Dear Senior Parents and Seniors,

It is hard to believe that it was 13 years ago our seniors started their public education with the first day of kindergarten. Now as Graduation Day rapidly approaches, a major phase in your lives (both students and parents) is about to come to an end. This is an exciting and busy time for all of us. As we approach Graduation Day on June 12th, there are many key events and activities which will be taking place. Please mark the following important dates on your calendar.

**KEY EVENT DATES:**

**March 17-19** Gift Making Sessions and Video Sessions for Senior & Mom Tea and Senior & Dad Breakfast: seniors make gifts and video clip during the 7:45-10:05AM time slot in the Main Commons

**April 15** 2015 Senior Class Group Photo – taken at CHS – Sr. release time at 2:00PM Seniors to wear Senior Sweatshirt or black for photo! If it’s not raining, go to Cardon Field. If raining, go to the Main Gym.

**April 30 & May 1** Graduation Announcements: orders available for pickup during both lunches.

**May 14** Senior Portfolio Due – The portfolio is the final component of the senior project before presentations.

**May 18** Graduation Ticket Survey: There will be a survey of each graduate & parents regarding the number of tickets the family would like to meet their needs. This survey will be given to your graduate in his/her English class on 5/19/15 (if your student does not take English 12 at CHS, the survey will be available on the CHS website). Please return the survey no later than 5/22/15. Each graduate will receive six (6) tickets which allow the holder early entry into the stadium between 5:45-6:45 PM. There may be some extra tickets (those students who don’t meet graduation requirements, opt not to participate in the graduation ceremony, need less than 6 tickets, etc.). The survey described above will put your name on the list for extra tickets therefore it is important that you return the survey on time. The extra tickets, if there are any available, will be distributed at the end of graduation practice on June 12th.

**May 27** Senior & Mother Tea: Seniors attend with your mom (or one adult of your choice)

- 8:00a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Sr./Mother pictures in Theater
- Dorian’s Photography will give each grad 1 free picture. Order packets are available.
- 8:00 a.m. -10:30 a.m. Sr./Mother Tea in Main Gym – Continental Breakfast will be served.
- 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Sr./Mother pictures in Theater

(Mothers & Daughters – Mothers & Sons) Please wear nice clothes

- Seniors are expected to report to their classes for the remainder of the day immediately following the Sr./Mother Tea.

**June 1** Important! Running Start Seniors: PLEASE READ:

Running Start seniors need to make sure all of their credits meet the CHS graduation requirements and that they have fulfilled all requirements for the senior project including coursework and approved community service hours as listed in the Running Start Handbook. Only Clark College courses specifically listed in the CHS Running Start Handbook will meet the requirements for Junior English, Senior English, U.S. History, Current World Issues, Washington State History, Art, PE, and Health. Students who are enrolled in courses at Clark College during spring term that meet graduation requirements will need to complete an Academic Status form. On this form, students will need to have the Clark College teachers of these courses sign off stating that the student is passing so that they may participate in the CHS graduation ceremony. This form can be picked up in Mrs. Cooper’s office after 6/1/15. The completed form must be submitted to Donna Cooper, CHS Counselor, no later than 9 a.m. on June 10th. If the form is not submitted on time then the student will not be able to walk at graduation. CHS counselors are available to meet with students and parents who have concerns about graduation status. Additional copies of the Running Start Handbook are available in the counselors’ offices or online at: http://www.camas.wednet.edu/chs/ under the “Programs” tab. Running Start students will NOT receive their diplomas until final grades are received by CHS from Clark College in late-June.

**June 1** Senior Transitions: meeting for seniors and their parents regarding proactive planning for post high school, college, and career success in North Commons at 7:00 PM

**June 2, 3, 4** “Senior Project Boards”: 7:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Presentation date and times will be assigned at a later date. Regular classes begin at 10:15 a.m.

**June 5 & 8** Senior Boards - Safety Net: for those who need to repeat the Board presentation

**June 8** Yearbook Signing Party: 2:10 p.m. in CHS Main Commons, yearbooks will be distributed to those who have purchased one.

**June 5** Senior Locker Check Out: Seniors will clean out their lockers and return books during their English 12 class. Seniors will be fined for unreturned school property and if their locker is left dirty or damaged.
June 8  Senior Finals:  Periods 4, 5, 6
June 9  Senior Finals:  Periods 1, 2, 3
June 9  Senior Picnic:  10:45 a.m. – 2:15 p.m. at CHS Cardon Field
June 10  Distribution of Graduation Tickets:  begins on June 10th.
     No Hold Status:  Students who have no fines, have passed their Senior Board, and have A's and/or B's in all
     required classes will be placed on 'No Hold' status.  These students may pick up their tickets at the ASB Office
     starting June 10th.
     Hold Status:  Students who have fines, have not passed their Senior Board, and/or who have grades of 'C-' or
     lower in any required class and/or have not returned books or other school property will be placed on 'Hold'
     status.  These students will need to pick up a 'ticket release' form in Mrs. Cooper's office.  These forms will be
     available on June 10th.  The student will need to get signatures from all of the teachers, offices, etc. on their form
     indicating that the reason for the hold has been resolved.  When the form is completed then the student will
     return it to Mrs. Cooper for the final release.  Hold status tickets can then be picked up.  Note:  Fines must be paid
     in full for tickets to be released.

June 10  Baccalaureate:  7 p.m.  Grace Foursquare Church.  This religious service is optional and is not a CSD
     sponsored event.

June 11  Important! Running Start Seniors:  PLEASE READ:  Students who are enrolled in courses at Clark
     College during spring term that meet graduation requirements will need to complete an Academic
     Status form.  On this form, students will need to have the Clark College teachers of these courses sign off
     stating that the student is passing so that they may participate in the CHS graduation ceremony.  This form can
     be picked up in Mrs. Cooper's office after 6/1/15.  The completed form must be submitted to Donna Cooper,
     CHS Counselor, no later than 9 a.m.  on June 10th.  If the form is not submitted on time and/or if the
     student is not passing all classes required to earn a diploma then the student will not be able to walk at
     graduation.

June 11  Senior/Dad Breakfast:  8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in main gym (Dads & Daughters – Dads & Sons).
June 11  Commencement Practice – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  Practice is in the CHS Gym and is MANDATORY
     – so NO PRACTICE/NO WALK.  Gowns will be distributed.
June 11  Final Transcripts:  During Commencement practice, seniors will be given the opportunity to sign up to
     receive one unofficial and four official final transcripts.  Final transcripts will be ready for pick up on June 25th
     outside of the 11/12th grade Admin Center at CHS.
June 12  Commencement Practice:  8:50 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  Practice is at Doc Harris Stadium and is MANDATORY –
     again, NO PRACTICE/NO WALK.
June 12  All graduates will meet @ CHS to load buses at 5:15 p.m. SHARP for transportation to Doc Harris Stadium.
     All graduates will be given their cap, tassel, and medallion just prior to loading the bus for Doc Harris Stadium.
     Students are not allowed to bring any personal belongings with them on the bus.  This includes purses,
     backpacks, or bags, etc.  If your student is going to the Grad Night party and wants a change of clothing,
     you'll need to bring the change of clothing to give them after the ceremony.
June 12  Commencement:  7:15 p.m. at Doc Harris Stadium – located at: 1125 NE 22nd Ave., Camas WA 98607
     The gates will open at 5:45 p.m. for guests with tickets and at 6:45 p.m. for guests without tickets.  Entry into the
     stadium will be through the gate located next to the main ticket booth.  If you want personalized photos of your
     graduate in cap & gown, you MUST do this before the graduation ceremony.
June 25  Final Transcripts:  Seniors who have preordered final transcripts can pick them up between 9:00AM –
     2:30PM on June 25th outside of the 11/12th grade Admin Center at CHS.

A “Class” Event - Every year the staff and students of Camas High School work extremely hard to make commencement a
special event.  CHS has the reputation for a formal graduation ceremony that is a “class” event.  Please help us continue this
fine tradition through proper attire and behavior during the ceremony.

Grad Night Party - Again this year, parents are planning an all-night drug and alcohol free party for seniors.  The graduates will
be able to change their clothes at the stadium and then board buses for this tremendous event.  The cost is $65 until May 16th
and then $75.  Please register as early as possible.  For more information you may contact Margaret Svilar at
svilar03@comcast.net or 360-521-6953 or follow the link on the CHS website for the registration form.

Awards & Scholarships - If any senior has received an award or scholarship, please contact Stacey Woodman at Camas High
School ext. 74948 so the student can be rightfully recognized.

FINES - Please make sure all unpaid fines have been cleared up before Graduation Day.  If you owe money for items such as
lost textbooks, athletic equipment, library books, etc., transcripts and diploma will be withheld until the fines have been paid.
Also, graduation tickets will not be distributed until all fines are paid.

As Graduation Day approaches, we encourage our seniors to remain focused on school and the ultimate goal of graduation.  Graduation Day is a celebration of all the hard work and dedication you have put into your education over the last 13 years. We
look forward to sharing in this wonderful event with you on June 12th.  If you have any questions regarding graduation, please
contact our office at 833-5750.

Sincerely,

Steven Marshall  Ellise Anderson
Principal  Associate Principal