



Upcoming School Events

[4J District Calendar](#)

[Churchill High School Calendar](#) or go to www.chs.lane.edu click on "See full calendar" under the "Upcoming Events" heading.

2014-15 End of Year Events

June 2		Last Day for Seniors
June 2	7:00pm	Acting Class One Act Festival
June 4		Graduation Day (see schedule below)
June 6	7:30am	SAT Testing
June 10		Last Day of School (regular schedule)
June 11		Grading Day and Staff Breakfast

2015-16 Back to School Events (see pages 2-3 for more information about registration)

August 11	4-6pm	Fall Sports Registration
August 18		Fall Sports Begin
August 20	9am-12:30pm	Freshman Registration
August 21	8am-2pm	10 th -12 Grade Registration
September 1	7-8:30pm	Ice Cream Social for freshmen and new families
September 9		First Day of School
September 14	10am	Meet the Principal Coffee
September 18		Welcome Assembly
September 18	TBA	Welcome Dance
September 24	TBA	Freshman Class Offices Meeting
September 28		Freshman Class Offices Applications Due
September 29	5-6pm	Meet the Principal Coffee
September 29	6:30-8:30pm	Open House
September 30		Freshman Elections

Graduation: June 4th

Information about graduation may be found at www.chs.lane.edu/seniors.

Graduation Day:

7:45am	Senior Breakfast, Eugene Hilton .
9:30am	Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal, Hult Center
6:00pm	Graduates arrive at the Hult Center for the group photo in caps and gowns.
7:00pm	Graduation, Hult Center
10:30pm	Graduation Night Party, at the University of Oregon Recreation Center

Tickets to the graduation may be purchased at the Churchill front office during lunch or after school through June 3. Tickets for the Senior Breakfast and Graduation Night Party will be sold in the student lounge during lunch or in the front office after school through June 3. Graduation Night Party tickets will also be sold at the Senior Breakfast. Financial assistance is available for all graduation events. See Jill in the front office for more information.

Last Day of School: June 10th

The last day of school will be a normal Wednesday Schedule:

0 Period	8:30-9:30
1 st Period	9:30-10:30
2 nd Period	10:35-11:35
3 rd Period	11:45-12:45
Lunch	12:50-1:20
4 th Period	1:25-2:25
5 th Period	2:30-3:30

Busses will pick up students at the regular time.

Staff Appreciation Breakfast: June 11th

On Thursday, June 10, the Lancer Parent Association is organizing a breakfast to say “thank you” to the Churchill staff for a fantastic school year. The school will provide pancakes. Email lancermom60@yahoo.com if you would like to contribute a breakfast side item.

Pitch Perfect 3

The **Graphic Design Academy** capstone students recently pitched logo design concepts in an effort to brand the Rachel Carson Academy. Twelve advanced design students broke apart into three separate teams and worked through the design process all the way from interviewing the client, to research, to sketches, to multiple revisions, to final comprehensive design. The teams pitched their concepts to a classroom full of Rachel Carson students and guests. Congratulations to Austin Frost, Jenny Broich, Azlyn Moncrief, and Tiger Wu whose logo design was selected as the official Rachel Carson Academy logo.



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/>

Oregon Battle of the Books

The Churchill Bookworm Club is sponsoring the Oregon Battle of the Books. Booklist for 2015-16 just announced:

• Boxers by Gene Luen Yang • The Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown • Dodger by Terry Pratchett • Enchanted by Alethea Kontis Page • Far Far Away by Tom McNeal • 5th Wave by Rick Yancey • Hotel on

the Corner of Bitter and Sweet by Jamie Ford · Immortal Beloved by Cate Tiernan · The Living by Matt de la Peña · My Sister's Keeper by Jodi Picoult · Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline · The Scarlet Pimpernel by Baroness Orczy

Back to School 2015-16

We would like to welcome our new students to Churchill High School for the 2015-16 school year. There are several events in August and September to help you become acquainted with our school, including registration day, coffees with Principal BJ Blake, and our Open House. Please see the schedule at the top of this newsletter, and keep an eye out on our website at www.chs.lane.edu for the most current information and updates.

What to expect on registration day:

Parents should come with their students, if possible, to help make the registration process go smoothly. Our registration forms require a parent signature.

Students will receive their class schedules. **If your student has not already completed forecasting for next school year, contact his or her counselor as soon as possible.** The counselors will be out of the office during the summer, and will not be available to help your student forecast or sign up for classes until they return in the fall.

- **Freshmen:** Tibor Bessko, bessko_t@4j.lane.edu
- **Sophomores:** Katy McAuliffe, mcauliffe@4j.lane.edu
- **Juniors and Seniors:** Shannon Roseta, roseta@4j.lane.edu

Be prepared to have your school picture taken. Your picture will be used for your school ID card and the yearbook.

You should also be prepared to pay school fees like class fees, the technology fee, and fall sports fees. Students may also complete the parking contract and pay for your parking pass for the year. This form requires a parent's signature. Free and Reduced-Price Meals forms will also be available. Families who qualify for free or reduced meals may also qualify for reduced fees for sports and other school programs. You can learn more about the benefits available to families who qualify at <http://www.4j.lane.edu/nutrition/freelunchbenefits/> or <http://www.4j.lane.edu/nutrition/freelunch/>.

Athletes, please note that fall sports registration is before the school registration day. Don't miss out on your opportunity to play in fall sports.

Seniors and other students who plan to graduate in 2016 may pay their graduation fee at registration. Parents should also start thinking about planning the Graduation Night Party for next year. It takes a lot of planning and preparation and the committee should start meeting by November to start fundraising and looking for a venue.

Staff Spotlight

Steve Grossberg is a math teacher here at Churchill. He teaches Algebra 1 and Geometry. He grew up in Los Altos, California's Silicon Valley. Off to San Diego State he went, (and Sonoma State too) where he received his bachelor's degree in physics. Mr. Grossberg loves traveling and learning about cultures, and a high point for him was when he took his family to live in Costa Rica for two years. He enjoys soccer and helps run a soccer academy for middle school and high school kids. Mr. G. has 2 kids, 2 cats and numerous video games. Ask him about his feats in "Plants & Zombies" and "Balloons."

Morgan Christensen is an assistant principal here at Churchill High School. Mr. C. went to college at University of Wisconsin – Stout, then migrated from there to University of Oregon where he became a permanent duck. Mr. C. studied art, English and PE and later got his Masters of Education –

Administration. Education is truly his passion and someday he hopes to get his PHD. For fun he enjoys traveling especially by bike, and he is famous for his delicious smoothies. A great accomplishment for Mr. C. was biking the Dolomites, a mountain range in Northern Italy with an elevation of 10,000 feet! Ask him about his 'lumpy-grumpy' dog, Jazz and his cat, Henry Moore.

News from the School-to-Careers office

LCC Placement testing in Reading & Writing, & Math

Testing is by appointment only, now through June 11.

Contact Mary Beth in the School-to-Careers office at: elam_m@4j.lane.edu or call 541-790-5262.

Next SAT Testing: Saturday, **June 6th**. Report to the front of *Churchill's STEM Building* at **7:30 a.m.** Signs will be posted. Bring two No. 2 pencils (no mechanical pencils allowed) and a calculator with extra batteries, and snacks to keep up your energy.

Work Study 2015-2016 resumes accepted

The School-to-Careers office is now accepting resumes for Work Study 2015-2016 positions. Students must be rising juniors and seniors and meet the following prerequisites: a minimum 2.0 G.P.A., a minimum of unexcused absences, and on track for graduation.

Prospective students must also create a résumé and have an initial interview with the School-to-Careers Coordinator, Mary Beth, in the STEM building office. This course offers paid, on-the-job training in one of several 4j District offices or schools. Students will learn entry-level, transferable office skills that could include operating a variety of office equipment such as multi-line phones, copiers, laminators, and fax machines; and also training in customer service, confidentiality, and Microsoft Excel. This class is graded by number of hours worked, supervisor evaluations, and course work and testing from the Job Savvy text. A maximum of 3.0 credits is allowed. Enrollment is dependent on hiring. These are competitive positions. Go to: [http://staff.4j.lane.edu/~elam_m/School to Careers/Work Study.html](http://staff.4j.lane.edu/~elam_m/School_to_Careers/Work_Study.html) for more information and to download a résumé template and a sample syllabus.

"Rachel's Van" Fund drive motors along

Since one of the Rachel Carson Academy's activity vans was recently retired due to age and disrepair, the Academy and Eugene 4J are seeking funding support to purchase a new van to replace it. Specifically, the Academy would like to raise a contribution of \$20,000 to supplement the District's expenditure of \$35,000 toward a van that has a purchase price of \$55,000. If you are able to contribute to our cause in any way, we would be thankful. To donate, click [RACHEL'S VAN](#). Activity vans are a vital resource that enables the Rachel Carson Academy to provide field-based learning opportunities and transport students to and from outdoor sites located in Lane County, and throughout Oregon and California. Remember to designate your contribution as "Rachel Carson's Van".

A Letter to Graduates

Dear Graduate,

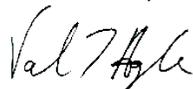
Congratulations on your graduation! Your hard work and commitment have paid off, and now is the time to join your friends, family, and community in celebrating all that you've done.

This is the start of an exciting new adventure for you, whether you're headed for college, career training, the military, or the workforce. My wish for you is that you'll take advantage of the exciting new opportunities that are open to you, and that you'll find happiness and fulfillment in tackling every new challenge.

You'll carry your high school experience with you for the rest of your life—not just the academic lessons you've learned, but the relationships you've built and the communities you've created. You're graduating with a foundation for lifelong success.

On behalf of our entire community, I'm proud of everything you've accomplished, and I wish you continued success through the coming years. Please don't hesitate to contact my office if we can ever be of assistance.

All the Best,



Val Hoyle
House Majority Leader
House District 14

4J DISTRICT NEWS

Free and Reduced Benefits

All 4J families are encouraged to learn more about the benefits of the Free and Reduced-Price meals program. Families who qualify can benefit outside of the school lunch program with free bus passes, healthcare, low cost internet, reduced sports fees, and more!

Learn more about these benefits at <http://www.4j.lane.edu/nutrition/freelunchbenefits/> or <http://www.4j.lane.edu/nutrition/freelunch/>

SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM FEEDS KIDS FOR FREE

Summer is coming, and it's time to make sure kids eat healthy while school is out. 4J School District serves free meals to children during the summer.

There is no income requirement or registration. Any child under age 18 may come to eat. For more information, contact Nutrition Services at 541-790-7656

Adults are welcome to eat for \$3.00

Meals will be served at the following locations:

Awbrey Park Elementary

June 22nd-August 21st
Breakfast 8:30-9:00 AM
Lunch 11:00-12:00 PM

Cesar Chavez Elementary

June 22nd-August 21st
Breakfast 8:30-9:15 AM
Lunch 11:30-12:30 PM

Madison Middle School

July 6th-July 29th
Breakfast 8:30-9:00 AM
Lunch 11:15-12:15 PM

Spring Creek Elementary

June 22nd-August 21st
Lunch 11:30-12:30 PM

Holt Elementary

July 20th-August 21st
Lunch 11:30-12:30 PM

Churchill High, North Eugene High, Sheldon High, and South Eugene High

Breakfast 8:30-9:15 AM
Lunch 12:00-1:00 PM

River Road Elementary

June 22nd-August 21st
Lunch 11:30-12:30 PM

South Eugene Rowing Club



Have a blast this summer at the 4J district wide **South Eugene Rowing Club** Camp on Dexter Lake! Open to girls and boys entering 8th - 12th grade from throughout the community. We provide new rowers an opportunity to discover the joys of rowing in a

fun, team environment. Transportation is provided to and from South Eugene High School to Dexter Lake. Times are 8:00 am - 2:30 pm. **Session 1: July 21 - 25th, Session 2: July 28 - August 1**
Those who attend both weeks have the opportunity to travel to Seattle for a regatta on Saturday, August 2! For more information or to register, please go to <http://oarjrcrew.org/summer-camp>

Surveys invite parents input

We would like to hear from you about your experiences and preferences, to help us improve in the future.

How well does our school communicate, engage and partner with you as parents?

If you have a student receiving special education services, what are your experiences, opinions and preferences?

Two surveys, one about parent and family engagement and one about special education, are open until Friday, June 5. You can more information and a link to the surveys online at www.4j.lane.edu/2015/05/district-invites-parent-input/. If you would prefer to complete the survey on paper, you can pick up a copy in the school office or the district office.

Please take a few minutes between now and June 5 to complete the surveys. Your feedback will be used to inform our efforts to continually improve our district, our schools and our partnership with parents to help students succeed.

Invitamos a los padres a dar sus opiniones

Nos gustaría saber sus experiencias y preferencias para ayudarnos a mejorar en el futuro.

¿Qué tan bien se comunica, participa y colabora con los padres nuestra escuela?

También invitamos a familias de estudiantes en educación especial a compartir sus experiencias y preferencias sobre los servicios de educación especial.

Dos encuestas, una sobre la comunicación y participación de la escuela con los padres (bit.ly/4jparentsurvey2015spanish) y el otro sobre los servicios de educación especial (bit.ly/4jspecialedsurvey2015spanish), están disponibles hasta el viernes, 5 de junio. Si prefiere completar la encuesta en papel, puede recoger una copia en la oficina de la escuela o del distrito escolar.

Favor de tomarse unos minutos entre el día de hoy y el 5 de junio para completar las encuestas. Sus opiniones y sugerencias se utilizarán para mejorar de manera continua nuestro distrito escolar, nuestras escuelas, nuestros servicios, y nuestra interacción con los padres para ayudar a todos los estudiantes a tener éxito.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Summer Academy to Inspire Learning

The Summer Academy to Inspire Learning (SAIL) is a University of Oregon program led by volunteer faculty, and aimed at increasing students' enrollment and success in college. SAIL invites 8th through 12th grade students that qualify for the Free and Reduced Lunch program to attend FREE, annual academic summer camps until they graduate from high school. <http://sail.uoregon.edu/>
Brochure: <https://blogs.uoregon.edu/sail/files/2012/10/SAIL-Brochure-2014-108hg6u.pdf>

LCC High School Summer Training

[Flyer](#)

<http://www.lanetitans.net/hs-fitness/>

University of Oregon Summer enrichment Programs

<http://uoyetag.uoregon.edu/summer-programs/sep-html/>

Light Extravaganza at University of Oregon: June 5th

<http://oco.uoregon.edu/graduate/osa/iyo>

Pop-Up Tour Headed to a Location Near You This Summer!

The City of Eugene Parks and Recreation Divisions are launching an 18-month effort called PARKS and RECreate to establish a plan that will guide Eugene's parks and recreation places and spaces through the next decade. And, they can't do it without community input. Take the time to visit one of their cool pop-up events or provide feedback online about what you envision for the future of parks and recreation spaces in Eugene.

FREE activities include:

- Chatter Box Recording Station
- Picture Your Parks Photo Booth
- Pedal Powered Music
- Kids' Activities
- Ice Cream

For a full list of Pop-up Tour dates and locations, visit www.EUGparksandrec.org

PICTURE the possibilities. PLAN places and spaces. PLAY for years to come!

For more information, call 541-682-4800

NorthWest Student Exchange

Dear Churchill Parents!

We are NorthWest Student Exchange! This current past school year we had 11 students or so placed in the Eugene School District who have had very successful programs and made lifelong friendships with their host families and new American friends! We have many students that would be great matches for Churchill High School and the Eugene community! They arrive from all over the world with a wide variety of interests! Many love to become involved in community volunteer work but also school clubs and sports! Families can be single parent families, two parent families with or without children in the home, families with young children/teenaged kids, grandmas and grandpas! Please call Cynthia Burgeson, Regional Manager, NorthWest Student Exchange - ([541](tel:5412073897)) [207-3897](tel:2073897) with questions and no obligation to host! I look so forward to hearing from you!

CCI Greenheart International Exchange Students

We have new International Exchange Students coming to your area this coming August and we are still looking for loving families to host them. We accept all kinds of families, kids, no kids, empty nesters, single parents, and so on. The main requirement is love, kindness and willingness to learn about your student's culture while sharing your own.

We have a great group of students arriving in Oregon for the 2015-2016 school year. Our students are age 15-18 and have the appropriate visa, medical insurance as well as their own spending money. We

have students from over 60 countries with a variety of interests, talents, and hobbies. We take pride in matching students with a family of like interests. Sometimes the commonality is as basic as curiosity in another language and culture. Hosting an exchange student proves to be a great promoter of diversity and diplomacy for our local communities. It is also an incredible opportunity to make the lifelong dream of an international teen come true, enrich the lives of your family and those in your community, and contribute in a significant way to global peace and understanding.

A few brief profiles are included below. We have more detailed information on each and many additional students waiting to hear about their American families. If there is a certain type of student you think would be a good match for your family please let me know.

You can obtain additional information on hosting or apply to be a host family at the following link:

<http://www.cci-exchange.com/usprograms/host.aspx>

Anna from Germany (15, female)

Anna volunteers as a soccer coach for six-year old boys and helps with the kids department of the fire brigade in her home country of Germany. She loves playing guitar and will sometimes collaborate with her father and older brother on the drums. She plays soccer three times per week, and it's very important to her. Horseback riding is also something that Anna loves – especially the Western style. Anna is a vegetarian but is ok if others in the family eat meat. She would prefer a family without dogs if possible.

Mai from Japan (15, female)

Mai from Japan has been playing piano for more than ten years. She calls it a hobby, but considering her love of music, it seems more like a passion. She also loves to sing Karaoke with her friends and family. Mai likes to help her mother in the kitchen to prepare traditional Japanese fair, like karaage (fried chicken), and yakisoba (fried noodle). Mai is well liked in school and was elected as class representative. She is described as friendly, polite, kind, caring, and considerate. She knows the fine art of Japanese calligraphy and has displayed her work at exhibitions.

Fernando from Brazil (16, male)

Fernando loves music. He plays in a band, drums and guitar. His other passion is to keep moving with sports. He is currently playing soccer for a state team "Bahia". When not playing soccer, he is training with his basketball team, Fernando hopes to meet new friends in the US that want to play soccer and basketball with him.

Lihour from Cambodia (16, female)

Lihour loves to be outside, gardening and planting flowers and plants. She is also learning to cook and looks forward to cook with her American family. Lihour enjoys watching tv shows in English, to practice the language. Reading fiction and comedy books is a daily activity for Lihour. She likes anything to read but horror stories.

Gonzalo from Spain (15, male)

One of Gonzalo's favorite activities is playing paddle tennis. It is very similar to normal tennis, but the court is smaller and it has walls. He has practiced this sport since I was 8 years old. Gonzalo also loves skiing. It is his favorite sport and has done it since he was 3 years old. Gonzalo likes science fiction and fantasy books such as The Hunger Games or Harry Potter. He usually reads at night before going to bed.

Please contact Kristin Babby for additional information or with any questions you may have.

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México, Summer 2016!

Join the Cultural Expedition Club - For 9th and 10th grades (currently) - Experience the culture of modern cities and traditional hometowns in the regions of Mexico City, Guadalajara and Rincón de Guayabitos.

What is the purpose of this trip? The purpose of this trip is to expose serious students with a different culture and observe those traditions. To experience the native Spanish language through school visits and family stays. It will also be an opportunity to participate in hands-on experiences such as learning how to cook homemade traditional Mexican dishes, interacting with families and youth, school systems and experiencing cultural workshops. Possible projects/community service during our trip may take place.

What are the dates of this trip? This is a 17-day trip for the summer, July 18 through August 3, 2016.

How much will this trip cost me? Our proposed budget, for each student is \$2,500. This will include the round trip tickets; transportation, food, hotel stay, entertainment and activity expenses, travel insurance, and family/home stay contributions and, other student/administration fees.

We want students who are serious and willing to accept the challenge, in order to experience something totally different. If you are it and highly interested and committed, then talk to your parents about this trip and request an application and other informational paperwork regarding this trip.

Interested? Are you willing to accept this challenge? Contact Beto Montes at 541-790-4555 or email montes@4j.lane.edu to request more information. Spaces are limited!