

COLLEGIATE ACADEMY DAILY NEWS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2024

A DAY

Happy Thursday, Everyone!

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- PMEA DISTRICT 2 CHORUS FESTIVAL
- NACLO
- HOLIDAY BASKET WINNERS PIZZA PARTY IN 116
- COMPUTER LAB IN ROOM #37 OPEN FROM 3:40-4:40
 - GSA IN ROOM 110 FROM 3:45-4:15
- DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS CLUB IN RM 37 FROM 3:40-4:40
- SPEECH AND DEBATE TEAM IN RM 112 AFTER SCHOOL
 - WORLD CULTURE CLUB AT 3:40 IN RM 115
- CYBERSECURITY CLUB IN RM 205 FROM 3:55-5:00
- PEER TUTORING IN RM 119 FROM 4:00-4:30PM
- E-SPORTS IN ROOM 200 FROM 4:00-5:30PM
- CHESS CLUB IN RM 203 AFTER SCHOOL
- CULTURAL DANCE CLUB AFTER SCHOOL IN THE DANCE STUDIO
 - WINTER INTRAMURALS: OPEN GYM BASKETBALL
- ACTIVITY BUS ARRIVES AT 4:00 AND 4:28 AT THE HORSESHOE ON 26TH

Tomorrow, Friday, 1/26, is a non-attendance day for students.

Students: At this time of the year, there is an increased chance of inclement weather, so remember to take your Chromebooks and chargers home every night. In case of school closure, the day will be treated as a flexible instruction day, and assignments will be posted on Schoology. Students, you will be required to check Schoology and complete the assigned tasks. Thank you.

Attention Collegiate! This year's semi-formal aka the "Winter dance" is February 9th. The google form to fill out your information to apply for a ticket will be open from **January 16th-31st**. and sales will be February 5th-9th and tickets will be \$20 dollars. You must have a 2.5 GPA and be passing all core courses to go.

Attention homerooms of Ms. Balsiger, Ms. Ulmer, Mr. Boetger, and Mr. Reagan. Your pizza party will be today during your lunch. Come to room 116 which is to the right of Mr. Powell.

Come one, Come all! Please check out the latest competition at Collegiate - NACLO (The North American Computational Linguistics Open competition) It is a Free Competition and the Open Round is open to all interested high school students. No prior knowledge of languages is necessary. The competition will take place right here at Collegiate today. Consider getting involved if solving linguistic puzzles is enticing to you. Please contact Mr. Freed to register for this exam. Registration and Participation are free.

Attention Juniors & Seniors! This year's prom will be on Fri., May 10th at 7-10PM at the Bayfront Convention Center. If you would like to join the Prom Committee, please report to Ms. Ulmer's room (104) on 1/29 after school for our first meeting. Prom committee members MUST make a commitment to attend ALL meetings! See Mrs. Imler or Ms. Ulmer with questions.

Attention Sophomores!! Sophomore lockdown is on March 1st and we need a T-shirt design! Any sophomores interested in having their design on the shirt MUST send a DIGITAL VERSION of their design to Mr. Feiock by **February 5th**.

Seniors, if you still need help with your FAFSA, Erie High School has rescheduled their FAFSA night for February 1st from 4-7pm.

The Women's History Assembly is inviting all students to participate in a t-shirt design contest. Any designs should be submitted to Ms. Balsiger no later than February 9 and focus on Ruth Bader Ginsburg's quote "Women belong in all places where decisions are being made. All proceeds from the t-shirt sale will benefit the Mercy Center for Women in Erie.

The Mercyhurst Institute for Arts & Culture presents Art Educators: Leading Beyond the Classroom, which celebrates the talents of area art teachers. Our very own Tara Shannon will have three works in the exhibit from her tulip series. Ms. Shannon is representing Collegiate Academy, Erie's Public Schools, and the Northwestern Pennsylvania Artists Association.

Congratulations to Markella and Theofania Nacopolous for placing third in Duo Interpretation and Asheen Udgiri for placing third in Declamation at the Mercyhurst Prep Speech and Debate Tournament. Awesome job!

The PBIS team is excited to announce the opening of the PBIS lunch room. This room will be open daily for all three lunches. The PBIS lunch room is a game room featuring air hockey, ping pong and more on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays and a Chill Cafe on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Be sure to get your friends together to purchase admission to this great new incentive for just 75pts. per student per day. Admission can be purchased in the PBIS online store and students will be signing in with their lunches upon arrival at the PBIS lunch room.

Any girl interested in golfing in the summer / fall please see Ms. Leasure in room 18 for some important information. She will need your name and phoner number so you can be included in communications regarding golf gear.

If you are looking for help in ANY subject, look no further! Schoology has a link that provides all tutoring/extra help schedules for the Freshman Transition Team (FTT), Go College, Peer Tutoring, and your individual teacher's extra help schedule.

The school store now has Custom Orders. You can get your clothing customized at the school store for only five dollars: things like hoodies, pants, shirts, and more! Make sure to come and fill out a form for some cool new personal gear!

Students, now is the time to order your yearbook. Go to jostensyearbooks.com and purchase your yearbook for \$85. Do it soon before they are sold out.

Interested in the Women's History Assembly? You can email Ms. Balsiger at cbalsiger@eriesd.org if you are interested in helping and would like to join the Assembly's Schoology page for more information.

Seniors, your Cap/Gown Package can be purchased at Jostens.com and prices will be going up soon.

The computer lab will be open to all students Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:40 to 4:40 in lab#37 with Mr. LaFata

Peer tutoring will be in room 119. Tutoring will be on Tuesday & Thursday from 4-4:30pm. Students will be expected to sign in and out.

If you are a Freshman, and you need any assistance, please stop in Ms. Balsiger's room, 103, during lunch for help. Teachers will be available to answer any questions you may have.

E-Sports will be from 4:00 to 5:30 Monday - Thursday. The games we will be competing in are OverWatch 2 and League of Legends. If you are interested stop by room 200 to see Mr. Olszewski.

Winter Intramurals have begun. Every Tuesday and Thursday will be open gym basketball. Wednesday's will be open gym volleyball so just show up and play. Every Monday will be a tournament day. Our 1st tournament will be a pickleball tournament, followed by a 3 on 3 basketball tournament followed by a 4 on 4 volleyball tournament. See Mr. Boetger for signing up your teams.

Collegiate Academy's Model UN Club will be meeting every "MUN Day" Monday's starting September 11th, 2023 until June 3rd, 2024 from 8 am - 8:30 am in Mr. Hood's Room 105.

GSA will begin meeting twice a week (Mondays from 3:45-4:15 and Thursdays from 3:45-4:15) in room 110. All are welcome to attend and may attend either or both days each week!

K-POP Club is centered around K-pop music and dancing. We will learn choreography from our favorite artists, play games (Guess the artist, song, random dances), discuss new things from the K-pop community while also branching off into other aspects of music. We plan to hold the club meetings on Mondays, from 3:45 to 4:45 in Ms. Weibel's room.

Interested in Step Club? No experience is necessary, and all are welcome on Tuesdays at 4pm in the Dance Studio.

Hey everybody! Do you enjoy nerding out with friends and demonstrating your knowledge of trivial subjects? Well, Collegiate Academy's very own Quiz Bowl team is going to start meeting! We meet every Tuesday in Mr. Wojciechowski's room from 3:40-4:40. Please join us! The first Toss Up is "How do you spell Wojciechowski?"

The Black History Assembly meetings will continue to be on Thursdays after school in room 216. Come and join the fun.

Are you interested in robotics? We have two Robotics teams, VEX robotics team meets Tuesday from 4 p.m.- 6 p.m. in room 205 and First Robotics meets every Tuesday from 6:00-8:00p.m.

Medical Club is back in action. New members are always welcome. If you have questions or concerns please see Mrs. Dahl in room 21.

The Dungeons and Dragons club will begin meeting after school in lab# 37 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:40 to 4:40. If you wish to join, please just show up at those times. Everyone is welcome, no previous experience is necessary to play.

Prepare to be spontaneous! Improv club will begin meeting again on Tuesdays after school in Mr. Freed's room, 112. Come join us to play games, make things up, and have a good time! No prior improv experience necessary!

Green Team is an environmental group that will meet on Wednesdays after school this year. During Green team you will learn how to garden and how to become an environmental advocate. This year we will have several speakers visit based on student interests.

ART and GARDEN CLUB will be on Wednesdays from 3:45-4:45pm. THE GREEN TEAM will also be collaborating with us. Come and check it out OR better yet become a member! AS Membership has it's PERKS!!!) SO Join us in Ms. Shannon's room; room 10.

Are you a good speaker? Do you like to perform for others? Is oration your secret passion? Or do you want to improve your communication skills? Then you should join the Speech and Debate Team on Thursdays in room 112. Contact Mr. Freed with any questions prior to the meeting. Come and find out what it means to orate.

Cybersecurity club meets each Thursday from 3:55-5:00 in room 205.

World Culture Club meets at 3:40 in room 115 on Thursdays.

Hey everybody! Is chess still popular? Well, if you like chess, we're going to start up a chess club again! Chess club will be meeting every Thursday in Mr. Woj's room 203. Come join us for nerdiness!

Cultural Dance Club is meeting on Thursday, after school in the dance studio! All are welcome!

The Poetry Club will be meeting in Mr. Pham's room 109 from 8:00-8:30 on Fridays. Anyone interested in writing or poetry is welcome.

Coming Soon

- **1/16-1/31: Semi-Formal Google Forms to complete**
 - ***1/25-1/27--PMEA District 2 Chorus Festival**
 - ***1/26-Act 80/Non-Attendance Day for Students**
 - ***1/29-Prom Committee Meeting**
 - ***2/2-ASL Regionals at Seneca**
 - ***2/5-2/9: Semi-Formal online Ticket Sales**
- ***2/5: t-shirt designs for Sophomore Lockdown are due to Mr. Feiock**
- ***2/9-Permission slips and money due for Sophomore Lockdown**
 - ***2/9-Semi Formal at the Bayfront from 7-10pm**
- ***2/8-2/10--PMEA District 2, 3, 5 Orchestra Festival**