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## Upcoming School Events

4J District Calendar: <https://mail.4j.lane.edu/home/4jcalendar@4j.lane.edu/Calendar.html>

The complete Churchill High School calendar is available at [www.chs.lane.edu](http://www.chs.lane.edu) under the "Calendar" heading, or click [HERE](#).

February 23	7:00pm	LPA (Lancer Parent Association) Meeting
February 23, 27	3:30-4:00pm	Key Club Cookie Sale (by the planters)
February 24	1:00-3:00pm	AVID-ize
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
February 28	12:00pm	Lancer Pageant Fundraiser: Dodgeball
March 2-6		Spirit Week
March 2, 6, 9	3:30-4:00pm	Key Club Cookie Sale (by the planters)
March 2	7:00pm	Willamette Valley Honor Band and Churchill Symphonic Band
March 3, 4	3:30pm	Work Source Oregon Job Search and Resume Building Workshops
March 5	7:00pm	Choir Concert
March 6		Winter Sports Assembly
March 6	7:00pm	Band Concert
March 9	7:00pm	Latino Family Night
March 10	9:00-11:00am	Oregon Public Universities visit
March 10	7:00	Band Concert
March 11		LEAP Deadline
March 12		NO SCHOOL – Grading Day
March 13		NO SCHOOL – Professional Development
March 14	7:45	SAT Testing

## Lancer Parent Association: February 23<sup>rd</sup>

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: February 24<sup>th</sup>**

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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.

## **School Choice Information Meetings: February 25<sup>th</sup>**

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**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](mailto:blake@4j.lane.edu) or 541-790-5100.

Please visit [4j.lane.edu/choice](http://4j.lane.edu/choice) to see the dates and times for all 4j high schools' school choice meetings.

### **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](http://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](http://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

## **Senior Party Planning Meeting: February 26<sup>th</sup>**

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Senior Parents are invited to the Senior Party Planning Meeting on **Thursday, February 26 at 7:00pm** in the Churchill Library. A representative from the senior class will attend to present results from a senior opinion poll. Please email questions to [jamiehogate@gmail.com](mailto:jamiehogate@gmail.com).

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: February 26<sup>th</sup>**

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### **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](mailto:houck_s@4j.lane.edu) or (541) 790-5115.

### **Lancer Pageant Fundraisers: February 28<sup>th</sup>-April 16<sup>th</sup>**

The Lancer Pageant will be holding several fundraising events throughout the duration of the contest. Proceeds are given to the local [Children's Miracle Network](#).

<u>Date and time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
<b>February 28, 12:00pm</b>	Dodgeball tournament with pageant contestants from all schools	Pleasant Hill High School
<b>March 4, 5:00pm</b>	Kennedy students vs. Lancer contestants basketball game	Kennedy Middle School
<b>March 10, 5:00pm</b>	Chapala's fundraiser (25% of sales goes to event)	Chapala's Restaurant
<b>March 16, all day</b>	Papa's Pizza fundraiser (50% of sales goes to event)	Papa's Pizza
<b>April 8, 5:00pm</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> Street Grill fundraiser (25% of sales goes to event)	6 <sup>th</sup> Street Grill
<b>April 11, 10:00am-2:00pm</b>	Car Wash	7-eleven
<b>April 16, 7:00pm</b>	Bunco Night	Churchill High School

### **Spirit Week: March 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>**

Show your Lancer P.R.I.D.E. during Spirit Week!

- Mismatch Monday
- Tie Dye Tuesday
- Western Wednesday
- Fancy Thursday
- Lancer Gear Friday

### **Yearbook Senior Baby Ads: Due March 6<sup>th</sup>**

Due: **Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>**

Cost: \$45

Submission: send baby picture and message (60 words or fewer) to [hoffman\\_s@4j.lane.edu](mailto: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)

### **Oregon Public Universities visit: March 10<sup>th</sup>**

The Oregon Public Universities (University of Oregon, Oregon State University, Oregon State University-Cascades, Eastern Oregon University, Oregon Institute of Technology, Southern Oregon University, Western Oregon University and Portland State University) will be here on **March 10, 2015, 9am -**

**11:10am.** There will be a general overview of the OPU system in the auditorium followed by break-out sessions. Parents are invited to attend. Schedules will be available the day of the event. Students and parents will have the opportunity to meet with admissions representatives.

## Senior Caps and Gowns

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It's not too late to order your cap and gown for graduation! Call Miners Graduate Services at 541-689-4588. Or visit their website: [minersgrad.com](http://minersgrad.com)

## Term 3 Schedules

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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!

## PBiS Attendance Challenge

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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:

	<b>Weeks 1-3 average</b>	<b>Attendance goal</b>
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!)

## Nominations are open now for the 2015 ACE Awards!

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Do you have an outstanding principal, a valued volunteer, or another 4J employee who stands out from the crowd? Please consider taking time to nominate them for an ACE (A Champion in Education) Award! We have a few short weeks before nominations close.

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.

Nominations are welcome in four categories: licensed staff, classified staff, administrators, volunteers.

**Nomination deadline:** Sunday, March 8, at midnight.

**How to nominate:** Go to [The ACE Awards - Nominating](#) to find tips for writing a strong nomination, the criteria used to score nominations, and a link to the nomination site. You can also access the site by going to [www.theaceawards.org](http://www.theaceawards.org)

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

## **News from the School-to-Careers office**

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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 25<sup>th</sup>** - Reading & Writing Placement test.
- Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> - Apply for "L" number and test preparation.
- **Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>** - No testing.
- Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> - Reading & Writing Placement test.
- **Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>** - Spring Break. No School.

LCC Math Placement testing will begin in April.

### **School-to-Careers hosts 2-day resume building/apprenticeship introduction and summer job search workshops**

On Tuesday and Wednesday, **March 3 & 4, 3:30-5:30** School-to-Careers in conjunction with Worksource Lane will host a Job Search/Resume building workshop. Students can sign up online by clicking on the School-to-Careers link on the CHS website under "News." Space is limited to 45 students each day. Please sign up for both days if you can. If you have a resume, please bring it with you. These workshops are specifically designed for teens.

#### **Tuesday, March 3**

3:30-4:00 Apprenticeship Programs in Oregon

4:00-4:20 Break w/Pizza

4:25-5:30 Resume Building & Rebuilding

#### **Wednesday, March 4**

3:30-4:15 Create your own iMatch profile

4:15-4:35 Break w/sub sandwiches

4:40-4:55 Discover your iMatches & other job search resources

4:55-5:10 How to complete an application

5:10-5:30 Interview tips for a positive 1st impression.

### **Attention aspiring scientists, engineers, doctors, and technology whizzes!**

Applications for the Apprenticeships for Science & Engineering summer program are due Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. Students in grades 9-11 who are interested in science, medicine, engineering or technology can apply on the ASE website: [www.saturdayacademy.org/ASE](http://www.saturdayacademy.org/ASE). ASE matches scientists, engineers and technology innovators with students for eight-week internships during the summer. It 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](mailto:mattie@saturdayacademy.org) for more information.

### **Rachel Carson Academy Van Drive**

Please donate today by going to the Churchill website and clicking the Rachel Carson link (the photo of students in front of a yellow bus in the slider box) 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.

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. 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.

### **Looking Ahead ...**

Next SAT Testing: Saturday, **March 14<sup>th</sup>**. Report to the front of *Churchill’s STEM Building* at **7:45 a.m.**

## **Upcoming Scholarship Deadlines**

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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 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](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](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](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**

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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](http://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!



## Lancers in the News

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We are very proud of the accomplishments of all our students. Please take a moment to view our [Lancer Accolades](#) and see what our amazing students have been up to. Here are some recent highlights.

Caden Johnson is working with a Doctor in California to develop technology to help control and prevent the spread of diseases like HIV and Malaria. Caden is also a Varsity Football player. Read more about his project in the *Register Guard*. <http://registerguard.com/rg/news/local/32763597-75/churchill-student-partners-with-doctor-to-track-infectious-diseases.html.csp>

Churchill's very own Hannah Tam was the winner of this year's Eugene Future First Citizen Award. Here are some pictures of Hannah accepting the award. <http://www.chs.lane.edu/2015/02/churchill-student-hannah-tam-wins-future-first-citizen-award/>

## 4J DISTRICT NEWS

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### Important events coming up in Eugene School District 4J

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#### 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.

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

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#### 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 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

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### Apple Campaign 2015

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[applecampaign2015.wix.com/giving](http://applecampaign2015.wix.com/giving)

During the month of February, Burrito Amigos, Papa's Pizza, and other local businesses will be selling paper apples for 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!**

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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](mailto:jbminor@frontier.com) or Miiko Suzuki (Japanese Language Teacher), [suzuki@4j.lane.edu](mailto:suzuki@4j.lane.edu)

### **Stanford Summer Humanities Institute**

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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**

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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](mailto:newgenerationsff@gmail.com).

Submission deadline: **April 27, 2015**

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