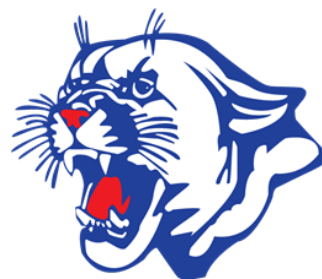


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April 2024 Newsletter

CHS Mission

Since 2022, Craig High School's Mission has been aligned with the AVID program: a national, research-based program that encourages engaging, rigorous, and student-centered learning environments. AVID is an acronym for Advancement Via Individual Determination. AVID's mission, and our mission as a school, is to close the opportunity gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society.

Important Reminder for Tuesday, April 9th

- ★ **9th/10th Grades take PreACT/Forward Test**
- ★ **No School for Juniors, UNLESS making up the ACT they missed on March 12th.**
- ★ **Senior Day! Seniors MUST attend during the planned morning session to complete required tasks.**

9th & 10th grade students take the PreACT on Tuesday, April 9th

9th graders will take only the PreACT and will finish at approx. 11:00 am.

10th graders will take the PreACT and Forward tests and will be finished at approx. 12:15.

Students who receive testing accommodations will be released at a later time, likely between 12:30 and 1:00 PM.

Sack Lunches will be provided for students wanting to take one when they leave.

Bus transportation will still operate at the normal time. The library will be open for students after testing for those waiting for a ride or buses.

It is important that all 9th and 10th graders be in their assigned testing rooms before 8:00 on test day so testing can begin on time to end at the scheduled time.

Students will test with their Advisory Teacher, but will likely be in a different room.

Students MUST bring their Chromebooks fully charged and bring their charger on test day just in case.

What is the PreACT & Forward Test?

The PreACT is an online test using student Chromebooks and has been adopted as the statewide assessment for students in grades 9 and 10. Taking the PreACT allows teachers and parents to monitor student growth as they move closer to graduation. Additionally, it assists students in reaching their educational goals by providing detailed feedback on strengths and weaknesses in core content areas. The PreACT measures achievement in English, math, reading, and science and directly prepares students for the ACT that students will take Junior Year and can be used for college entrance and possible scholarships. It is very important that students do their best to measure their college readiness.

The Forward test is an online test using student Chromebooks and tests 10th graders statewide in the area of Social Studies as that is not included in the PreACT.

Senior Day April 9th

Seniors will not be attending classes at Craig on April 9, 2024 due to our PreACT test date for 9th and 10th grade students, however, they will participate in Senior Day activities during the planned date. Seniors should plan to attend the morning session. Please see [Craig Senior Day Information](#).

Juniors to attend Job Fair April 25th

Mark your calendars! The School District of Janesville's Student Job Fair is happening on Thursday, April 25, 2024 from 8:00 - 11:30 am at Parker High School. This event is your chance to connect with local businesses and organizations looking for talented students as employees. This event is REQUIRED for 11th grade students at Craig. Bus transportation will be provided from your school to the event. Parents/Guardians wishing to "opt out" their student from the event must contact Assistant Principal, Shawn Kane, no later than Friday, April 12th. Mr. Kane can be contacted via email at skane@janesville.k12.wi.us. 📎 Student Promo - SDJ Job Fair - 11th Grade.pdf

[Sophomores & Seniors invited to attend Job Fair April 25th](#)

Sophomores and Seniors are invited to attend the School District of Janesville's Student Job Fair on Thursday, April 25th 2024 from 8:00-11:30am. This is limited to the first 100 Sophomore and Senior students. Please see this for more information: [☰ Student Promo - SDJ Job Fair - 10th and 12th Grade](#)

[Craig Boutique Now Accepting Prom Attire Donations](#)

The Craig Boutique is getting ready for students to browse our Prom attire. The boutique is free of charge for any student, in need of clothing for the dance. Prom season is coming up fast, and we are in need of your gently used or new formal wear.

Do you have men's modern formal wear taking up space in a closet?! If so, please consider a donation to Craig's Closet. Or, make a Kohl's gift card donation to help us support a student with financial need attend prom. Gift cards can be delivered to Craig's Main Office any time during school hours.

We accept all sizes in womens dresses, but are particularly in need of plus size dresses at this time. We ask that you limit the items you donate to formal attire that has been purchased/worn in the last ten years. If you have questions about items you have and whether they are appropriate to donate at this time please feel free to reach out to our School Social Worker:Becky Boylan at 743-5261 or rebecca.boylan@janesville.k12.wi.us.



[Youth Apprenticeship Job Fair](#)

The Rock & Green County Youth Apprenticeship Consortium will host an in-person Youth Apprenticeship Job Fair for students at the Rock County Job Center on **April 23rd at 9:30**. At this event, current Youth Apprenticeship companies will have a booth where students can speak to company representatives about their Youth Apprenticeship positions. Earn high school credit while making money and preparing for a future career in a wide range of career fields. Bring copies of your resume to apply for available positions. Come see what opportunities are out there! See this flyer for more information: [📄 Rock County Youth Apprenticeship Job Fair Flyer-2024.pdf](#)

[Show Choir Auditions for 2024-2025](#)

You are invited to audition for Show Choir for the 2024-2025 season! We have some exciting plans for next year including trips to Chicago, Davenport, Indianapolis and competing locally. Show choir is a lot of work but is a great community to be a part of and you will create memories that last a lifetime. Parker students are allowed to be in the Show Choir at Craig High School. Rehearsals will include a summer camp, a couple of Saturdays and weekly evening rehearsals (Monday and Thursday 6:30pm-9:30pm). Show Choir does not conflict with most athletics, clubs or musicals.

[Show Choir Audition Sign-Up Link](#)

Note: Students need to complete a vocal audition and a dance audition to be eligible. If you can not audition on the dates specified please reach out and we will schedule an alternative date.

Vocal Audition:

May 13th and 14th in the Craig High School Choir Room

- Students will sing individually for a small panel of judges.
- [Sign-Up Genius Link](#)
- On audition day students are expected to sing 1 minute of a pop/broadway song of their choice that showcases their vocal abilities.
- Please bring a phone or computer to play a karaoke track to sing too. You can find a track on youtube.
- In addition to this the student will sing through some warm-ups to display range.

Dance Audition:

May 15th and 16th 4:30-6:30 in the Craig High School Choir Room

- Students need to be at one day of Dance auditions
- Students will have access to choreography videos via the Craig High School Choir Website. Linked at the end of this form. These will be created soon.
- On audition day you will spend the first 30 minutes reviewing the choreography as a group. Following this everyone will leave the choir room and we will call in groups of 4-6 to perform. Once you are done dancing you can leave for the evening.

All students and their parents should plan on being available for the Parent Meeting on May 21st. It is extremely important for parents and students to be at this meeting. We will go over summer camp dates, expectations, and will unveil our show theme.

For more information please visit the [Craig High School Choirs Website](#)

[CATS Update](#)

The next CATS meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 17th at 6:30pm. The first meeting for this year's Cougar Fest will also be April 17th at 7:30pm in the library. Volunteers are welcome to attend! Cougar Fest raised approximately \$16,000 last year to help support all Craig Athletic teams. Cougar Fest for 2024 will be Friday, August 17th from 5:30 to 7:30pm.

[Attendance Updates](#)


If your student has to leave for an appointment please call and let the attendance office know as early in the day as possible. If no one answers please leave a voicemail, as messages are checked several times an hour.

Planned Absences: If you know in advance that your student will be absent due to a family vacation, college visit, etc please send a note or call that into the attendance office a few days in advance. The attendance office will give your child a form to acquire signatures from their teachers and administration and the students' attendance will be taken care of before you leave for vacation!

Parents/guardians are able to submit an absence request through Infinite Campus. Please see these instructions on how to submit an absence request: [Absence Request - Infinite Campus](#).

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[Texas Roadhouse Dine to Donate Fundraiser](#)

Mark your calendar for Monday, April 22nd for a fundraising night at Texas Roadhouse for Craig High School. Show this  [Craig HS 4-22.pdf](#) to your server and Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% back to Craig High School!

[Order your Yearbook Today!](#)

If you wish to purchase a yearbook, please do so by clicking on this link, <http://jostensyearbooks.com?ref=A09315000>. We cannot guarantee a yearbook unless you order before the delivery in early May. The price also increases once the books are delivered. So, purchase one TODAY! If you are not sure if you have already purchased, you can call Jostens, 877-767-5217. Reserve your yearbook today before they sell out (like they did the last two years).



YEARBOOKS ARE ARRIVING SOON.
Yearbooks are extremely limited and on a first-come, first-served basis.
ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY!

[Who's Who?](#)

Principal: Dr. Alison Bjoin, 608-743-5155
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Assistant Principal (A-K): Shawn Kane, 608-743-5260
Assistant Principal (L-Z): Zack Gavin, 608-743-5270
Asst Principal Secretary: Kelly Zastrow, 608-743-5262
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Athletic Director: Ben McCormick, 608-743-5245
Athletic Secretary: Jolene Hess, 608-743-5266
School Resource Officers:
Sean Jauch & Carmen Roche, 608-743-5221

[Student Services](#)

A - C: Shelly Osmond, 608-743-5253
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I - M: Jonathan Watson, 608-743-5222
N - Se: Emily Severson, 608-743-5255
Sh - Z: Luke Hanewell, 608-743-5267
School Psychologist: Michele Costello, 608-743-5323
Social Worker: Rebecca Boylan, 608-743-5261
Guidance Secretary: Heather Last, 608-743-5251
Registrar(transcripts): Mary Severin, 608-743-5252
Attendance Office: 608-743-5230

[Upcoming Events](#)

April 4th: End of Quarter 3

April 5th: NO SCHOOL

April 9th: PreACT Testing for 9th & 10th Grade

April 9th: NO SCHOOL for Juniors (Unless making up the ACT exam they missed on 3/12/24)

April 9th: Senior Day

April 19th: NO SCHOOL

April 22nd: Texas Roadhouse Dine to Donate  [Craig HS 4-22.pdf](#)

April 25th: Junior Job Fair

April 27th: Prom

Please view these important Upcoming Events and Dates here:  [February 2024 - Spring Parent Message](#)