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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, 610-240-1024, for additional information.

CLASS PARENT ORGANIZATIONS

Class of 2015

Senior Parent Meeting on
April 9, 2015 at 9:30 AM in Room 142

Class of 2016

Junior Parent Meeting on
April 7, 2015 at 9:30 AM in Room 142

Class of 2017

Sophomore Parent Meeting on March 19,
2015 at 9:30 AM in Room 142

Class of 2018

Freshman Parent Meeting on March 17,
2015 at 9:30 AM in Room 142

Important Information for Parent Volunteers



In a new effort to support a safe school environment, Pennsylvania child protection laws now require most parent volunteers to have background clearances in order to serve in our school buildings. Existing parent volunteers will need background clearances to continue helping in our schools beginning July 1, 2015. Volunteers may obtain background clearances after July 1, 2015, but will not be able to assist in our schools until the clearances have been submitted to the District. Parents who have never volunteered before in our schools will need background clearances sooner and will need to submit the clearances before volunteering for the first time during the current school year. The District's goal is to make it as easy as possible for our school volunteers to continue to contribute to the education of our students.

Parent volunteers will be required to obtain a Pennsylvania Criminal Record Check and a Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance. Both clearances can be applied for and submitted online. In addition, parent volunteers who have lived in Pennsylvania for less than 10 years will also need to obtain a fingerprint-based Federal Criminal History Clearance through the FBI. Parents who have lived in Pennsylvania for the entirety of the previous ten-year period may sign an affidavit form swearing that they have not been convicted of a similar offense in lieu of the FBI clearance.

For a list of [frequently asked questions](#) and links to the clearance applications, please visit the Volunteer Clearances web page on the TESD web site at www.tesd.net/volunteers.

The Tredyffrin/Easttown School District welcomes and values its volunteers. Our school volunteers share their time, talents and skills to enhance the educational experiences of our students.

Volunteers Needed

Parents play an active role in supporting the activities of Conestoga. Last year, more than three hundred parents and community members donated their time-some regularly and some on a one-time-only basis.

In addition to helping with clerical work, mailings, supporting class projects and student activities, and driving students to special events, there are opportunities for volunteers to speak to students about their careers.

Please contact Pattie Littlewood, Coordinator of Volunteer Services, at littlewoodp@tesd.net or at 610-240-1913, if you are interested in being involved in these or other activities at the high school.

Thank you for your ongoing interest in and support of Conestoga.

NCAA and Student Athletes

Students 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 at http://web1.ncaa.org/EC/RS2/NCAA_FMS/NCAA.jsp.



Class of 2015 Reflections Ceremony

SAVE THE DATE: June 1, 2015 - 7 pm

Reflections is a non-denominational event that is held at Daylesford Abbey for the Conestoga High School's Graduating Class of 2015 and their parents. During the program, selected senior students will take part in musical performances and speeches, celebrating and reflecting on the Class of 2015's school years.

- **Senior SPEAKERS needed** - Reflections speech auditions will be April 14. See Senior Class Advisors, Mrs. Ebarvia (Rm 290) or Mrs. Gately (Rm 292), to sign up.
- **Senior SINGERS/MUSICIANS needed** - Reflections music auditions will be April 15. Sign-up Sheet is outside the Choral Room in the Music Suite.

Note to parents: Space constraints at the Abbey do prohibit us from inviting more than parents and members of the Class of 2015 to this event. Invitations with more details will be mailed in May.

Sample Letter in Support of House Bill 168 - Eliminating Keystone Exams as a Graduation Requirement

At its meeting on February 23rd, the School Board approved a resolution supporting House Bill 168, which eliminates Keystone Exams as a graduation requirement. We have posted the Board's resolution as well as a sample letter in case parents or community members are interested in expressing an opinion about House Bill 168 or the Keystone Exams. Below is a link to information about the Keystone Exams, the sample letter and the Board's resolution. This information is also available on the T/E School District home page at www.tesd.net.

[Sample Letter in Support of House Bill 168 - Eliminating Keystone Exams as a Graduation Requirement](#)

CHS Cheerleading Try-Outs **2015-2016**

If you would like to be a Conestoga Football or Basketball Cheerleader for the 2015-16 school year, you need to know...

Practice Days:

Monday, March 16 7:30-8:45
Wednesday, March 18 7:30-8:45

Try-Out Days:

Monday, March 23 beginning at 5:30
Tuesday, March 24 beginning at 5:30



**CHS CRAFT FAIR
& FLEA MARKET**

SATURDAY

April 11, 2015

8AM – NOON

Conestoga parking lot

Reserve a booth NOW

Link to [Vendor Contract](#)
on T/E Bulletin Board



**[Click Here for CHS Flea
Market & Craft Fair Flyer and
Vendor Contract!](#)**

You **MUST attend BOTH practice sessions** in order to be eligible to try-out. Practices will be held in the Valley Forge Middle School cafeteria.

More detailed information will be given at the first practice session.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

If you would like a copy of this flyer with the information, please go to the athletic office.

A Community Conversation about our Teens' Emotional Health

Wednesday, March 18th 7pm at Conestoga

Join us for a conversation about the emotional well-being of teens in our community. We hope to help parents better understand the warning signs of depression and anxiety, as well as provide useful coping strategies and ideas for communicating with our kids on this topic. TESD Youth Survey results pertaining to depression and self-worth will be shared. The discussion will be led by Karen Moon, LCSW. Karen has over 25 years of experience in crisis counseling with an emphasis on grief & loss, parenting, and adolescent issues. This event is free and open to the community. It is hosted by [ARCH](#) and Tredyffrin Easttown schools.

SAVE THE DATE!

Junior Parent Social

April 10th

6:30 PM - 10:00 PM

\$50/couple

Dougherty Home

749 Mancill Road, Wayne

Beer, wine and appetizers

Come out and mingle with other junior parents.

More details to come.

Proceeds Support the Junior Class After Prom Party

**Other Upcoming Events in Support of the
Junior Class After Prom Party:**

March 8th - Vineyard Vines Shopping Event

June 13th/14th - Barnes and Noble Summer Reading Book Sale

Parent Meetings and Snow!

Please note that parent meetings are cancelled if there is no school or a two-hour delayed opening because of inclement weather. Parents and students are encouraged to access the District website at tesd.net or the hotline at (610) 240-1970 for updates on weather and other emergencies.

MESSAGE FROM THE STUDENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

School Counselor Assignments

Student Services Center assignments for 2014-2015 are as follows:

Grades 9 - 12

Mrs. Lauren McGloin	A - Br
Mrs. Rachelle Gough	Bu -Dh
Mrs. Misty Whelan, Chair	Di -Gai
Mr. Brian Samson	Gal -Ja
Ms. Melissa Boltz	Je - L
Mrs. Jenn Kratsa	M - Na
Mr. Andrew Mullen	Ne - R
Ms. Leashia Lewis	S - Te
Ms. Megan Smyth	Th -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 in June. 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 7:00AM to 3:30PM Monday through Friday.

Smart Snacks in Schools

Please visit <http://www.tesd.net/Page/11810> to review the new Smart Snacks in Schools Guidelines that will now be followed at CHS.

Upcoming Events

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
SAT Testing	3/14/15	8:00 AM	CHS Building
Freshman Parent Meeting	3/17/15	9:30 AM	Room 142

Jostens Class Ring Sales	3/18-3/19/15	Lunches	Cafeteria
A Community Conversation about our Teens' Emotional Health	3/18/15	7:00PM	CHS
Sophomore Parent Meeting	3/19/15	9:30 AM	Room 142
Junior Caberet	3/19/15	7:00 PM	Auditorium
Flite / Wizard Basketball Game	3/20-3/21/15	7:00 PM	Small and Large Gyms
School Board Meeting	3/23/15	7:30 PM	CHS Cafeteria
Mr. Pioneer	3/26/15	7:00 PM	Auditorium

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