

CHESTER UPLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

Chester High School

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CHESTER, PENNSYLVANIA 19013

Mr. LaMonte Popley, Principal

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July 13, 2026

Dear Chester, High School Parents, Guardians, and Students,

Welcome to the 2026–2027 school year! We hope you had a safe, relaxing, and enjoyable summer. As we begin a new academic year, we are excited to partner with you in supporting the success of every Chester High School student.

Our theme for this school year is:

"Elevating Excellence: Empowering Minds, Engaging Community, & Shaping Futures".

This theme reflects our commitment to providing a learning environment where students are challenged academically, supported socially and emotionally, and prepared for success beyond high school. Achieving these goals requires a strong partnership between our school, families, and community.

Parents and guardians play a vital role in student achievement. We encourage you to remain actively engaged by monitoring attendance, reviewing academic progress, communicating regularly with teachers, and encouraging your child to participate in extracurricular activities, athletics, and leadership opportunities. Together, we can help students develop the skills, confidence, and resilience needed to thrive.

As students return to school, we encourage them to:

- Attend school every day, arrive on time, and comply with the dress code policy.
- Come prepared to learn and actively participate in class.
- Demonstrate respect for themselves, others, and our school community.
- Take advantage of academic, athletic, and extracurricular opportunities.
- Communicate with teachers, counselors, and administrators when support is needed.

Throughout the year, Chester High School will continue to provide rigorous instruction, meaningful learning experiences, and programs that prepare students for college, careers, military service, and other postsecondary opportunities. We remain committed to maintaining a safe, inclusive, and supportive learning environment where every student is encouraged to reach their full potential.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support. We look forward to working together to make the 2026–2027 school year one of growth, achievement, and success for every Clipper.

Let's make it a great year. Go Clippers!

Mr. LaMonte D. Popley

Principal

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Discovery consists of seeing what everybody has seen and thinking what no one else has thought.

A. S. Gyorgyi.



High Schools Suggested Supply List:

School Year 2026-2027

Notebook (Compositions)

Notebook Paper

Notebook

Pencils/Pens

Folder

Highlighters

Book Bag

Tissues

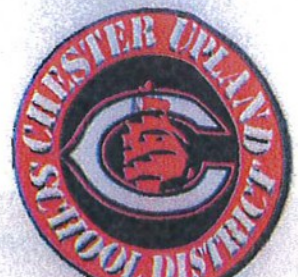
Glue Sticks

Reusable Plastic Water Bottle

ATTENTION STUDENTS

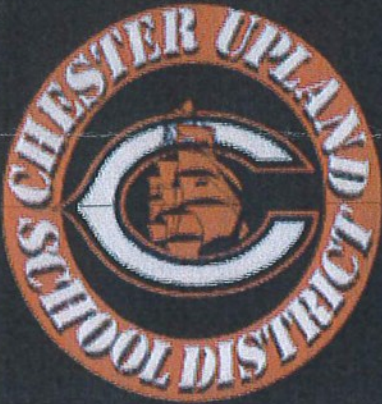


- Energy drinks are prohibited
- Water and snacks are permissible in non-laboratory classrooms
- ALL beverages are subjected to inspection
- Outside food and drinks are prohibited.
- All deliveries will be turned away.



UNIFORMS

2026-2027



All Chester High School students are expected to wear a polo shirt, khakis or knee-length skirt, and closed-toe shoes. Students are **prohibited** from wearing **tights, bonnets, airpods/beats/headphones, ski-masks, "shiesties"** and **crop-tops**. Compliance with Chester High School's dress code is mandatory and will be enforced according to CUSD Student Code of Conduct.

POLO SHIRTS

- Navy
- White
- Orange
- Gray
- Black

KHAKIS OR KNEE-LENGTH SKIRTS

- Blue
- Black
- Gray
- Tan

2026-2027 Chester Upland School District Calendar

August 2026						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

August
 18-20 New Teacher Orientation
 24-28 Staff In-Service Days
 31 First Day for Students (PK-12+)

Teacher Days: 6 | Student Days: 1

September 2026						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

September
 7 Labor Day - Schools and Offices Closed
 9 1/2 Day for Students - Professional Development
 21 Yom Kippur - Schools and Offices Closed

Teacher Days: 20 | Student Days: 20

October 2026						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

October
 7 Staff In-Service Day - No Students - Act 80
 12 Indigenous Peoples' Day - Schools and Offices Closed
 21 1/2 Day for Students - Professional Development

Teacher Days: 21 | Student Days: 20

November 2026						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

November
 3 Staff In-Service Day - No Students - Act 80
 6 First Marking Period Ends
 23 Parent Conferences - No Students- Act 80
 24 AM Staff In-Service - No Students - Act 80
 25-27 Fall Break - Schools and Offices Closed

Teacher Days: 18 | Student Days: 15

December 2026						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

December
 9 Staff In-Service Day - No Students - Act 80
 23 1/2 Day for Students - Professional Development
 24-31 Winter Recess - Schools Closed
 District Holiday - Offices Closed
 31 District Holiday - Offices Closed

Teacher Days: 17 | Student Days: 16

January 2027						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

January
 1 Winter Recess - Schools and Offices Closed
 13 1/2 Day for Students - Professional Development
 18 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
 Schools and Offices Closed
 22 Second Marking Period Ends

Teacher Days: 19 | Student Days: 19

February 2027						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28						

February
 4 Parent Conferences - No Students- Act 80
 5 AM Staff In-Service - No Students - Act 80
 15 Presidents' Day - Schools and Offices Closed

Teacher Days: 19 | Student Days: 17

March 2027						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

March
 10 Eid al-Fitr - Schools and Offices Closed
 22-29 Spring Recess - Schools Closed
 26 District Holiday - Offices Closed

Teacher Days: 16 | Student Days: 16

April 2027						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

April
 2 Third Marking Period Ends
 7 Staff In-Service Day - No Students - Act 80
 21 1/2 Day for Students - Parent Conferences
 26 PSSA Testing Window Begins

Teacher Days: 22 | Student Days: 21

May 2027						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

May
 7 PSSA Testing Window Ends
 17-28 Keystone Testing Window
 31 Memorial Day - Schools and Offices Closed

Teacher Days: 20 | Student Days: 20

June 2027						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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June
 9-10 Records Day
 10 Last Day for Students 1/2 Day for Students
 11 Commencement
 14 Last Day for Staff
 18 Juneteenth - District Offices Closed

Teacher Days: 10 | Student Days: 8

Teacher Days: 188

Student Days: 173
 Pre-K Counts: 180 (Pre-K students will be virtual on Act 80 Days)
 The Receiver may adjust this calendar due to emergency school closings

First Day of School/Last Day of School
 Teacher In-Service - No Students
 Schools Closed

Schools and Offices Closed
 Report Card Conferences
 1/2 Day for Students

