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Dear CHHS Families,

It is hard to believe we are already at the point of the year where we are getting ready for our November parent teacher conferences. You previously received a K12 alert with the times and sign-up information. As we get closer to the conferences, we will provide you with links to join the conferences. If you have any questions about scheduling, please reach out to Lorraine Levins at 271-2147:

CHHS Virtual Parent/Teacher conferences:

- Tuesday, November 3rd : 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm
- Wednesday, November 4th : 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
- Thursday, November 5th : 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm
- Tuesday, November 17th : 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Parents/guardians may sign up for dates and times by using the following link:

http://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Croton_Harmon_High_School

Upcoming Dates

- Early Dismissal Drill, today, **Friday, October 9** (students will be dismissed at 2:50 pm during helping period)
- PSAT (11th graders) - **Wednesday, October 14**
- Q1 Progress Reports (visible on Infinite Campus portal under the grades tab) - **Thursday, October 15**
- Grades 9-11 Picture Day (more details to come)
 - Croton Cohort - **Monday, October 19**
 - Harmon Cohort - **Friday, October 23**
 - Fully Remote Students - **Monday, October 19 3-5pm**
- Principal's Coffee via Zoom - **Wednesday, October 28 at 8:30 am** ; This coffee will provide updates as well as a conversation with members of our counseling department. I will send out more details later this month, but please save the date!

Infinite Campus Gradebook Update

The gradebook function is now open on the student/parent portal accounts. Please keep in mind that this is a new system for all of us as you are viewing your grades. If you have any questions about your grades, please reach out to your teacher. I mentioned to our students yesterday that there is no need to check their gradebook repeatedly throughout the day. A suggestion for those who feel compelled to regularly check is to pick one time at the end of the day to check and try to limit it to once daily. In our opening grade level meetings, one topic of discussion was about the rush to return to normal. So, as we enter the school year, eager for normalcy, we also need to evaluate what aspects we do not want to return to (like checking grades multiple times throughout the day!) and really focus on our social-emotional well-being.

Attention Junior Parents

Juniors were recently sent a communication specific to their class this week. The email contains important information about upcoming dates and supports in the testing/college process timeline as well as information about our virtual college symposium, financial aid night, and support for students on using Naviance and SAT/ACT testing timelines. You can review the communication [here](#) and please reach out to your child's counselor with any questions.

Emergency Drills

We had our first fire drills this week and we anticipate having our first lockdown drill shortly. This year, all drills are announced and we are following guidance in terms of how to run drills in light of COVID precautions. Drills will be clearly announced over the PA system that they are drills and students will remain in their spaced out desks during lockdown drills. Prior to and after drills, we will remind students of what adjustments would need to be made in the event of an emergency situation.

Green Slips

Many of you are likely running low on green slips. Next week, we will have slips copied for pickup in the English hallway to replenish the supply you were mailed at the beginning of this year. This will be announced to all students on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday and students should take 10 sheets and bring them home. This will be enough to get them through December. As always, if you run low on slips at any point, your child can stop by the main office to pick some up at any time.

A Message from the Athletic Director regarding the spectator policy

Please click on this [link](#) for more information about the spectator policy for sports.

Information from the Village Regarding Police Reform

[Police Reform: Black Community](#)

[Police Reform: Spanish Community](#)

[Police Reform: Youth Stakeholders](#)

From the CHHS PTSA: Tutoring/prep offerings, fundraising, and membership

Revolution Prep is another company the CHHS PTSA has partnered with to help students to reach their goals for test prep and academic success. [Here is some information.](#)

Help support all the amazing things the CHHS PTSA does simply by designating us as your Amazon Smile Charity.

You can search for "PTA New York Congress 18-333 Croton-Harmon Hs PTSA" on Amazon Smile or just [follow this link](#) to begin.

As a reminder, please consider signing up to be a member of the PTSA here: [CHHS PTSA membership.](#)

From the Croton Free Library

How COVID-19 Has Changed College Admissions

Croton Free Library is co-hosting a workshop to support parents and college-bound students at any stage of high school! Free and open to anyone. Ron Feuchs and Jackie Tepper, partners at Stand Out For College, will lead the presentation.

RSVP to ron@standoutforcollege.com, and you'll receive a private invitation with a Zoom link in reply. Check out the Facebook event for more info: <https://fb.me/e/1wHyUP6U8>

Finally, I hope everyone has a wonderful long weekend. As always, please keep in mind health and safety as well as travel guidelines. We have had a great start to the year at CHHS and we want to continue on this path. We truly appreciate your support in this community effort.

See below for information from previous weekly updates.

Have a wonderful, safe long weekend,

Laura Dubak

CHHS Principal

Remote Learning Expectations

All students will be engaged in some portion of remote learning each week. Please carefully review the [student and parent remote learning expectations](#) . These expectations are essential to a successful learning environment and we thank you for your attention and support.

Parents of Students in AP Courses

If you have a student who is taking one or more AP courses this year, please read the [AP Parent Letter](#) . It contains information about testing dates, exam fees, due dates and exam policies and guidelines. Any student that qualifies for a free or reduced-cost lunch as indicated by the Child Nutrition Program is also eligible for a reduction in the cost of AP exams. If your child is eligible, you will receive a letter in the mail with details. You can also read that letter [here](#) .

40th Annual Harry Chapin Run Against Hunger

[40th Annual Run Against Hunger](#) : Register to participate in this year's effort to fight world hunger. Harry Chapin Run Against Hunger [Poster](#) and [Brochure](#) . Check out [this video](#) about the race and how you can make a difference in this community and beyond.

Times on the Infinite Campus Student/Parent Portal

Please keep in mind that the times listed on the Infinite Campus parent portal schedules do not match the hybrid schedule times. Everything else on the portal schedule is correct - periods, times, letter days, etc. We shared a template with your children to help them stay organized with the new schedule. It might be helpful for them to fill in their schedule on [this template](#) if they have not done so already (also posted on our website).

Technology Help Desk

As a reminder, if a student is experiencing any technology issues, they can submit a helpdesk ticket to our student helpdesk: <https://www.chufsd.org/Domain/2777> . The link is also posted under quick links on our school website.

Zoom Authentication

Students are required to log into Zoom meetings with their chufsd email address. If your child is having trouble logging in, it is likely because they are logged in somewhere on their computer with a personal email address (this could be on their Zoom client icon or on their browser window). Two easy fixes are to make sure students are logged out of their personal address in their browser and/or Zoom client. They can also select "join through browser" instead of clicking "open in Zoom meetings" when they log in.