



CHS NEWSLETTER

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"A 2008 NCLB Nationally Recognized Blue Ribbon School of Excellence"

"GREAT SCHOOLS AWARD"

Great Teachers - Great Leaders - Great Students

"Great Schools are in the top 5% of the highest performing schools in the state in mathematics and reading over a 5 year time span"

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Chelan High School has been recognized as a "Great School" by the Center for Educational Effectiveness, an educational research and data service organization based in Redmond. This award honors schools for being amongst the top schools in the state which demonstrate the most improvement in Reading and Mathematics over a five year time span. CHS is one of twenty four High Schools in the state to receive this prestigious award. This recognition is a direct result of the perseverance and dedication of our teachers and our students, and the support of the entire community. This past year, Chelan High School received national recognition winning the "Blue Ribbon Award" and was also recognized as a "School of Distinction" by the state.

From the Nurse's Desk - The Latest on H1N1

With the flu season upon us, the medical community is recommending that we protect our students from H1N1 flu through vaccinations. The Chelan Douglas Health District will be providing H1N1 vaccine at no cost to all students grades K-12 at clinics which will be set up in the High School Commons.



FREE Sat. November 14th: 9:00 am –5:00 pm

H1N1 Clinics: Sat. December 12th: 9:00 am—5:00 pm

H1N1 influenza in children can be very serious and can cause fever, chills, body aches, sore throat, coughing, sneezing, fatigue and sometimes diarrhea and vomiting. The highest rate of hospitalization due to H1N1 is amongst children age 5-17. H1N1 is very contagious, and affected children can easily spread the flu to others at school, at home, and in the community. Getting vaccinated is the single best way to help prevent your child from getting and spreading the flu. Since this is a new virus most people have little or no immunity to it.

Important: *The vaccine will be given only to students who have a fully completed and signed consent permission form from their parent.*

You will find further information regarding H1N1 flu vaccine in this mailing along with consent forms which each parent or guardian must sign and return to the school. Please read the information carefully and answer all questions on the consent form. We will be unable to vaccinate anyone with incomplete paperwork.

Robinson Accepted Into NASA INSPIRE Program

Matt Robinson, a sophomore at CHS was accepted into the NASA INSPIRE program for this school year. He will be part of a NASA Online Learning Community throughout the year with other sophomore students across the US, as they explore careers in aeronautics and engineering. Following



this experience Matt hopes to be accepted into the summer program which involves a two week on-campus experience at a university. This exposure to college life is designed to improve study skills and encourage the pursuit of higher education and careers in STEM areas. Matt's future interests include engineering and business. He is leaning towards attending the University of Washington following graduation. Congratulations and good luck Matt!!

Cultural Awareness Presentation

In Spanish on November 18th from 6 - 8 pm
Sponsored by GEAR UP Dinner Provided
For more info. refer to the invitation in this mailing



DATES OF IMPORTANCE

NOVEMBER

- 11.05.09: 1st Quarter Report Card
- 11.06.09: X-Country Running State Meet
- 11.06.09: Football vs Cashmere Crossover Game
- 11.10.09: Veteran's Day Assembly
- 11.11.09: No School – Veteran's Day
- 11.13.09: Percussion Clinic - PAC
- 11.12.09 – 11.14.09 State Volleyball
- 11.17.09: Re-Inventing CTE – Community Forum
6:30 pm (PAC)
- 11.18.09: Grade Check
- 11.19.09: Fall Sports Banquet: 6:30 pm
- 11.25.09: Early Release (12:24 pm) Thanksgiving
- 11.26.09-11.27.09 Thanksgiving Holiday

DECEMBER

- 12.01.09: Basketball Home Jamboree
- 12.03.09: Band: Christmas Caroling
- 12.03.09: Wrestling vs Omak
- 12.04.09: Basketball @ Eastmont
- 12.05.09: Wrestling: Deer Park Invitational
- 12.08.09: Basketball vs Ephrata
- 12.10.09: 2nd Qtr. Grade Check
- 12.10.09: Wrestling @ Okanogan
- 12.10.09: Wrestling: Connell Invitational
- 12.12.09: Basketball vs Lake Roosevelt
(Toyota Center Wenatchee 8:00 pm)
- 12.15.09: MS Band: Winter Concert
- 12.15.09: Wrestling vs Warden
- 12.15.09: Basketball @ Tonasket
- 12.16.09: HS Concert & Jazz Band: Winter Concert
- 12.17.09: Basketball vs Oroville
- 12.18.09: Wrestling vs Lake Roosevelt
- 12.19.09: Basketball @ Cashmere
- 12.19.09: Wrestling Sundome Invitational
- 12.21.09 – 01.03.10 Winter Break
- 12.28.09: Basketball Girls: Arizona Cactus Jam
- 12.29.09 -12.30.09: B-Ball Boys Holiday Tourney
- 12.29.09: Wrestling: Royal City Xmas Tourney
- 01.04.10: First day back after Christmas Break**

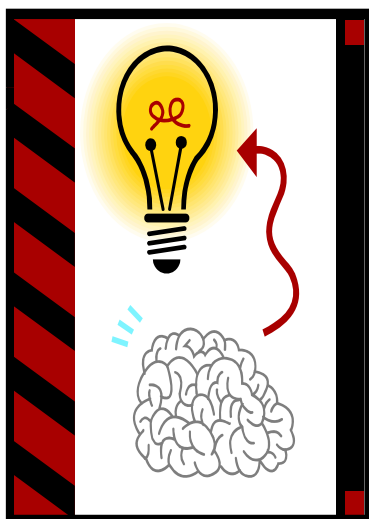
Curriculum Spotlight: CTE

What is “CTE”? Career and Technology Education classes are offered in the following fields at our High School: Business, Agriculture, Family and Consumer Science, Industrial Science, Health and Medical Sciences. The goal of these classes is twofold: (1) to integrate academics with technical skill development and (2) to prepare students for higher level learning in college or prepare students for a paid internship. Career and Technical Education programs support college, trade school, paid internship, apprenticeships etc, and guide all students, whether you need or want to go straight to work following graduation, or you already know that you are headed for college.

WHY CTE? Nearly 90 percent of the fastest growing jobs in the U.S. require some form of education beyond high school. Almost 80 percent of all jobs in the foreseeable future will require some type of certification, credential, or post secondary degree or long term training, though only 40 percent of these jobs require a four year college degree. That means that every student needs to plan and prepare for education after high school, how to pay for that education, and how to thrive in and graduate from high school.

Community Forum: Tuesday, November 17th
Re-designing Career & Technology Education
6:30 pm— Performing Arts Complex

On Tuesday, November 17th the CTE department is hosting a community forum to seek input on re-designing its courses to reflect the needs of the Chelan community and of our students. Key community members, business owners, and political leaders have been invited to this important brainstorming session. The purpose of this event is to look forward into the future and plan courses and pathways that our students will be able to pursue as a potential career field.



FACULTY FOCUS: “THINKING” The faculty at Chelan High School has selected “thinking” as an area of focus for the 2009-10 school year. This theme will serve as the foundation for making changes in classroom instruction. Our goal is to engage students in their learning through strategies that promote critical thinking and problem solving activities. Based on research, we know that *“the human mind is better equipped to gather information about the world by operating within it rather than reading about it, hearing lectures on it, or studying abstract models of it”* - (Fullan) We believe that in order for our students to meet the challenges of the 21st Century, it is critical to teach them to **“think”**.

Three principles will serve to guide our work:

1. The teacher will use a variety of questioning strategies to encourage student's development of critical thinking, problem solving, and/or communication skills.
2. The students will develop and/or demonstrate effective thinking processes either verbally or in writing.
3. The students will demonstrate verbally or in writing that they are intentionally reflecting on their own learning.