

**CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
HIGH SCHOOL**

**PEEK AT THE
WEEK**

MARCH 18, 2024



Mission: Our schools provide a **challenging and engaging education** to prepare all our students to become **responsible citizens and succeed in college and career.**

OST TESTING SCHEDULE

This is a reminder that we start OST testing on **Wednesday, April 3**. Students scheduled to test must bring their **charged Chromebook and chargers** and should **report to their testing location by 8:00 a.m.**

Students who are not scheduled to test should arrive to school by 10:15 a.m. on April 3, 4, 17 & 18 and by 11:25 a.m. on April 10 & 11.

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

Wednesday, April 3 Part 1 8:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Thursday, April 4 Part 2 8:15 - 10:15 a.m.

AMERICAN HISTORY & AMERICAN GOVERNMENT

Wednesday, April 10 Parts 1 & 2 8:15 - 11:25 a.m.

BIOLOGY

Thursday, April 11 Parts 1 & 2 8:15 - 11:25 a.m.

ALGEBRA 1 & GEOMETRY

Wednesday April 17 Part 1 8:15 - 10:00 a.m.

Thursday, April 18 Part 2 8:15 - 10:00 a.m.

NO SCHOOL: MAR. 22, MAR. 25 - APR. 1

Reminder, there will be **no school** for students on **Friday, March 22** for a Staff Professional Development Day.

There will also be **no school** from **Monday, March 25** through **Monday, April 1** for Spring Recess and for a Compensatory Day for Parent Conferences.

Students report back to school on **Tuesday, April 2**.



The District has adopted a plan for communications with persons with disabilities, which is available [here](#).

The plan establishes procedures to ensure that the District's communications with persons with disabilities, including applicants, participants, members of the public, and companions with disabilities, are as effective as its communications with others.

Vision & Expectation: A diploma in every hand. A plan in every head. A purpose in every heart.

Women's History Month

Celebrating Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

Events at CHHS

Every Week

- Daily announcements and slides on TV monitors spotlighting women and their contributions.
- Daily highlight & quote on school's TV monitors of women who have advocated for equity, diversity, and inclusion. [Click here](#) to view who will be highlighted during Women's History Month.



Every year, the [National Women's History Alliance](#) choose a theme for Women's History Month to celebrate and raise awareness of the contributions of women to society.

This year, the theme is *Celebrating Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion*, which recognizes women who “understand that, for a positive future, we need to eliminate bias and discrimination entirely from our lives and institutions.”



Mary McLeod Bethune

(1875 - 1955)

Mary McLeod Bethune was an African American educator, civil and women's rights leader, and government official who had an immense impact on politics and education in the 20th century.

Bethune used the power of education, political activism, and civil service to achieve racial and gender equality throughout the United States and the world.

The first person in her family born free and able to receive a formal education, Bethune emerged from abject poverty and oppression of the Reconstruction South to achieve greatness. She set educational standards for today's black colleges and her responsibility as a member of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's "Black Cabinet" gave African Americans a female advocate in the United States government.

“We have a powerful potential in our youth, and we must have the courage to change old ideas and practices so that we may direct their power toward good ends.”

~ Mary McLeod Bethune

Additional Information On Women's History Month & Women To Celebrate

[“This Is How March Became Women's History Month”](#)

[“Women's History Month Colors: The History and Meaning Behind Purple, Green & White”](#)

[“16 Iconic Female Figures to Celebrate During Women's History Month”](#)

[“Women's History Month: Celebrating Iconic Women in History”](#)

[“21 Trailblazers to Celebrate This Women's History Month”](#)

Heights High School



ANNUAL CLEVELAND NORTHEAST SUBURBAN COLLEGE FAIR: MAR. 21

Free
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

THE 27TH ANNUAL CLEVELAND NORTHEAST SUBURBAN COLLEGE FAIR
HOSTED AT CLEVELAND HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL
13263 Cedar Rd., Cleveland Hts., OH 44118

Thursday, March 21, 2024
7pm - 9pm
in the main competition gym

College and Career Readiness Information

- HBCU Workshop**
6PM-7PM (Mini Auditorium)
Freshman and Sophomore students learn about our Heights Career Tech programs

Fair Opportunities

- College "swag", give-aways, raffle
- Discover potential scholarships
- Talk to admissions representatives
- FAFSA Information
- Connect with alumni

REGISTER HERE
<http://tinyurl.com/CNESC2024>

Heights High students and families are invited to attend the **27th Annual Cleveland Northeast Suburban College Fair** on **Thursday, March 21** from **7:00 - 9:00 p.m.** in the Heights High Competition Gym.

Students and families will have the opportunity to speak with admissions staff from colleges and universities from, across the country about financial aid, career, and admission information.

In the Mini Auditorium from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. there will be an HBCU Workshop for students and families who wish to learn more about historical black colleges and universities.

Freshmen and Sophomores will also have the opportunity to learn more about the CTE programs that are available in the Heights Career Tech Consortium.

[Click here](#) to register.

BLACK & GOLD STUDENT NEWSPAPER MEETINGS ON TUESDAYS

Calling all writers, photographers, and artists - the Heights High *Black & Gold* student newspaper is back and want you on their staff!

Meetings will take place after school in **Room 307** on **Tuesdays** from **3:00 - 3:30 p.m.**
Note: there will be no meeting on the third Tuesday of every month.

Questions? Please see Mrs. Tayse.

CALL FOR EMPTY CEREAL BOXES FOR SOLAR ECLIPSE PINHOLE VIEWERS

The high school librarians are planning to conduct some activities in the lunch room in late March in preparation for the Total Solar Eclipse on April 8 and we need your help!

They plan to make pinhole viewers with the students so that the eclipse can be viewed safely. These require cereal boxes or shirt size whole boxes.

If you could save your cereal boxes and bring them to the library sometime in the next few weeks, we would be very grateful.

CLEVELAND HEIGHTS LEGENDS FORM

If you were a graduate of Heights High School and are the parent or grandparent of a graduating senior, we would like to honor you by printing your name in our Graduation Program for the Class of 2024.


Please submit this form NO LATER THAN Friday, May 10, 2024 to be included in the program.

CREATIVE WRITING & POETRY WORKSHOP: MAR. 20

Are you someone who enjoys reading, writing, or listening to poetry? If so, come sign up to be a part of Heights Poetry Slam & Open Mic for National Poetry Month on April 5. This open mic is also welcome to singers, and rappers.

Workshops and practices for the slam will be March 13 and 20 in Ms. Wenson's classroom (207).

For more information or to sign up go see Ms. Wenson in room 207 or Ms. Essence in room 212.



Creative Writing Workshop

Hosted by: Ms. Essynce & Ms. Wenson
Facilitated by: Morgan Paige @morgan.izm

Sign up sheets outside of room 212 and 207

Workshop:
March 13th & March 20th

In Ms. Wenson room 207

Come Learn about the art of creative writing and learn how to write/perform poetry

Please see Ms. Essynce or Ms. Wenson with any questions

These workshops will lead to an open mic/poetry slam on Fri. April 5th

DIGITAL VIDEO PRODUCTION HAPPENINGS

Click here to read about some of the happenings from January and February in Digital Video, TV Production and the Television Club.

Stay tuned for more to come this month and beyond in upcoming newsletters.

GEAR UP 2027 SPRING RECESS FIELD TRIPS

Cohort 2027 -- GEAR UP has several upcoming opportunities for you to visit colleges over Spring Recess.

Click on the link below to learn more!

[Spring Break College Visit Trip](#)



HEIGHTS HIGH HALLWAY PROCEDURES

Heights High students and families, please take a moment to review the hallway procedures and expectations at Heights High School.

- 1) Students are expected to be mindful that unnecessary conversation and inconsiderate behavior distract classroom activities and will not be tolerated when in the building. Students are expected to be quick and quiet in the hallways and arrive at their assigned location or destination with as little delay as possible.
- 2) Students must have a hall pass when leaving a regularly scheduled class, mandatory activity, library, or office. Students should not loiter in the halls, entrances to the building, or other teaching areas during any period of the day, or after school. Students will need to provide their teacher with a pass if they arrive late to an assigned period and need to account for their whereabouts for the portion of the class they missed.
- 3) Students must use appropriate language and demonstrate appropriate behavior during passing periods.
- 4) Hall passes are highly discouraged during the first and last 10 minutes of each period of the day to ensure quiet learning environments. Students do not congregate in academic hallways, sit at open supervision tables and desks, or by their lockers when classes are in session.
- 5) Finally, all litter should be disposed of properly in the provided garbage or recycling receptacles.

HEIGHTS HIGH SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM: MAR. 20

Join us on Wednesday, March 20th for Heights High's 2nd Annual Science Symposium!

This will be a showcase to explore the wonders of science through experiments, demonstrations, and interactive activities.

The showcase will take place from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. at Heights High and refreshments will be provided.

Awards will be presented to the Top 3 in each science discipline.

Cleveland Heights High School & Case Western Reserve University Present the:

2ND ANNUAL SCIENCE Symposium

Date : Wednesday, March 20, 2024
Time : 4:00PM - 6:00 PM
Venue : Heights High Cafeteria & Pool

Awards presented to **Top 3** in each **Science Discipline**

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics (Boat Regatta)
- Environmental Science
- Anatomy & Physiology

A showcase of excellence to explore the wonders of science through experiments, demonstrations, and interactive activities.

An illustration of various pieces of laboratory glassware, including a graduated cylinder, a round-bottom flask on a stand, and several Erlenmeyer flasks, some containing colored liquids.

NHS CITY MISSION FUNDRAISER: ENDS MAR. 20

NHS is kicking off their City Mission fundraiser - a supply drive to help fellow Clevelanders in need! They are collecting personal care items, and essentials.

The drive will go until March 20th and it is a competition between the grades!

Help your class win an 8th period board game party by dropping off donations into your grade's box in your grade level office or Ms. Zubik's room, room 217!

More information is on the posters in the hallway and on the [NHS Instagram page](#).

NHS TUTORING LAB - NOW IN THE LIBRARY

Our NHS Tutoring Lab is moving!

Tutors will now be available in the LIBRARY every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.

Hope to see you there!



NURSE'S NOTES: "SLEEP - WHY IS MY CHILD TIRED ALL OF THE TIME?"

Sleep is essential for teenagers because it plays an important role in their physical and mental development. Most teens should get between 8 and 10 hours of sleep per night.

Unfortunately, research indicates that many teens get far less sleep than they need.

Teens face numerous challenges to getting consistent, restorative sleep. Recognizing those challenges helps teens and their caregivers make a plan so that teens get the sleep they need.

[Click here](#) to learn more about the consequences of sleep deprivation and tips to developing healthy sleep habits

PBIS STUDENT & FAMILY SURVEYS

In CH-UH, part of our mission is to establish and maintain an effective learning environment and positive school climate by implementing behavioral supports needed for all students to achieve social, emotional and academic success. To that end, every year, we conduct a student and parent survey for families to provide input and feedback on current PBIS practices in our school. **The responses to the surveys are anonymous.**

Emails and names are not collected, and the survey only takes a few minutes to complete. Your feedback is used by our school to identify a student and family perception of the implementation of school-wide PBIS.

You can complete the survey using these links:

[CHHS Student PBIS Survey](#)

[CHHS Parent PBIS Survey](#)

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: APR. 9

EACH DONOR WILL BE GIVEN A CEDAR POINT PARK PASS



**DECA SPONSORED
HEIGHTS HIGH**

**RED CROSS
BLOOD DRIVE**

APRIL 9, 2024 9:00 AM-2:45 PM

- ✓ MUST BE AT LEAST 16 YEARS OF AGE
- ✓ WEIGH AT LEAST 110 POUNDS
- ✓ PERMISSION SLIP REQUIRED

**SEE THE SCHOOL NURSE OR MRS. PARKER
IN ROOM 124 FOR PERMISSION SLIP(S).**

The Heights High DECA members will host the first blood drive of the year with the American Red Cross this **Tuesday, April 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.** in the Heights High Competition Gym.

Donors with all blood types are needed but especially those with types O, negative A, and negative B.

Each donor will receive a Cedar Point Park Pass.

Students who are interested in donating must be at least 16 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds, and need a permission slip.

Students - please see the School Nurse or Mrs. Parker in Room 124 for a permission slip.

For more information or to make an appointment to donate, contact **Mrs. Parker** or sign up online **here**.

SENIOR ADS FOR THE CALDRON YEARBOOK

Dear Parents of the Class of 2024:

Display your pride and affection for your child in the school yearbook, The Caldron. We have reserved a section for you to offer your words of advice or encouragement – along with those cherished growing up pictures.

How? In our Senior Ads section!

Simply choose the ad size, your message and send us a baby photo – digitally or hard copy. We can design the ad for you or follow your requests.

The ad pages are designed in a 16-block format on an 8/5 x 11 inch page.

Each block is approximately 4 ½ inches by 1 ¼ inches. Each block is priced at \$25/each with discounts for ordering multiple blocks.

Orders must be placed not later than **April 30, 2024**. **Click here** for more information!



**ALLISON
CRAIG**

C/O 2026 & C/O 2027
(H-M LAST NAMES)



**KRISTIN
DADAS**

C/O 2024 & C/O 2027
(A-G LAST NAMES)



**LATIESA
KIRKPATRICK**

SOCIAL WORKER'S CORNER

March is National Women's History Month and the theme for the month is
"Women who Advocate for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion."

Women from every background have long realized that an uneven playing field will never bring equality or justice. Countless people feel the critical need to speak up and work harder for fairness in our institutions and social interactions.

During 2024, we recognize the example of women who are committed to embracing everyone — and excluding no one — in our common quest for freedom and opportunity. They know that people change with the help of families, teachers and friends, and that young people in particular need to learn the value of hearing from different voices with different points of view as they grow up.

Today, equity, diversity and inclusion are powerful driving forces that are having a wide-ranging impact on our country. Advocacy is an action of courage. Often advocacy challenges and changes society's long held assumptions. Throughout 2024, we honor local women from the past and present who have taken the lead to show the importance of change and to establish firmer safeguards, practices and legislation reflecting these values. Following decades of discrimination, we are proud to celebrate women who work for basic inclusion, equality and fairness.

Who are the women in your community or organization that you will honor?
From the National Women's History Alliance



VOCAL MUSIC HEIGHTS "H" BLANKET RAFFLE

Heights High's Vocal Arts Parent Organization (VAPO) is raffling a beautiful handmade crocheted Heights "H" blanket.

Tickets are on sale now until May 10.

Single tickets for the raffle are \$5 or 5 tickets for \$20.

The winner will be announced at the VMD's Finale Concert on Friday, May 10.

[Click here](#) for more information and to purchase your raffle tickets.



HEIGHTS "H" BLANKET RAFFLE



[HTTP://VAPO.BETTERWORLD.ORG/
GIVEAWAYS/CROCHETED-HEIGHTS-H-
BLANKET](http://VAPO.BETTERWORLD.ORG/GIVEAWAYS/CROCHETED-HEIGHTS-H-BLANKET)

WHEN
March 11—May 10th, 2024

DRAWING
May 10th during VMD
Spring Concert. You do not
have to be present to win.

TICKETS
\$5 single ticket
\$20 for 5 tickets

BENEFITING
Heights High Vocal Music
Department—Vocal Arts
Parent Organization (VAPO)

*Free Shipping available!



High School 2 the Future!

**Freshman
Checklist**

**Sophomore
Checklist**

**Junior
Checklist**

SENIOR INFORMATION PAGE

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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. Information for additional graduation packages, class rings, and letter jackets can be **found here**.

Commencement will take place at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 30, 2024
at the CSU Wolstein Center, 200, 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

Make sure to check the **Class of 2024 page** on the district website throughout the year for regular updates and important information!

Click here to read the Semester II Senior Letter from Mr. Smith.

BLOOM Spring Flowers Fundraiser Information - Closes Thursday, March 21

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.

Seniors, please check **Naviance** weekly for scholarship opportunities. If you are receiving college admissions letters and scholarships, and proof of FAFSA submission please give a copy to Mrs. McEwen in Room 129 or email to **t_mcewen@chuh.org**.

Seniors, make sure you are on track for your senior year. **Click here** to check out a senior checklist.

The United States Marines will be visiting on Tuesday, March 19 during 3rd Period in Room 129.

Seniors the last Instant Admission Day will be March 21 2024.

We will have three schools have college presentations for juniors and seniors and then afternoon Instant Admission Day for all three. **The University of Toledo, Thiel College, and Washington and Jefferson College will be here from 4th through 6th Periods.** If you have any questions or would like to sign up please see Mrs. McEwen.

Seniors please check your local mail and emails for college and career/trade school deadlines.

Each college and career/trade school may have its own deadline. Check with the school you're interested in attending. You may also want to ask about the school's definition of an application deadline. For example, the deadline could be the date your FAFSA form is processed or the date the school receives your processed FAFSA data.

Click here to read March's edition of the *Senior Scene* newsletter.

STAY INFORMED!

LOOKING AHEAD:

End of Quarter 3
3/22

Professional Development Day
No School For Students
3/22

Spring Recess
All Schools Closed
3/25 - 3/31

Compensatory Day for Conferences
All Schools Closed
4/1

Students Report to School
4/2

Start of OST Testing
4/3

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

DATA DIVE

Week of March 4



Attendance Data:

Number of Attendance Referrals -

Goal: < 1386

Current: 952

Chronically Absent -

Goal: < 37%

Current: 42%

Attendance Percentage:

Goal: > 92%

Current: 88%

Climate Data:

Number of Referrals -

Goal: < 2477

Current: 1783

Number of OSS/ISS -

Goal: < 414

Current: 571

SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL SUPPORTS

If you know of a student is in need of social and/or emotional support, please complete the **referral form** located in the **Quick Links** section of **Heights High's page** on **CHUH.org**. Anyone can complete this referral form, and submissions are routed directly to the school social workers and counselors for follow-up.



STAFF:

The CH-UH Employee Assistance Program through IMPACT can help you reduce stress, improve mental health, and make life easier by connecting you to the right information, resources, and referrals. **All services are free.** This includes access to short-term counseling and a wide range of offerings - from financial consultation to personal assistant services - **listed here.**

SECURITY SCOOP

FROM MR. WATTERS, COORDINATOR FOR SAFETY AND SECURITY

Our “see something, say something” policy applies to our school community 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Anyone can access the Safe School Helpline to report threats, bullying, or other such behavior.

Call 1-800-4-1-VOICE (1-800-418-6423) ext. 359 to leave your information, or submit a report **online.**

