



CHS Weekly Newsletter

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1. Schedule for the Week of April 22- April 26

[2023-2024 CHS School Calendar](#)

22 White Day Schedule-25 PBIS Meeting 2:45 p.m.	23 White Day Schedule-26 Band Spring Concert 6:30	24 Red Day Schedule-27 8:00 AM Executive SC Teacher PLC's A/B	25 Black Day Schedule-28	26 White Day Schedule-29 Prom/After Prom Ticket Sales Begin
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2. End of Course Exams 2024

For information regarding End of Course Exams given at the end of this month: [2024 End of Course Exams Dates and Schedules](#)

3. AP Exam Schedule 2024

Chardon High School AP Exams will occur throughout the month of May, beginning on **Monday, May 6, 2024**. All tests will be given at **Chardon United Methodist Church** (515 North St). For more information, please [click here](#).

4. May Final Exam Information 2024

Chardon High School Final Exams for underclassmen will occur on **Tuesday, May 21, Wednesday, May 22, and Thursday, May 23**. For more information, please [click here](#).

5. Class Officer Applications due Tuesday, April 23

Attention all 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students interested in running for class officer for 2024-2025 school year: All applications are currently available in Student Services and are due **no later than April 23**. See Senora Tekavec for any questions.

6. A Message from Assistant Superintendent Ed Klein: CHS Schedule Changes for 2024-25



Planning for the 2024-25 school year, we are implementing minor changes to the Chardon High School bell schedule, effective the first day of the new school year - August 14, 2024. For information, [click here](#).

7. Open Campus 2024-25 — Your Questions, Answered!



Please review the following [Frequently Asked Questions](#) pertaining to the Chardon High School Schedule Changes for the 2024-25 school year.

8. Chardon Square Eclipse Art Contest Winner: Katie Bennardo



Congratulations to 11th grader Katie Bennardo who won first place in the Chardon Square Eclipse Art Contest!

9. CHS Boys Track & Field: Bay Rockets Invitational Champions

The boys Track and Field team won the Bay Rockets Invitational last Saturday and set 4 meet records in doing so:

- The 4x800 team of Thomas Nelson, Jacob Nieset, Grayson Hallam, and Matthew Sopchak ran 8:09.49. It is currently the 3rd fastest time in the state.
- Karl Dietz ran 48.78 to set the meet record in the 400m. It is also the 3rd fastest time in the state.
- Matthew Sopchak ran 1:58.27 for 800m.
- Thomas Nelson and Taman Chokshi both ran well under the old 3200m record of 9:46.69 by running 9:33.77 and 9:27.09, respectively.

Other outstanding performers were:

- Caleb Hewitt (Long Jump 3rd, 100m 2nd, and 200m 2nd)
- Cohen Dawson (110 Hurdles 3rd and 300 Hurdles 3rd)
- Toby Rogers (Pole Vault 2nd)
- Braden Schmauder (Pole Vault 3rd)
- Karl Dietz (200m 2nd)
- Cohen Dawson, Anthony Catania, Sam Sacerich, and Braden Schmauder (4x200 Relay 3rd)
- Cohen Dawson, Caleb Hewitt, Toby Rogers, Karl Dietz (4x400 Relay 1st)

The Hilltopper Invitational is this Saturday from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm where we will host Lake Catholic, NDCL, Geneva, Perry, Mayfield, Woodridge, and Stow-Monroe Falls.

10. Varsity Football Fundraising Dinner: Friday, April 19, 2024



Come meet the 2024 Hilltopper Varsity Football Team! Join us in the CHS Cafeteria on Friday, April 19, 2024 for pasta with Italian sausage and meatballs served by the 2024 team! Dinner has been graciously donated by the Brown Barn Tavern. We would love for you to join us! Take-out also available.

[Pricing + more info](#)

Pricing & more info url:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1L0gU2e2BHVva84UnL5et4BJIUGqfEV5P_/view

11. LAX-ABLED Night: Tuesday, April 23, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m. @ Chardon Memorial Field

The poster is a vertical rectangle with a black border. At the top, it says "ATTENTION CHARDON STUDENTS" in red. Below that, "CHEER ON YOUR GIRLS' LACROSSE TEAM" in black. Then "AT" in black, followed by "LAX-ABLED NIGHT!" in white on a black background. There's a logo for LAX-ABLED with two lacrosse sticks and a person. To the right of the logo, it says "LAX-ABLED: AN ADAPTIVE LACROSSE INITIATIVE, STRIVES TO CREATE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES TO LEARN TO PLAY LACROSSE. OUR ATHLETES HAVE INCREASED THEIR LACROSSE IQ, CONFIDENCE, AND SOCIAL SKILLS THROUGH LAX-ABLED." Below that, it says "ALL LAX-ABLED ATHLETES, PROSPECTS, AND FAMILIES GET IN FOR FREE!" and "REGISTRATION & T-SHIRTS AT CONCESSIONS". At the bottom, there are logos for Chardon Hilltoppers and a lacrosse helmet. Finally, it says "WHEN: APRIL 23RD, 2024 [at] 7 PM" and "WHERE: CHARDON MEMORIAL FIELD" in white on a red background.

LAX-ABLED Night is on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at Chardon Memorial Field. All LAX-ABLED athletes, prospects, and families get in for free!

LAX-ABLED is an adaptive Lacrosse initiative, strives to create the opportunity for individuals with disabilities to learn play Lacrosse. Our athletes have increase their Lacrosse IQ, confidence, and social schools through LAX-ABLED.

12. Attention Seniors: Prom Ticket Sales (April 26- May 3)

Prom ticket sales will begin on Friday April 26, 2024 and continue through Friday, May 3, 2024. Tickets can be purchased online only [here](#). Prom tickets are \$75.

After purchasing your Prom ticket, if there are any food allergies, please email Mrs. Mihalek at holly.mihalek@chardonschools.org with your food allergy and table number.

Prom is on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at LaVera from 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

13. Attention Seniors: Prom Committee Meeting on Thursday, April 25 @ 2:45 p.m.

There will be a Prom committee meeting on Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 2:45 p.m. in Room 209 to discuss the agenda and logistics of the Prom assembly. See Mrs. Mihalek with any questions.

14. Attention Seniors: After Prom Save the Date



After Prom 2024 , Saturday, May 11
from 11:00 pm to 2:00 am at CHS

All CHS Seniors and their Prom dates are invited to this fun night filled with games, refreshments, music, and hundreds of prizes.

Tickets are \$6. More information will be coming via email next week.

15. Attention Seniors: Scholarship Notification Form due Friday, May 3

Have you received a college-specific scholarship? If so, we want to know about it! Please complete [THIS FORM](#) no later than Friday, May 3rd so we can include it in the program! Senior Awards Night is May 9th at 6:30 pm in the CHS Gymnasium.

16. Spring Band Concert: Tuesday, April 23, 2024 in CHS Gym

6:30 PM - 8th Grade Band Performance (students arrive 6-6:15 PM)

7:15 PM - Wind Ensemble Performance (students arrive 6:45-7 PM)

8:00 PM - Symphonic Band Performance (students arrive 7:30-7:45 PM)

17. Hilltopper Marching Band in the Maple Festival Parades!

*Saturday, April 27 - Full Marching Band (full uniform, no hats or gloves; arrive at 2:00; parade at 3; done approximately 3:45)

*Sunday, April 28 - Drumline only (arrive at 2:00, parade at 3; done approx. 3:45)

18. Maker Space Summer Internship Opportunity for Students at Chardon Creativity Center

The Geauga County Library will be providing a 12-week Maker Space summer internship program for students in the Chardon Creativity Center. The program will begin with equipment training, likely around the week of May 20. After the first week of training, the position's days and hours will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Please see the attached [Maker Space Intern Job description](#) for more information.

19. After Prom Parent Volunteers Needed



Our After Prom Planning team is excited to host our May 11 After Prom for the Class of 2024 and their guests. Planning is well underway, but we are in need of a few more parent volunteers to help with coordinating various aspects of the event over the next six weeks. Here is the link to the sign-up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0544ABA728A0F49-47391784-after#/>

Look for another sign-up in mid-April to volunteer for the weekend of May 11.

Have questions? Contact Michelle Fisher at chardonafterprom@gmail.com or 216-401-8943.

20. AFS Study Abroad Opportunities

Have you heard? AFS-USA is offering all accepted applicants scholarships that range from partial to full program fees for summer, semester and year long study abroad programs. Plus, It's free to apply! Explore authentic, immersive experiences in destinations like France, Kenya, Japan, Argentina and more at afsusa.org/study-abroad. Start your application today and take your first step toward becoming a global citizen with AFS! Find additional promotional resources, including images, at bit.ly/gcsapromo.

21. AFS Host Family Opportunity

Are you interested in experiencing another culture without even leaving your home? Why not host an AFS student for the 2024-2025 school year? [Click here](#) for bios of international students that are waiting for a family like yours to host them for the year! Please consider opening your home and your family to this cultural experience.

Please contact Mrs. Korenke at carrie.korenke@chardonschools.org or reach out to one of the contacts listed on the bio sheet. Thank you for considering and your interest.

22. Chardon Library Book Buddies Program

The Chardon Library Book Buddies is a free community program organized by the Chardon Public Library for students who just finished 1st or 2nd grade and receive extra help in Reading at school or need a little support to inspire confidence in their reading. The purpose of this program is to encourage reading throughout the summer while reinforcing skills acquired during the school year. The children are paired with Middle School and High School students (those students entering the 6th - 12th grade) in the community who have volunteered for this program. The volunteers will provide reading experiences for the students for 6 one-hour sessions at the Chardon Library throughout the summer. The program will run from June 3 - August 2 and conclude with an ice cream social on August 7 on the Chardon Square. The children who complete the program will receive a Shel Silverstein book and a certificate. Please see the attached [flyer](#) and [signup form](#). Return completed forms to the Chardon Library, and contact Joya Hoge at jhoge@geaugalibrary.net with any questions.

23. Second Annual Juniors Night Out: Saturday, May 4, 2024



Sponsored by the Chardon After Prom Committee

Chardon After Prom proudly presents the 2nd Annual Juniors Movie Night Out!

Who: Chardon Class of 2025; One guest per Junior Student permitted. Non-Chardon students must complete a non-Chardon guest form available in the office.

What: Movie Feature - "[The Fall Guy](#)"; Snacks and thousands of dollars of prizes will be provided!

When: Saturday, May 4th; Gates open at 8:00 p.m.; Movies start promptly at 8:50 p.m.

Where: Mayfield Road Drive-In Theater, 12100 State Rte 322, Chardon, OH

Free admission but registration is required by April 27th. [Click here](#) to register.

We will be scrolling Junior memories on the big screen prior to the start of the movie. Please send pictures in JPEG, TIFF or PNG format to chardonap@gmail.com.

Junior Parents - We need your help to make this annual event a success! If you are able to help with preparation and/or the night of the event, please email chardonap@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!

24. Summer Lunch Program



Did you know Claridon Community Helps offers a FREE summer lunch program for ALL Geauga County children through Grade 12? NO eligibility requirements. Registration is now open for Summer 2024! [Learn More](#)

25. Summer Camps - Financial Assistance



Did you know Geauga Jobs & Family Services offers financial assistance for children to attend summer camps and enrichment programs? Applications are now being accepted for Summer 2024! Children of all ages whose families are low income are eligible to apply. This financial assistance program is funded solely through donations. [Learn More](#)

26. Summer 2024 Leadership Geauga Youth Institute



Leadership Geauga is accepting applications for the Youth Institute for students who will be either in their junior or senior year during the 2024-25 academic year.

The Leadership Geauga Youth Institute is a two-week program in June where the students:

- Complete a leadership assessment
- Participate in career exploration by visiting Geauga County businesses
- Get behind-the-scenes tours
- Meet with company leaders
- + Have fun!

The group will meet Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday for two weeks (June 17 - June 27), plus a mentorship day where students shadow someone in an industry the student expressed interest in.

There is a \$300 fee per student - but scholarships are available.

The application will close on May 15, 2024. We are nearing capacity already, so apply soon!

Please see the following resources below for more information about Leadership Geauga's Youth Institute.

[Recruitment Flyer](#)

[Youth Institute Website](#)

[Leadership Geauga Video](#)

[Youth Testimonial from 2022](#)

27. Attention Seniors: Senior Meeting (4/12) Agenda

An important meeting for all Seniors occurred on Friday, April 12, 2024. Please be sure to review the [agenda](#) if you were not able to attend.

28. Attention Seniors: Senior Handbook

Attached is the [Senior Handbook](#) containing all of the information, deadlines, and expectations pertaining to the Commencement ceremony and all Senior activities. Please review this information and contact us if you have any questions or concerns. Contact information is outlined below.

Senior Information Contact:

Brandi Giddings

Guidance Secretary

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Mary Pat Pavicic

Interim Principal

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Stacy Tekavec

Senior Class Advisor

stacy.tekavec@chardonschools.org

29. Attention Seniors and Senior Parents/Guardians: Senior Picnic Information

Class of 2024
Senior Picnic
When: Friday, May 24, 2024; 12:30pm-3pm
Where: Munson Township Park



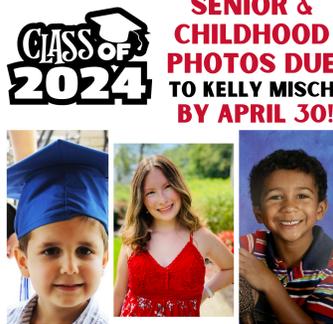
Who is ready to CELEBRATE the SENIORS?! The graduating class of 2024 will have a Senior Picnic at Munson Township Park on Friday, May 24 from 12:30-3:00PM. There will be a D.J., volleyball, basketball, tennis, cornhole games, prizes, food and MORE!

Please see the linked [Sign Up Genius](#) for more information or turn in the half sheet in the [attached flyer](#) to senior class advisor, Mrs. Stacy Tekavec.

Questions can be directed to Elizabeth Fullerman, event chair, at efullerman@hotmail.com or 216-299-5141

Thank you to those who have already signed up. If you are donating a gift card for the raffle, please get them to Brandi Giddings in Guidance by Friday, May 10. Anyone who is providing food, please plan to bring it the day of the picnic unless other arrangements have been made. Any other prizes welcome, please contact Elizabeth Fullerman. If you would like to make a monetary contribution, please venmo @CHS24picnic

30. Attention Seniors: Commencement Slideshow Photo Deadline



Class of 2024 Families:

 If you've already submitted your senior's photo and childhood photo this year, you're ALL SET! No action is needed. Otherwise...

 **BY APRIL 30, 2024**

SENIOR PHOTO - for Commencement Slideshow

For the slideshow, District Communications is accepting **Senior Photos** THRU April 30, 2024.

Please submit one photo per senior to kelly.misch@chardonschools.org

SUBJECT LINE is Senior's: FIRST NAME LAST NAME

NO Action is needed if you submitted a senior photo to Mr. Massucci for yearbook. The yearbook file is shared with District Communications.

Avoid duplicate sends!

 **BY APRIL 30, 2024**

CHILDHOOD PHOTO (Any Age) - for Commencement Slideshow

For the slideshow, District Communications is accepting **Childhood Photos** THRU April 30, 2024.

Please submit one (1) photo per senior to kelly.misch@chardonschools.org

Time-Saver: 1 email is fine for submitting 1 childhood photo + 1 senior photo.

SUBJECT LINE is Senior's: FIRST NAME LAST NAME

 **CLOSED WINDOW**

SENIOR PHOTO - Yearbook

For Yearbook, the senior photo submission window is **now closed**. The window for submitting senior photos to Mr. Massucci for the yearbook was September through February 2, which included a deadline extension. This window was communicated weekly in the school newsletter. Thank you for understanding the yearbook timeline in meeting deadlines.

31. Attention all Students: Please Join your Class Remind

The CHS School Counseling Department has set up a Remind for each graduating class of students. Important and relevant information will be shared with students throughout the year, so it's important all students join their graduating class' Remind. Most students have joined during the scheduling process, but if you haven't, please join now. This is especially important for students who will be enrolled in full-time CCP classes outside of the CHS building or who don't have an English class at CHS. We don't want you to miss anything!

To join, enter the class' Remind code or text 81010 and add a message of @ + code. (Ex. @chs-25.)

Class of 2025 - Code: chs-25

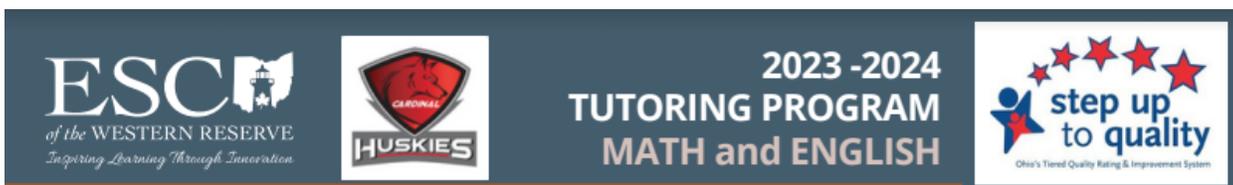
Class of 2026 - Code: chs-26

Class of 2027 - Code: chs-27

Class of 2028 - Code: chs-28

As always, reach out to your school counselor with any questions!

32. ESC Math and English Tutoring Information



The Educational Service Center of the Western Reserve is offering a **Family Resource Tutoring Center** hosted at Cardinal Middle School and Cardinal High School.

The tutoring center provides support to students and their families.

All Geauga County students are welcome to take advantage of the resources and assistance available, and services are completely free of charge.

For more information please contact site manager, Rachel Petti at rpetti@escwr.org

33. Important Message From Nurse Jackson for Class of 2025: Meningococcal Vaccine due August 2024

Attention Class of 2025:

The Meningococcal vaccine records are due by August of 2024. Please see attached documents for more information.

 Immunization Reminder/Rising Seniors

 exemption letter.docx

34. A Note from the Nurse's Office

Just a friendly reminder for parents/guardians and students, regarding the procedures we follow at CHS when a student is feeling unwell and would like to go home early from school:

- Students need to report to the clinic to be seen/evaluated/communicate with the nurse (or another available staff member if the nurse is unavailable).
- Nurse Jackson or another staff member will reach out to parent/guardian regarding the health needs or status of the student and determine or recommend if a student should be sent home early from school.
- **If a student reaches out to a parent or guardian directly requesting that they be picked up to go home due to illness/injury, etc, we ask that parents/guardians redirect their student to go and see the nurse first.** An exit pass must be issued by the nurse if a student is going home with an illness/injury.
- An exit pass will be issued to a student **after** parent/guardian contact has been made by the nurse.
- Please note that parents/guardians are also welcome to call the office/attendance line or send in a written note to the office if you anticipate that your child will need to leave school early for an appointment or other reasons.
- Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with following these procedures. Our priority is to keep your student safe, accounted for and of course, help with any health needs that arise.

Wishing you a *healthy and beautiful* spring season!

Chelsie Jackson M.Ed, BSN, RN, LSN

35. CHS Transportation Communication

For the remainder of the school year, the **CHS main drive** to the entrance of the school will be closed to traffic starting at **2:00 p.m.** and will reopen at **2:35 p.m.** to allow ample time for the buses to safely enter and park on Memorial Drive. Thank you for your cooperation!

36. Food Service: Topper Bistro Lunch Menu

Week of April 22-26

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Popcorn Chicken	Meatball Sub	Pasta	Sweet & Sour Chicken	Chicken Tender Wrap
Mashed Potatoes/Gravy	Green Beans	Alfredo or Meat sauce	Rice	Lettuce/Cheese
Applesauce	Fries or Tots	Broccoli	Pineapple	Carrot Pack
Corn	Fruit	Garlic Toast	California Blend	Apple
Roll		Icee	Fortune Cookie	Chips

37. Art Pieces of the Week

Juliana Leikala



Susanna Crosby



38. This Week's Topper Tickets

In an effort to promote positive behaviors and thus establish a positive learning environment to support our school climate, students, and staff, we are instituting the Positive Behaviors and Interventions and Supports (PBIS) system at Chardon High School. To incentivize and encourage these positive behaviors, students have the opportunity to earn Topper Tickets for demonstrating one of our Core Values through nomination by a staff member.

This week's Topper Ticket Student Nominees and Staff Nominators are:

Student Nominee	Staff Nominator
Chase Rein	Niedzwiecki
Braylon Davault	Niedzwiecki
Mykaela Cox	Niedzwiecki
Abby Stupi	Wessels
Payton Baar	Kolcum
Jack Bennett	Herner
Tatum Carpenter	Weaver
Giuliana Palombo	A. Fisher
Hanna Hendricks	A. Fisher
Abby Zeiger	A. Fisher
Briella Hewitt	A. Fisher
Peyton Ziegenfuss	E. Clark & Durk
Iker Amaro	Mizen
Anthony Montagna	Mizen
Lucas Lose	Mizen
Oliver Croyle	Mizen
Chelsea Stanish	Mizen
Hayleigh McCummins	Mizen
David Williams	Giddings

JoJo Wahl	Kaiser
Addie Evans	Kaiser
Shelby Ryks	Kaiser
Olivia Kennedy	Kaiser
Austin Welker	Kaiser
Kaylynn Aquista	Kaiser
Benjamin Arthur	Kaiser
Jason Norris	Kaiser
Jessica Kitchen	Slack

39. Stay Safe. Speak UP!

Chardon Local Schools partners with PublicSchoolWORKS to offer Stay Safe. Speak UP! student safety and bullying prevention program. This 24/7, confidential reporting tool is available to students, parents, staff and the community. Link to: <https://bit.ly/chardonnewsssu>

40. Community Flyers

Check out the latest community flyers shared with Chardon Schools. Camps, Classes, Contests, Clubs, Sports +MORE [here!](#)

Community Flyers



41. Archived CHS Weekly Newsletters

Current and archived CHS Weekly Newsletters can be found [here.](#)

42. CHS Contact Information

Main Office/Attendance Line

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Jenifer Goodwin, Building Secretary

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Tina LaCasse, Secretary

tina.lacasse@chardonschools.org

Brandi Giddings, Guidance Secretary

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Chelsie Jackson, District Head Nurse

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