



Lumberjack News

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2009 Financial Aid Night

This is a great chance for students and parents of both juniors and seniors to ask questions in regard to financing college. Karen Taylor from SUNY Cortland’s Financial Aid Office and Wixie Skellett from Educational Talent Search will provide a presentation on how the process will work during your child’s senior year. They will offer you plenty of information on where to find scholarships and inform you about the grants, awards and loans that will be available to you from the federal and state governments. This is also an excellent opportunity to ask two experts in the financial aid process any questions you have. **When: Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at 6:00pm in the MS/HS cafeteria.**

Deposit Central Middle/High School

Special Points of Interest:

- 1/1-1/2 School Closed
- 1/5 - Welcome Back
- 1/12 - Site Based mtg. 5:00 pm
- 1/12- BOE mtg. 7:00 pm
- 1/14 Financial Aid Night 6:00pm
- 1/19 - Martin Luther King Day NO SCHOOL
- 1/21-1/23 - Middle School NYS ELA Assessments

Cocoa and Cookies “Study Nights”

The Student Council will be sponsoring "Cocoa and Cookies" study nights for the upcoming Regents exams in grades 9 - 12. The cafeteria will be open from 6:00 until 9:00 pm January 26,27,28th for a quiet place to study. There will be instructors available as well as knowledgeable students to help with study skills to master the Regents exams. Students will be responsible for their own transportation. To sweeten this experience, cocoa and cookies will be served!

Guidance News for 8th and 9th Graders

The 2009 M.A.S.H. Camp at Lourdes Hospital will be held February 16th and 17th. The deadline for 8th or 9th grade students to submit their applications is January 19th and the cost is \$20. This camp is for students interested in a medical field. Some past activities have included performing “surgery” using real equipment in an operating room, learning to inject “medications” (into oranges), creating radiation therapy masks and much more. If interested applications are available in the guidance office or call Amber Webb at 756-1090.

Career and Technical Education News

Career and Technical Education – In February, 10th grade students that are interested in learning a BOCES Career and Technical Education program (formerly called trades) will be brought on a field trip to the Main Campus in Binghamton to visit those programs. Students will be given the opportunity to spend time in the two programs that interest them the most. If your child remains interested, they will be given the chance to set up their 11th grade schedule that can include a ½ day BOCES program when they meet with their guidance counselor later this year. Most programs are two year commitments that lead to a certificate or license. BOCES Career and Technical Education students spend ½ day at their home school (Deposit) and ½ day at Broome-Tioga BOCES when in 11th and 12th grade.



SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Seniors should be checking the bulletin boards in the guidance office and in the hall and listening to the announcements for the newest in scholarship information. The guidance office is getting in information from colleges, businesses and private organizations that offer scholarships to graduating seniors that are continuing their educations. Below is a list of the scholarship information that we have at this time:

- Burger King Scholars Program
- Brome Community Presidential Honors Scholarships
- Coca-Cola Scholarship
- Dorothea Deitz Memorial Scholarship
- Park Scholar Awards Ithaca College
- SUNY Oswego's Merit Scholarship
- Science & Tech Scholarship by AT&T and Better Business Bureau
- SUNY Brockport Extraordinary Academic Scholarship
- Student of Integrity Scholarship from Better Business Bureau
- D'Youville College Scholarships
- Johnson & Wales University Scholarships
- McKelvey Foundation Entrepreneurial Scholarship Award
- Lilia E. Tupper Writing Scholarship – Alfred University

Each scholarship has certain criteria and different deadlines. Students should be checking to see which ones they may be eligible for. We are also in the process of getting these scholarship postings put on the schools web site at www.depositcsd.org so, be sure to check them out.

JANUARY REGENTS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27TH

8:15 AM

- Living Environment
- Mathematics B
- RCT in Global Studies

12:15 PM

- Comprehensive English: Session One
- RCT in Mathematics

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28TH

8:15 AM

- Comprehensive Spanish
- Physical Setting/Earth Science
- RCT in U.S. History & Government

12:15 PM

- Comprehensive English: Session Two
- RCT in Science

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29TH

8:15 AM

- RE in U.S. History & Government
- RCT in Reading

(Mid Term AP Biology Test)

12:15 PM

- Mathematics A
- Integrated Algebra
- Physical Setting/Chemistry
- Physical Setting/Physics

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30TH

8:15 AM

- RE in Global History & Geography
- RCT in Writing

Message From Ms. Phillips and Mr. Richards

Happy Holidays! By the time you read this, you will all be rested from some well-deserved time off, and the New Year will be upon us. January will bring us the end of the first semester (January 26) as well as the end of the second marking period. The new semester will begin on January 27. Regents exams are scheduled for the week of January 27-30 and high school students will only need to come to school on those days they are scheduled for an exam. The exam schedule is posted elsewhere in this newsletter. Middle School students will attend classes on a regular schedule that week. The High School Student Council will be sponsoring study sessions in the HS cafeteria for students who would like a quiet place to study with others, and will be providing snacks and hot cocoa to participants. The cafeteria will be open for study from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm January 26th, 27th, and 28th.

Speaking of Middle School, the New York State Assessments in ELA for all 6th, 7th and 8th graders are scheduled for January 21st, 22nd, and 23rd. Students will attend school that week on a regular schedule. Ms. Phillips would like to remind all students and parents of the significance of these exams. They allow us to accurately assess student learning and abilities, and are an important tool in determining appropriate academic intervention. Punctual attendance on these days is essential. Students should get plenty of rest and eat a healthy breakfast to prepare for these exams.

Although students are busy this time of year with the extracurricular activities and the holidays, please help them focus on academics as well during this important time period. For high school students, this is the last month of their academic courses and a continuation of good work habits is critical. Hopefully the recent break has left all of us refreshed and rejuvenated, and ready to work upon our return. Finally, Ms. Phillips and I would like to extend our wishes to all of you for a joyous holiday season and a very happy new year.



Middle School N.Y.S. ELA Assessments January 21st-23rd

Middle School students will take the N.Y.S. English Language Arts assessments beginning January 21st - 23rd. Please encourage your child to have a positive attitude going into the tests. Additionally, it is important that your student arrives to the exam site on time with proper materials (pencils, erasers, etc.) A good nights sleep and a healthy breakfast are essential to ensure strong thinking. Also, attendance is extremely important - if possible, please do not schedule appointments on these testing days. If any student misses any portion (or all) of the test, they will be required to make it up. You play a key role in preparing your child to be the best test taker that they can be...THANK YOU for your assistance!

