## HOLICONG PARENT COUNCIL

**JANUARY** 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

### **UPCOMING CALENDAR**

- January 19th Middles School Program of Studies Available
- January 23rd ALICE Student Training
- January 26th & 27th VH-1 "Save the Music" Concert
  - Friday Show @ 7:30; Saturday Shows @ 3:00 & 7:30
- January 30th End of 2nd Marking Period
- February 2nd Math Midterms
- February 2nd POPS Winter Dance
- February 7th Winter Choir Concert
- February 14th Parent Council (7th & 8th Grade Program Plannning)

### **HOLICONG UPDATES**

- <u>Attendance Excuse Notes & Leaving Early</u>
  - 3 or more unexcused absences or 10 or more total absences = Student Assistance Improvement Plan (SAIP) Meeting
- ALICE STUDENT TRAINING
- 2018 Mental Health Series
- Backpack Newsflash

## CB SAVE THE MUSIC 2018

A spectacular concert experience featuring outer space-themed tunes from many different genres performed by an all-star ensemble of CB music teachers, alumni and friends.



We've donated over \$127,000 to VH1 Save The Music Foundation to date!

All the money we raise this year will go towards helping to restore the music program in the Orleans Parish District in New Orleans, LA. Many of the schools in that district have struggled to maintain their music programs after the devastation of Hurricane Katrina. If we reach our goal of raising \$35,000 this year, CB will be able to provide the entire amount needed to completely restore the instrumental music program in one school!!!

### STUDENT GROUPS PERFORMING IN THIS YEAR'S SHOWS:

### Friday Night

Saturday Afternoon

Holicong Robe Choir Lenape String Ensemble Tamanend Chieftain Chorus Tamanend String Ensemble

Barclay, Buckingham, Cold Spring, Doyle, Titus & Warwick Singers **Tohickon Chamber Choir** Tohickon Jazz Band Tohickon Select String Ensemble Tohickon 9th Grade Orchestra

Saturday Night

Holicong Jazz Band Holicong Robe Choir Holicong String Ensemble Holicong 9th Grade Orchestra Tamanend Chieftain Chorus

Holicong H-Factor and Tamanend Gold'n'Blues perform at all three shows!!

Friday, January 26th @ 7:30 PM Saturday, January 27th @ 3:00 PM & 7:30 PM Holicong Middle School – 2900 Holicong Rd. Doylestown

Purchasing advanced tickets is highly recommended. Shows usually sell out in advance. For tickets, go to https://vh12018.brownpapertickets.com

Questions? E-mail Joel Chodoroff at jchodoroff@cbsd.org Visit www.cbsd.org/vh1 for more info.



### **PLEASE WELCOME**

## Student Council Officers Delaney Kolar & Leah Breen

## STUDENT COUNCIL Tuesday's Treats Cart

What: A cart with treats to surprise one advisory class a week Who is delivering: Student Council Officers Who is receiving the cart: Students and a teacher When: Every Tuesday during advisory How are the advisories picked: Random drawing Why: To start a new tradition at Holicong that will make students & staff day a little brigher!

## Please Welcome...

# Dr. Abram Lucabaugh Principal, CB East

# What is in place to help 9<sup>th</sup> graders transition to CB East?



## Encourage your child to become an active part of our school community!

# 60+ clubs in addition to music, theater and athletics programs in place.

# How do students get assistance from teachers outside of class?

# How do students adjust from the 50 minute class to 90 minute "block" class?

## What is the "House System?"

## Who is our student's main contact person at the high school?

# What are the differences between Academic, Honors, and AP courses?

## Suggestions when to take AP courses?

# Do colleges look at the these courses or overall GPA?

# How can parents get involved at the high school?

What suggestions do you have for parents to prepare students for the social & academic adjustment?

# Do students from Tohickon attend CB East?

### SCHOOL LINKS

### NEWS FROM CB EAST

- PRINCIPAL'S BLOG
  EMAIL ADDRESSE
  R CB EAST ADMINISTRATORS
- 2017-2018 PARENT VOLUN SIGN-UP LIST
- > 1/28/2018 TEEN DRIVING SAFET REIENCE PRESENTED BY FRED BEANS & THE
- ATTENDANCE
- CAREER PLAN
- DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS
- KEYSTONE INFORMATION
- MINITHON!
- OFFICE 365
- SCHOOL NEWSPAPER
  - SCHOOL PERFORMANCE PROFILE
  - STUDENT ASSISTANCE S.A.P



For an overview of our philosophy on student learning and the role assessment should play, please take a moment to read through the Principal's Blog, located at the bottom of our CBE Internet Homepage!



### **9TH GRADE – SPRING DATES & REMINDERS**

### • "Freshmanitis"

- Yearly reminders for our 9th grade students in the 2nd half of year
- Academics Continue to get assignments in on time and study
- Behavior Continue to be respectful and models for underclassmen (cafeteria, hallways, classroom)
- March 28th Washington DC Field Trip
  - Chaperones Needed (Clearances Required)
  - Overview for Students Friday, January 19
  - More Information Forthcoming
- June 5th "Move up Day"
- June 8th Freshman Dance
- June 14th Freshman Day
- June 15th Last Day of School/Formal Awards

### **Please Welcome...**

## Mrs. Blankenburg Guidance Counselor

### TIMELINE FOR PROGRAM PLANNING

	Date	Activity
	January 9, 2018	Program Planning Presentation Students are given Program of Studies
	January 11, 2018	MBIT Assembly for all 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Students
	January 11, 2018	CB East Curriculum Fair 6:30-7:30pm A-K, 7:30-8:30pm L-Z
	January 18, 2018	Recommendation Day Student are given "drag sheets" and course recommendations from their teachers.
	January 18 <sup>th</sup> -February 4 <sup>th</sup>	Portal open to enter courses online
	February 6, 8, 13, or 14	Students will meet with counselors to Program Plan
	January 25, 2018	Interested student will visit MBIT 8:15am-10:30am
	March 7, 2018	Verification sheets will be sent home to review with parents.
	March 14, 2018	Verification deadline. Last opportunity to make changes with your Guidance Counselor. Changes are only made with a parent signature!

### CENTRAL BUCKS SCHOOL DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- 4.0 credits of Math
- 4.0 credits of Social Studies (Social Studies must be taken each year, once per year)
- 4.0 credits of English (English must be taken each year, once per year)
- 3.0 credits of Science (EVERY 10<sup>th</sup> grader takes Biology)
- I.0 credit of PE
- .50 Performance Assessment
- 10.75 electives (this includes World Language and any additional major subjects)
- TOTAL CREDITS= 27.25

## WHAT ARE MOST 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS COMING TO 10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE WITH?

- I.0 Math
- 1.0 Social Studies
- I.0 English
- I.0 Science
- 1.0 elective in World Language or Reading
- .5 PE
- 1.0 other elective (band, tech, art, etc.)
- .25 Performance Assessment
- 6.75 TOTAL CREDITS
- Student DO NOT receive credit for Resource!

### WHAT IS LEFT AFTER 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE?

27.25 credits

-6.75 credits

### 20.5 credits for grades 10, 11, and 12

### Students should plan to take <u>AT LEAST</u> 7.0 credits per year!

Colleges don't like to see too many open spaces...they know we offer 8.0 credits!

Students have the potential to earn 31.0...3.5 more than required!



### HOW DO 10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS CHOOSE CLASSES?

Teacher Recommendations from current 9<sup>th</sup> grade teachers. Recommendations are made early into the 3<sup>rd</sup> marking period.

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Individual Meeting with their high school Guidance Counselor in early February 2018.

Individual Meeting with their current middle school Guidance Counselor.



### THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN CHOOSING YOUR COURSES FOR 10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE:

- Find the right fit...don't worry about your weight!
- Increase the rigor of your schedule WHERE appropriate.
- Take teacher recommendations seriously, they see your ability level and work habits.
- Take advantage of the curriculum fair by asking questions at the various tables. Teachers from each subject area will be available to speak with you.



\* Honors courses are weighted .25

For example is an A in an academic class is worth 4.0

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\*Advanced Placement courses are weighted 1.0

For example if a B in an academic class is worth 3.0

a B in an advanced placement class is worth 4.0

### SO WHO IS YOUR CB EAST COUNSELOR?

• A-K: Mrs. Betsy Carr

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L-Z: Mr. George Moustakas

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### **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

# Mrs. Gayle Sutterlin December Superintendent's Advisory Report

# QUESTIONS?

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