

Conestoga High School

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Cavalcade of Bands

The Conestoga Music Department and TEMPO are once again proudly sponsoring the 'Stoga Showcase of Sound on Saturday, November 2nd. Come out to Teamer Field and enjoy performances by 17 area marching bands including our own Marching Pioneers. The show runs from 4:30-9:30 pm and tickets are available at the gate.

National Honor Society Induction Ceremony

November 6, 2019

The Conestoga Chapter of the National Honor Society will hold its annual induction ceremony on Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at 6:00 PM in the Auditorium. As specified by its national charter, NHS members are chosen on the basis of scholarship, service, leadership and character. They participate in various service projects in school and in the community. Students who have completed at least one full semester at CHS by the end of their sophomore or junior year are considered for membership. For the Classes of 2020 and 2021, a cumulative weighted GPA of 4.70 or higher is required for eligibility. Students who have achieved this GPA will receive letters inviting them to complete the activity form/application.

Candidates are reviewed by a five member faculty council on the basis of the four factors noted above. Students who meet the criteria of the organization are invited to attend the ceremony and become members of the NHS. Following induction, members of NHS are required to uphold the highest standards of character, leadership, service, and academic achievement. They are also required to attend monthly meetings and participate in service projects. Parents with questions should contact Rachel Reavy, School Counselor, CCT Teacher and NHS Advisor, at

College Admissions Evening

**Thursday, November 7, 2019
7:00 pm
CHS Auditorium**

Junior Students and Parents:

Please Save the Date for College Admissions Evening! This event will take place on Thursday, November 7 at 7:00 pm in the Conestoga Auditorium. Conestoga counselors will be joined by guest speaker Jeremy Branch and will provide students and families with information about all aspects of the college admission search process. We look forward to seeing you there!

CHS Blood Drive

November 7, 2019

Conestoga will host the first Blood Drive of the year. Student Council hosts two blood drives annually, one in the fall and one in the spring. Any student 16 (with parental permission) or older who weighs more than 110 pounds (visit the [Red Cross website](#) for additional restrictions) as of the date of the Blood Drive can volunteer to give blood. Your son or daughter will be able to sign up to donate in school prior to the blood drive taking place. Recently, we have enjoyed a record number of donors. We again are looking forward to a successful drive.

AP exam registration is closed

Any student that has not completed their registration or submitted payment is subject to the late fee of \$40/exam. Please contact Megan Smyth with questions regarding late registration at smythm@tesd.net.

Traffic Safety Reminders

TESD urges all parents to exercise traffic safety around our schools. Please be reminded to:

- Drive slowly and carefully in school parking lots, drop off areas and nearby roads
- Obey all traffic flow patterns and rules of the road
- When dropping off and picking up students, please pull all the way up allowing traffic to flow
- Discuss pedestrian safety with your kids (use crosswalks/sidewalks, look both ways, don't "walk and

text," etc)

Traffic patterns around the schools are always busy at the start and end of our school days. We appreciate your attention to the safety of all of our students.

Online Parent Teacher Conference Scheduling Reminder

Parent Teacher Conference scheduling is available online from Monday, November 6 (10:00 AM) to Monday, November 13 (11:55 PM). All parents/guardians of District students should have received an email with information about how to schedule your conference online. This year, parent conferences will be held on December 2 for high school students. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the main office or email FamilyHelpDesk@tesd.net.

Reminder to 11th Grade Parents/Guardians From the Health Office

The Pennsylvania School Act requires that all students in 11th grade receive a medical examination. Please include an updated immunization record with your physical exam. Effective 8/1/17 all students entering 12th grade will be required to have 2 doses of MCV (Meningitis), one which needs to be at/after age 16. Also needed is a Polio dose given after age 4. Please check with your health care provider at the time of your physical examination.

In the News from Student Health Services

As colder weather approaches, influenza or flu season will soon be upon us. Influenza can be a serious disease that leads to hospitalization or extreme illness. The single best way to protect against the flu is to get vaccinated each year. Student Health Services strongly encourages all students, family members and staff to receive a flu vaccination this fall. Contact your local family physician, health clinic or nearby pharmacy for information and questions regarding available flu vaccines.

Signs Of Suicide Program

Conestoga offers depression awareness and suicide prevention training as part of the health wellness curriculum using information from research based program, The Signs of Suicide® (SOS) Prevention Program. The program has proven to be successful at increasing help seeking behaviors by students concerned about themselves or a friend. It is the only school-based suicide prevention program listed by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for its National Registry of

Evidence-Based Programs and Practices that addresses suicide risk and depression, while reducing suicide attempts.

On November 20 and 21, health teachers will deliver SOS program instruction, including a DVD entitled "Friends for Life" and related follow-up discussions. A member of the school counseling team will be present during and after the lessons to collect confidential response cards voluntarily completed by students who feel that they or a friend might need help. Counseling team members will also provide immediate, confidential follow-up for any students requesting help after the SOS lessons.

'Stoga Theatre Presents
The Man Who Came To Dinner



Conestoga High School's fall drama presents the story of the famous New York radio personality Sheridan Whiteside. Whiteside has accepted a dinner invitation at the home of industrialist Earnest Stanley and his family. However, an unfortunate slip on a patch of ice leaves Whiteside confined to the Stanleys' home for an extended recovery. The family's excited anticipation at hosting 'Sherry' quickly turns into bewilderment as their convalescing guest commandeers the Stanley household with his staff of attendants, and pushes the limit with his outrageous behavior, unusual visitors, and lawsuit against the Stanley family! Will the Stanleys ever rid themselves of their arrogant and overbearing guest? Join us in 1930s Ohio for a family friendly comedy that will entertain all ages!

Show dates and times:

November 21, 22, and 23, 2019 at 7:00 pm

Saturday Matinee is on November 23, 2019 at 2:00 pm

Tickets: Please visit www.stogatheatre.com

Winter Sports Information

The Athletic Office is now accepting PIAA paperwork for winter sports. The paperwork can be downloaded on the [CHS Website- Under Athletics-PIAA Forms/General Information](#) or picked up in the Athletic Office.

The PIAA paperwork is due by Friday, November 8th

- V/JV Teams begin on Monday, November 18th
- Freshman Teams begin on Tuesday, December 3rd

The website is a great source of information (announcements-signing up for alerts-schedules...). Also, feel free to contact the Athletic Office (610-240-1024) with any questions.

Report Cards

The first marking period ends on Friday, November 1, 2019. Marking period 1 grades will be available in PowerSchool Parent Portal on November 15, 2019. Consult the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District online calendar at www.tesd.net for further information on marking period ending dates.

'Stoga Points of Pride

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

- [Conestoga Golfer Putts Himself to the Podium](#)

Class Parent Organizations

Class of 2020

Senior Class Parent Meeting: November 21, 2019 at 9:30 am

Class of 2021

Junior Class Parent Meeting: November 14, 2019 at 9:30 am

Class of 2022

Sophomore Class Parent Meeting: November 19, 2019 at 9:30 am

Class of 2023

Freshman Class Parent Meeting: November 12, 2019 at 9:30 am

Citadel Heart of Learning

Citadel has announced the nomination period for the [2020 Citadel Heart of Learning Award](#) is now open. Chester Country students, parents, and community members are encouraged to nominate a

deserving teacher who goes above and beyond the call of duty.

The Citadel Heart of Learning Awards was created in 2001 by Citadel and the Chester County Intermediate Unit. The program has recognized, honored and thanked thousands of teachers for their tireless dedication to students and community. [You can access the nomination form by clicking this link.](#)

Conestoga High School's Desi Club Supports #SewaDiwali Food Drive

Conestoga High School's Desi Club is supporting the #SewaDiwali food drive, which has partnered with Philabundance, to coordinate the drive across the school district. Vegetarian and non-perishable food items will be collected in the Main Lobby at all TESD schools. Click [here](#) for more information.

BUILD T/E Hosts Film Screening and Expert Panel Discussion

Intelligent Lives: a film by Dan Habib

Please [click here](#) to view an informational flyer about this event. Advance registration is strongly encouraged.

Click [here](#) to reserve your seating.

Date: Thursday, November 7

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Valley Forge Middle School, 105 Walker Road, Wayne, Pa 19087

ARCH (Area Residents Caring and Helping) Invites Parents to Two Important Presentations.

Anxiety & Depression in Students from Minding Your Mind, Monday, November 11th, 7pm at Conestoga High School. Click [here](#) for more information.

Information on Vaping And How To Talk To Your Kids About It, Thursday, November 14th, 7pm at Valley Forge Middle School. Click [here](#) for more information.

Upper Main Line Community Theater Presents:

Matilda: The Musical

Thursday, November 14 at 6:30pm
Friday, November 15 at 6:30pm
Saturday, November 16 at 1:30 pm 6:30pm

Performances held at Tredyffrin/Easttown Middle School

Tickets are [on sale](#) now! Click [here](#) to view the informational flyer.

QUICK LINKS

- [Student Services Department](#)
- [Senior Parking and Privilege Information](#)
- [Conestoga High School website](#)

CONESTOGA SPORTS SCHEDULES

Daily sports schedules for Conestoga high school athletic teams are available online at <http://stogapioneers.digitalsports.com> . Please contact the CHS Athletic Office at 610-240-1024, for additional information.

Upcoming Events

| <u>EVENT</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>TIME</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> |
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| End of 1st Marking Period | 11/1/19 | | |
| SAT Testing | 11/2/19 | 8:00 am | CHS |
| Cavalcade of Bands | 11/2/19 | 4:30 pm | Teamer Field |
| In-Service Day - No School for Students | 11/5/19 | | |
| National Honor Society Induction | 11/6/19 | 6:00 pm | Auditorium |
| Fall Blood Drive | 11/7/19 | 7:50 am | Gym |
| Guys Harmonize Performance | 11/7/19 | 1:19 pm | Auditorium |
| College Admissions Evening | 11/7/19 | 7:00 pm | Auditorium |
| Winter Sports Forms Due | 11/8/19 | 7:50 am | CHS Athletic Office, Room 118 |
| Minding Your Mind Presentation | 11/11/19 | 7:00 pm | Auditorium |
| Freshman Parent Meeting | 11/12/19 | 9:30 am | Room 142 |
| Junior Parent Meeting | 11/15/19 | 9:30 am | Room 142 |

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