

# Cañon City Tigers Newsletter

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# OUR MISSION STATEMENT

ALL Cañon City High School students will have opportunities to explore career pathways of interest while gaining skills needed to be successful in any life endeavor, and while enjoying many traditional high school experiences valued by students and the greater community.

## From the Desk of Bill Summers, CCHS Principal...

My sincere appreciation to the staff at Cañon City High School on behalf of your students. The effort imparted to improve curriculum, scheduling, engagement, security, and relevance was substantial over the past 9 months. When we embrace a culture of growth and selfless improvement, everyone wins, especially learners.

Take a break! Have a fun, family and friends-filled summer. Be excited to return next year to a Chromebook in the hands of every student and a blended online curriculum. Be excited to be in an environment where teachers have created 14 new courses for Career Pathways learning. Know that the community of Fremont Country supports us immeasurably as evidenced by the 56 employers who have stepped up to sponsor internships for our students in the coming school year. Be overjoyed that CCHS leads the state in attainment of Early College credits on behalf of our students and their families—and this feat just took a dramatic step forward. The Colorado Department of Education picked CCHS as the fourth overall, and first rural school, to institute a Pathways in Technology Early College High School (PTECH) program, providing an unlimited number of students two tuition free years at Pueblo Community College in a STEM career field. Thank you to our partners in this endeavor, PCC-Fremont and TechSTART!

In my 27-year career in the military, I spanned a political environment that included remnants from the fallout of a post-Vietnam War era force through eleven years after 9/11. I saw America's opinion of the military progress from disdain, to comfortable trust, to near-fanatical appreciation. There were many occasions dining out with my family when another patron paid our bill as a token of appreciation for my service. In my 4½ years deployed to remote operations, I received one care package after another from a 5th grade class in Kentucky or a Rotary Club in Colorado. While those acts of generosity made me appreciate the spirit of my fellow citizens, what made the difference to most service members during this time was that our federal government righted the substantial wrong of paying a Soldier, Sailor, Airman, or Marine below the poverty level by authorizing above-cost-of-living salary increases. No matter which side of the political isle an American fell, there were few objections after our country was attacked by an outside force, to putting tax dollars into service members' wallets to compensate them for their sacrifice. Recognizing inequity and reversing it is what makes us the greatest nation on earth.

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# Administration News

From the Desk of Bill Summers, CCHS Principal, continued...

I am now an educator. I will not compare the sacrifices made between the community of educators and service members, but I can speak to the fact that both populations contain passionate and tenacious men and women who want nothing more than to further American values. I also believe both populations hold the future prosperity and security of our nation in the palm of their hands. Would it not be wonderful to see a young teacher and her family out to dinner proceed to the checkout counter to find that another patron, perhaps a school parent, had picked up the tab? Would it not be fitting for a person who spends 182 days of her



year caring for a significant-needs child be able to support herself above the poverty line on a governmental wage? And would it not be appropriate for our state to value education at a level that placed us at least in the upper-half of the national average for per pupil funding? Cañon City voters thought so when they approved a Mill Levy Override and Bond this past November. Cañon City educators felt proud and well supported by the community as a result of this tremendous acknowledgment. While there are many generous individuals in our community who support educators, people who donate at a significant level year-after-year, we have not yet righted what's wrong. There's one more step. It is now time for the voters of the state to show their value for education.

Have a great summer!

**Bill Summers** 

CCHS, Principal

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# School News

## Parent Technology Night

This is a meeting to inform parents about the implementation of 1 to 1 technology next year.

Incoming freshman and sophomores, your meeting is on May 16th from 6:15-7:30 in the auditorium.

Next year juniors and senior's meeting is May 17th from 6:00-7:30 in the auditorium.

### Parent Advisory Board

Our Parent Advisory Board meets once a month in the high school library at 6:00 p.m. with meetings usually lasting about an hour. We are comprised of parents, community members, faculty, staff, students and administration whose common goal is improving the high school experience for all of our students.

Please join us! For more information, contact Sara Marietta at 276-5877.

#### 2018/2019 School Year News

In school registration will be August 1-3 from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm.

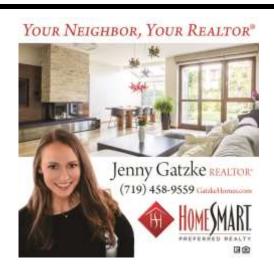
First day of school for freshman - August 22nd -1/2 day

Full day for freshman only - August 23rd - Full day

Full day for all students - August 24th

ALL STUDENTS MUST PROVIDE REGISTRATION DOCUMENTATION FOR THE NEW YEAR AS ONLINE INFORMATION COLLECTION HAS CHANGED.





## Counseling *News*

Cañon City High School is proud to announce a new freshmen transition program coming in the fall, 2018! Tiger Pride Link Crew aims to help freshmen discover what it takes to be successful during their transition to high school. Junior and Senior Link Leaders will be chosen from the class of 2019 and class of 2020.

#### Link Leader goals will be as follows:

- build a mentor relationship and give freshmen information about how to be successful in high school
- support freshmen academic success and character development
- connect with freshmen outside the classroom at social events to increase student engagement and promote positive school climate
- connect with their freshmen on a more individual basis

#### Qualities we are looking for in Tiger Pride Link Leaders:

- strong communication skills
- dedicated
- kind
- interest in helping others
- positive role model
- willingness to lead others
- has respect for diverse ideas and personalities
- enthusiastic
- responsible enough to manage a group
- willingness to take risks
- accountable to show-up throughout all phases of the program during the year
- self-confident and self-directed

TIGER PRIDE LINK CREW - we got your back!

### College Credits!!!

Take advantage of getting college credit while in high school! The Concurrent Enrollment program at Canon City High School is an extensive program with up to 50 high school classes being offered for college credit. Please refer to the Student Pathway book for identified courses. For more information, call or please come to the counseling office.



# Student Council/Athletic News

- Student Council Elections May 8th May 10th
- Cross Country Informational Meeting Tuesday, May 22nd @ 3:00 p.m. in room 205

#### 2018/2019 CANON CITY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

CCHS offers a wide variety of sports for boy and girl athletes. Besides Varsity (1st team), many of the sports have Junior Varsity and C Teams. The sports are divided into three seasons as follows:

| Fall | Cross Country | Winter | Boys Basketball          | Spring | Baseball      |
|------|---------------|--------|--------------------------|--------|---------------|
|      | Football      |        | Girls Basketball         |        | Girls Golf    |
|      | Boys Golf     |        | Wrestling                |        | Girls Soccer  |
|      | Gymnastics    |        | Cheerleading (continued) |        | Girls Tennis  |
|      | Boys Soccer   |        | Dance Team (continued)   |        | Track & Field |
|      | Softball      |        |                          |        |               |
|      | Boys Tennis   |        |                          |        |               |
|      | Volleyball    |        |                          |        |               |

Cheerleading (tryouts in spring of prior school year)

Dance Team (tryouts in spring of prior school year)

Student athletes who are interested in a particular sport should start preparing for sport registration well in advance. It is the athlete/parent responsibility to be aware of sign-in dates and obtain the sport packet of forms needed to participate. The activities office will remain open until June 7th and reopen on July 24th. Please feel free to contact our office with any questions or to pick up forms. During the summer months, sports packets can be picked up at the District Office, 101 N. 14th St.





## Student Council/Athletic News

## 2018/2019 CANON CITY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS, continued...

Fall Sport Registration – All Fall Sports will need to register at the CCHS Activities Office between July 24th and August 3rd, with the first practice on August 6th. There will be no blue slips issued on August 6th. Office hours are from 8am to 3pm.

Winter Sport Registration – Registration will be October 29th thru November 8th, with practices beginning November 9th. There will be no blue slips issued on November 9th.

Spring Sport Registration – Registration will be February 4th thru the 22nd, with practices beginning February 25th. There will be no blue slips issued on February 25th.

At sports registration an athlete will be given a Blue Slip. The blue slip is turned in to the coach and tells the coach that the student athlete has completed all necessary paperwork. No one will start practice without a blue slip. To obtain a blue slip, athletes will turn in all required paperwork and pay the athletic fee.

Forms Required For Blue Slip – Yellow Emergency Card; Full white sheet, front and back includes athletic registration, permit/pledge, insurance information and physical. (a copy of a current physical can be turned in instead of having the white sheet signed by a physician); ImPACT Form; Athletic Fee.

- \*\*Additional forms needed for exchange students: CHSAA Forms #11
- \*\*Additional forms needed for transfer students: CHSAA Forms #9
- \*\*Additional forms will be required for homeschool students and out of district students.

CCHS Activity Office - 276-5878



## Senior News

#### CAÑON CITY HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR CHECK LIST

We have narrowed down the list and these last few weeks will fly by so check the following list and make sure you have everything completed before graduation arrives.

Graduation With Honors Application - At graduation only one honor cord will be worn on the gown representing the highest level achieved. All study areas and achievement levels will be printed in the graduation program. The honor cord will be presented during Senior Honors Night, May 23 at 6:30 p.m.

Counselor Meeting to check credits for graduation and other items

Letters of Recommendation – Request them early; go to cchscounseling.org. Early Graduation tab then Student Information Sheet Form.

Complete the *Shopper Profile* and turn in with a portrait. The Profile will be handed out in a class meeting and may be turned into the office within approximately 10 days. Or return directly to the *Shopper* office. This is your responsibility. CCHS provides a list of graduates and school portrait day photographs.

Daily Record – Parents/family members must contact the Daily Record and complete requested information for the special graduation issue. CCHS provides a list of graduates and school portrait day photographs.

Turn in all textbooks and uniforms and Pay ALL fines/fees before graduation – diploma will be held if not paid or turned in.

Complete Senior Check Out – May 21 1:15 p.m. Commons – Turn in yellow check out card (diploma will be held if not turned in). Cap/Gown/Tassel will be handed out.

Senior Honors Night, May 23 at 6:30 p.m. DelPizzo Center – Scholarships (local and national) announced and awarded. Graduation With Honors recognition and honor cord given to student.

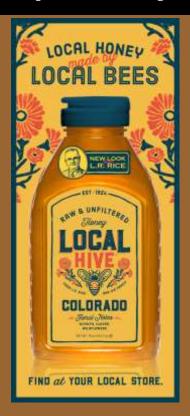
Graduation Practice, May 23 at 7:45 a.m. – All graduating students must attend. Only students who have completed ALL the required credits are eligible to walk in the graduation ceremony. Senior Breakfast (free) is served starting at 7:10 a.m. in the Lobby area.

Senior Funfest, May 23 at 3:00 p.m. for the Senior Class only!

Graduation Day – Seniors report at 5:30 p.m. in Tiger Dome.

AFTER graduation, Graduates return to Commons to pick up Diploma!





## Automotive News

The PCC / CCHS automotive students are completing another very successful school year!

We had a total of 67 students participate in our classes. All of the students earned at least one certificate and / or certification. In fact, since the beginning of the school year, the automotive students earned OVER 970 individual certificates and certifications. Seven students earned their ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) Student certifications, with 3 students earning all 10 certifications (master tech level if they had the on job experience)

We also entered in to a very successful partnership with Subaru University, Subaru-U. Twenty of our students participated in this unique program. All 20 earned their Subaru Level 1 Technician rating and at least 6 students will complete their Subaru Level 2 technician rating. As a result of our student's commitment to their training, Subaru Corporation donated 5 newer Subaru vehicles and equipment to the PCC/CCHS program. This donation equals \$140,000.

We are continuing to grow the program to help our students be successful after they graduate from CCHS. Several seniors will be continuing their education at the PCC – Pueblo campus. It is important to know that those students have already earned at least 37 college credits towards their associate's degree. They only need an additional 35 credits to graduate from PCC.



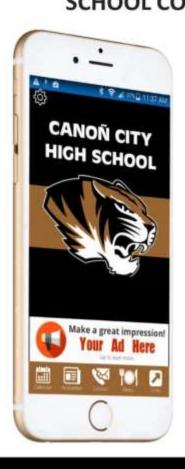


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