

CCA Weekly Parent Update

February 13, 2023

From the Principal

Spring performance season is in full swing! We enjoyed a very funny set of improv shows last week and are looking forward to Open Mic Night this week on Valentine's Day. Also coming up this week is our Communications Department's new event, *Writer's Lounge* – Thursday evening. Lots more to come!

We are already gearing up for our 2nd annual Dynamo Day, a fun-filled celebration of our year that takes place during the last week of school in May. Just as parents did last year, please help us by purchasing items from our wishlist to support this event: <https://a.co/5jrEkVQ> We will have sign ups for parent volunteers in April.

Looking forward to another great week with your awesome kids!

- Dr. Levine

Important Updates and Student Opportunities.

Upcoming Study Hall: A study hall has been scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 22, from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m., for students with grades below a C. Parents and students will be informed so transportation arrangements can be made. This study hall will be required, however, students will not have to stay if they pull up their grades.

Small donation opportunity - *We have run out of tissues and glue sticks! If you are willing, please pick up a box when you do your grocery shopping this week, and send some in. These items are shared by all students, so we tend to run through both quickly. If you send these items to school with your student, ask them to drop them off in the main office. Thank you!*

Open Mic Night - Valentine's Day Edition - Tuesday, Feb. 14th from 6 - 7:30 in the Commons. Tickets (including concessions) are \$10: [click here](#)
Tickets only (NO concessions) are \$5: [click here](#)

Tickets will **not** be sold at the door. Please click here for ways to donate items for parent volunteer hours!! [open mic night donations](#)

10th Grade Bake Sale - This fundraiser will take place March 6 - 10. Please send in individually wrapped baked goods—no homemade products. Cases of soda are also welcomed. Donations may be sent in the week prior (check expiration dates), or any day of the bake sale week. Mark items 10th grade and include a receipt with your student's name and grade.

Arts-Based Teen LGBTQ+ Mental Health Workshops:

Student Workshops: 2/21 (Tuesday) and 2/23 (Thursday) from 4:30 - 6:30pm

At the request of families, there will be a series of free expressive arts workshops in support of teen mental health for LGBTQ+ high school students. Plus, there will be a workshop for families. Sponsored by the Arts Therapies & Well-Being Program at CHI Memorial and The Hunter Museum of American Art Education Department, the workshops will offer arts-based opportunities for students to cultivate joy and connection within themselves and among their family and community. A parent support workshop will also be offered in March (date TBD). Workshops will be led by Pop-up Project Director of Outreach and Education Louie Marin-Howard and Company/Teaching Artists and local poetry teaching artist Marcus Ellsworth, in collaboration with Registered Drama Therapist (and CCA parent), Chyela Rowe.

Parent Support Workshop (March Date TBD) Interest Form: Click this link:

<https://forms.gle/Q7hqAb7UEQciXn4d8>

The sign up for students will be shared later this week.

Paint for Pettigrew - Mr. Pettigrew needs his classroom painted. He will stay late or come in on a Saturday to accommodate your schedule. If you can help, please contact pettigrew_t@hcde.org.

Tutoring- If you and your student were required to attend a parent/teacher conference, your student is also required to attend tutoring. Please refer to the tutoring schedule [here](#).

Communications Masterclass Book - In November, high school Communications students attended a masterclass with author Scott Reintgen. His new book, *A Door in the Dark*, is coming out in March, and the Communications Department will be doing an

order for the school. If you are interested in purchasing the book through the school, please use [this link](#)! Ms. LeDoux will deliver the books to students once they arrive.

CCA Inaugural Summer Arts Institute - May 30 thru June 30

*****Reserve your student's spot by Wednesday, February 15th! Unclaimed spots will be offered to students at other schools!**

This is an exciting opportunity for rising juniors and seniors to earn dual enrollment credit through ChattState Early College on the CCA campus! Participating students will complete a five-week summer intensive Arts course earning high school **and** college credit. Qualifying students may use the Tennessee Dual Enrollment Grant to pay tuition. CCA's counseling team will help students access this grant. Course offerings include:

Intro to Computer Animation
Intro to Film & Television Tech
Baking
The Audition Process

Intro to Film Studies
Musical Theatre
Jazz Dance
Stage Craft

All classes will meet at CCA Monday thru Thursday from 9:00 AM to Noon. We will assist families with registration and Dual Enrollment Grant paperwork at a Parent Night for participating families on Wednesday, March 8th, 2023. Please let us know if you're interested by completing the interest/pre-registration: [Dual Enrollment form](#). If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Sarabia, College and Career Advisor, at sarabia_m@hcde.org.

Testing Schedules: You can view the upcoming testing schedule for AP exams in May by [clicking this link](#).

Coke Products - Please continue to send in Coke product bottle caps and box lids. CCA receives a donation for each cap or box lid. Brands include Coca-Cola, Coca-Cola Zero Sugar, Diet Coke, Sprite, Fanta, Powerade, Mello Yello, Dasani, Barq's, Fresca, SmartWater, Fuze, Pibb, Seagram's, Honest, Surge, Peace Tea, AHA, Coca-Cola with Coffee, and Coca-Cola Energy.

Food City School Bucks - Raise money for CCA on your next shopping trip. Log in to your Food City online account at foodcity.com/schoolbucks/. When prompted, link your account to CCA's school code 60057. It is that easy!

Publix Partners - Raise money for CCA every time you shop at Publix. Log in to your account at [Publix](#) Scroll left to Publix Partners. Enter our zip code 37405, and choose Center for Creative Arts. Every time you shop, enter your phone number at the register. It is that easy!

Mark Your Calendar!

[Click here](#) to view the yearly calendar!

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 14th Open Mic Night (6:00-7:30 p.m.) - Grades 9-12
Monday 20th President's Day - No School
Friday 24th CCA Talent Show
Monday, 27th CSO Side by Side Concert 7:30 p.m. - Memorial Auditorium
(Our very own Neshawn Calloway will be impersonating and performing tunes by Chattanooga native, Bessie Smith)

MARCH

Thursday 2nd Winds and Percussion Concert 7 pm
Friday, 3rd Acting/Directing Showcase 5:30 and 7:00 pm
Tuesday 7th Art Gallery Opening 5:30 pm
Friday 10th Portraits in Dance 7 pm
Saturday 11th Portraits in Dance 7 pm

Parent/Family Events and Volunteer Opportunities - From Diane Winne

Environmental Science Garden Project - [click here](#)

Art Gallery Opening - [click here](#)

Strings Concert - [click here](#)

Winds and Percussion Concert - [click here](#)

February Opportunities - [click here](#)

Library Book Wish List - Please [click on this link to access the wish list](#). When you make a purchase, please email ledoux_mary@hcde.org so the books can be removed from the list to prevent duplicates, and email winne_diane@hcde.org a copy of your Amazon invoice. Thank you for your support of our Library!