late in the month next year. Classes could begin on Tuesday, Aug. 31 or Wednesday, Sept. 1.

The committee will be gathering input from staff and parents before it makes its recommendation to the school board.

## Seniors

Important dates are now posted in the senior information page on the CHS web site.

Fundraiser for the  
Corvallis High School Band  
Heritage Music Festival  
at Disneyland trip  
April 2010

**BLUE TONES**  
**CHS Jazz Band Dance**

Saturday, February 13, 2010  
8pm-10pm

Troubadour Music Center  
521 NW 2nd Street  
(New location across from the downtown Beasley,  
formerly Forrest Temple Lighting)

Students \$5, Adults \$10 at the door

Valentine treats and goodies galore!

# BCHS ~ BEYOND Corvallis High School

**SAT & ACT registration** is filling up for all of these tests and it is on a first come first served basis which we have no control over. You must register for these tests on-line.

**The ACT** will be given at CHS on February 6 and April 10. Signup is at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). All students should sign up for the ACT with writing. If your student is planning to attend BYU in a year, I believe that they are now also going to require the writing. I have indicated to several students that they might want to take the ACT rather than SAT based on their PSAT scores.

**The SAT** at CHS will be given on March 13 and June 5. If your student is just now taking Algebra 2 second semester then they should register for the SAT in June. If your student took precalculus or college/alg trig last semester, they should sign up for the March test. If your student is going to take precalculus or college/Alg trig next semester and may want to go to a more select school, they also should take the SAT in March leaving room then to take the subject tests in June. Financial aid is available, have your student see Nancy

**AP Exams** – To the right is the schedule, the cost if \$95 per exams and I will try to get a break on the two physics exams (TBA). Starting Tuesday, January 19, we will be taking a NONREFUNDABLE deposit of \$15 per exam. Final payment will not be until late April. All morning exams will start at 7:30 a.m. and all afternoon exams at 12:00. Financial Aid is available have your student see Nancy.



## AP Exams

### Monday, May 3

A.M. – US Government & Politics  
P.M. – French Language

### Tuesday, May 4

P.M. – Statistics

### Wednesday, May 5

A.M. – Calculus

### Thursday, May 6

A.M. – English Literature & Composition (Minato)  
A.M. – German Language

### Friday, May 7

A.M. – U.S. History

### Monday, May 10

A.M. – Biology  
P.M. – Physics

### Tuesday, May 11

A.M. – Chemistry  
A.M. – Environmental Science  
P.M. – Psychology

### Wednesday, May 12

A.M. – English Language & Composition

**Still taking reservations for the AMC test in February**

**LBCC is having an open house** on February 8 from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m., Commons Cafeteria in the Calapooia Center, 2nd floor.

**Juniors** have had notes put their lockers for their **junior interviews** in Beyond CHS, please remind them to check their lockers.

## 2010/2011 8th Grade CHS OPEN HOUSE March 10, 2010

(\*\*changed from April 7th \*\*)

5:00-5:45 BBQ Courtyard

Hosted by Spartan  
Booster Club

5:15-5:45 Club Tour

6:00-6:30 Welcome – Theatre

6:35-8:30 School Tours &  
Meet Teachers



- ☑ **February 17**(approximate date)  
Counselors Visit Linus Pauling  
“School Counts – Finish Strong”
- ☑ **March 3**  
Counselors visit Linus Pauling  
Registration Process – hand out forms
- ☑ **March 10**  
Open House 5:00-8:30
- ☑ **March 8**  
Counselors visit Lincoln 12:30-1:30  
Registration Process – hand out forms
- ☑ **March 17**  
Counselors return to Linus Pauling  
Collect registration forms
- ☑ **March 30**  
Counselors visit Franklin 12:45-2:30  
Registration Process –hand out forms  
Return date TBA in April
- ☑ Visits with Cheldelin, Ashbrook, Santiam Christian
- ☑ Waldorf & Zion will be arranged at a later date and will be in April.

## Career Education Update:

Now is the time of the year to remind ALL STUDENTS that they need to get their career education requirements completed. The counselors and myself help teach the concepts in a block lesson, either in a specific class or through advisor. Here is an update of where we are:

### 9th Grade Career Requirements:

Lessons are taught in English and Freshman Fitness. If your child has these classes now, we have all ready given those lessons. Remind them the assignments as due by the end of this semester. We will begin the second semester lessons in February and March.

### 10th Grade Career Requirements:

We had a 90 minute advisor in October to meet with all the sophomores and work on their lessons. We had another lesson day on January 13th with advisors. Reminder that all lessons are due by the end of the semester. Updated copy of a resume is due by May 1st. GET YOUR CAREER SHADOW COMPLETED!!

### 11th Grade Career Requirements:

We have given lessons through Sports Medicine and Health 2 classes. Second semester classes will be meeting in February. We worked on a new version of a resume that needs to be completed for the March 10th Career Convention at OSU. 900 juniors from Benton County will get many of their requirements completed that day. Mark that date and make sure your junior comes to school with 2 copies of their resume and dressed for interviews. WANT TO HELP WITH THE DAY? Sign up at [hscareerconvention.org](http://hscareerconvention.org).

### 12th Grade Career Requirements:

Most of the Extend Applications have been completed and turned in. Reminder that an updated, professional resume is due by May 1st. There is also one more lesson in Advisor regarding the Personal Education Plan and Profile that will be filled out.

All lessons and paper work can be found on the Career Learning Page under Popular Links on the District Webpage.

It is great working with your students. Gently remind your child to finish their career requirements.

*Donna Keim and the School Counselors*

## CHS Website - A Very Useful Tool/Resource!

Did you know the CHS Website can be used to find Athletic schedules? From the front page <http://www.csd509j.net/chs/>, click on "ATHLETICS" and then select the menu item "Schedules"? Or go directly to the Athletic Schedules page at <http://www.csd509j.net/chs/index.php?q=athletics/schedules>. The CHS Website calendar includes the home Athletic events.

Did you know that a list of Important Senior Dates can be found on the CHS Website? From the front page <http://www.csd509j.net/chs/>, click on the "STUDENTS" or "PARENTS" button. Near the bottom of the front tab, there is a list of links. Select "SENIOR DATES". Or go directly to the Senior Dates page at <http://www.csd509j.net/chs/index.php?q=general/senior-dates>

## The Luncheon Line

The junior and senior families baked and cooked for the CHS staff on January 14. The open theme of "Substantial Salads" invited delicious, hearty contributions. We extend to the following families the many "Thank You" and "Delicious" comments from the luncheon.

Melinda Winograd  
 Kelly Schaaque  
 Peggy Dolcini  
 Cassandra Cooper  
 Regina Iovino  
 Barbara Swain  
 Cindy Huddleston  
 Jeannie Sifneos  
 Donna Rinaldi  
 Shawna Corden  
 Marta Torres  
 Shanna Molitor  
 Lisa Corrigan  
 Laurie Holst  
 Hongli Li  
 Anns and Joel Weinstein  
 Diane Arney  
 Chris Niwa  
 Sally Olson-Edge  
 Diane McNally  
 Susan Brown  
 Doreen Gerner  
 Shelley Brown  
 Pat Collier  
 Carol Hennessy  
 Alesia Duncolm

### Reminder:

In order to eliminate unnecessary contributions to our landfills, we are collecting your neglected Corelle plates and straggling stainless spoons and forks. When you clean out your cupboards, please keep the PC luncheon committee in mind for these donations. We will provide a collection box in the main office.

Thanks.

*Staff Luncheon Committee*

## CHS Spring Parent-Teacher Conference schedule:

Date	Scheduled	Drop-In
Thursday, April 15	12:00-1:00 PM	1:00-3:30 PM
	3:30-4:30 PM	5:30-6:50 PM
	7:00-8:00 PM	
Friday, April 16	8:00-10:00 AM	10:10 AM-12:00 PM

Parents are welcome to call the CHS Main office @ 757-5871 starting at 7:30 am on Monday, April 5th to begin scheduling conference appointments. Please be aware that part time staff (who we share with other buildings) and coaches (with practice obligations) may have abbreviated conference schedules. ALL conferences will be in the cafeteria commons area. Although, we have hired additional staff members to assist us with the increased volume of phone calls during this time; please be patient! It is not necessary to call multiple times. The student assistants and parent volunteers answering the phones will add the date and time of your call to the form they fill out. We always call back in that order and promise to get back to you within a 24-48 hour time frame. To assist us, please be prepared to answer these questions:

1. Be sure to give us your name and the name of your student (especially if the last names are different.)
2. Which day (Thursday or Friday) and what time (see the above times) do you prefer to schedule the conference for?
3. Is there an alternative date/time that might work for you (if so when) if your first choice is booked solid?
4. Which teachers do you want to see? Please have their names ready. We have two teachers with the last name of Skillings (Kevin or Mary) and Williams (Casey or Julie.) So please know which one you want to see.

Our teachers and counselors look forward to this second opportunity to meet with you to discuss the academic progress of your children.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call Sherry Faller, Operations Assistant. Her phone number is: 757-5872.

## The first Mr. Spartan 2010 event is here!

We start off our fundraisers this year with our Cake Auction

### Here are the details:

**What:** The Annual Mr. Spartan Cake Auction

**Where:** The event will be held during the CHS vs. CV boys basketball game in the Corvallis High School Cafeteria.

**When:** January 22nd- Bidding for the cakes begins at 7:00 and the winners of the cakes will be determined during the third quarter of the basketball game....So make sure to do your bidding early!

**Why:** This is a really great fundraiser for Mr. Spartan which directly supports The Good Samaritan Cancer Research Center as well as the Mario Pastega House.

**Also:** There will be a Dash for Cash at intermission. The Mr. Spartan Boys and Girls will run around like crazy and collect money for one minute. Its a perfect time to get ride of that pesky change that has been sitting in your pocket!



## Please help the CHS Band

### attend the Heritage Music Festival at Disneyland!

The Corvallis High School Band has been invited to participate in the Heritage Music Festival being held in April, 2010 at Disneyland in California. The event is organized by the Heritage Festivals ([www.heritagefestival.org](http://www.heritagefestival.org)), an organization established by music educators who are dedicated to offering challenging performance opportunities to choral and instrumental groups. Any contribution you make will help to ensure that all interested students can participate in the Heritage Music Festival.

Please feel free to contact Friends of the CHS Band at [friendsofchsband@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofchsband@gmail.com) if you have any questions about the event.

We have made arrangements with Papa's Pizza to help us raise funds for this trip. We are hosting a PIZZA



DAY at PAPA'S PIZZA PARLOR in CORVALLIS on February 2nd, 2010. Details are explained in the attached flyer. To make this event a successful fundraiser, we need help. Flyers must be presented when placing food orders and cannot be distributed at Papa's. So we need these flyers distributed to as many people as we can before February 2nd. Our hope is that every CHS family can forward this flyer to 10 other families outside of CHS. This can be done electronically (email) or by handing out hard copies.

We hope you can join us for a great meal and can help us get the word out to all of Corvallis and the surrounding area!

*Thanks, CHS Band Fundraising Committee*

## Please remember that we are still in the midst of flu season!



Continue to follow these important Flu-Fighter strategies:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water!
- Cover your cough and sneezes!
- Stay home when you are ill!
- Get vaccinated. (This is recommended even if you think you had the flu!)

For more information, visit:

- Benton County Public Health: <http://www.co.benton.or.us/health/flu.php>
- Oregon State Public Health: <http://www.flu.oregon.gov/Pages/index.aspx>
- Concerned about vaccines? Check out: <http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/ph/acd/flu/public/FluMyths.pdf>



## Senior All-Night-Party Website

A new website has been created specifically for the 2010 Senior All Night Party! Bookmark it now and refer to it often! <http://2010sanp.weebly.com>

## Save Money – Get Your Tickets Now!

To order your ticket just fill out the form below, attach a check or cash and turn it into Denise Purdy, bookkeeper, in the main office. The cost is only \$25 if purchased before spring break – after that the price goes up to \$30. Final time to purchase tickets will be at the door and the cost will be \$35. Buy now and save some money!! Please make checks payable to CV/CHS SANP.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## SANP Gift-Wrap Sale Continues!

Looking for birthday or Valentine's Day gift wrap or knick-knack present for someone special? We have the perfect solution while benefiting our seniors' all-night graduation party!

Sally Foster products & Entertainment Books are available on-line for your purchases. Simply input our CVHS/CHS joint account number (#355744) at the SALLYFOSTER.COM website and select your items. Your purchases will be sent directly to you - while our students receive 50% of your total!

Thank you for your continued support of the Class of 2010!

## Memory Collages

Senior Parents plan ahead! Gather pictures that give a reflection of your child growing up, during school, sports and other activities with family and friends. Memory collages will be displayed at the High School and the 2009 Senior All Night Party in June. Details are available on the CHS website (Parents – Senior All Night Party – Docs) and in a letter home in April. Questions can be directed to: AJ Campbell ([ajcm4u@gmail.com](mailto:ajcm4u@gmail.com)) at 752-0799.

## Attendance

CHS needs your help in reporting absences. If your child has been or will be absent, please call the CHS Attendance Office at 757-5888 as soon as possible. **If you do not call**, the computer will record your child's absence as unexcused. After 48 hours, absences cannot be excused. Notes are not accepted in place of a phone call.

Absences may be excused at the request of a student's parent/guardian because of illness, disability, illness in the immediate family requiring the student's presence, a family emergency, religious reasons or anything the school deems appropriate (up to 5 pre-arranged absences per semester). Students who are eighteen years old may request their own absences be excused.

If you receive an "Automated" telephone call stating that your student has missed one or more classes, please have your student check the attendance record to see which teacher marked them absent. If this was an error the student and teacher can resolve it. I look forward to another great year! Thank you for your cooperation.

—Debbie Begin



## Student Visitor Guidelines

- Visitation is not allowed if the guest student lives within 60 miles of Corvallis (Valley League principal's agreement).
- The guest must be of high school age and a "student in good standing" at their school.
- A "Visitor's Request Form" must be completed by the host student at least 24 hours prior to the visit (available in the main office).
- Any violation of school guidelines during the visit may result in both students being sent home.

## 2010-11 Budget Preparation

The process of developing the 2010-11 budget for the Corvallis School District is underway. Administrators and school staff are currently working to identify budget needs and priorities and to develop funding proposals.

The public may comment on what priorities should be reflected in next year's budget during school board meetings over the next four months. Parents and citizens also may offer feedback during a series of public budget forums, beginning in February, during which information about expected revenue resources and proposed expenditures will be shared.

Check the district's Web site at [www.csd509j.net](http://www.csd509j.net) for a schedule of future board meetings and guidelines for giving public testimony. Once the dates, times and locations of the public budget forums are finalized, that information will be posted on the Web site as well.



## Report Card Survey Results

Thank you to the Parents who responded to the Report card survey. The results are that there are just a few parents who would like to continue to receive report cards at the 9 week grading period so we will be sending report cards to those parents. If you did not respond to the survey, but wish to receive report cards, please email Karen Nelson at:

[www.karen.nelson@corvallis.k12.or.us](mailto:www.karen.nelson@corvallis.k12.or.us)

Please indicate whether you want the report mailed or sent home with your child. I will be developing a list based on this information and I will give the report card to the student to take home to families on this list. Everyone else will depend on Pinnacle to get 9 week grades.



## Choral Music

For the past several years, financial support for the CHS Choral music program has been given by the Investments, a Barbershop Quartet from Corvallis. Since 2006, they have contributed \$1,350.00 to this

program. As a non-profit group, they raise money throughout the year with performances at schools, retirement homes, festivals and private events. The Quartet relies on Singing Valentines each year as a major component of their fund raising endeavors. This year, the Quartet will be available to hire for \$40.00 on Friday, Feb 12th through Sunday, Feb 14th from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. The Quartet will travel to homes, schools or businesses in the Corvallis, Philomath and Albany areas and will surprise your loved ones with songs, roses, chocolates and a card specifically from you. If you're interested in scheduling a Singing Valentine, please call Dave or Bev Chilcote @ 757-7845.

Thanks for your support!

## Emergency Notifications

When the decision has been made to cancel school, close the district, or delay the start, we also rely on the district web site, emergency phone trees, local radio, television stations, and the web Flash Alert for notification to staff and parents. District emergency numbers are 757-5811 and 757-4555.

Another e-mail feature for each of our schools is the LISTSERV. One of the ways the school LISTSERVs will be used to is to distribute individual school emergency information. For inclusion on this list, please follow the directions below.

### Register password on Listserv:

1. Go to <http://listserv.csd509j.net/listserv/>
2. Click "Register on Listserv"
  - a. Enter email address
  - b. Enter desired password (twice)
  - c. Click Register Password
    - i. Open email sent from listserv and click on confirmation link

### Subscribe/Unsubscribe:

1. Go to <http://listserv.csd509j.net/listserv/>
2. Click on "List Archives"
3. Click on list you want to subscribe/unsubscribe to/from
4. Select "Join or leave the list"
5. Enter your name and email address
6. Select "Join" or "Leave" at the bottom of the screen.
  - a. If joining, the listserv administrator will confirm your registration before you will receive any emails from the list.

## FlashAlert Newswire

The FlashAlert.net website gives you access to emergency messages, such as snow closure information and news releases from participating organizations in Oregon. In addition you may subscribe to the messages we post, receiving the information as e-mails and/or cell phone text messages. Often the television and radio stations are not able to update closures in a timely fashion. However, the e-mail and/or cell phone text messages are sent within 15 minutes of posting. To sign up go to: <http://flashalert.net/signup.html> and register under FlashAlert Newswire Signup. For more information or assistance, please contact Kerry Richey, Instructional Services Coordinator, at [kerry.richey@corvallis.k12.or.us](mailto:kerry.richey@corvallis.k12.or.us), or 757-5724.

# SPARTAN Activities and Athletics

## Plan Ahead for Spring Sports

If you are planning to participate in a sport this Spring and have not participated in a Fall or Winter sport, please plan to get a physical scheduled with your physician. The needed paperwork (including the code of conduct form and the transportation form) is outside the athletic office. This would apply to those students who do not have a physical on file from last year. If you have any questions, please ask now. Don't wait until the last minute: we will start clearing spring athletes on Monday, February 8, 2010; practice begins on Monday, February 22nd. Cost this year for sports is \$150; if this is your student's third sport of the year, the cost is only \$100. Questions: 757-5917.

## Spartan Spring Sports

Baseball (Varsity/JV/Freshman)	Coach: Eric Dazey	757-3801
Softball (Varsity/JV)	Coach: Rich Scott	760-8822
Boys/Girls Track	Coach: Mark Hulburt	928-9544
Girls Tennis	Coach: Andy Hackethorn	753-5321
Boys Tennis	Coach: Ken Stevenson	974-4281
Girls Golf	Coach: David Zajicek	231-7778
Boys Golf	Coach: Marc Arey	760-3857
Girls Lacrosse	Coach: Monette LeMay	754-7709
Boys Lacrosse	Coach: Josh Parker	231-5124

Once the games/events begin in March, we will be using the hotline for updates on rainouts in Baseball, Softball, and Tennis. Track, Golf, and Lacrosse play rain or shine. The hotline phone number is 766-4877 ext. 8073. We will update the hotline daily by 9:00 listing the events for the day. We will update it again around 2:00-2:30pm regarding event rainouts. These updates will not be sent through e-mails during the Spring Season.

## Hockey

The Valley Vikings Hockey Club invites boys and girls of all ages to check out inline hockey. No skating experience is required – only enthusiasm for the game of hockey! Gear, sticks, and skates are provided and practices are run by certified USA Hockey coaches. Contact Michele Friesen for more information, including upcoming practice days and times, at 541-754-1877.

## Boys & Girls Club February News

- The Clubhouse After-School Program is open to all MEMBERS, grades 1-12, 2:45 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Cost is \$25/year.
- The Clubhouse Teen Program is open to all MEMBERS in grades 6-12 on non-school days from 1-6 p.m. The program will run this month on Feb. 4, 5, & 15.
- The Clubhouse will be open to all members on Saturdays beginning Oct. 17 from 1-4 p.m.
- The Club hosts Venture Crew for teens (coed) ages 16 & up. Contact Jack Standeven at 745-3914 or jackstandeven@comcast.net if interested in joining.
- Register for all programs online at [www.bgccorvallis.org](http://www.bgccorvallis.org).



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**  
OF CORVALLIS

## Spring Sports Pictures

Spring Sports will have their pictures taken during practice on Monday, March 8th. Hise Studio will be taking team and individual photos. Athletes do not need to bring money for their professional



order. Proofs will be mailed to each athlete at their home and orders can be made after

seeing the picture. Anyone wanting to order a Booster Button needs to fill out the half sheet and pay during the time of pictures. Checks can be made out to CHS Booster Club. The cost of each Booster Button is \$3.00. This is a great way to support Booster Club and your athlete. Please have button order forms filled out by picture day. Coaches will be giving order forms to athletes during practice.



## Winter Sports Recognition

Be sure to mark your calendars for the Winter Sports Dessert on Monday, March 8th. We will start with dessert at 6:30pm and move into the auditorium at 7:00pm. This event, which is sponsored by the school and the Spartan Booster club, is to recognize the students who have participated in team sports during the winter season. We encourage everyone to attend and to bring a dessert to feed 6-8 people.

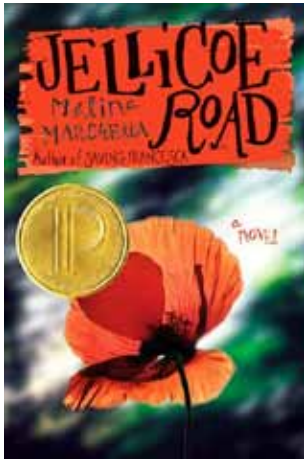
## Making Reading Easy: The CHS Library/Bookroom

*"You don't have to burn books to destroy a culture. Just get people to stop reading them."*

~Ray Bradbury, author of *Fahrenheit 451*, *The Martian Chronicles*, and many other novels for young adults.

### New at CHS Library:

***Jellicoe Road*** by Melina Marchetta



This enjoyable book is set in rural Australia, and readers will smell, taste and hear it. 17-year-old Taylor Markham lives in a boarding school there, having been abandoned by her mother at a gas station when she was 11. She is also leader of one of three battling camps, the Underground. This group wars over territory with the Cadets and the Townies. At the same time, Taylor is also drawn to Jonah, leader of the Cadets. Further complicating events include the disappearance of Taylor's would-be foster mom, Hannah, and the emerging story of a fatal accident on Jellicoe Road 22 years earlier. Don't miss this story of romance, mystery, and realistic fiction, which won the prestigious 2009

U.S. Michael Printz Award for excellence in young adult literature.

Melina Marchetta lives in Sydney, Australia. She taught History and Science full-time for ten years at a city high school for boys while writing her first novel, *Looking for Alibrandi*. Called the "most stolen library book," the popular novel was followed by the equally celebrated *Saving Francesca*. Both of these earlier titles are available at CHS Library, along with *Jellicoe Road*. Finally, watch for *Finnikin of the Rock*, her latest release.

**Read an interview with Melina Marchetta at [www.insideadog.com.au/residence/interviews/melina\\_marchetta.html](http://www.insideadog.com.au/residence/interviews/melina_marchetta.html)**

Excerpt: "My heroes are people who have experienced tragedies but refuse to let them consume their lives. Jed Bartlet, who is the fictional leader of the Western World in *West Wing*, and his team, because they put education first on their agenda, rather than bombing a foreign country."



### Semester Change

**Please remind students to renew or return their first semester textbooks.**

We need to have first semester books returned so they can be checked out to other students during second semester! Please also help students look for and return our books that may have made it to your home.

**Judy Westlake, Librarian**

757-5900 or [judy.westlake@corvallis.k12.or.us](mailto:judy.westlake@corvallis.k12.or.us)

**Judi Welever, Textbook Coordinator**

757-5896 or [judi.welever@corvallis.k12.or.us](mailto:judi.welever@corvallis.k12.or.us)



## Thank you Library/Bookroom Volunteers!

We truly value your help all year, especially during the semester change on February 1-3, and 8-10. Thanks to those of you who volunteered after seeing the notice on the CHS listserve.

In addition, if you'd like to volunteer in the library this school year on a regular basis, we'd love to have you. Drop by or contact library staff at 757-5900 or 757-5896.

### Donations and Lost Books:

Please continue to donate books and supplies to the CHS Library or Bookroom.

We appreciate the donation of books of any level. If we are unable to use your donations we send them to the elementary or middle schools in the district. We also donate them to the public library or trade them for something else through paperback swap ...

### Book Donations for PaperbackSwap

Do you have gently used paperback or hardcover books you just don't want taking up room on your bookshelf anymore? Consider donating them to the CHS library. If they are in good condition, CHS has an account at [paperbackswap.com](http://paperbackswap.com) that we use to swap books at minimal cost to CHS. Thanks to folks who have donated many books during the first half of the semester. We have been able to trade some of them on [paperbackswap.com](http://paperbackswap.com) for books our library collection needs!

### Supplies Needed:

- Black Sharpies
- Kleenex
- Scotch tape

Enjoy reading!