

PEEK AT THE WEEK

JANUARY 23, 2023



Mission: We expect all students to strive for "B" or better. We have support available for all students to experience academic success.

SCHEDULING LETTER FROM COUNSELORS

Scheduling for the 2023-2024 academic year is right around the corner! [Click here](#) for more information on the upcoming parent meetings with Guidance Department.

SEMSTER II PARENT MEETING - JAN. 24

A parent meeting for grades 9-12 will take place on Tuesday, January 24 at 6:00 p.m. in the Main Auditorium.

Topics that will be covered: the TASSEL program, 2023-2024 scheduling, credits, CCP protocol, attendance, senior scholarship information, and senior next steps.

The meeting will be recorded and shared for parents who are unable to attend.

METROHEALTH SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM ENROLLMENT FORM

With the opening of the Heights Wellness Center, CH-UH students, families, and staff members can receive a variety of services including routine health care right here at the high school. To participate in the program, parents will need to complete a consent form that will remain valid while your child attends school in the District. Learn more [here](#)

BEE
awesome
and join us in the NHS
Academic Lab!
Every Tuesday & Thursday in 217

The Black & Gold

The 4th issue of the student newspaper is out!

Make sure to check out the latest school news.



THE TIGER SHOP IS OPEN!!

WHERE?

Room 124A

CHECK OUT THEIR PRODUCTS!

WHEN?

After school Weds. through Fri. & by appointment



Heights High School



ATTENDANCE COMMUNICATION PROGRAM

Attending school every day possible helps students learn and stay on track.

- This year, you may receive mailed letters or texts about your student's attendance.
- These updates provide information about the number of days your student has missed. They can also help connect you to resources.
- For questions about these attendance updates, you can call the Family Support Team at 530-453-0411.

22-23 Programa de Comunicación de Asistencia de CH UH

Asistir a la escuela todos los días posibles ayuda a los estudiantes a aprender y mantenerse en camino.

- Es posible que este año reciba cartas o textos por correo sobre la asistencia de su estudiante.
- Estas notificaciones proporcionan información sobre el número de días que su estudiante ha perdido. También pueden ayudar a conectar con los recursos.
- Para preguntas sobre estas notificaciones de asistencia, usted puede llamar al equipo de Soporte a las Familias al 530-453-0411.

JANUARY UPDATE

SCHOOL DISTRICT 0000
555 North Main St
District City, US 12345

Parent/Guardian of:
CASEY LEE
123 MAIN STREET
DISTRICT CITY, US 12345

Casey has missed 9 days this school year.*

Dear Parent/Guardian of Casey Lee,

Attending school every day in 11th Grade will help Casey learn and stay on track. Both excused and unexcused absences can cause Casey to fall behind. Absences can decrease the chance that students will graduate from high school. Thank you for helping Casey attend school as much as possible.

Sincerely,

Superintendent's Name
Superintendent
School District Name

Casey has missed more school than many classmates this school year

Student	Total missed days of school
Casey	9 absences
Average classmate in 5th Grade at Casey's school	5 absences

*This is the total number of absences (unexcused and excused) between the first day of school and 1/31/2020. We understand that students sometimes miss school due to illness, religious holidays, or emergencies. Please discuss in advance with your student's school and health provider when to keep your student at home. If you no longer want to receive attendance update letters or if you want to be connected to additional resources, please contact (361) 555-5555 and provide the code below. If you received this letter in error or have already opted out of receiving these letters, please disregard this one.

Year Code: #67890 Turn over → © In Class Today, 2019

SAMPLE LETTER

"EVERY DAY COUNTS" PSA CONTEST - DEADLINE FEB. 9

"Every Day Counts" PSA Contest

CH-UH students PreK-12 can use their creative talents to spread the word about good school attendance!

Accepted formats: Video, TikTok, rap, song, spoken word, poem, drawing/painting

Criteria:

- Must positively promote on-time, daily attendance
- Should include facts about attendance (resource [here](#)) and incorporate "Every Day Counts"
- Can be submitted by an individual student or a group
- Visual or written work must fit on one page
- Videos must not exceed 1 minute 30 seconds

How to submit:

- Email submissions to info@chuh.org
- For works that cannot be sent electronically, deliver to the Board of Education (2155 Miramar Boulevard, University Heights OH 44118) care of Communications
- Include your name, school and grade level with your submission

Staff can participate, too! Follow the same instructions and criteria. Staff prizes are to-be-announced and will come from Superintendent Kirby.



Deadline for Submissions:

February 9, 2023
4:30 p.m.

A winner will be selected from grade levels PK-5, 6-8, & 9-12. Each winner will receive a \$50 cash prize courtesy the Heights Schools Foundation.

Calling all Heights High students:

Interested in using your creative talents to spread the word about good school attendance while also getting the opportunity to win a **\$50 cash prize**?

Then consider creating a video, TikTok, rap, song, spoken word, poem, drawing or painting for the CH-UH "Every Day Counts" Public Service Announcement Contest!

Entries must positively promote on-time daily attendance and should include facts about attendance as well as incorporate "Every Day Counts."

Entries can be submitted by an individual student or by a group.

Visual or written works must fit on one page and videos must not exceed 1 minute 30 seconds.

Entries must be submitted electronically by **February 9, at 4:30 p.m.** to info@chuh.org and should include your name, school, and grade level.

Works that cannot be sent electronically must be delivered to the Board of Education (2155 Miramar Boulevard, University Heights OH 44118) care of Communications.

Staff can participate too and should follow the same instructions and criteria!

We look forward to all of the creative ways you will spread the word about good school attendance!

ECAG COFFEE & TALK MEETING - JAN. 23

GROUP Coffee Talk



Exceptional Children's
Advocacy Group (ECAG)

What do you need, what do you want?
Share your ideas with CH-UH Parent
Mentor to best help support our
exceptional students.

January 23 6pm

Panera Bread
13901 Cedar Rd, South Euclid,
OH 44118
more info: joy@reachingheights.org

The Exceptional Children's Advocacy Group is kicking 2023 off with a Coffee & Talk meeting on **Monday, January 23 at 6:00 p.m.** at Panera Bread 13901 Cedar Road, South Euclid.

This will be an informal conversation with families to share your ideas and comments on how to best support our exceptional students in our schools and communities.

Coffee and light refreshments will be provided so we hope to see you there!

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact Joy Howard at joy@reachingheights.org

HEIGHTS CTE APPLICATION IS OPEN!

Class of 2025...have you applied for your CTE program yet?

Don't miss the upcoming January deadline! Go to HeightsCareerTech.com to apply for the program of your choice.

Remember, each program is a two year commitment to prepare you for your chosen career path, the workplace and college.

Talk to your guidance counselor if you have any questions.



Sophomores, take the first step towards your future career by submitting your Heights CTE applications today at HeightsCareerTech.com!



MANDEL YOUTH HUMANITIES ACADEMY SUMMER PROGRAM

Spend your summer asking big questions and exploring big ideas with peers from other area high schools!

The Mandel Youth Humanities Academy is a summer program that offers **rising high school juniors and seniors** in Northeast Ohio an opportunity to broaden their humanities education and get a taste of college life.

The summer program offers an interdisciplinary curriculum in the humanities, which includes: seminars in philosophy, history, art, literature, religion, explorations and interactive documentaries in virtual reality, community visits and civic engagement opportunities across Cleveland.

Accepted students receive a generous stipend equivalent to a full-time summer job, a personal computer and, as needed, transportation to and from campus.

Apply Now! **The academy is limited to 30 students.**

[Click here](#) for more information.

ONE-ACT FESTIVAL - JAN. 26-27

Join the Heights High Drama Club for the 11th Annual One-Act Festival on **Thursday, January 26** and **Friday, January 27** at 7:00 p.m.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and the festival is **FREE**.

The festival will feature the following student-directed and performed plays:

The Cure - directed by Mira Whitaker-Kanner
Adapted from a short story by Anton Chekov, this play tells the story of a beleaguered head of a Yiddish acting company trying to put his show on. The only problem is that his star actor is impossibly drunk.

Who is Theo - directed by Reese Sooner
Three roommates have to deal with a strange newcomer who insists that they are an honest-to-goodness leprechaun.

The Plaid Man - directed by Cameron Graves
Paramours Death and Cupid resolve a lover's spat using two mortal proxies.

I Hate Mothers - directed by Helena Duffy
A high-school actress is sick of being cast as the mother while her rival gets the good parts. She decides that she's had enough and hijacks the show to give herself a part worth playing.

**CHHS
DRAMA
PRESENTS**

**The 11th
Annual
One-Act
Festival**

FEATURING:

**What About Theo * I Hate Mothers
The Plaid Man * The Cure**

Heights High Auditorium

1.26.23-1.27.23

House opens at 6:30

Curtain at 7:00

Tickets Free

PBIS RAFFLE WINNERS FOR DECEMBER



DECEMBER



**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING
PBIS RAFFLE WINNERS:**

**Avery Bandy-Zalatoris
Charli Harris
Hadley Jamieson
Ty'Quwan Martin
Noah Miller**

**BE RESPECTFUL BE RESPONSIBLE
BE SAFE**

Winners, please see Mr. Dubsky in Office 326 to receive your prize from the PBIS Swag Shop!

Attention all high school students!

The staff has the ability to write a positive referral to celebrate your good behavior anytime you are caught making Heights High School a better place.

The positive referrals serve to reward and reinforce students for the monthly character development or the building level behavior expectations of **BE RESPECTFUL, BE RESPONSIBLE, AND BE SAFE.**

Your grade level principal will process the referral in order to make you eligible for a monthly raffle to win Heights High gear!

UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS HEALTH SCHOLARS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Interested in having a career in healthcare?

Then consider applying for the University Hospitals Health Scholars Internship Program!

The Health Scholars Internship Program helps underrepresented minority students understand health and healthcare while allowing them to engage with various healthcare fields. This program is a continuous six-year internship aimed at building upon students' existing talents, skills, & gifts while preparing you for healthcare careers beyond primary & secondary education. Health Scholars are nurtured with the thoughtful support of UH clinicians, practitioners, & partners, as well as local community partners. Students will receive guidance in applying to college along with career-developing opportunities aimed at fostering academic and professional success! The program's ultimate goal is that students become healthcare professionals within the Cleveland area, where they grew up!

In addition to these unique opportunities, students also gain a wealth of benefits, such as a summer stipend, coverage of ACT/SAT testing, coverage of college application fees, & much more!

Applications must be submitted by **March 1 at 11:59 p.m.** Learn more [HERE!](#)



University Hospitals
Cleveland Medical Center

Health Scholar's Program

We are currently looking for
students interested in becoming
change makers through healthcare!

CAREER TECH SPOTLIGHT

Heights Career Tech offers courses through a five-district consortium, which includes Bedford, Cleveland Heights, Maple Heights, Shaker Heights, and Warrensville Heights High Schools.

The 22 academic programs are open to 11th and 12th graders who have the opportunity to earn professional certifications, industry-recognized credentials, and college credit.

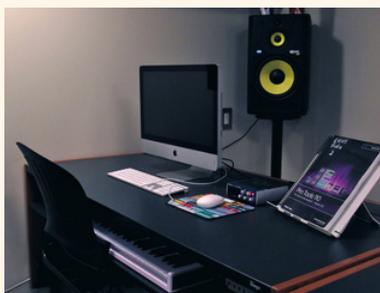
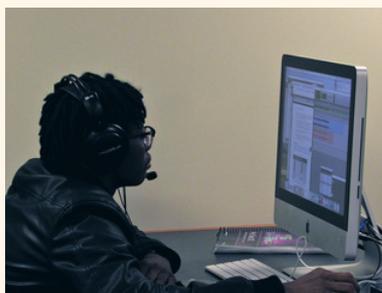


This Week's Featured Program:

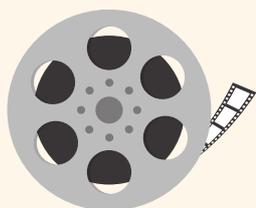
Audio Engineering



Audio Engineering students will record, edit, mix, process, and master real-world style projects using state-of-the-art computers, MIDI controllers, microphones, audio interfaces, software, and other equipment. Students will be able to explore their passion for music and audio on a daily basis. They will learn to record live instruments and vocals, create music by combining loops, recorded audio, and MIDI instruments, and learn how to use a digital live sound mixing console. Students will also learn how to open their studio and music industry best practices. They will also visit local studios.



Click on the film reel for a video from students about their experiences in the program!



PROFESSIONAL PATHWAY

- Work in television
- Work in film
- Work in video games
- Tour with a band/musician
- Own a studio

COLLEGE CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES

Three credits available through Tri-C

INDUSTRY CREDENTIALS

Pro-Tools User Certification

TWO YEAR PROGRAM:

- Musical Engineering
- Audio Broadcast
- Arts & Communication Capstone
- Musical Concept
- Music Ensemble & Composition

INSTRUCTOR:

Mr. M. Andrew Bennekamper
m_bennekamper@chuh.org
216-371-7171, ext. 52166

To learn more about the Audio Engineering program or any of the other Heights Career Tech programs, click on the icons below.



Heights
Career Tech



SENIOR INFORMATION PAGE

Patrick Fisher, Senior Advisor
p_fisher@chuh.org

Karen Kastor, Senior Advisor
k_kastor@chuh.org

ORDER Get ready for Graduation!

It's time to prepare for graduation! You must place the order for your cap and gown. Order today at www.jostens.com or call 880-567-8367 to order only the cap and gown for \$47. Information for additional graduation packages, class rings, and letter jackets can be found here.

Commencement will take place on at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 31, 2023
at the CSU Wolstein Center, 2000 Prospect Avenue E, Cleveland OH, 44115.

ORGANIZE Senior HS2Future Checklist

To help you prepare to go from high school to the future, we have created a senior checklist for your convenience. This will assist you with college and career planning as well as keep you on track to graduate.

UPDATE Senior Class Page & Remind

Make sure to check the Class of 2023 page on the district website throughout the year for regular updates and important information!

Parents, stay up to date on important Senior dates, events and announcements by texting code **@chuh23** to **81010**

PREPARE College Career Readiness

Look below for more information on opportunities for seniors and their families to get help with navigating the financial aid and application process.

Heights Community Scholarship Application:

The Heights Community Scholarship application is officially open in Google Classroom. Seniors are invited to begin the application process for the scholarships by submitting an official Heights Community Scholarship Application. The Google Classroom code is **ggamn4u**. Applications are **due by February 6, 2023**.

Any questions please see Mrs. McEwen in room 132

Seniors please check Naviance for additional scholarship information.

Seniors, Mrs. McEwen and College now is still helping students in the **media center on Wednesdays** during the **lunch periods**. If you need help with scholarships, filling out the FAFSA and college applications please come for assistance. We look forward to seeing you!

High School 2 the Future!

**Freshman
Checklist**

**Sophomore
Checklist**

**Junior
Checklist**

STAY INFORMED!

LOOKING
AHEAD:

Semester II
Parent Meeting
1/24

One-Act
Festival
1/26 & 1/27

Professional
Development Day
No School for Students
1/30

State of Our
Schools Address
2/2

IMD Midwinter
Concerts
2/15 & 2/16



CHUH.ORG - VIEW UPCOMING EVENTS, GRADE INFORMATION, AND THE LATEST DISTRICT HEADLINES.

DATA DIVE

Attendance Data -

9th Grade - 83.48% 11th Grade - 87.86%
10th Grade - 87.79% 12th Grade - 86.59%

 **GOAL - 90%**

Referral Data - Month of December

9 staff members wrote
27 positive referrals for
27 students, resulting in
11% of all referrals that were
positive

51 staff members wrote
244 discipline referrals for
329 students

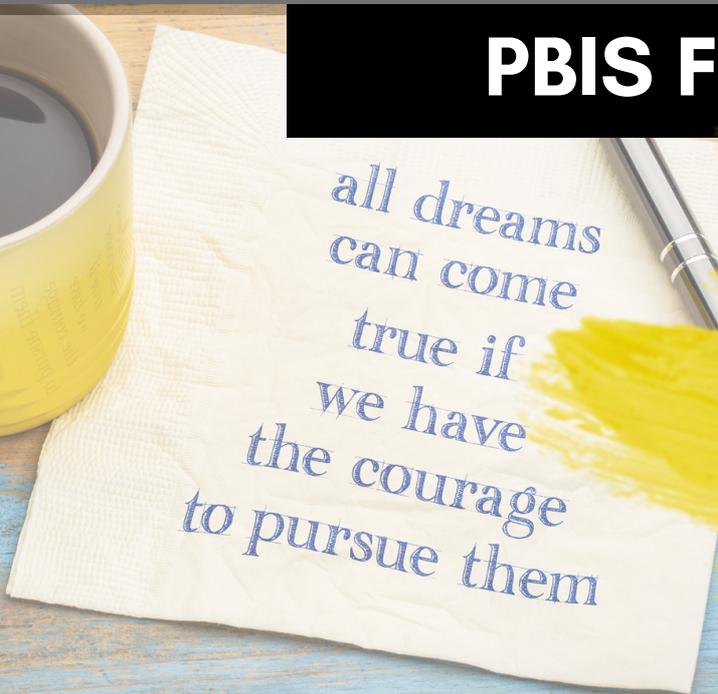
Top 3 Infractions:

Unexcused Class Absences - Truancy
34 referrals for **170** students

Out of Assigned Area - Other
48 referrals for **56** students

Out of Assigned Area - Tardy to class
29 referrals for **49** students

PBIS FOCUS: COURAGE



all dreams
can come
true if
we have
the courage
to pursue them

When each one of us shows strength in the face of pain or grief, we collectively make our world a better place. Let's talk about showing courage at Heights High. Are you able to stand up to bullies? Are you the student that defends the underdog? Are you the student that behaves appropriately despite what others say or think? Are you the student that has strong feelings about having a career that you love? Are you courageous enough to give life 150%?

Check out this [video!](#)

SECURITY SCOOP

FROM MR. WATTERS, COORDINATOR FOR SAFETY AND SECURITY

Full facial masks are no longer permitted at Heights High School. A full facial mask is one where we can see only your eyes. If you need a mask to cover your nose and mouth, please seek one in your cohort office.

Sunglasses are not permitted to be worn in the building.

