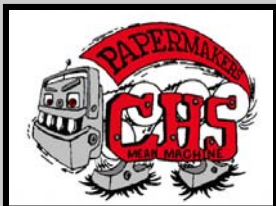


CHS Parent Newsletter

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Camas High School



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Career and Technical Education or "CTE" Check it out!

While most Career & Technical Education (CTE) courses are an elective choice for students throughout high school, some are required such as health and Freshman Focus, and some options even fulfill core requirements such as CWI, a third year of math, world language, and fine arts. One occupational credit is required for graduation. Students may fulfill this requirement many ways.

If a student joins a CTE program as a Freshman or Sophomore, this allows for the opportunity to move through an entire Program of Study such as: Business Education, Microsoft IT Academy, Financial Services, Marketing Education, Culinary Arts, Early Childhood Education, Graphic Design, Sign Language Interpreting, Engineering, or Technology Education. Older students may still be exploring Career options, as well, by enrolling in a CTE exploratory or preparatory course.

Career & Technical Education courses provide a contextual, applied approach to learning, help students develop particular skill sets, and provide unique leadership opportunities. Attached you will find specific course descriptions to help you and your student make informed choices for classes in 2012-13. Forecasting occurs the week of March 12, 2012.

Link to Camas High School CTE Brochure:

<http://chs.camas.wednet.edu/wp-content/uploads/2010/12/cte.pdf>

 **CTE** Learning that works for Washington



Whooping cough cases in our state highest in six years!

New recommendation for pregnant women can help protect more babies.

OLYMPIA –Whooping cough is a growing problem in our state, with the number of cases increasing by more than 50 percent between 2010 and 2011. There were 912 cases for 2011 — the highest in six years. There were 608 cases reported in 2010. In recent years, adolescents and adults have accounted for an increasing proportion of cases.

"The number of reported cases is just the tip of the iceberg," says State Health Officer and pediatrician Dr. Maxine Hayes. "Many young people and adults who get pertussis may not know they have it and don't seek medical attention."

[Whooping cough \(www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/Immunize/diseases/pertussis\)](http://www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/Immunize/diseases/pertussis), also known as pertussis, is a highly contagious respiratory illness spread by coughing and sneezing. It affects people of all ages but is most serious in infants, especially those too young to get vaccinated or who aren't fully protected. It causes cold-like symptoms followed by a [long, severe cough \(www.pkids.org/diseases/pertussis.html\)](http://www.pkids.org/diseases/pertussis.html) that can last for weeks. Adolescents and adults often get a much milder case of whooping cough, but they can still spread it.

A new recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices calls for pregnant women to get pertussis vaccine (Tdap) later in pregnancy (after 20 weeks' gestation). Women who get Tdap vaccine before or during pregnancy pass on extra protection against pertussis to their babies. It's important for anyone who takes care of or has close contact with babies to get pertussis vaccine, ideally at least two weeks before beginning close contact with the infant. This includes siblings of infants who should be up-to-date on DTaP and other recommended immunizations.

Tdap vaccine is available for adolescents and adults through age 64. Adults 65 and older who expect to have close contact with babies younger than 12 months should get a dose of Tdap to help protect the baby from pertussis. Health care workers of all ages who have contact with infants should get vaccinated too.

Most people get a series of pertussis vaccines when they're kids, but protection wears off over time. The Department of Health recommends people substitute a Tdap vaccine for one routine tetanus (Td) booster, which is needed every 10 years; people should get it sooner if they're in close contact with young kids or live in an area where there are pertussis cases. There's no minimum time period between getting Td and Tdap vaccines. Only one Tdap vaccine is recommended in a person's lifetime.

All recommended vaccines are offered to all kids under 19 at no cost through health care provider offices participating in the state's Childhood Vaccine Program. Health care providers may charge an office visit fee and a fee to give the vaccine, called an administration fee. People who cannot afford the administration fee can ask their regular health care provider to waive the cost. Adults should talk to their insurance carriers about coverage for pertussis vaccine.

More information on preventing whooping cough is available by contacting your [local health agency](#) (www.doh.wa.gov/LHJMap/LHJMap.htm) or the Department of Health's [Office of Immunization and Child Profile](#) (www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/Immunize) at 360-236-3595.

The [Department of Health website](http://www.doh.wa.gov) (www.doh.wa.gov) is your source for *a healthy dose of information*.

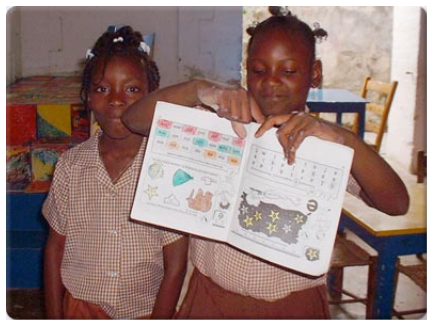




Camas High School ASL



Camas High School ASL Students cordially invite you to attend a fun filled wonderful evening of students signing songs to benefit our sisters and brothers at a Deaf School in Haiti.



"Not Your Average Joe Show"

When: Monday, March 26

Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm

Cost: \$3 (All proceeds go directly to Deaf School in Haiti)

Where: Camas High School Theatre
26900 Southeast 15th Street
Camas, WA 98607

For more information contact: Lori Ann Whalen-Kordalis,
loriann.kordalis@camas.wednet.edu

Peace, Love and ASL!

CAMAS DECA CHAPTER SHINES AT AREA COMPETITION Sends 72 Representatives to State

Camas High School's DECA chapter sent 125 Students to compete at the Cowlitz County Expo Center in Longview, Washington. Students in classes ranging from Introduction to Marketing, Advanced Marketing, Advanced Placement Microeconomics, and the Student Store all came together to compete for their school. Each student chose a particular marketing event where they competed in two event-specific role plays and one marketing based test. These scores were tallied at the end of the day where awards were distributed. Overall, Camas High School had 79 different students win awards, ranging from 1st to 6th in each sub-category and 60 overall category medal recipients. Those who received medals in the overall category qualified for the State Career Development Conference and will compete March 8th-10th in Bellevue, Washington.

In addition, students mailed 15-30 written marketing research event projects to be judge by business members from the Seattle area. Approximately 20 written projects qualified which increase the total number of students attending state competition to **72**. Camas High School DECA has had a reputation for success in past years. In 2011, Camas DECA sent 44 students to state and 18 to the International Career and Development Conference (ICDC) in Orlando, Florida. This year, those who place in the top 6 overall in each category at the State Career Development Conference will move on to the International Career Development Conference (ICDC) in Salt Lake City, Utah at the end of April. Below is a list of all the students that have qualified for state competition.

Nolan Gilmour	Wyatt Brown	Autumn Wood	David Meyer
Perry Truong	Mikayla Lindstrom	Ashley Atkins	Kassidi Sorensen
Amanda Tennyson	Ollie Stanchfield	Annika Bales	Josh Bates
Marc Crinon	Kailey Burris	Austin Kaphammer	Teal Fielding
Curtis Little	Jake Hsu	Brooke Christensen	Nicole Madrigal
Macon Sumpter	Kyla Sumpter	Andrea DiGenova	Jefferson Yuan
Dylan Jones	Dalton Wunderlich	Austin Barr	Sam Ellis
Aksa Manzer	Courtney Swan	Jared Smith	Thomas Hudson
Derek Hood	Drew Clarkson	Max Goss	Jamison Hibbard
Jacob Scott	Nolan Valenter	Rachael Bonazelli	Shiraz Batroukh
Alistair Graham	David Kinsman	Grace Garfield	Rachael Grant
Aaron McMahan	Nick Napier	Sierra Brown	Sarah Kelley
Matt Rose	Katie Shin	Courtney White	Megan Napier
Jasmyne Samuels	Edward Grigoryan	Mary Leighton	Honor Stevenson
Madison Berkeley	Hunter Gurney	Sulamitta Stepanyuk	Matt Palodichuk
Ben Hagen	Vanessa Serrano	Hannah Tweet	Chase Gallagher
Scott Feather	Joseph Kashas	Brandon Vega	Blake Christopher
Keaton King	Josue Martinez	Andy Peterson	Ian Ulmer

2012 Grad Night Post Office

Dear Families,

As we plan for the 2012 Drug and Alcohol Free Graduation Night festivities, one of the activities for the evening will include a Post Office. We are asking families to gather letters, cards or notes with good wishes for the graduates. We would like each of the graduate's families to begin seeking friends and family members to write messages. Send these to our committee and we will make them available for your graduate to read that evening. This can include anything that your graduate would enjoy and does not have to be lengthy. A short message is very appropriate and would be much appreciated.

Some ideas might include but are not limited to:

Advice for the graduate

Favorite Family Recipes

A funny story about when they were younger

Favorite song lyrics

For some it may be easier to create a list such as:

My Graduation Wish for you is...

For a successful life...

Top 10 reasons I love you...

When the road gets rocky remember...



We are unable to deliver gifts (poster creations, scrapbooks, etc.) and please do not include money in your cards or letters. Those items need to be given directly to the graduate.

Our committee will also be contacting Camas School District Teachers with information on how they can participate too.

Now is a great time to get started so this can be checked off your list early. Graduation will be here before you know it. Our hope is that all graduates will register early and attend the celebration. If for some reason any of the graduates cannot attend, we will see that all messages are delivered.

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If you have questions about the Post Office, feel free to contact andrea.little@camas.wednet.edu or cecilia.ebert@camas.wednet.edu .

Please include your graduate's first and last names on all envelopes.

Messages can be dropped off at Prune Hill Elementary or mailed to:



2012 Grad Night Post Office
c/o Andrea Little
Prune Hill Elementary
1601 NW Tidland St
Camas, WA 98607

They can also be dropped off at the Main Office at Camas High School.

All messages need to be delivered by: **Tuesday, June 12th.**

Thanks in advance for participating and making this a memorable night for the graduates!

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