



2014-15 Direct Donation Drive

Now through February 13th, Churchill High School is soliciting donations to provide vital staffing support for our students. **We will reach our goal of \$30,000 if every family gives \$40.00.** We value any support your family can afford. No amount is too large or too small. **All donations are tax deductible.**

Click the "Donate Now" button and specify your donation for "CHS Staffing," or click [here](#) for details about how to donate and how your donation will be used.



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Upcoming School Events

February 9	7:00pm	Latino Family Night
February 9	7:00pm	IHS 8 th Grade Information Night
February 13		Winter Sports Assembly
February 13		AVID Valentine's Dance will start after the Boys Basketball game
February 13, 14	7:30pm	Mary Poppins
February 15	2:00pm	Mary Poppins
February 16		No School - Presidents Day
February 17	7:00pm	Smarter Balance Parent Information Night
February 18	6:00pm	Spring Sports Parent Information Night
February 19-21	7:30pm	Mary Poppins
February 22	2:00pm	Mary Poppins
February 23	7:00pm	LPA (Lancer Parent Association) Meeting
February 25	10:30am	School Choice Information Meeting and tour of the school
February 25	7:00pm	School Choice Information Meeting and chat with staff
February 26	6:30pm	FAFSA Information and Aid Night
February 26	7:00pm	Senior Party Planning Meeting
February 27	7:50am	Student of the Month Breakfast

Mary Poppins - Coming to the Churchill Auditorium!

The classic Disney Movie now a Broadway musical presented by Churchill's West End CAPP Starring Carly Walker, Anthony Carter, Jacob Meili, Haley Pace and featuring Massimo Brigola and Stephanie Sterling. [Opening February 13!](#)

Term 3 Schedules

Counselors are starting to work on next term's schedules. Students should review their Term 3 schedule on [StudentVue](#), then come in to make adjustments now. Once the Term begins on March 16, students will have only the first three days to make changes!

AVID Valentine's Dance

Feeling the love this Valentine's Season?

Got your dancing shoes ready for a good time?

Come join us for what has been called the "best dance of the year"

The music and more will begin on February 13 from 8:30 to 10:30. (After the Varsity Game!!!)
Get your tickets in advance during lunch on Wednesday Feb 11, Thursday Feb 12, and Friday Feb 13. Or get them at the door!!

Cost is \$5 with ASB card, \$7 without ASB card

Come after *Mary Poppins* for a discounted entry price!!

Special Love Package: \$13 (two tickets and a flower)

Celebrate the Love with your friends by dancing on Friday the 13th!!!

PBiS Attendance Challenge

Churchill is holding a winter term attendance challenge as a way of improving student attendance, and to increase student knowledge of the power of good attendance. Freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors have an attendance improvement goal set for trimester 2. Attendance averages for each class were taken from weeks 1- 3 of 2nd trimester. Each class' goal is to improve their attendance average for weeks 4-11 by 2%. Only unexcused absences are counted. Averages and goals are as follows:

	Weeks 1-3 average	Attendance goal
Freshmen	93.0%	+2% = 95%
Sophomores	87%	+2% = 89%
Juniors	86%	+2%= 88%
Seniors	87%	+2%= 89%

What can you do to help your student's class meet their goal?

1. Be sure to call in your student's excused absences
2. Encourage your student to come to school unless they are very ill or contagious
3. Encourage your student to arrive to school and classes on time
4. Reward your student at home for good or improved attendance
5. Talk with your student about the how the habit of good attendance contributes to positive habits in higher education or in the workplace

As a reward, each class that meets their goal will have the opportunity to participate in a whacky marshmallow toss event. Students will dress up their favorite teacher in outlandish gear and throw marshmallows at them (teachers were elected just before winter break). Go Lancers! (...and look out, teachers!)

Lancer Parent Association: February 23rd

The LPA meeting on **January 26 is cancelled**. Instead, you are encouraged to attend the **Smarter Balanced Testing Information Night on February 17** at the CHS STEM Lab. The next Lancer Parent Association Meeting is **Monday February 23, 7:00pm** in the CHS Library. BJ Blake will lead discussion about Common Core and Smarter Balanced testing.

AVID-ize

Churchill High School is hosting an AVID event called "AVID-ize" on Tuesday, February 24. The event will be from 1:00-3:00 and held in the auditorium. This year, there will be 600+ people coming to our school from across the district to learn more about AVID. We have guests from out of our district and school board members attending. We will have a motivational presenter, Roy Juarez Jr. talk to students about "Be the Change and Mold the Future." A culminating activity will occur in the Gym from 2:30-3:00. We are very excited about this event as this will mark the Second Annual AVID-ize event for 4J. Our students will be running this event by having a handful of MCs speaking from start to finish.

Senior Party Planning Meeting

Senior Parents are invited to the Senior Party Planning Meeting on Thursday, February 26 at 7:00pm in the Churchill Library. We need your help to make this an incredible send-off for your students. Would you like to help, but can't come? Email jamiehogate@gmail.com to be added to our list of volunteers and we'll keep you in the loop.

We are also accepting donations to cover the costs of the party. Make your check payable to "Churchill High School Grad Party" and mail it to:

Churchill High School
Attn: Senior Grad Party Committee
1850 Bailey Hill Road
Eugene, Oregon 97405

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) Workshop

Seniors and parents:

It's time to complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

If you want to apply for Federal and State Student Financial Aid to help fund your college education and have not already done so, it's time to apply by filling out the FAFSA. Some funds are limited. You don't want to miss out.

Need help? The College and Career Center is hosting a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) workshop on February 26, 2015, 6:30pm - 7:30pm in the Churchill Red and Blue computer labs. Financial Aid professionals will be on hand to answer questions and help you fill out the FAFSA. You can also make an appointment in the College and Career Center for assistance.

For more information or if you have questions, contact Sheree Houck at houck_s@4j.lane.edu or (541) 790-5115.

Senior Caps and Gowns

If you have not ordered your cap and gown, it is not too late. Call Miners Graduate Services at 541-689-4588. Or visit their website: minersgrad.com

School Choice Information Meetings

Churchill High School school-choice meeting times are listed below. Please spread the word about this opportunity **for non-CHS families to learn about the programs and possibilities at CHS!**

February 25- 10:30 am-12:00 pm Informational Meeting in the library and tour of school

February 25- 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Informational Meeting in the library and discussion with staff

Families do not need to RSVP. For more information, please contact BJ Blake, CHS principal, at blake@4j.lane.edu or 541-790-5100.

Please visit 4j.lane.edu/choice to see the dates and times for all 4j high schools' school choice meetings.

School Choice Information Meetings:

Informational meetings about school choice, held at the 4J Education Center. Spanish interpretation will be available.

- Thursday, February 19, 7 p.m.

IMPORTANT LOTTERY DATES FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR:

January 5, 2015: In-District 4J School Choice Application available online at: www.4j.lane.edu/choice

February 27, 2015, 5:00pm: In-District deadline to submit online 4J School Choice Application for high school lottery

March, 2015, first week: In-District 4J School Choice lottery results available, must accept placement within 5 days of email notification

March 1, 2015: Out-of-District 4J School Choice Application available online at:
www.4j.lane.edu/choice

April 1, 2015, 5:00pm: Out-of-District deadline to submit online 4J School Choice Application for high school lottery

April 30, 2015: School Choice lottery results available

News from the School-to-Careers office

LCC Placement testing in Reading & Writing schedule through Spring Break.

All testing will be at 8 a.m. in the STEM conference room.

Wednesday, February 11th – No testing.

Wednesday, February 18th - Apply for “L” number and get the new Study Apps.

Wednesday, February 25th - Reading & Writing Placement test.

Wednesday, March 4th - Apply for “L” number and get the new Study Apps.

Wednesday, March 11th – No testing.

Wednesday, March 18th - Reading & Writing Placement test.

Wednesday, March 25th – Spring Break. No School.

LCC Math Placement testing will begin in April.

WISE - Women In Science & Engineering

A WISE thank you to all who helped make WISE Symposium 2015 a success: The Science Factory, Nick Spicher and Haley Sharp; Cascades Raptor Center, Kit Lacey and bird handlers; Oregon Crime Lab, Sara Ellebracht, State Forensic Scientist; U of O Neuroscience Lab, Sarah Albreti; CHS Engineering, Marty Wilder and Greig Thompson; U of O Women in Graduate Sciences; Electrical Training Center, Dave Baker; U of O Institute of Neuroscience, Dr. Jennifer Phillips, Ph.D. OBEC Consulting Engineers, Julie Wirth, Andy Burke, and Josh Grenzsund; EWEB-4j Energy Education Program, Lisa Livelybrooks; OSU Professor Kevin Aherns; and OSU graduate student and WISE Symposium 2015 keynote speaker, Amber Dawn Berger. Please “Like” us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/Eugene.or.WISE> and see photos of the symposium.

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

The Application period is open on the Apprenticeships for Science & Engineering website:

www.saturdayacademy.org/ASE. Students in grades 9-11 who are interested in careers in science, medicine, engineering or technology should apply by March 9! ASE matches scientists, engineers and technology innovators with smart students like you for eight-week internships during the summer. ASE is a great way to improve a college application, and students can earn high school credit and a \$1,000 stipend! Contact Mattie Courtright, ASE Program Coordinator, mattie@saturdayacademy.org.

Parents assist in Rachel Carson Academy Van Drive

Oldie Moldy, the activity van that transported Churchill’s Rachel Carson Academy students to restoration sites and the far flung corners of Oregon for most of the academy’s 17-year history has retired. Unfortunately, changes in the District’s transportation policies may put up a roadblock to students’ learning. This year, teachers in the Rachel Carson Environmental Science Academy have limited access to the District’s activity vans and these vans are a crucial transportation component for the Academy for 17 years. The good news is that if program can raise \$20,000, the district has generously offered to pay the rest of the considerable cost needed to purchase a new van.

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. You can also go directly to the link by pasting this URL into your browser:

<http://www.chs.lane.edu/2014/11/churchills-rachel-carson-academy-seeks-donations/>. 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.

Looking Ahead ...

Next SAT Testing: Saturday, March 14thth. Report to the front of *Churchill's STEM Building* at 7:45 a.m.

Knitting Club

Knitting Club is in need of donations of knitting needles. We have plenty of yarn, but we need tools to work it with! Please consider donating new or used knitting needles in any size. Contact: Alpha Wilson, wilson_a@4j.lane.edu.

Yearbook Senior Baby Ads

Due: **Friday, March 6th**

Cost: \$45

Submission: send baby picture and message (60 words or fewer) to hoffman_s@4j.lane.edu

-or-

Steve Hoffman

Yearbook Advisor

Churchill High School

1850 Bailey Hill Rd.

Eugene, OR 97405

(send self-addressed stamped envelope if you want photo returned)

Upcoming Scholarship Deadlines

Learn more about upcoming scholarships, and how to get help with your application at our College and Career Center website: <https://sites.google.com/site/chsccr/>

February 13th

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MILITARY CHILDREN

<http://www.militaryscholar.org/index.html>

February 15th

ASSOCIATION OF COMPUTER PROFESSIONALS IN EDUCATION (ACPE) SCHOLARSHIP

<http://www.acpenw.org>

THE JACKIE ROBINSON FOUNDATION

<http://www.jackierobinson.org/apply/programs.php>

DR. AURA-LEE A. AND JAMES HOBBS PITTENGER AMERICAN HISTORY SCHOLARSHIP

<http://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/history-etc>

THE LUCINDA BENEVENTI FINDLEY HISTORY SCHOLARSHIP

<http://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/history-etc>

RICHARD AND ELIZABETH DEAN SCHOLARSHIP

http://dar.org/natsociety/edout_scholar.cfm

ACEC OREGON SCHOLARSHIP 2/15 Early Bird, 3/1 regular deadline

<https://app.oregonstudentaid.gov/Catalog/Default.aspx>

February 18th

THE CHRISTOPHERS' "YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE" POSTER CONTEST

<http://www.christophers.org/document.doc?id=469>

THE GALLERY COLLECTION -8TH ANNUAL CREATE-A-GREETING CARD CONTEST

<http://www.gallerycollection.com/greetingcardscontests.htm>

February 20th

THE VEGETARIAN RESOURCE GROUP SCHOLARSHIP

<http://www.vrg.org/student/scholar.htm>

COSA YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIPS

<http://www.cosa.k12.or.us/members/scholarships>

JEAN YOUNG SCHOLARSHIPS

<http://www.dorchester.org/#!scholarships/c1j51>

February 27th

SCHOLARSHIP FOR SURVIVORS OF CANCER AND/OR A CHRONIC LIFE THREATENING DISEASE WITHIN THE PAST FIVE YEARS

<http://www.patientadvocate.org/index.php?p=69>

THOMAS PITZER AVIATION SCHOLARSHIP

http://www.evergreenmuseum.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/06/EAM_1532_TEP_AM_-Scholarship-Ap_-010912.pdf

BUICK ACHIEVERS SCHOLARSHIP

http://www.buickachievers.com/?utm_source=SA_Site&utm_medium=website&utm_campaign=BA2014

February 28th

CHINESE-AMERICAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE NATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST

<http://cacaportland.org/national-essay-contest-march-1-2014/>

CAPTAIN KEVIN KYE MOSLEY PRIVATE PILOT SCHOLARSHIP

http://evergreenmuseum.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/06/EAM_1532_CMKS_PP_-Scholarship-Ap_081914.pdf

SWEET & SIMPLE SCHOLARSHIP 2015

<https://www.scholarshipexperts.com/scholarships/our-scholarships/sweet-and-simple-scholarship>

WORDCRAFTERS YOUNG WRITERS' SHORT STORY CONTEST

<http://wordcraftersineugene.org/young-writers-short-story-contest-now-open/>

South Eugene Rowing Club

Try-outs with South Eugene Rowing Club run February 17th-27th! No experience necessary to join novice crew and experience rowing at Dexter Lake. Interested 8th-12th graders within the 4J area should visit our website: southeugenerowingclub.org to print a waiver and find out more about our awesome team and sport! Crew meets at 3:45 in the IHS Wing, on the east side of South Eugene High School. Water practice runs Tu-Th-F, from 4:00 to 7:00, and Land training on M-W goes until 5:30.

Come check out Spring Crew with South Eugene Rowing Club, for FREE!

Nominations are open now for the 2015 ACE Awards!

We had a great response last year, and with the talented number of people here at 4J, We're looking forward to an even better response this year!

Nominating a valued teacher, leader, or volunteer for an ACE (A Champion in Education) Award is a wonderful way to honor the incredible talent and dedication of our amazing teachers, classified staff, administrators and volunteers. One 4J nominee in each category will win a \$1,000 cash prize toward a

project or program in their school — and EVERY employee and volunteer who is the subject of a complete nomination will be recognized as an exceptional educator.

The nomination window is just four short weeks long, so don't delay. Selection criteria and tips for writing your nomination are online at [The 2015 ACE Awards](#) (if you can't access this link, go to www.theaceawards.org)

ACE Awards Nominations Accepted:

February 5 – midnight on Sunday, March 8

ACE Awards Ceremony:

Tuesday, April 28, at the Hult Center

The ACE Awards are a collaborative effort of the Eugene and Springfield chambers of commerce and the Eugene, Bethel and Springfield school districts.

Apple Campaign 2015

applecampaign2015.wix.com/giving

Burrito Amigos, Papa's Pizza, and other local businesses will be selling paper apples during the Apple Campaign. Any businesses selling paper apples will donate funds received to your education foundation of choice. Paper apples include a space to write in the donor's name and dollar amount. The apples sell for as little as \$1; however you are free to donate as much as you wish.

You can purchase a *paper apple* directly from a participating business or a *virtual apple* online by making a donation directly to your education foundation of choice.

Bring the World to Your Family—Without Leaving Home!

Host an AFS exchange student and introduce the world to your children and family and give your AFS student the opportunity to take back a piece of America.

An AFS student must have their own bed but can share a bedroom. Beyond that, the only thing a host family needs is an open mind and a desire to learn about another culture as they share their own.

AFS is looking for families to host next school year. If hosting an international student sounds interesting and you'd like more information, contact Becky Minor, 541-756-3537, jbminor@frontier.com or Miiko Suzuki (Japanese Language Teacher), suzuki@4j.lane.edu

4J DISTRICT NEWS

International High School 8th grade information nights

South region

- Thursday, February 12, 6:30 pm in the South Eugene cafeteria (Joint evening with South)

Sheldon region

- Tuesday, February 17, 7:00 pm, Sheldon lecture hall
- Thursday, February 19, 7:00 pm, Sheldon lecture hall (includes Spanish Immersion break-out session)

Churchill region

- Monday, February 9, 7:00 pm, Churchill cafeteria

Learn more about the International High School in 4j [here](#).

Important events coming up in Eugene School District 4J

Parent Information Nights: [Smarter Balanced Assessment](#)

Please join us to learn more about Oregon's changing academic assessments and how together we can support your student's success in school and beyond.

- Monday, Feb. 9, 7:00 p.m., North Eugene High School, 200 Silver Lane
- Thursday, Feb. 12, 7:00 p.m., Sheldon High School, 2455 Willakenzie Road
- Tuesday, Feb. 17, 7:00 p.m., Churchill High School, 1850 Bailey Hill Road
- Thursday, Feb. 19, 7:00 p.m., South Eugene High School, 400 E. 19th Ave.

Spanish-language information night: **Monday, March 2, 6:30–8:00 p.m.**, 4J Education Center, 200 N. Monroe St.

<http://www.4j.lane.edu/instruction/commoncorestatestandards>

Superintendent Candidate Community Forums

March 4–6

Details to come

<http://www.4j.lane.edu/supersearch>

Eventos importantes en el Distrito Escolar de Eugene 4J

Noches informativas para padres acerca del examen ["Smarter Balanced"](#)

Por favor, venga a aprender más acerca de los cambios de los exámenes académicos de Oregon y de cómo juntos podemos apoyar el éxito de su hijo en la escuela y aún más allá. Se proveerá intérpretes en español.

En inglés, se proveerá intérpretes en español:

- Lunes, 9 de febrero, 7:00 p.m., North Eugene High School, 200 Silver Lane
- Jueves, 12 de febrero, 7:00 p.m., Sheldon High School, 2455 Willakenzie Road
- Martes, 17 de febrero, 7:00 p.m., Churchill High School, 1850 Bailey Hill Road
- Jueves, 19 de febrero, 7:00 p.m., South Eugene High School, 400 E. 19th Ave.

En español, para padres de habla hispana:

- Lunes, 2 de marzo, 6:30–8:00 p.m., Centro Educativo 4J, 200 N. Monroe St. en Eugene

<http://www.4j.lane.edu/instruction/commoncorestatestandards>

Reuniones públicas con candidatos para ser el nuevo superintendente

4–6 de marzo

Detalles más adelante

<http://www.4j.lane.edu/supersearch>

COMMUNITY NEWS

Stanford Summer Humanities Institute

The [Summer Humanities Institute](#) is now accepting applications for two summer sessions. Rising high school juniors and seniors with a deep interest in the humanities come together for three weeks on Stanford's campus to research and analyze questions that lie at the heart of the humanities. Students engage in group discussions, attend daily classes with Stanford faculty, and explore the Bay Area together.

The deadline to apply is March 11, and admission is need-blind. Financial aid is available and is need-based. To learn more about the admission process, please click [here](#).

New Generations Film Festival

The [New Generations Film Festival](#) is a film-making competition for middle and high school students in Eugene. The purpose of the festival is to get students thinking about their neighborhoods and give them a place to have their voices heard on issues in their community.

Films should be 1-3 minutes long and fit within the theme "Love Where You Live." Films should be about a neighborhood problem, project or highlight. Official rules and submission guidelines can be obtained by emailing: newgenerationsff@gmail.com.

Submission deadline: **April 27, 2015**

Viewing and Awards Ceremony: **May 23, 11am**