

CHURCHILL HIGH LANCER UPDATE

November 17, 2014

Upcoming School Events

November 18	7:00pm	Jazz Concert
November 20	7:00pm	Classic Concert
November 21	7:50am	Student of the Month Breakfast
November 24	7:00pm	Lancer Parent Association Meeting
November 25	7:00pm	Acting Class Performance
November 26		No School – Grading Day
November 27-28		No School – Thanksgiving Break
December 1		No School – Professional Development
December 2		Classes Resume – Second Trimester Begins
December 3	6:30pm	Financial Aid Information Night
December 4	5:30pm	Latino Parent Family Night
December 5, 6	7:30pm	Anne of Green Gables
December 6	7:45am	SAT Testing

College and Career Center Events

November 20	12:00pm	Truth in Recruiting visit
November 25	2:30pm	Kaiser Permanente visit
December 3	6:30pm	Financial Aid Information Night

Get Schooled!

We are rolling with the "Get Schooled" program! Our first school-wide class competition is happening. Our Attendance and Data Team are working hard to keep track of who's present and in school. Being here at CHS and on-time contributes to student success - this is a proven fact! The awesome winning class with the best attendance will get to bowl some veggies prior to Thanksgiving and our break. Join in on the fun and come to school to bowl! Be here and be present, and you will earn some harvest fun!

November Students of the Month

Congratulations to these outstanding students!

Register Guard Senior Girl	Hannah Horton
Senior Boy	Pablo Carrasco
Junior Boy	Hunter Frye
Junior Girl	Cameron Cummings
Sophomore Boys	Hans and Liam Elliot
Sophomore Girl	Erin Kirkman
Freshmen Boy	Tyler Nickell
Freshmen Girl	Andrea (Andie) Fadich

Music Department Concerts

At 7pm on Tuesday, November 18th, Churchill's two small music ensembles present a Fall Jazz Concert. The Downing Street Singers and the Churchill Jazz Band host a night of smooth tunes -- you'll hear everything from James Brown's "I Feel Good!", Miles Davis' "Four" to the Peggy Lee classic "Fever." Admission is free; we hope to see you there in the CHS auditorium!

Churchill's large music ensembles present their Fall Classic Concert at 7pm on Thursday, November 20th. Admission is free, which is a bargain for the incredible music the audience will hear! Bands will be

performing the stirring wind Piece "Ascentium" and don't miss a soulful solo from Gavin Carroll on the gospel standard "Lean On Me." Please come support our amazing music department!

Lancer Parent Association: November 24

The next Lancer Parent Association Meeting is **Monday November 24, 7:00pm** in the CHS Library. Please come and join our growing Lancer Parent Association. Your voice is needed and appreciated! Hear about upcoming CHS events, hear from the principal, and learn how you can support the CHS staff.

Guest Speaker: CHS Eugene Police School Resource Officer, Officer Aaron Johns. **He will be discussing the criminal and psychological impact of the misuse of social media.** We will have an English-to-Spanish interpreter.

Support the CHS Staff: The LPA is organizing several opportunities to show your support for the staff at Churchill. Email Debra at Lancermom60@yahoo.com if you would like to help and show your support for our hard-working staff.

- Cookie Friday: November 21 – bring cookies for the staff.
- Winter Feast: December 16 – A potluck-style lunch for the staff.
- Welcome Back Soup and Bread: January 7 – a soup and bread lunch for the staff.

Thanks to the LPA for Cookie Friday. Our staff really enjoyed having fresh cookies, bars, and brownies the last 2 Fridays.

"Lancer Parent Group,

Wow! What a wonderful delicious surprise. Thank you so much. It really makes us feel appreciated. Our parents ROCK!" - Lisa Connolly

Holiday Wreath Sale

November 26th & 28th, 2:00pm @ the "Jock Lot," help Support Churchill Wrestling on their run for a state Championship. Pick up your Wreath built on 12" ring dressed with pine cones and holly berries. You can call the front office to reserve yours today. Cost is \$22. Be a part of the TEAM and buy yours TODAY!

Financial Aid and Scholarship Night and Latino Student Family Night

Wednesday, December 3rd, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at the CHS College and Career Center.

If you are asking the questions, "How will we pay for college? Where will the money come from?" This evening is for you. Join us in the Churchill H.S. College and Career Center, Wednesday, December 3rd, 6:30-7:30 p.m. English/Spanish translation will be provided upon request (please email houck_s@4j.lane.edu to request translation). Refreshments will be provided.

Thursday, December 4th, 5:30-8:00 p.m. in the CHS Library.

University representatives will be visiting Churchill High School on Thursday, December 4th, 5:30-8:00 p.m. to share with Latino students and families the benefits of and pathways to college. Presentations will be in both Spanish and English. Dinner provided from 5:30-6:15 p.m. Workshop sessions are 6:15 - 8:00 p.m.

Come to one event, or both. All are welcome.

Noche de Ayuda Financiera y Becas y Noche de Familia y Oportunidades Para Estudiantes Latinos

Si usted tiene preguntas como las siguientes, "¿Cómo podemos pagar la universidad? De dónde vendrá el dinero?" Esta noche es para ti. Únase a nosotros en la escuela Churchill H. S. y centro de carreras, Miércoles, **3 de Diciembre de 6:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m.** Traducción de Inglés/Español será siempre bajo

petición (por favor envíenos un correo electrónico para solicitar la traducción houck_s@4j.lane.edu). Tendremos bocadillos.

Representantes de la Universidad estarán visitando Churchill High School el fueves, **4 de Diciembre de 5:30 – 8:00** a compartir con los estudiantes latinos y las familias sobre los beneficios de las vías y a la universidad. Las presentaciones serán en inglés y en español. Cena de 5:30 – 6:15. Las sesiones del taller serán de 6:15 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Llegado a un evento, o en ambos. Todos son bienvenidos.

Mr. Lancer Pageant

Freshmen, if you are interested in being a part of the Lancer Pageant program, advertisement will starting this week. We are looking to add two freshmen members to be a part of our coordinating team. Interested individuals must attend ONE of the mandatory meetings held Monday and Tuesday next week at lunch. Listen to the morning announcements for more details or see Cindy Wilgus in room B-17.

News from the School-to-Careers office

Churchill's Rachel Carson Academy seeks donations

Speeding toward a goal of \$20,000 by March 15

The Rachel Carson Environmental Science Academy is driven, but changes in the District's transportation policies may put up a roadblock to students' learning. This year teachers in the program have limited access to the District's activity vans and these vans have been a crucial transportation component for the Rachel Carson Academy for 17 years. Fortunately, the teachers and the District's transportation department have a plan to navigate around this obstacle.

"Having access to these vans to take students out into the world is vital to our curriculum and values," said Helen Haberman, a veteran teacher of the program. "We take students out twice weekly for field studies trips to complete restoration work along the Willamette River and Amazon Creek, watch salmon spawn, or learn how a log mill operates. Put simply, without the vans, our program, as we have created it, will no longer exist."

Sadly, after years of taking students outside — about 150 students a year — the future of Field Studies experiences hangs on the rack. The academy is shifting gears to drive up a steep mountain to purchase a district approved activity van. Why is this important? Like a drive train on a bus that supplies the power and torque to move the wheels, the program depends on the van to literally power the students to hands-on learning experiences crucial to the Rachel Carson curriculum. The good news is that if program organizers can raise \$20,000, the district has generously offered to pay the rest of the considerable cost needed to purchase a new van. But we have to move quickly.

Please donate today by going to the Churchill website and clicking the Rachel Carson link and then scroll down and click on the big red button and follow the directions on the Eugene Education Fund website. **Make sure** you earmark your donation by typing *Rachel Carson Van* in the "Where Do You Want Your Support to Go?" box on the form. For more information about this project contact Mary Beth Hepp-Elam, School-to-Careers Coordinator, 790-5262 or CHS Principal, BJ Blake, 541-790-5100.

Five per cent of the amount raised will go back to EEF for equity grants to be used across the District. Churchill High School benefits annually from the equity grants to the tune of approximately \$5,000. Another 5% will be assessed for EEF operational costs and the remaining \$18,000 will fund the RC Van Project.



Calling all aspiring scientists, engineers, doctors, and technology whizzes!

The Application period is open on the ASE website: www.saturdayacademy.org/ASE. Students in grades 9-11 who are interested in careers in science, medicine, engineering or technology should come to the Apprenticeships in Science and Engineering (ASE) summer internship information session in the STEM building on Wednesday, January 28th at 7 pm. ASE matches scientists, engineers and technology innovators with smart students like you for eight week internships over the summer. ASE is a great way to improve your college application, and students can earn high school credit and a \$1,000 stipend! Contact Mary Beth in the School-to-Careers office in STEM building.

Senior Day(s) of the LEAP and other projects



Seniors who need to turn in their **Lancer Extended Application Project (LEAP)** contract or bring their completed LEAP packets for an interview and sign off will have the opportunity on Nov. 19th and 20th. Drop-in interviews will be open before school, at lunch, and after school. Seniors who have completed their other career related projects — formerly known as Sophomore and Junior Projects — may drop in on those days too.

SAT Testing

The next SAT test is Saturday, December 6th. Report to Churchill's main gate at 7:45 a.m. Bring two No. 2 pencils (no mechanical pencils allowed) and a calculator with extra batteries, and snacks to keep up your energy.

The Digital Dojo Project

Area youth will be the beneficiaries of a partnership between Lane Community College, the City of Eugene, and Eugene School District 4J to develop a Digital Dojo—a nationally connected and locally developed open source computer coding club—at Lane Community College's Downtown Center.

The Dojo will provide a host of FREE computer science related educational opportunities. We will kick off with an open house next Tuesday, Nov. 18, from 3:30-5:30 p.m. at the Lane Community College Downtown Center, 101 W 10th Ave., Eugene. The public is invited. Youth at any level of computer skill are invited to visit to come have fun and see the resources the Dojo will have to offer. All attendees are required to pre-register at the website: <http://www.meetup.com/Eugene-Region-CoderDojo-Hub>

Dojo workshops will continue throughout the school year on Tuesdays/Thursdays 3:30-5 and Saturdays 12-4. We will be posting workshop topics (that will all require an RSVP) as they are scheduled.

Questions? Please call Shareen Vogel at 463-3441

Churchill Library Bookworms Sponsor Oregon Battle of the Books:

Students compete on knowledge of 12 young adult books

The Churchill Bookworm Club is competing again in Oregon Battle of the Books. Bookworms are busy reading the booklist of 12 books in order to be prepared for in-school battles in January and a regional tournament in February. If your student is interested there is still time to get involved – with plenty of time to read during November and December. All books are available for check out in the CHS Library.

Here is this year's high school OBOB book list:

Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Sáenz

Cinder by Marissa Meyer

Code Name Verity by Elizabeth Wein

Deadline by Chris Crutcher

Delirium by Lauren Oliver

Eleanor & Park by Rainbow Rowell

Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore by Robin Sloan
The Name of the Star by Maureen Johnson
Please Ignore Vera Dietz by A.S. King
Ready Player One by Ernest Cline
Throne of Glass by Sarah J. Maas
Whistling Past the Graveyard by Susan Crandall

HOST FAMILY OPPORTUNITY!

Dear CHS Parents/Guardians,

CHS will host SIX Japanese students in March, 2015. They need a host family for FIVE nights.

The school name is Miyazaki Kita High School (MKH) in Kyusyuu, Japan. MKH is designated as a "Super Science" high school by the Japanese Ministry of Education and Science in order to emphasize science programs. Since CHS is a STEM school and has IHS programs, this opportunity is a great way to promote students' international aspects of learning and collaborations through science activities.

From March 2nd to 7th, 2015, six MKH juniors (all male this year) will come to Eugene. A host family will need to provide two meals (breakfast and dinner), transportation from house to school and back and a room. On March 7th, host family needs to take the Japanese student to CHS in the morning. The same gender host brother may share his room, but a Japanese student needs a bed or sleeping area of his own. \$125 stipend will be provided.

If you are interested in this great opportunity, please contact the CHS Japanese language teacher Miiko Suzuki at suzuki@4j.lane.edu.

Thank you very much for your cooperation! Please e-mail me with any questions at suzuki@4j.lane.edu

Winter Clothing Drive

Parents... looking to clean out those closets? We would love to take any old coats, jackets, warm hats, gloves etc. Just bag them up and bring them to the front office or room B-17. Our community is in need. Let's help each other during the holidays.

November 24 and 25 during school hours, the Rachel Carson Student Master Recyclers are organizing a winter clothing drive in coordination with Mike's Closet. Bring new or gently used clothes, jackets, scarves, blankets, shoes, et cetera. There will be multiple drop-off locations to be announced.

Lancer Store!

Purchase Lancer gear from the new Lancer Store at chs.lane.edu. Look for it under the Students or Parents sections or click [HERE!](#)

How to Excuse Your Student from Class

In support of excellent instruction at CHS, we have an agreement with our teachers that we will not interrupt class and will interrupt class ONLY if it is an emergency. If you would like to have your child leave school at a specific time please follow these steps:

1. Send a note to school with your student with the time you want your child to leave.
2. Have your child bring the note to Krista, our attendance clerk in the front office.
3. Krista will attach a school "excused" note to the student's note, keeping a record of the time for accurate recording purposes.
4. The student will then give the note to the teacher whose class they need to leave, so the teacher knows that the student has permission to leave.

5. In order to excuse an unexpected absence (like an illness), you must contact the attendance office within 48 hours of the absence. You may call 541-790-5102 or email cummings_k@4j.lane.edu.

Please review our attendance policies in the [Student Handbook](#).

How to Access ParentVUE

It is vitally important for the school to have accurate contact information for parents and students. We encourage you to use ParentVUE to check that we have the correct information and update it if necessary.

ParentVue allows you to...

- update your email address and phone numbers,
- track your student's attendance and grades,
- specify that you would like to receive your student's report cards electronically. (This reduces paper use and you receive your student's grades faster and more securely.)
- and more!

If you do not know your access code, please email our Registrar, Kajsa Kearney, at kearney_k@4j.lane.edu. Then, go to pv.4j.lane.edu/Login_Parent_PXP.aspx to activate your account.

Instructions for [ParentVUE](#)

Instructions for [StudentVUE](#)

Estándares Estatales Básicos Comunes: Noche Informativa Para Padres / Common Core State Standards Information Night

Spanish-speaking families are invited to a 4J parent information night to learn more about Oregon's changing academic standards and how together we can support students' success in school and beyond.

Están invitados:

Noche informativa acerca de los Estándares Estatales Básicos Comunes para las familias de habla hispana con estudiantes de kinder a 12^o grado

Lunes, 24 de Noviembre, 7:00 p.m.

4J Education Center, 200 N. Monroe Street

¿Cuáles son las Estándares Estatales Básicos Comunes ("Common Core State Standards")? ¿Cómo son estas nuevas expectativas para el aprendizaje de los alumnos diferentes a los estándares que Oregon tenía antes? Sobre todo, ¿qué significan estos cambios para su estudiante y para usted?

Hay cambios en el aula de su hijo(a), en la tarea y en la evaluación de su aprendizaje. Oregon y más de 40 estados en todo el país han desarrollado y adoptado expectativas académicas compartidas, llamadas los Estándares Estatales Básicos Comunes. Son directrices claras y coherentes para los estudiantes sobre lo que deben saber y poder hacer en cada nivel de grado, en matemáticas y artes del lenguaje inglés, con el fin de estar listo para graduarse con un diploma de Oregon, listo para la universidad, las carreras y la vida. Todo esto es para ayudar a los estudiantes a desarrollar los conocimientos y el más alto nivel de habilidades de pensamiento que necesitan para su éxito en el futuro.

Por favor, únase a nosotros a una noche informativa para padres de habla hispana de Eugene 4J para aprender más acerca de los cambios de las normas académicas de Oregon y conocer cómo juntos podemos apoyar el éxito de su hijo en la escuela y aún más allá.

¿Preguntas?

www.4j.lane.edu/instruction/commoncorestatestandards

www.corestandards.org

o llame al teléfono: [541-790-7707](tel:541-790-7707)

Common Core State Standards

If you were unable to attend the district meetings about the Common Core State Standards, we have some terrific resources on our district website (4j.lane.edu/instruction/commoncorestatestandards). You may find particularly helpful the link to grade-by-grade "parent roadmaps" at <http://www.cgcs.org/Domain/36>. Materials from this month's forums also will be available on the website, including the presentation slideshow, questions parents asked and, soon, a Frequently Asked Questions document.

Learn more:

www.4j.lane.edu/instruction/commoncorestatestandards

www.corestandards.org

or call 541-790-7877

Free and Reduced-Price Meals

Did you know that more than 40% of 4J students qualify for free and reduced lunch? Do you think your family may qualify?

Accurately reporting your family's need helps you access more than just free and reduced-price meals. Students who qualify for free and reduced-price meals may also qualify for other fee reductions at school, in after-school programs, from businesses like YMCA and LTD, and even for low-cost high-speed internet.

Reporting your family's need also helps us access needed resources to help CHS students and families who are in need of these programs.

You can learn about federal income guidelines and apply for free and reduced-price lunch at <http://www.4j.lane.edu/nutrition/freelunch>. You may also pick up an application from our finance officer in the front office. All applications are confidential. You can learn more about other benefits you may qualify to receive at <http://www.4j.lane.edu/nutrition/freelunchbenefits>. Or just go to <http://www.4j.lane.edu/nutrition> and follow the link to [Free & Reduced-Price Meals](#).

New Swim Benefit: The Nutrition Services Department would like to inform you about our exciting [NEW SWIM BENEFIT](#) for all approved students on the 4J 2014-2015 Free & Reduced Meal Program.

50% Off Admission for Recreation Swimming at Echo Hollow, Sheldon and Amazon Pools.

This is how the new benefit works:

1. Student brings the 2014-2015 Award Letter from Nutrition Services to the pool facility.
2. The Aquatics Office at the Pool will then issue the qualified student an Aquatic ID Card that expires on Labor Day 2015
3. With their Aquatic ID Card the student will receive 50% off Recreation Swim Admissions.

It is just that easy.....hope to see many new faces enjoying swim time at Echo Hollow, Sheldon and Amazon Pools.

If you are interested in additional aquatic discounts, scholarship applications are available at www.eugene-or.gov/rec.

2014-15 Senior Yearbook Portraits

Deadline: Friday, Dec. 12th, 2014

Size: Vertical (**NOT LANDSCAPE**) format (We can fine-tune it to fit. For digital submissions, the **LARGER** the file size, the **BETTER**.)

Content: The composition and content of the photo is up to you. Just keep it appropriate!

Submission information: Digital submissions are preferred. They can be emailed to hoffman_s@4j.lane.edu. Please attach as a **LARGE** .jpg file.

Otherwise, portraits can be dropped off at the front office and submitted to Mr. Hoffman's mailbox.

Either way, make sure the **student's name** is **printed clearly** along with the portrait as you would like it to appear in the yearbook.

Graduation Day and Last Day for Seniors

The last day of school for seniors has been changed to Tuesday, June 2. This was changed so that all of the 4J high schools would have the same last day for seniors. CHS graduation will be on June 4, and IHS graduation on June 2.

The last day for all other grades will be June 11.

COMMUNITY

Events and Fundraising

211info

For **FREE** guidance and information about health and social services dial 211, text your zip code to 898211, visit 211info.org, or email help@211info.org.

Keeping people and communities healthy means more than access to medical care. It means ensuring people have the basics, like food, housing and economic opportunity. At the nonprofit 211info, we believe in the idea of Health for Your Whole Life. It's our commitment to work toward an Oregon and Southwest Washington where everyone's health and social services needs are met.

Last year more than 425,000 people contacted us by dialing 211, [searching for resources](http://211info.org) on 211info.org, texting their zip code to 898211 or [emailing us](mailto:help@211info.org) -- all toll-free and confidential. We also have bilingual staff who can take calls in Spanish; all staff have access to an interpreter service with more than 140 languages.

We're everyone's front door to nonprofit, government and faith-based programs. There are roughly 3,000 agencies in our database providing over 50,000 programs to people throughout Oregon and Southwest Washington.

Club de Arte para Mamás

jsma.uoregon.edu

Talleres gratuitos de arte para mamás latinas, no es necesario inscribirse previamente. Acompáñenos a pasar una mañana relajada haciendo arte con otras mamás. Nosotros proporcionaremos el cuidado de niños. Este club se reunirá el tercer lunes de cada mes de 9 a 10:30 am en el estudio de arte (except días feriados). Si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor contacte a Arthurina Fears, afears@uoregon.edu o al 541.346.6443.

Free drop-in art workshops for Latina mothers. Spend a relaxing morning creating art with other moms. Childcare is provided. Meets the third Monday of each month from 9:00-10:30 a.m. in the art studio (except for holidays). No RSVP needed. Questions? Please contact Arthurina Fears, afears@uoregon.edu or 541.346.6443.

Festival of Trees

Student volunteers are needed for Cascade Health Foundation's *Festival of Trees*, Lane County's premier fundraiser and holiday event. Scheduled over six days during Thanksgiving week, Festival transforms [Valley River Inn](#) into a winter wonderland that attracts approximately 18,000 people every year. For many, Festival has become a holiday tradition.

This will be our 22nd year! Proceeds have so far exceeded \$8.2 million to support our community's health. Currently, proceeds from *Festival of Trees* will support the construction of Lane County's first hospice house, The [Pete Moore Hospice House](#).

How can students help? We need volunteers! Even volunteering for one shift makes a difference. Some of the activities we need volunteers to help with include:

- Set up/Take down
- Working in some of the children's areas including Candy Cane Forest, Create an Ornament, Shop Under the Tree
- Raffle Tree/Donation Tree
- Roving
- Greeters/ticket takers

Please contact Kathryn McNeal, kmcneal@cascadehealth.org, if you have any questions. Thank you!

Spring Creek Holly Farm Give Back to Schools

43111 McKenzie Highway, Leaburg, 541-896-3483

Spring Creek Holly Farm is proud to announce the 5th year of our **Give Back to Schools** program.

Purchase your Christmas tree at Spring Creek Holly Farm and 50% of the proceeds will be donated to the school of your choice. All trees are \$4/ft. This is open to everyone and there is no limit.

Our Noble Firs are locally grown at Spring Creek Holly Farm and at our wholesale facility Whitewater Ranch using low impact and sustainable farming practices. We have pre-cut and choose and cut trees available. We also offer handmade holly wreaths, table decorations and bulk greens.

Start a new holiday tradition and come out and enjoy a cup of hot apple cider and help support your favorite school.

Spring Creek Holly Farm is open the day after Thanksgiving until December 23, from 9am to 5pm every day of the week.

You can find more information on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/SpringCreekHollyFarm>

Running from Peril, Chasing Hope: Central American Children and the Refugee Crisis

A symposium to start a dialogue, grow awareness, and plan for action

December 3, Ford Alumni Center · University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon, 2:00-8:00 p.m.

<https://education.uoregon.edu/ceqp-info>

Pulitzer Prize Author Sonia Nazario

Lane Community College, the Multicultural Center and the Puertas Abiertas Leadership Academy will be hosting a free lecture by Sonia Nazario, Pulitzer Prize Winning Author of "Enrique's Journey", the story

of a young boy's journey from Central America to the United States to reunite with his mother after 11 years of separation. Ms. Nazario's talk, will be followed by a book signing of "Enrique's Journey".

December 2, 2014 7PM @ Building 17, Rooms 308-309- Lane Community College Main Campus

This timely topic dealing with the issues of immigration, exploitation and child abuse is part of larger narrative on the challenges faced by Latino/Latina communities in Oregon and beyond.

National Bestseller: Named one of the best books of the year by the Washington Post, San Francisco Chronicle, Miami Herald, and San Antonio Express-News

Among the most chosen books as a freshman or common read: 71 Universities, 12 cities and scores of high schools nationwide have adopted Enrique's Journey as a their freshman or common read. Middle schools are now adopting a version adapted for young readers as their common read.

Published in August 2013: A new version of Enrique's Journey ADAPTED FOR YOUNG READERS in the 7th grade on up and for reluctant readers in high school and geared to the new common core standards in schools

Published in February 2014: A REVISED AND UPDATED Enrique's Journey, with a new epilogue and photos

Published in eight languages

Enrique's Journey was the second most likely book chosen by universities for their freshman read for fall 2010.