

Conestoga High School

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Conestoga's Key Club and Student Council Announce 2nd Annual Four Diamonds MiniTHON March 24, 2017

Conestoga High School will host its second annual Four Diamonds **MiniTHON on March 24, 2017**. Our MiniTHON is a 6 hour long dance and activity marathon from 6pm to 12am. Prior to the event Conestoga students will raise money for the Four Diamonds Foundation to aid pediatric cancer patients and their families. To learn more about Four Diamonds or to contribute to the event visit <http://www.fourdiamonds.org/> . Students can visit room 129 or 162 with questions.

Senior Internship Program

Conestoga Seniors are finalizing their plans for Senior Internship which will take place from May 8th through June 2nd. All senior forms are due by Friday, April 7th. Parents will be collecting forms over lunch periods on Wednesday (4/5), Thursday (4/6), and Friday (4/7). Students are to turn in their (1) Student Proposal, (2) Sponsor Agreement Form, and (3) Parent Release Form. Please note that parents' signatures on the Release Form must either be notarized or signed in the presence of a school witness.

Parents - please check with your senior to make sure that his/her process is moving along appropriately. All information and materials for the Senior Internship Program can be accessed on the Conestoga website at <http://www.tesd.net/domain/1407>. Any questions should be directed to Jeanne Braun, Coordinator of Community and Volunteer Services, at braunj@tesd.net.

'Stoga Points of Pride

Please click each of the headings below to view the congratulatory links in greater detail.

- **Conestoga students among winners of Penn State Essay Contest**
- **Conestoga wins regional STEM competition**
- **Conestoga Boys and Girls Swim Team participate in Relays4Cam**
- **Conestoga students qualify for DECA national competition**
- **Two CHS Students among winners of the National High School Ethics Bowl National Case Competition**
- **Congratulations to student selected for PMEA All State Jazz Festival**
- **Conestoga wrestler earns medal in state tournament**

Financial Aid Evening **Thursday, March 23, 2017**

Please join us for Financial Aid Evening on Thursday, March 23 at 7:00 pm in the Conestoga Auditorium. Mr. Robert Forest, Director of Financial Aid at Immaculata University, will discuss what parents need to know related to the financial aid process for college. All are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there!

College Interview Evening

Attention Juniors! Please join us for College Interview Evening on **Wednesday, April 5th**. While not every college requires an admissions interview, the interview is an opportunity for you to bring your application to life. It gives the college a chance to know more about you as a student and as a person. This is a mock interview, so it's just practice! Don't miss out on this great opportunity! Sign-ups will be in the main lobby during all lunches on March 21, 22, & 23.

Junior Parents and Late Night 'Stoga!

JUNIOR PARENTS!

Don't forget to RSVP for the **Junior Class Parent Social** on **Friday, March 24, 7pm**, at the home of Greg and Jean Kane in Devon. It will be great fun with other Junior parents! Contact Amy Buck at amytbuck@yahoo.com to RSVP. Proceeds from the social will be used for Late Night 'Stoga. Even if your child does not plan to attend Late Night 'Stoga, come to the social and have some fun! Please spread the word!

LATE NIGHT 'STOGA!

Junior parents are planning **Late Night 'Stoga**, the Junior Prom After-Party which will be held at Conestoga following the Junior Prom on May 20th, from 10:30pm to 1:00am. The party will be an opportunity for Juniors to extend this memorable evening and hang out, dance, play games and eat with their friends. Juniors do not need to attend the prom to attend the party.

You can find more information on Late Night 'Stoga [here](#) on the Conestoga website.

T&E Care's 6th Annual Kids Clothing Event

Collection Dates: March 15 - March 24, 2017

**Event Dates: March 31, 2017 2:00 - 6:00 pm
April 1, 2017 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

Please consider donating new or gently used kids clothing to the T&E Care Kids Clothing Event. Drop off locations will be at all T/E Schools, the Tredyffrin Library and the Easttown Library during regular school and library hours. [Please view this informational flyer for all of the details.](#)

FLITE presents...

T/E FLITE Crew vs. the Harlem Wizards

**Friday, March 31, 2017
7:00 PM at Conestoga High School Gym
Doors open at 6:00 pm**

One Night Only! Mark your calendars for March 31, 2017!
(Advance Online Tickets go on sale Wed. February 15th, 10 am.)

FLITE has invited the Harlem Wizards to return and take on the T/E FLITE Crew - a team of T/E teachers, administrators and students. You won't want to miss this fun night of trick hoops and alley-oops! This exciting community event raises money to support FLITE-funded programs in our School District.

Sponsor this ever-popular event! Receive great publicity while helping FLITE fund important educational programs for local students. Click this [Link](#) to learn more.

Would you be interested in sending T/E students to the game who otherwise would not be able to attend? Please click the following link for more information: Click this [Link](#) to learn more.

[Please click here to view the informational flyer.](#)

Craft Fair and Flea Market

Conestoga's Peer Mediation team is organizing the Craft Fair and Flea Market, which is scheduled for **Saturday, April 22, 2017** (rain date of 4/29/17). Registration for those that wish to reserve selling space is set for April 10, 2017. [Please view this informational flyer for more details.](#)

Extended Experience

[Semester II Application forms](#) have been available on the TESD website. Students with second semester Extended Experience PE on their schedules, please note that a signed application form was due to the main office by February 3, 2017.

Attention Parents of Juniors

It is our pleasure to invite you to schedule a post high school planning conference sometime this winter or spring. Together, we will review your goals and your high school academic record as we help guide you toward your own individualized post high school plan. Parents can schedule a conference any time during the school day by calling the Student Services Office at 610-240-1045. It is helpful if you can know your student's availability or free period when you call so that we can schedule the conference at a time when your child will not be missing class. We look forward to meeting with you!

Class Parent Organizations

Class of 2017

Senior Class Parent Meeting: April 20, 2017 at 9:30 AM in Room 268

Class of 2018

Junior Class Parent Meeting: April 18, 2017 at 9:30 AM in Room 268

Class of 2019

Sophomore Class Parent Meeting: March 23, 2017 at 9:30 AM in Room 142

Class of 2020

Freshman Class Parent Meeting: March 21, 2017 at 9:30 AM in Room 142

Conestoga Monthly Parent Meetings and Class Parent Chairs

You are invited to attend the monthly Parent Meetings for the grade your child is in. These meetings are a great way to connect with other parents and find out what is going on at Conestoga, specifically in your child's grade. Dr. Meisinger, Assistant Principals, Guidance Counselors and other administrators attend these meetings and offer important information and answer any questions you may have. For the schedule of Monthly Parent Meetings, click [here](#) to view the Conestoga calendar. The meetings take place at 9:30am, usually in Room 142. **If you are unable to attend the Parent Meetings due to your work schedule, we offer an Alternate Parent Meeting on April 27 at 7:30 am.**

Also, minutes from each Parent Meeting are sent out from your Class Chair. Below is a list of Class Chairs. Feel free to contact them with any questions you may have. You may also contact Jeanne Braun, Coordinator of Community and Volunteer Services at braunj@tesd.net with any questions.

Class of 2017	Lorraine Miller	chs2017parents@tesd.net
Class of 2018	Dawn Morgan	chs2018parents@tesd.net
Class of 2019	Margaret MacKenzie	chs2019parents@tesd.net
Class of 2020	Tracey Prestipino	chs2020parents@tesd.net

AFS Seeks Host Families for Exchange Students

Without leaving your home area, your family can experience the richness of another culture by hosting an American Field Service (AFS) exchange student for the coming year. Students are carefully interviewed and selected by officials in their home countries, and are placed with families according to similar interests and lifestyles. All students come with full medical insurance and their own spending money. Host families vary widely in size, age, and income level.

Requirements for hosting are curiosity about other cultures, a sense of humor, flexibility, and a willingness to open one's home and heart to a student from another country as a regular family member.

Placements are available for either one or two semesters. However, changes are made whenever student / family chemistry is not satisfactory. If you are interested in serving as an AFS host family, or if you would like further information, please call Jane Frantz, local AFS Team Contact (also a Conestoga parent), at 646-381-3353.

MESSAGE FROM **THE STUDENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

School Counselor Assignments
Student Services Center assignments for 2016-2017 are as follows:

Guidance Counselor	Classes of 2017-18	Class of 2019 & Beyond
<u>Laureen Stohrer</u>	A-Br	A-Bro
<u>Rachelle Gough/ Annie Davis</u>	Bu-Dh	Bru-Dh
<u>Katherine Barthelmeh</u>	Di-Gai	Di-Gr
<u>Brian Samson</u>	Gal-Ja	Gu-Ke
<u>Melissa Boltz</u>	Je-L	Kh-Ma
<u>Jennifer Kratsa</u>	M-Na	Mc-N
<u>Dan McDermott</u>	Ne-R	O-R
<u>Leashia Lewis</u>	S-Te	S-T
<u>Megan Smyth</u>	Th-Z	U-Z

Mental Health Specialist	Student Last Name
<u>Dr. Christine Dunleavy</u>	A-L
<u>Mrs. Melissa Salzberg</u>	M-Z

The Student Services Center encompasses a wide variety of services designed to assist students in their academic, career and personal/social development. Information on counselor assignments was mailed to each family over the summer. In addition to guiding students through the course selection process, school counselors provide assistance with self-awareness, educational planning, interpretation of test scores, occupational information, home, school and/or social concerns, or any matter the students feel is significant. Up-to-date printed information, software, and audiovisual aids are available in the center to assist students with decision-making, and college and career selection. The Student Services Center resources are available for student use from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM Monday through Friday.

Schoology Tip:
Setting Up Emailed Grade Summary Notifications

Are you looking for a simple way to receive an overview of your child's grades via Schoology? You are welcome to set up an email notification in Schoology that will send you either a daily or weekly summary email. Please view this Schoology step-by-step guide to walk through the process of setting up this grade summary notification tool: [Grade Summary Notification Set-Up](#).

QUICK LINKS

- **[Student Services Department](#)**
 - **[Senior Privilege Information](#)**
 - **[Senior Parking Permit Information](#)**
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CONESTOGA SPORTS SCHEDULES

Daily sports schedules for Conestoga high school athletic teams are available online at www.digitalsports.com by entering "Conestoga High School." Please contact the CHS Athletic Office at 610-240-1024, for additional information.

NCAA and Student Athletes

Student athletes considering playing collegiate sports should familiarize themselves with NCAA course requirements. Students are encouraged to speak with their assigned counselor to discuss further, and visit the [NCAA Eligibility Center Website](#).

Upcoming Events

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Freshman Parent Meeting	3/21/17	9:30 AM	Room 142
Mr. Pioneer	3/22/17	7:00 PM	Auditorium
Sophomore Parent Meeting	3/23/17	9:30 AM	Room 142
Financial Aid Evening	3/23/17	7:00 PM	Auditorium
Mini-THON Event	3/24/17	6:00 PM	Both Gyms
School Board Meeting	3/27/17	7:30 PM	Cafeteria
Comedy Night	3/29/17	7:00 PM	Auditorium
TE FLITE Crew vs Harlem Wizards	3/31/17	7:00 PM	Both Gyms

Best Buddies Talent Show	4/5/17	8:20 AM	Auditorium
College Interview Evening	4/5/17	6:30 PM	CHS
ACT Testing	4/8/17	8:00 AM	CHS
Spring Break	4/10- 4/14/17		NO SCHOOL
Staff In-service Day	4/17/17		No School for Students

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