
Shasta High Newsletter

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Principal's Message – Milan Woollard

We have a great community! As you may have read in the newspaper, somebody stole the banner that was being used by our music department to advertise tickets for this year's musical production of Cinderella. The folks at Sign-O-Rama came through after reading about the theft in the paper. Sign-O-Rama donated a new sign to our school. I want to thank them for their generosity and encourage the Shasta family to support this business if you have sign needs.

You have no doubt read and heard about the global swine flu issue going on right now. We have been working with the Public Health department on getting out appropriate information to our parents and families about how to prevent any possible spreading of the virus. It is important to note that, at this time, there have been no confirmed cases in Shasta County.

The Public Health department's advice as to how to best prevent any spread of the virus is to practice what they call "social distancing". The most likely way this particular form is influenza is spread is by being in close proximity of someone who is actively sick (i.e., coughing and sneezing). With that in mind, we have been advised to encourage ill students to stay home, particularly students who are coughing/sneezing **and** have a fever (100 degrees or higher is the rule of thumb). The reason the "and" is important is that we don't want to exclude kids from school unnecessarily when we are at the height of allergy season. Lots of kids are having normal spring allergy issues and do not need to stay home solely for that reason.

As we near the end of this school year, I want to encourage the seniors to finish strong. Every year we have a couple of seniors who don't graduate because they "coast" to the finish. Parents, please encourage your senior students so they can graduate with their class. It is our goal to have every senior graduate, but they have to do their part.

I hope everybody has a great summer and wish our graduates the best of luck as they move on to the next phase of their lives. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the school at 241-4161

Admin Zone—Heath Bunton; Leo Perez; Shane Kikut

Attention all Juniors and Seniors: Parking permit procedures for 2009-2010 school year are as follows:

1. You must attend on your class's registration date and at your assigned time (check the schedule by your last name in your packet for the time).
2. During the registration process students will stop at the student store and once it has been confirmed that there are no past outstanding fees or parking fines, a parking permit request will be issued. Students will need to fill the request out accordingly.
3. Students will not be allowed to pick up a parking request if they **do not attend** registration during **their designated date and time**.
4. On Wednesday, August 12 at 9:00 a.m. a lottery will be held for those seniors that have properly gone through the registration process and have submitted a parking request. At 10:00 a.m. the winning lottery parking requests will be posted and will be available for purchase in the student store. If there are any

permits left, the lottery and purchase process will be repeated on August 13th for Juniors. Juniors are encouraged to fill out these requests because they may still be considered for Star test parking incentives.

- 5. All permits will need to be purchased and obtained prior to the first day of school to avoid a parking citation.
- 6. If you have not picked up your permit prior to the first day of school but are on the list to receive one and choose to park in one of the permitted parking lots without displaying a permit, you will be cited and will be held responsible for any citation given.

This is to insure a smooth registration process for all. If you can not make your designated time there will be a late registration for those who missed their designated date and time on Friday, August 7, 2009 from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

- ❖ **Those students who will be receiving free parking due to Star test results will have priority when it comes to the distribution of the parking permits.**
- ❖ **If the Star test results are not received by August 12, the drawing for the lottery will be postponed until further notice.**

Seniors parents:

On May 21, the Administration will be meeting with all seniors to cover Graduation Ceremony expectations and regulations. Please review all papers handed out to seniors this day.

Athletes: Hilltop Medical clinic is offering sports physicals for the 2009-2010 school year for the month of May only. Cost is \$15.00. Stop by the health office to pick up your physical packet.

Short Term Independent Study

It is strongly recommended that students be in school every day, however if there are extenuating circumstances that require a student to miss five or more days of school then he/she should sign up for STIS. Students need to give a minimum of **5 school days notice** prior to going on STIS. Please notify school personnel as early as possible with the dates of the absence by sending in a note with your child or by speaking with Ms. Allpress in the main office to begin the paperwork.

This is the legal version of the above

EC 48980 (k) The notification shall advise the parent or guardian that no pupil may have his or her grade reduced or lose academic credit for any absence or absences excused pursuant to Section 48205 if missed assignments and tests that can reasonably be provided are satisfactorily completed within a reasonable period of time, and shall include the full text of Section 48205.

EC 48205 (b) a pupil absent from school under this section shall be allowed to complete all assignments and tests missed during the absence that can be reasonably provided and, upon satisfactory completion within a reasonable period of time, shall be given full credit therefore. The teacher of any class from which a pupil is absent shall determine the tests and assignments shall be reasonably equivalent to, but not necessarily identical to, the tests and assignments that the pupil missed during the absence.

Counselor's Corner—Sherrie Howard

May is filled with a flurry of scholarship activity. Seniors have been busy applying all year long, and on May 20 at 6:00 pm at the David Marr Auditorium, the Shasta High Scholarship Night will take place. If any seniors have received outside scholarships they need to contact Becky Love in the counseling center, and give her the information, so that they will be included in the evening event.

All seniors who will be receiving non-monetary awards and recognitions will have the opportunity to attend a Pizza Luncheon, hosted by the counselors on May 19.

Summer School applications are now available in the counseling center. The main purpose of Summer School is credit recovery for students who have failed classes. The only initial credit classes offered are the CAHSEE language arts and math classes. Summer school will be held at Foothill High School, June 12 – July 10.

Students who would like to earn initial credit or take a class, in order, to replace a grade have two options. They need to attend Shasta College or take classes online through an accredited school. Students should check with their counselor before enrolling.

Final registration packets are being assembled and will be available to current students before Finals. Final Registration will take place August 4 -7 . The 2009-2010 school year begins on August 17.

Have a wonderful and safe summer.

The College Options Center

College OPTIONS/ Educational Talent Search.

A huge congratulations to all of you as another year comes to an end! Please see the information below to see what you and your student should be doing now to prepare for college. Lauren Tingley, our College OPTIONS advisor will not be on campus for the remainder of the year as she is out on maternity leave, but will be returning in the fall. In the meantime if you need assistance or have questions you can contact any advisor at the College OPTIONS center by calling 245-1845.

Seniors: don't forget to follow up on your "to-do" checklists for whatever school you have decided to attend (accepting the school, arranging for housing, financial aid, summer orientations and sending in your final transcript after school ends in June). Have a wonderful first year in college and don't forget that you can always contact the College OPTIONS center at any time with any questions.

Juniors: Don't forget to register for and take the SAT or ACT in June **if you have not already done so**. You can register on-line at <http://collegeboard.com> and <http://act.org>. Information about how to prepare for the tests is available on those sites as well. Use the summer to investigate possible colleges - whether in person or on-line. In addition to these two sites, another great website is <http://www.californiacolleges.edu>

Sophomores and Freshmen: You can also be using these websites to investigate possible colleges. If you have received a "C" or lower in any A-G Subject Requirement class, I would urge you to take summer school to repeat the course so you can keep yourself eligible for the possibility of attending a 4-year college after high school.

Assistance is offered during the summer at College OPTIONS. 530-245-1845
WWW.COLLEGEOPTIONS.ORG

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Lisa Fierros - Student Activities Director

This April, Shasta High School was fortunate to have internationally recognized youth motivational speaker **Jeff Yalden** with us for an unforgettable presentation. More than just entertaining, Mr. Yalden was a powerful presenter who commanded our attention and left us with a *lot* to think about.

The Friday after returning from Spring Break was **CAMO DAY**, the first of 6 dress-up days slated for the remaining 6 weeks of school. On Friday, May 1, it will be **TOGA DAY**. Subsequent Fridays will be **BEACH DAY** (May 8), **CLASS COLORS DAY** (May 15), **COLLEGE T-SHIRT DAY** (May 22) and finally **COLOR MIS-MATCH DAY** on the last Friday of the school year, May 29. Plan your outfit now and get a head start on summer fun!

Thursday, April 30 was a busy one for both Freshmen *and* their Link Crew Leaders!! This year's Link Crew hosted the **First Ever Freshman Recognition Assembly**, where Frosh were recognized for a variety of accomplishments including academics, athletics, perfect attendance, and school involvement.

We are very proud to say that **44 freshmen have achieved perfect attendance** so far this year! **25 freshmen have earned a 4.0 gpa** (that's straight A's as far as the eye can see!), and there are **6 freshmen who are 3-season athletes**!! We also presented the Frosh Choice Awards for the Funniest Freshman, Flirtiest Freshman, Friendliest Freshman, and the Frosh Fashionista.

In all, we awarded **over \$500 in cash and prizes** as well as **off-campus GO! Passes, t-shirts, and bandanas** to a large group of students who really do have a lot to be proud of!

We ended our morning together outside on the field with a delicious hamburger BBQ, the giant bouncy obstacle course, the inflatable basketball hoops challenge, and the Army's Future Soldier laser gun experience. All in all, we had a really great morning!

May starts with our ASB and Class Officer Elections on Friday, May 1st. We'll continue with the previously mentioned Friday Dress-Up Days, toss in a Farewell Rally, and end the whole thing with an afternoon of semi-Olympic-style games on May 29. We've had a great year of student activities and I am looking forward to doing more, bigger, and better things next year! ☺

Parent/Student/Teacher Club

Parent/Student Teacher Club meets on the second Wednesday of every other month at 6:00 P.M. in Room 307. Everyone is welcome to attend. Our next meeting will be May 13, 2009. Parent Club Scholarship applications are available in the main office and on the school web page. The deadline for applying is May 1.

Holiday WOW Points:

Donate WOW Points from Holiday Market and help support Parent, Teacher, Student Club.

At the register tell them you want to donate your WOW points to Shasta High School. Family and friends out of the area can donate also. Just give the school name and the code #287.

For every 1,000 WOW points, the school will get 20.00. The more money Parent club is able to raise the more that can go towards scholarships, and other student programs. Your support is greatly appreciated.

eScrip Information:

Support Parent Club and Yearbook through eScrip Log on to www.escrip.com and register under Shasta High School. Be sure to also register your Visa and MasterCard's.

Any questions call 243-5444

TORCH TUTORING

The TORCH Tutoring program has started! TORCH stands for Tutors Organized to Respond to Challenging Homework. This is a peer tutoring program that is held in the library on Tuesday and Thursdays before and after school. Mrs. Papac and Mrs. Silveira are the advisors. If you would like more information, give us a call at 241-4161 ext. 45317. We hope to see your student in the library.

Sober Grad

Sober Grad Committee will meet on May 19, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in room 307. Everyone is welcome to attend. You do not have to have a senior to attend these meetings. This is a great opportunity for **Freshman, Sophomore & Junior parents** to get involved so you have an idea on how to plan for your students party in the future. Sober Grad party will be held after graduation. For more information call Mrs. Mayberry at 241-4161 between 7:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. **Senior parents we need you!**

Dates to Remember

<p><u>May 1</u> Musical "Cinderella"</p>	<p><u>May 19</u> Jostens on campus during lunch Sober Grad mtg. 6 p.m. in room 307 Spring Jazz Band Concert</p>	<p><u>June 10 & 11</u> Open registration for those students who have not pre-enrolled in Summer School</p>
<p><u>May 2</u> Musical "Cinderella" Saturday School</p>	<p><u>May 20</u> Scholarship Awards Night</p>	<p><u>June 12</u> First Day of School for Summer School</p>
<p><u>May 4</u> Faculty Bell Schedule – students out at 1:19 p.m. Athletic Booster Mtg. 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p><u>May 21</u> Spring Band/Symphonic Band/Orchestra Concert</p>	<p><u>July 4</u> HOLIDAY</p>
<p><u>May 7, 8, 9</u> Musical "Cinderella"</p>	<p><u>May 23</u> Saturday School</p>	<p><u>July 10</u> Last day of Summer School</p>
<p><u>May 12</u> Board Meeting CAHSEE Testing</p>	<p><u>May 25</u> HOLIDAY</p>	<p>August 4 Senior Final Registration</p>
<p><u>May 13</u> CAHSEE Testing Parent Club Mtg.</p>	<p><u>May 30</u> Saturday School</p>	<p>August 5 Junior Final Registration</p>
<p><u>May 16</u> Saturday School Senior Ball</p>	<p><u>June 3, 4, 5</u> Finals</p>	<p>August 6 Sophomore Final Registration</p>
<p><u>May 18</u> Faculty Bell Schedule – students out at 1:19 p.m. Spring Choir Concert</p>	<p><u>June 5</u> Graduation practice 8 a.m. on Thompson Field Graduation Ceremony 8 p.m. on Thompson Field</p>	<p>August 7</p>