

Dear Croton-Harmon High School Families,

It has been a wonderful first full hybrid week at CHHS this week! Thank you to all of you for your support in making sure that we had a successful week. Thank you for completing the LINQ health survey and green slips every morning that your child attends school in person - this is so important for health and safety purposes and having full compliance allows us to have a smooth entry process each morning.

We are proud of the way our students are following our protocols throughout the day in the building and taking their part seriously. Please continue to reinforce the importance of wearing masks properly at all times except when eating, good hand hygiene, and social distancing. We are actively supervising and reminding students of these protocols at all times and we appreciate your support in this. We have had a wonderful in-person start so far and we want to continue on this path! In addition, we ask that you continue to support our school community by being mindful of interactions, activities, and health/safety practices outside of the school day. What you do (or don't) truly makes a difference. We thank you for your partnership in this community effort.

Upcoming Dates:

- Yom Kippur, school closed - **Monday, September 28**
- Additional Senior Portrait Days - **Wednesday, September 30**
- [Virtual Principal's Coffee](#) (prior to Back to School Night) - **Wednesday, September 30 at 5:30 pm**
- [Virtual Back to School Night](#) - **Wednesday, September 30 at 6:30 pm**
- PSAT (11th graders) - **Wednesday, October 14**

Back to School Night Information

We are looking forward to our virtual back to school night on Wednesday, September 30. Please review this information that includes [the schedule and all of the links](#) you will need to join.

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](#).

From the Guidance Department

Since many college campuses are not scheduling in-person tours and events, the colleges have arranged to come right to you! Here are some upcoming virtual college fairs and workshops:

Colleges That Change Lives, Inc. (CTCL) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement and support of a student-centered college search process. CTCL is offering 4 days **(September 27-30)** of presentations and information sessions from the 42 colleges that are a part of this unique group. Click [here](#) to view the schedule of events. **Registration is required!**

SUNY Virtual College Fairs: Meet with representatives from SUNY campuses to discuss academic offerings, student life, financial aid, and more. During the fair, you will be able to communicate with campus representatives using text and video chat. **The fairs will be held on October 1, 2 and 3.** Click [here](#) to register. **Registration is required.**

The National Association for College Admissions Counseling (NACAC) is offering 3 virtual college fairs on the following dates: **10/12, 10/18 and 11/8.** Over 600 colleges will be participating on each date. There will also be over 500 live sessions offered by colleges on specific topics. Click [here](#) to learn more! **Registration is required for both the virtual fair and individual live sessions.**

School counselors will be available to students virtually **every Wednesday from 9:20-10:20AM to answer individual questions via zoom.** The counselors zoom links can be found on the homepage of the [Guidance website](#). As always, students can still set up appointments with their counselors during free periods or study halls when they are in the building and remote.

College admissions reps are offering virtual visits specifically for CHHS students this year in grades 10-12. These visits started on September 14 and will run through mid November. These visits are a perfect opportunity for students to learn more about different colleges and make connections with the reps that will be reviewing applications, especially since so many campuses are not offering in-person tours at the moment.

To attend the scheduled virtual visit, students will be able to click directly on the visit link from the college visit details page in their Naviance accounts. Parents can view the calendar of rep visits by clicking [here](#) or go to the calendar tab in the guidance section of the CHHS website. Please encourage your child to sign up today!

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.

Finally, see below for information from previous weekly updates.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Laura Dubak

CHHS Principal

Times on the Infinite Campus 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.

Driver Education Update

I know that many of you have reached out to Mr. Guilo, our interim athletic director, regarding driver education. For the 2020-2021 school year, we are not able to offer a

driver education program. In addition to being mindful about health and safety, the driving school that serves our school and many others in the area is no longer in business to support a program. In the coming weeks Mr. Gulino will share resources and options for families who would like to pursue a driver education program outside of the school. You may also contact him directly. For students who began driver's education with us last spring before we were out of school and were not able to complete the program, Mr. Gulino will be reaching out separately to those students and families shortly to communicate about how to complete your course. Please stay tuned for a separate communication about that if you are in that situation.

Census 2020

Join the movement to make sure every child is counted in the 2020 Census. Please find information below about the importance of the Census and resources for different ages, grade levels and content areas.

[Census 2020 Flier English](#)

[Census 2020 Flier Espanol](#)

[Census 2020 Activities and Learning Resources](#)

School Lunch Program

Please review the [information regarding our lunch program](#) that was previously sent out as a K-12 alert. Please note that lunch is free of charge for all students for the time being as outlined in the letter.

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.

Arrival and Dismissal Reminders

Arrival

We will have a staggered arrival this year. On days that you are in the building, you will not be able to enter until 7:55 and will enter and go directly to your first period classroom.

Buses, walkers, and student drivers will enter through the main entrance (front doors).

- Buses will begin dropping off at 7:55 on a staggered schedule
- Walkers and student drivers:
 - Croton group A-F at 7:55
 - Croton group G-K at 8:05

- Harmon group L-Q at 7:55
- Harmon group R-Z at 8:05

Parent drop off will be at the back parking lot doors beginning at 7:55

- Croton group A-F at 7:55
- Croton group G-K at 8:05
- Harmon group L-Q at 7:55
- Harmon group R-Z at 8:05

Dismissal

If you are going to helping period and taking the bus...

- remain in helping period until you hear your bus number called over the PA system and exit through the front doors

If you are going to helping period and walking/driving/getting picked up...

- walkers/student drivers should exit the building immediately after finishing helping period through the front doors
- parent pickup - please pick up your children at 3:00 in the back parking lot

If you are not going to helping period and taking the bus...

- wait in one of our common spaces (cafeteria, courtyard, aux gym) or outside of the main entrance socially distanced until your bus number is called over the PA system

If you are not going to helping period and walking/driving/getting picked up...

- walkers and student drivers exit immediately at 2:20 through the front entrance
- parent pickup - please pick up your child at the back entrance prompt at 2:20

Here is a summary of arrival and dismissal that you may want to retain a copy of for your reference: [CHHS Arrival and Dismissal](#).