



August 1, 2017

Churchill Families,

Welcome to the 2017–2018 school year. In this special, back-to-school issue of the *G'Lancer* you will find a calendar of events and information that you need to know for the first day of school on September 6.

We hope that you find the *G'Lancer* useful and informative. In an effort to make the newsletter more relevant for families, we are reducing the frequency of the publications to align them with the school calendar. Look for the *G'Lancer* in your email inbox at the beginning of each term, plus our special back-to-school issue in August and summer issue in June.

## CHURCHILL NEWS

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

**Churchill Athletic Calendar:** [www.osaa.org/schools/227](http://www.osaa.org/schools/227)

**Churchill High School Calendar:** Go to [www.chs.lane.edu](http://www.chs.lane.edu) > Upcoming Events > [See full calendar](#)

<b>August 2</b>	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Fall Athletics Information Night</b>
August 9		Fall Athletics Registration Deadline
August 14		Fall Athletics practices begin
<b>August 18</b>	<b>12–4pm</b>	<b>Churchill 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration</b>
August 21–25		Summer Bridge
<b>August 24</b>	<b>9am–12pm</b>	<b>Registration: 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Grades and New Students</b>
<b>August 25</b>	<b>9am–12pm</b>	<b>Registration: 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Grades</b>
August 26	7:30am	SAT Testing
August 27		Project Hope Kids Fair
<b>August 28</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Ice Cream Social (new students and incoming freshmen)</b>
September 4		Labor Day—Schools Closed
September 5		Planning Day—No School
<b>September 6</b>		<b>First Day of School—normal Wednesday late-start schedule</b>

### Summer Office Hours

Monday–Thursday, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Closed on Fridays.

Regular office hours resume on August 21. Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

### Volunteers

We rely on the efforts of skilled and dedicated volunteers to make Churchill a place for everyone. Volunteer opportunities are available throughout the school. We can put your skills to use for our students, whether it is grounds maintenance, tutoring, answering phones, designing bulletin boards, building sets for musicals, or helping students apply for college and scholarships. Volunteers impact every student that comes through our school.

All volunteers must complete the 4J Volunteer Application at <http://www.4j.lane.edu/hr/volunteers/>. Volunteer background checks expire after 2 years, and each volunteer must complete the application again to renew their background check at the end of the 2 years. **Only registered volunteers who have completed SafeSchools training may be on campus or chaperone a school function or field trip without a staff escort.** If you did not complete the volunteer application for Churchill last year, you will need to complete a new application this year. Contact our volunteer coordinator, Jill Reents, at [reents\\_ji@4j.lane.edu](mailto:reents_ji@4j.lane.edu) to check your volunteer status.

## **School Supplies**

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Churchill does not provide a school supply list because each course may require different materials. Teachers will provide a supply list along with the course syllabus at the beginning of each term. We recommend purchasing a few basic supplies such as pencils, pens, and notebooks.

## **Mike's Closet Accepting Donations**

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Through Mike's Closet, students can receive needed school supplies, clothing, shoes, backpacks, and hygiene products. We rely on the generous contributions of families and community members to keep Mike's Closet stocked with supplies. While you are back-to-school shopping, please consider purchasing an extra binder, box of pens or pencils, notebook, or backpack to donate to the school. Some of our most frequently requested items are gym clothes and shoes. Donations are accepted at the front office.

## **IHS at Churchill Accepting New Enrollments**

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There is still room in Eugene IHS at Churchill for the 2017-2018 school year. Students can join through junior year. Are your students curious about global events? Do they enjoy considering different perspectives on world issues? Do they want to make a difference in their local and global community? Over the course of four years students will study aspects of nations around the globe. All students have to take Language Arts and Social Studies so if you like studying about other countries and cultures you might be interested in Eugene International High School at Churchill! Eugene IHS is open via district lottery to any student who wishes to attend. **For more information please visit our website at [www.ihs.4j.lane.edu](http://www.ihs.4j.lane.edu) or contact the Eugene IHS Office at Churchill at 541-790-5225.**

## **Fall Athletics Information Night: August 2, 6:00 p.m.**

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Fall athletics include volleyball, soccer, football, and cross country. If your student plans to participate in fall athletics, or you would like to learn more, please come to our Fall Athletics Information Night on Tuesday, August 2 at 6:00 p.m. You will meet our Athletic Director, Kelly Bokn, and the coach for your sport, as well as learn valuable information about our teams, practice schedules, and school rules.

### **Correction: Sports physicals will be offered first-come-first-served for \$25 at 5:30pm.**

Athletic registration is available online now at <http://www.chs.lane.edu/athletics>. If you need assistance with registration, please come to the front office for help.

Fall athletic practices begin on August 14. Registrations completed after August 9th may not be processed in time to be eligible to practice on August 14th.

## **Churchill 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration: August 18, 12:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.**

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Churchill High School opened its doors in 1966. Join us in celebrating 50 years of educating students.

12–1pm: Gourmet burger lunch will be served by food vendors (for purchase) and Churchill gear will be available (for purchase)

1–2pm: Welcome from the principal, recognition of alumni and performances by CHS musical ensembles

2–3pm: School tours and a look back in time (exhibit of historic memorabilia)

3–4pm: Mingle with former and current classmates and teachers, listen to music by Churchill students and take pictures in front of the Rock

## **Registration: August 24 and 25, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.**

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**New Students: Please enroll now at the registrar's office.** Enrollment paperwork is available at the registrar's office or online at <http://www.4j.lane.edu/instruction/enrollment/howtoenroll/> (scroll to the bottom of the page for forms). Enrollments will be accepted on registration days, but we encourage you to enroll ahead of time to help your registration day run smoothly.

**August 24, 9am–12pm: New Students, 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Grades** (Experienced Churchill students will offer school tours for new students and help them find their locker and classrooms.)

**August 25, 9am–12pm: 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Grades**

On registration days, students will receive their class schedules, take school pictures, receive student ID/ASB cards, pay fees, purchase parking passes, sign up for lockers and more. More information and forms: [www.chs.lane.edu/2017/07/back-to-school-registration-and-enrollment-2017/](http://www.chs.lane.edu/2017/07/back-to-school-registration-and-enrollment-2017/)

If your student is unable to attend on their assigned registration day, you may attend the alternate day or send a parent or family member in their place. If no family member can attend either day of registration, please come to the office to complete your registration before school starts. School pictures must be made up on picture retake day on October 9.

**School Portraits:** School portraits are provided by Lifetouch. Order online at [my.lifetouch.com](http://my.lifetouch.com) and enter Picture Day ID LO437727Y0. Paper order sheets will be available at registration or in the office after registration. All students take photos and receive a student ID card free of charge. Students who choose to purchase an ASB card will receive an ID card with an ASB seal.

### **SAT Testing: August 26, 7:30 a.m.**

Report to the front of Churchill's main building at 7:30 a.m. Signs will be posted. Bring your ID and admission ticket, two No. 2 pencils (no mechanical pencils allowed) and a calculator with extra batteries, and snacks and water.

### **Ice Cream Social: August 28, 7:00 p.m.**

New Churchill Students and their families are invited to enjoy some ice cream and get to know the school, administrators, teachers and counselors. We'll start with a short presentation in the auditorium, then move to the courtyard for ice cream bars, mingling and school tours.

### **First Day of School: September 6**

First period classes begin at 9:30 on Wednesdays. Come early to find your classroom and get settled in. For bus pickup times, call the transportation office at 541-790-7474.

#### **Regular Bell Schedule**

<b>Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday</b>	<b>Wednesday (Late Start)</b>
0 Period** 7:30–8:30	8:30–9:20
1 <sup>st</sup> Period 8:40–9:50	9:30–10:30
2 <sup>nd</sup> Period 9:55–11:05	10:35–11:35
3 <sup>rd</sup> Period 11:15–12:25	11:45–12:45
Lunch 12:30–1:00	12:50–1:20
4 <sup>th</sup> Period 1:05–2:15	1:25–2:25
5 <sup>th</sup> Period 2:20–3:30	2:30–3:30

\*\*0 Period schedules vary. Please ask your teacher or check your course syllabus for correct times.\*\*

## **..... COLLEGE AND CAREER CENTER NEWS**

### **FAFSA**

Senior families, the process to apply for federal and state financial aid funds has changed. You may fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) beginning October 1, 2017. This is a change from previous years. You will use your 2016 financial information to complete the form. It is wise to fill out the form even if you believe you will not be eligible for federal and state aid. Some scholarships and state aid require FAFSA data as part of the application process.

You can prepare now. Before October 1st:

1. Create an FSA ID now. The FSA ID is the username and password you will use to access and sign the FAFSA. Both the student and the parent must have an FSA ID. You will need your social security number to create the FSA ID. Go to <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/filling-out/fsaid> and follow the steps to create your ID.
2. Gather the information for the student and parent that you will use to fill out the FAFSA:
  - a. Social Security numbers for the student and parent(s)

- b. Alien Registration number if applicable
  - c. 2016 Federal tax return if you filed
  - d. Records of untaxed income
  - e. Cash, savings and checking account balances
  - f. Investments other than the home in which you live
  - g. \*\*\*\*If you have any questions about creating your FSA ID or what documents you will need, call the Federal Student Aid Information Center @ 1-800-433-3243
3. Attend the Financial Aid and Scholarship Information Night on Thursday, September 26 @ 6:30pm in the Auditorium and the hands on FAFSA Completion workshops Monday, October 9th, Thursday, October 12th, 2017 and Wednesday, January 17th and Wednesday January 18th, 2018. All workshops will be held 4:00pm - 7:00pm in F36. Financial aid professionals will be available to help you fill out your FAFSA and answer questions.

### **More Upcoming Events you do not want to miss:**

September 14th—Senior Welcome Night and Reception. College and Career Center, School to Career and Counseling staff want to help you navigate a sometimes stressful senior year.

September 21st—Navigating High School Information Night for all Churchill families. 6:30pm in the Auditorium. Let us help you plan for what's ahead. We will discuss graduation requirements, good practices for each grade level, where to go for help and much more.

October 5th—Oregon State University—Cascades visit. 10:30am in F39

October 17th—Scholarship Application Workshop. 4:00pm–7:00pm in F36

November—College Application Week. Dates to be determined

November 14th—Scholarship Application workshop. 3:45pm–5:00pm in F36

December 12th—College and Scholarship Application Workshop. 3:45pm–5:00pm

### **The College and Career Center needs you!**

Our primary function is to work with students to explore their career interests; research college, career, scholarship and financial aid opportunities; assist them with college, employment and scholarship applications and resumes. We have a lot of fun and the work is very rewarding. A big bonus is that you will have your finger on the pulse of everything you and your student need to know to navigate the the sometimes confusing path toward life after high school. For more information, contact Sheree Houck, [houck\\_s@4j.lane.edu](mailto:houck_s@4j.lane.edu).

### **Get to know Naviance!**

Naviance is a computer based learning tool used for career, college and scholarship research; requesting transcripts for college and scholarship applications and letters of recommendation from teachers and tracking submission of college application documents. From their Naviance account students can access a calendar of college and career related events such as on site visits, workshops, help sessions; off campus college and career fairs, campus tour opportunities, frequently used documents, scholarship databases, scholarship applications and much more.

Students also use Naviance to complete assignments as part of their Personalized Learning graduation requirement.

Parents may also have a Naviance account to access information and track their student's progress toward completion of the Personalized Learning Graduation requirements. To request a registration code and instructions for setting up a parent account, email [churchill\\_career@4j.lane.edu](mailto:churchill_career@4j.lane.edu) with "Naviance" in the subject line. Please give your student(s) name and for which parent(s) you are requesting code(s). Registration codes will be sent out beginning September 25, 2017 and every Monday thereafter.

## **Eclipse: Monday, August 21**

On **Monday, August 21**, the sun will begin to drop behind the Moon's shadow beginning around 8:45 am and will be at **maximum totality around 10:15 am for 2 min. and 30 sec.** and take another hour and half for the full sun to be visible again. Eugene is just slightly off the path of totality, but this will be still in the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile of totality. This is an amazing life opportunity to experience this natural spectacle, but to do so safely, the public is advised to wear proper solar eclipse glasses that they can pick up at our Eugene Library beginning Monday, Aug. 14 until before the day of the eclipse, but on a first-come, first-served basis.

The **Eugene Library** is holding several upcoming events about the Solar Eclipse and you can learn more here: <https://www.eugene-or.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=3040>

For those unable to secure their own solar eclipse glasses, they should still follow safe viewing techniques by using pinhole projectors and referring to these **safety guidelines**: <https://eclipse2017.nasa.gov/safety>

Everyone is welcome to use this **simulator** to put in their location to see a simulation of what it will look like where they are located: <https://eclipsemega.movie/simulator?lat=44.0520691&lng=-123.08675360000001>

The **City of Eugene Recreation** is having a viewing party at Skinner's Butte with shuttles from Campbell Community Center the day of: <https://www.eugene-or.gov/calendar.aspx?eid=13010>

There are tons of resources, activities, events, and video simulations to explain what they are seeing on the **official NASA Eclipse 2017 website**: <https://eclipse2017.nasa.gov/>

## **Bullying, Harassment, and Discrimination**

Eugene School District 4J has policies and programs to prohibit and prevent bullying and harassment, including intimidation, cyberbullying, hazing and teen dating violence. Discrimination, meaning any act that has the purpose or effect of unreasonably differentiating in treatment in any instructional program, extracurricular activity, or in the provision of any other service or benefit, is prohibited on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation (actual or perceived), gender identity or expression, national origin, marital status, age or disability.

The district encourages students, parents and other patrons to share their concerns with district officials if they believe they or someone else has been the victim of bullying and harassment, including intimidation, cyberbullying, hazing and teen dating violence, or discrimination. No reprisal or adverse action will occur as a consequence of initiating a complaint in good faith.

Incidents should be reported to the school principal or other staff member. If the complainant has worked with the school and is not satisfied with the resolution, or if the principal is believed to be involved, a complaint may be directed to the superintendent's office. Complaint forms and information about the complaint process are available in all 4J school offices and at the 4J Education Center, 200 North Monroe Street, Eugene, OR 97402. For more information, contact your school principal or the superintendent's office, 541-790-7707.

## **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/>.