CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
HIGH SCHOOL

# PEEK AT THE WEEK

**APRIL 29, 2024** 



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

# SCHOLAR LOUNGE ACCESS: WEEK OF APRIL 29

Congratulations to the 2024 Cohort for having the highest attendance rate increase from previous week! They will be able to use to the Scholar Lounge as an additional lunch space this week.

The **Scholar Lounge**, formerly known as the "Carpet Area," will be open as a secondary space during lunch as an incentive for the Cohort with the highest attendance rate increase from one week to the next.

#### VOTE FOR MRS. CLARK AS AMERICA'S FAVORITE TEACHER

Mrs. Clark, an outstanding Biology teacher at Heights High is in the running to be named America's Favorite Teacher!

Voting to be the Finalist for her group ends on Thursday, May 1 at 10:00 p.m. EST and you can vote ONCE per day.

Mrs. Clark is amongst thousands of educators nationwide striving for the coveted title, and the chance to win \$25,000, a trip to Hawaii, and appear in Reader's Digest, courtesy of Colossal.org and DTCare, a nationally registered public charity supporting Teach for America.

**Click here** to cast your vote for Mrs. Clark!

# DENTAL SERVICES AVAILABLE AT THE HEIGHTS WELLNESS CENTER

MetroHealth and the Heights Wellness Center will be offering dental services to students on May 21st through 23rd from 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

To sign up for an appointment, please speak with the school nurse or call the School Health Program at (216) 957-1303.

<u>Click here</u> for more information.



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.

# Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month

## **Advancing Leaders Through Innovation**

Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month (AAPI Heritage Month) is an annual celebration in May that recognizes the historical and cultural contributions of individuals and groups of Asian and Pacific Islander descent to the United States. The effort to officially recognize Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander contributions to the United States began in the late 1970s, and took over 10 years to make it a permanent month-long celebration.

The AAPI umbrella term includes cultures from the entire Asian continent—including East, Southeast and South Asia—and the Pacific Islands of Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia. As of the 2020 U.S. Census, there were about 20.6 million people of Asian or Pacific Islander descent in the United States. According to the Pew Research Center, AAPI people are a diverse and growing population that make up about 7 percent of the total U.S. population.

According to the <u>Federal Asian Pacific American Council (FAPAC)</u>, the theme for AAPI Heritage Month 2024 is "<u>Advancing Leaders Through Innovation</u>." Stated by the FAPAC, this theme "pays homage to the visionaries and trailblazers who have shaped our AANHPI history and continue to influence our collective future."

#### **Events at CHHS**

- Daily announcements of Asian Americans & Pacific Islander history and cultural facts.
- Daily spotlight & quote on school's TV monitors of Asian Americans & Pacific Islanders and the many ways that they have contributed to American history through innovation and as leaders.
  - o Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month Daily Quote Slides
  - o Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month Daily Spotlight Slides

"The main stumbling block in the way of any progress is and always has been unimpeachable tradition."

Additional Information On Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month & People To Celebrate

"Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month"

Notable AANHPI People & Their Stories from the

National Park Service

"31 People to Celebrate During AAPI Heritage Month"

"23 Asian American Heroes Our Kids Need to

Know About"

"The Periodic Table of Asian American & Pacific

Islander History"

"Understanding Asian American And Pacific Islander Heritage Month"



Dr. Chien-Shiung Wu (1912 - 1997)

Known as the "Chinese Marie Curie" and the "Queen of Nuclear Research," Dr. Chien-Shiung Wu was born in Jiangsu Province, China, in 1912, and moved to the U.S. in 1939 to pursue her Ph.D. at the University of California, Berkeley.

As an experimental physicist, Dr. Wu made significant contributions to the study of nuclear physics, and as a member of the research staff at Columbia University, she played a critical role in the Manhattan Project, the research and development consortium led by the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom that created the first nuclear weapons.

Her crucial contribution to particle physics was, however, ignored by the Nobel Prize committee and instead only her colleagues Tsung-Dao Lee and Chen-Ning Yang were awarded the 1957 Nobel Prize in Physics.

Dr. Wu was the recipient of the inaugural Wolf Prize in Physics in 1978 and was the first woman to serve as president of the American Physical Society.

# JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Jewish American Heritage Month is an annual celebration that recognizes the historical and cultural contributions of people of Jewish descent and identity to the United States. The effort to officially recognize Jewish American contributions to the United States began in 1980 initially with special week in April or May for Jewish heritage celebrations. Finally, on April 20, 2006, President George W. Bush proclaimed that May would be Jewish American Heritage Month.

The announcement was the crowning achievement in an effort by the Jewish Museum of Florida and South Florida Jewish community leaders that resulted in resolutions introduced by Representative Debbie Wasserman Schultz of Florida and Senator Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania urging the president to proclaim a month that would recognize the 370-year history of Jewish contributions to American achievements and culture.

#### **Events at CHHS**

- Daily announcements of Jewish American history and cultural facts.
- Daily spotlight & quote on school's TV monitors of Jewish Americans and the many ways that they have contributed to American history.
  - Jewish American Heritage Month Daily Quote Slides
  - Jewish American Heritage Month Daily Spotlight Slides



#### **IRVING BERLIN**

(1888 - 1980)

Born in Siberia, then-Israel Beilin fled with his family to America as a young boy in 1893 to escape the Russian persecution of Jews.

Changing his name to Irving Berlin due to the rampant antisemitism in the entertainment industry, he became known for writing music and lyrics in the American vernacular: uncomplicated, simple, and direct. His aim being to "reach the heart of the average American," whom he saw as the "real soul of the country."

Berlin wrote hundreds of songs, many becoming major hits, which made him famous before he turned thirty. During his 60-year career he wrote an estimated 1,500 songs, including the scores for 20 original Broadway shows and 15 original Hollywood films. His songs were nominated eight times for Academy Awards.

When Berlin received the Congressional Gold Medal from President Dwight D. Eisenhower for composing "God Bless America," he said, "'God Bless America' was not just a song but an expression of my feeling toward the country to which I owe what I have and what I am." "OUR ATTITUDES CONTROL OUR LIVES. ATTITUDES ARE A SECRET POWER WORKING TWENTY-FOUR HOURS A DAY, FOR GOOD OR BAD. IT IS OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE THAT WE KNOW HOW TO HARNESS AND CONTROL THIS GREAT FORCE."

Additional Information On Jewish American Heritage Month & People To Celebrate

"What is Jewish American Heritage Month?"

"10 Jewish Americans Who Changed History"

"Introducing the Forward 125: The American Jews Who

Shaped Our World"

"The 10 Most Influential Jewish American Artists You May Not Have Heard Of"

"Ten Famous Americans with Greek or Turkish Jewish Heritage"

"What Does It Mean To Be Jewish In The US?"
"From Haven to Home: 350 Years of Jewish Life
in America"



# 2024 NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION: MAY 14

Heights High School is excited to honor **65 new inductees** into the **National Honor Society** this year!

Everyone is invited to join the celebration on Tuesday, May 14th for a reception at 6:45 p.m. in the cafeteria and the ceremony at 7:30 p.m. in the Main Auditorium.



# AP TESTING SCHEDULE & PREPARATION TIPS FOR STUDENTS



AP Testing will take place from **Monday**, **May 6 through Thursday**, **May 16**. The full schedule can be **found here**.

First time AP exam takers - <u>click here</u> for tips from College Board on what to expect when taking your first Advanced Placement exam.

<u>Click here</u> for tips on how to prepare for your upcoming AP exams.

# **BOYS TENNIS SENIOR NIGHT: MAY 1**

Come and celebrate our Seniors and support the **Varsity Tennis Team at**Cain Park on Wednesday, May 1 against Brush!

Senior Night celebrations will take place at 3:45 p.m. prior to the match.

Hope you see you there!



## **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 <u>submit this form</u> NO LATER THAN Friday, May 10, 2024 to be included in the program.

# **GEAR UP 2027 ACTIVITIES FOR MAY & SUMMER**

Students in Cohort 2027 are invited sign up for the upcoming college readiness activities and cultural exposure opportunities during May and over the summer.

#### Freshman Family Night

On Thursday, May 9 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the Heights High Cafeteria. Dinner will be provided. This event will cover the importance of college education, important steps to take for high school graduation, and how to stay on track.

Click here to sign up.

#### **MAGNET Field Trip**

Date: Tuesday, May 21

Field trip to MAGNET: The Manufacturing Advocacy and Growth Network for students who are interested in STEM and manufacturing.

30 spots available

Students must have a GPA of at least 2.0, no suspensions or referrals, and good attendance to attend.

Click here to sign up

#### **GEAR UP 2027 Summer Activities**

Three weeks of exposure opportunities and workshops in the visual, musical, and performing arts for students.

July 1 - 5 (excluding 5th of July): Visual Arts - 20 spots available

July 8 -12: Musical Arts - 35 spots available

July 15 - 18: Performing Arts - 30 spots available

Click here to sign up.

#### Ohio Youth Leadership Summit

June 23 - 26 at Ohio Wesleyan University

The Ohio Youth Leadership Summit (OYLS) helps GEAR UP students identify and maximize their leadership skills, create a network of peers, and obtain the tools and training to make positive change happen in their communities and around the world. This is an amazing opportunity that can open many doors for students.

OYLS is an overnight conference that encourages student success, and brings together all the GEAR UP programs located in Ohio. Please note this is a learning experience with some fun involved.

#### ONLY 10 STUDENTS WILL BE SELECTED

Requirements: Leadership skills, B-average student, recommendation from a teacher, and a 250 word essay expressing what you think you would gain from this experience.

Click here to sign up. Students, please see Ms, Essynce for an application.

Questions? Please reach out to Essynce Mitchell at e\_mitchell@chuh.org.

# **IMD JAZZ NIGHT - MAY 1**



Are you ready for a toe-tapping evening of jazz music?

Then join the IMD this Wednesday, May 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the Heights High auditorium for Jazz Night 2024!

Listen to outstanding performances by the Heights High Jazz Ensemble, student-led Jazz Combos, and the Roxboro Middle School Jazz Band.

The concert will conclude with a performance of *Vehicle* by The Ides of March. IMD alumni and community members are invited to join the Jazz Band in performing this piece.

Please contact Dr. Marzuola at <a href="marzuola@chuh.org">n marzuola@chuh.org</a> if you are interested in playing in the finale jam session.

There is no cost for admission.

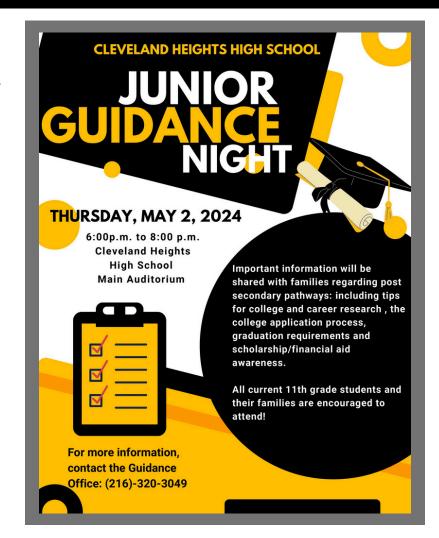
# **JUNIOR GUIDANCE NIGHT: MAY 2**

11th Graders and their families are invited to attend the Junior Guidance Night on Thursday, May 2 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Heights High School Main Auditorium.

At this meeting, important information will be shared with families regarding post-secondary pathways including:

- Tips for college and career readiness
  - The college application process
    - Graduation requirements
- Scholarship & financial aid awareness

For more information, **contact** the Guidance Office at (216) 320-3049.



### TIGERS ELITE REGISTRAT



The Heights High girls basketball team and coaching staff is offering a summer camp for girls currently in grades K-10. The camp is held at Cleveland Heights High School, June 3 - 7 and June 10 - 12. Students can attend one or two weeks, full or half days.

The camp staff wants each player to improve her life and her basketball skills to become a team player at home, in school, and on the court. The camp provides a positive age-based development program that includes individual instruction, skill development, and competitions.

Register now to secure your spot. Discount applied if registered by May 15.

For more information, contact Coach Battle at (440) 681-0074 or k battle@chuh.org.

Enrollment is now open for the **Open** Doors Academy After School Program for the 2024-2025 school year.

The program offers:

- Reading & math homework help
  - Tutoring
  - Mentoring
  - Fun enrichment activities (art, science, fitness, etc.)
- Field trips (including college visits)
  - Service Learning trips
  - College & career exploration
- Life Skills & character development

Click here for more information and to register.



#### OPEN DOORS ACADEMY

Protect. Inspire. Nurture. Challenge.



### For More Information:

www.opendoorsacademy.org Spaces are limited Enroll Today!

#### **High School After-School Program**

#### We Offer:

- · Reading and math homework help
- · Tutoring
- Mentoring
- · Fun enrichment activities (art, science, fitness, etc.)
- Field trips (including college visits)
- Service Learning trips
- · College and career exploration
- · Life Skills and character development

#### **Requirements:**

· Students must be registered in the program in order to attend



# **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

# 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 ½ 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!



# SOCIAL WORKER'S CORNER

#### **Wellness Tips for Students**

Encouraging students to practice good mental health can make them more successful in the classroom. We have information on goal setting, relaxation, healthy friendships and mindfulness.

**Goal Setting:** Ideas for setting goals, celebrating wins and developing routines.

Mindfulness: Two mindfulness exercises to get your students focused and present.

Relaxation: Info on setting boundaries, making time for relaxation, enjoying fun activities, coping with stress and staying physically healthy.

Friendships: Building blocks for making healthy friendships at school and supporting each other.

**Click here** to get more wellness tips.

Please reach out to your child's school social worker if additional support is needed. We are here to help! If you or your child need immediate help due to having suicidal thoughts, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 988.



# **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.

<u>Click here</u> for more information and to purchase your raffle tickets.



#### **High School 2 the Future!**

Freshman Checklist

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#### SENIOR INFORMATION PAGE

Kristen Narduzzi, Senior Advisor k\_narduzzi@chuh.org

Nancy Rich-Drehs, Senior Advisor n\_rich@chuh.org

#### **ORDER**

#### Get ready for Graduation!

It's time to prepare for graduation! You must place the <u>order for your cap and gown.</u>

Order today at <u>www.jostens.com</u> or call **880-567-8367** to order only the cap and gown.

Information for additional graduation packages, class rings, and letter jackets can be <u>found here</u>.

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 <u>senior checklist</u> 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 <u>Class of 2024 page</u> on the district website throughout the year for regular updates and important information!

<u>Click here</u> to read the Senior Letter from Mr. Smith that gives details over the senior-related events for April and May.

#### 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.

Seniors, Mrs. McEwen need your final decisions immediately. IF you are going for a trade, college, military or career please let her know ASAP.

The Juantez "TJ" Anderson Memorial Scholarship is available to all Seniors. Scholarship application is in Room 129. No GPA requirement.

The **V. Blakeman Qua Scholarship** through the Rotary Club of Greater Cleveland is available. <u>Click here</u> for the application and more information. The completed applications, essays, transcripts, and letters of recommendation are **due by May 20**.

The Senior Scholarship and Award Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, May 8th at 6:30 p.m. in the Main Auditorium.



#### **STAY INFORMED!**

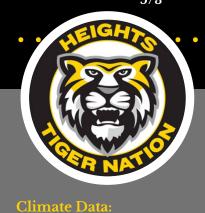
LOOKING AHEAD: HHS Talent Show Teacher's Appreciation Week

5/6 - 5/10

Start of AP Testing 5/6 Senior Scholarship & Awards Night

VMD Spring Concert NHS Induction Ceremony

5/14



Number of Referrals -

Goal: < 2,477

Number of OSS/ISS -

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

### DATA DIVE

#### Week of April 22

**Attendance Data:** 

Number of Attendance Referrals -Goal: < 1,386 Current: 2,181

Chronically Absent Goal: < 37%
Current: 48%

Attendance Percentage: Goal: > 92%

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**Grade Level Attendance Data:** 

9th Grade: 85.72%

10th Grade: 88.29%

11th Grade: **86.78**%

12th Grade: 85.37%

GOAL - 92%

# **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 <u>Heights High's page</u> 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 - <u>listed here</u>.

# **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.

