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This Presentation Available Online Soon

- **I will post these notes online if you would like to review.**
- **Please feel no pressure to take notes during this meeting (it is going to be hard to keep up).**
- **I will send you the direct link to this presentation through email for printing, reference, and/or bookmarking in the coming days.**

Welcome

- Looking forward to a new year
- New challenges for students in secondary education
- New responsibilities
- New opportunities

At Moorhead

- **<u>We do things for a reason</u> (We have had / will have kids here too!)**
  - **Kid-friendly and preparing for the future**
  - **Safety**
  - **Academics**
  - **Communication**
  - **Pre Ap**

Personal Vision

- **Be the best secondary school in Texas**

At Moorhead

- **We hire caring people.**
- **Do what is right and do it for a *reason***
- **Are transparent**
- **Do our best to keep you updated and give you information to help your child do the best he/she can in both the short and long term**

Goal 1: Safety

- **Visitors sign-in and sign-out.**
  - **Photo I.D. is required to enter the building or check out your child**
- **Door buzzer lockdown system**
- **Full time officer**
- **HD cameras**
- **Secure storefront**

Goal 1: Safety

- **The police are on campus *every day* as we have a full-time officer and also have multiple officers in and out of our building frequently.**
- **The police interact routinely with staff, parents/guardians, and students to assist as needed.**

Goal 1: Safety

- Visibility of administrators and police
- Building opens at 7:45 a.m.
- Video surveillance system
- Drug dogs

Contacting Teachers and Preparing Your Child for What Really Awaits

- **If your child has an issue, the best long-term solution is for them to advocate for themselves and speak to the instructor**
  - **JH and HS vs College (colleges will not and cannot legally talk to parents/guardians so students need to start developing their own personal advocacy skills now)**
- **Encourage you to email the instructor as needed**
  - **Realize we are with kids and cannot always instantly email you back**
  - **All the facts…. vs omitted details**

Goal 2: Academics

- **Academic Preparation**
- **Paradigm Shift**

Goal 2: Preparing Students for High School

- **We have 356 working days over two years to prepare students for high school once they enter our doors for the first time**
- **Students are in high school the day they walk in the door if they take Algebra in seventh grade.**

Information to Help

A Guide to Success

What Parents/Guardians Need to Know

- **We <u>care</u> about your child and hire people who do the same.**
- **Students are being prepared to play at <u>*the speed of life.*</u>**
  - **This is what our community *expects* and our nation *requires* now to be competitive in the world these children will face.**
  - **Our staff moves and operates at this velocity.**
  - **Classes move quickly**
    - **STAAR TEKS requirements**

Success For Your Child

- **Many schools prepare students to qualify for *admittance* to a college or university.**
- **We are preparing students to be successful when they arrive at college, or trade school, and to have the tools to *stay there.***

Easy Things to do to Help your Child be Successful at Moorhead

- **Encourage students to eat breakfast.**
- **Monitor the amount of ***sleep*** they ***really*** get.**
- **Soaring Safe app**
  - **Is the TV, smartphone, PlayStation 4, iPad, and/or computer in their bedroom?**
    - **If they are, children may not be *really* sleeping or getting effective sleep.**

Easy Things to do to Help your Child be Successful at Moorhead

Is your son or daughter's cell phone in their <u>room</u> at night (charging??) when you go to bed?

- **Every day more research comes out clearly articulating the critical aspect of sleep for adolescent growth and success in school.**
- **The phone never sleeps– If the phone does not sleep, *the child probably does not either.***

<u>Top 2</u> Predictors for Student Success According to Research

- **Attendance at school**
- **Involvement in a school activity**

Good Attendance
The Key to Success

- **Attendance now is a major factor not only for student academic success, but also Texas Education Agency (T.E.A.) school distinction ratings for campuses.**
  - **School ratings**
  - **The value of your home- State distinction awards for Texas school campuses**
- ***Excused* absences include:**
  - **Personal illness**
  - **Death of a family member**
  - **Student health services**
  - **Authorized school activities**
  - **Court appearances**
  - **T.E.A. recognized religious holidays**

Communication with Staff

- **Email is the easiest, quickest, and preferred way to communicate between teachers and parents.**
- **Please give teachers a day or so to respond as we are with students, as opposed to in front of a computer.**
- **Teacher e-mail addresses are provided on our website.**

Moorhead Campus Webpage

- **Moorhead Webpage**
  - **www.conroeisd.net**
  - **Links to teacher webpages**
  - **Athletic schedules**
  - **Newsletter online**

Parent Access Center
Student Access Center

- ***Unparalleled*** **and unprecedented communication and access to data**
- **Exists to *supplement*, not replace student accountability for grades and assignments**
- **Course requests are placed at these sites.**
- **Sign up at www.conroeisd.net**

Parent Access Center

- **This system will *literally* email you every time your child receives a grade in the gradebook if you select for it to do so.**
- **Progress reports or report card links will be emailed to your account every three weeks.**
- **Report cards mailed / Progress Reports handed out**
- **Course requests**

Immunization Requirements to Start School on the First Day of School for the Texas Education Agency

- **Incoming Seventh Grade Required Immunizations**
- **Parents of current sixth graders: Please make sure your student is prepared for seventh grade by ensuring his/her immunizations are current. All seventh graders are required to have a Tetanus booster, Meningitis, and Chicken Pox booster BY THE FIRST DAY OF SEVENTH GRADE. If your student has already received the vaccines, please have the nurse on your current campus update the record.**

PTO

- **Volunteers needed**
- **Help us give back to our kids**
- **Campus Enhancement**

Looking ahead to high school…

What is the Advanced Placement (AP) Program?

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- College level courses taught in high school
- 34 nationwide courses in 19 subject areas (CCHS offers 22)
- An opportunity for students to think, read, and write critically and analytically

What AP Courses Does CCHS Offer?

- English Language
- English Literature
- Computer Science Principals
- Spanish Language
- Spanish Literature
- Calculus AB, BC
- US History
- Chemistry
- Government and Politics
- Macroeconomics
- Human Geography
- Biology
- Environmental Science
- German Language
- Statistics
- European History
- AP Physics 1
- World History
- Psychology
- Art 2-D
- Art 3-D

Why AP?

- **Challenges students**
- **Consistent teaching strategies**
- **Prepares them for college**

Why AP?

- **Provides opportunities for our young people to compete post high school**
- **Opportunities to earn college credit in high school (up to 45 hours)**
- **Saves parents $$$$**

Who Should Take PreAP or AP Courses?

- **The most successful AP students are willing to work hard.**
- **More than ability, whether the *student* (*not just the parent*) is willing to invest the time and energy to be successful is most important.**
- **The earlier the preparation, the easier the transition.**

Grades in Secondary Schools

- **Everyone wants A's**
- **Grades in Pre-AP courses of a B or high C may very well indicate tremendous learning and hard work by the student**

Grades in Secondary Schools

- **In secondary school it takes *effort* to make an A.**
- **It also takes tremendous lack of *effort* to fail.**
- **Parents/Guardians *want* classes to have rigor.**
- **Classes have to be rigorous to achieve this.**
- **Basement reference**

Let's Slow Down for a Minute

The important story behind the story of what *really* matters.

What is the end goal?

Student Anxiety and How You Can Help Your Child

- **When we were our kids' age we had little or no anxiety because there were minimal reasons to be anxious.**
- **The world, nation, and academic expectations have changed *dramatically* over the last ten years.**
- **Students that care have a lot more anxiety than those that don't care as much.**
- **You cared enough to be here today; therefore there is an even better chance your child cares.**

Student Anxiety and How You Can Help Your Child

- **Almost all students handle expectations easily.**
- **A few do not.**
- **Be wise in making course choices for your child based on his/her unique characteristics.**

Considerations for *Long-Term* Success of Your Child

- **Grit… Does your child have grit and *are you helping or hurting* in your child acquiring this essential trait?**
- **Resiliency**
- **Sleep- A resilient child is ***not*** Are they *really* asleep?**
- **Helicoptering versus your child advocating for himself/herself**
- **Trophies- Are we preparing our children for the world that ***really*** waits for them?**

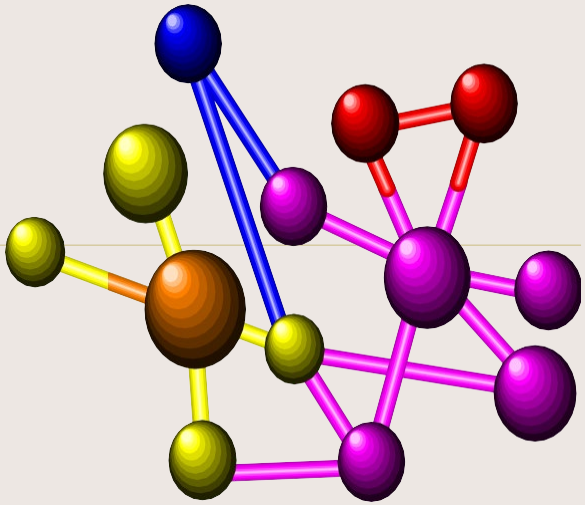
Adventure into Academics

Core Subject Information

State Required Courses – 7th grade

- Language Arts (Block)
- Mathematics
- Science
- Texas History
- Physical Education
  - Can Substitute
    - Athletics
    - Cheer
    - Dazzlers
- Electives – 1 choice

Science



- Science – Mrs. Mohr –Team Lead
- Pre-AP Science
  - Strongly encourage any student be enrolled in pre-algebra Pre-AP or higher if taking this course
    - Math Skills
  - Science Fair Project
  - EDC
  - Time
  - Independent

Independent Study Science Fair Project

- **Runs November through February**
- **All students in Pre-AP Science will complete the Independent Study Science Fair Project**
- **This is a research-based endeavor**

Independent Study
Science Fair Project- Approximate Hours

- One of the best things we do
  - Protocols- 4 hours
  - Introduction- 5 hours
  - Materials and Methods- 3 hours
  - Experimenting- 10 hours
  - Final Paper- 10 hours
  - Board- 6 hours
  - Hours are just averages- can be more or less
  - Have checkpoints along the way
  - Fair is over a weekend in February at Lone Star Convention Center

Pre-AP Science

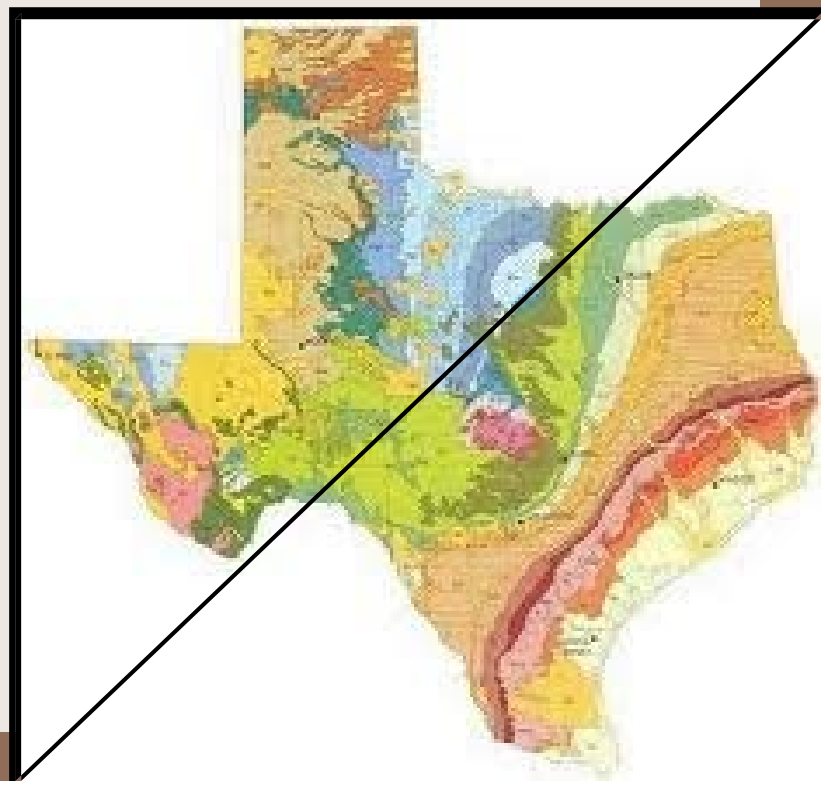
- **Need to make sure your child understands the real rigor and expectations of the independent study science fair project *prior* to making the year-long commitment to Pre-AP science**

Pre-AP Science

- **Can your child, and you, handle and grow from having a question answered with a question as they proceed through science fair?**
- **Encourage you to ask a friend or neighbor who has a child who completed science fair.**

Texas History

- **Texas History –**
- **Mr. Janek (Team Lead)**
- **Pre-AP Texas History**
  - **Strong reading comprehension and writing skills are a plus**



Language Arts

- **Mrs. Raverty (Team Lead)**
- **All students will have a summer reading requirement**
- **Language Arts**
- **Pre-AP**

Class Placement of Your Child in LA, Social Studies, and Science in C.I.S.D.

- **Ultimately, *you* can place your regular education child in any level of class you want in *LA, Social Studies, or Science.***
  - **Encourage you to closely read the C.I.S.D. Program of Studies to fully understand the rigor and expectations of Pre-AP courses.**
  - **Please understand in advance that an A in secondary Texas education is not the same as an A in elementary education.**

Math
Begin With the *End* In Mind

- **Mrs. McCartney – Team Lead**
- **To make good choices for placement in seventh grade, it is critical to know where you as a parent, as well as your child, want to finish his/her senior year.**
- **Applies most directly to math due to its linear nature**

Where Will I Finish in Math?

- **Unlike the other disciplines, hard work alone in math may *not* always ensure success.**
- ***Involves math knowledge and mental math maturity***

State Math Courses for Seventh Grade

- **Seventh grade math**
- **Pre-Algebra Pre-AP (eighth grade math, one year ahead)**
- **Algebra 1 Pre-AP (high school course, two years ahead)**

Typical Math Progression (Regular)

- 7th Grade - 7th Math
- 8th Grade - Pre-Algebra
- 9th Grade - Algebra
- 10th Grade - Geometry
- 11th Grade - Algebra II
- 12th Grade – Pre-Calculus

Typical Math Progression (Advanced 1 year)

- 7th Grade - Pre-Algebra Pre-AP
- 8th Grade – HS Algebra Pre-AP
- 9th Grade – HS Geometry Pre-AP
- 10th Grade - Algebra II Pre-AP
- 11th Grade - Pre-Calculus Pre-AP
- 12th Grade – AP Calculus

Typical Math Progression (Advanced 2 years)

- 7th Grade – HS Algebra Pre-AP
- 8th Grade – HS Geometry Pre-AP
- 9th Grade - Algebra II Pre-AP
- 10th Grade – Pre-Calculus Pre-AP
- 11th Grade – AP Calculus
- 12th Grade – AP Statistics

Math Sequence

- **Students are not allowed to bypass and skip <u>two</u> years of math instruction.**
- **For example, students cannot go from math in sixth grade to high school algebra Pre-AP in seventh grade.**
- **Students cannot go from Pre AP 6th grade math to Algebra either without taking the CBE or summer school.**

Math Course Selection for Incoming Seventh Graders

- **Seventh grade math**
  - **Open enrollment**
  - **Is the default course for 7th graders**
- **Pre-Algebra Pre-AP**
  - **Eighth grade math**
  - **Students are working one year ahead in math**
  - **Enrollment based on data from 6th grade tests, benchmarks, STAAR, and 6th grade teacher recommendation.**
- **High school algebra**
  - **Special restricted enrollment with state law pre-requisites**
  - **We will discuss over the next few slides**
  - **Students are working two years ahead in math**

New State Law Requirements for Texas Students to Advance to High School Algebra I

- **Per new state law, for a Texas student to advance to high school algebra I they must meet at least <u>one</u> of these criteria:**
  - **Pass the pre-algebra course offered in school**
  - **Pass the state-required pre-algebra (eighth grade math) credit by exam (CBE)**
  - **Take and successfully pass the C.I.S.D. pre-algebra for acceleration course offered April-July (information coming soon)**

Important Point Before We Proceed Through the Next Six Slides

- The following six slides **ONLY** apply to students/parents/guardians **currently in advanced sixth grade math.**

What EXACTLY Do I Need to Do If I Want My Sixth Grade Child Currently in Advanced Sixth Grade Math to Take High School Algebra in Seventh Grade and He/She Did Not Take Or Did Not Pass the State Credit by Examination (CBE) for Pre-Algebra (eighth grade math) Required by Texas to Advance to High School Algebra

- Your child can enroll in the Conroe I.S.D. Eighth Grade Pre-Algebra Course for Acceleration. Please note the following tentative details of this course:
  - Students in this course receive the full instruction of the TEKS for pre-algebra.
  - The course runs from late April to mid-July.
  - A fee is associated with the accelerated class.
  - Instruction is hybrid in format involving online and in-person instruction.
  - Attendance requirements are enforced and need to be reviewed prior to enrolling in the course.
  - Registration (when it opens) occurs through the student's home campus counselor.
  - Normally an information meeting on the course occurs before instruction begins.

Considerations if Taking Pre-Algebra Pre-AP or High School Algebra Pre-AP in Seventh Grade

- **May allow more flexibility in choice of level of science class in high school**
- **More rigorous**

STAAR Testing Requirements Parents/Guardians Need to Know Now

- **7th Graders in pre-algebra Pre-AP are responsible for taking the 8th grade math STAAR examination because they are enrolled in 8th grade curriculum.**
- **7th graders in high school Algebra I are responsible for the STAAR Algebra 1 end of course exam (EOC) for that high school subject area because they are taking the Algebra I curriculum.**

High School Math Notes

- **Students are *required* to take four years of math and science in high school.**
- **For math, four high school courses *can* include high school math courses taken in junior high school .**
- **Three math courses must be taken on the high school campus.**
- **Highly recommended to take math each year.**

Calculator Information to Know

- **FYI Regarding Calculator Use:**
- **7th Level Math: Calculators are not used in this course.**
- **7th Pre-Algebra, 8th Pre-Algebra, Algebra, and Geometry: Graphing calculators are used throughout these courses. The TI-84 Plus is the recommended calculator, and all calculators in the TI-83 and TI-84 series are compatible. Students are not required to purchase a graphing calculator as calculators are available for student use at school. Owning a graphing calculator can be helpful for completing some assignments outside of class. Students who do not own a graphing calculator are welcome to use the school calculators during before-school tutorials, or tutorials after school in order to complete the assignments which incorporate calculator use.**

Considerations for High School G.P.A.

- **If accelerating by taking high school courses in junior high, your grade point average in high school will be based on more difficult classes at CCHS**

Considerations for High School G.P.A.

- **The flip side is taking accelerated math courses in junior high will also allow you to have more opportunities in your schedule to take rigorous classes in high school which are weighted higher for G.P.A. (consider reviewing the district G.P.A. information for high school in the C.I.S.D. Program of Studies available at our website.)**

Pre-AP Class Considerations

- **No guarantee it will be easy**
- **No guarantee your child will make an A or B**
- **Not a guarantee they will pass**
- **Class the parent/guardian has chosen on the deadline will be the course the student is in for the year**

Qualifying Students for Pre-AP

- May want to pick and choose among strengths and interest
- Normal recommendation is a maximum of two Pre-AP courses
- If your child is excelling then more

Student Success in Pre-AP

- **Need to be a *doer* and a thinker**
- **Just as in real-life**
- **Just as in the workplace**

Considerations When Choosing Level of LA, Social Studies, and Science class

- **Where do you want your child to be at the finish line (12th grade)?**
- **Choosing a level course in seventh grade *does not* prevent a student from choosing and being successful in a Pre-AP course in eighth grade**
- **Math is sequential however**

Homework Considerations

- **Time varies *widely* among students to complete assignments.**
  - **Think about your workplace and how much range occurs for your coworkers to complete the *same* task**
- **Effectiveness of your child's study strategies**
- **Where the student completes homework <u>matters most</u>**
  - **Kitchen**
  - **Bedroom**
  - **Away from electronics**

Homework Considerations

- **How much time is it going to take for your child to complete work outside of school for him/her to achieve the grade *you* want them to achieve in the course?**
- **Consider activities outside of school**
  - **Dance**
  - **Gymnastics**
  - **Baseball**
  - **Swimming**
  - **Other school activities**
  - **Etc.**

Homework

- **TEKS**
- **State expectations are very different from when we were in junior high.**
- **The nation and world job competition is very different from when we were young.**

Homework

- **Much more extensive preparation required by the Texas Education Agency for students to be successful on the STAAR exams which are required to be passed by students in order to advance to ninth grade**
  - **In your downtime it would be worthwhile to visit the T.E.A. website to see the example STAAR questions**
  - **You may be *shocked***
- **Repetitions lead to understanding**

Homework

- **Relevant**
- **A limited amount of homework that can be finished**

Homework

- **There is homework in our regular classes, albeit much less than Pre-AP classes**
- **Homework demands increase greatly in high school and college**
- **Consistently ranges, on average, between 30-45 minutes per night for students**
- **At a minimum they should be Reading!**

Homework Scenarios

- **Scenarios we see:**
  - **Students who get it done**
  - **Students who struggle to physically get the assignment from home to the classroom but did actually do the work at *some* point**
  - **Student who obsesses and needs to know when to say when and go to bed**
    - **Where the parent/guardian has to jump in and have the child go to bed**

Major Homework Point for Junior High and Beyond

- **Our society evaluates students, and us, on what we *demonstrate* that we know.**
  - **Just like your job place**
  - **That is why schools still give grades, and we are evaluated in the workplace**
- **Turning in and completing work has to be a top priority for students in junior high and into regular life, even if the assignment is not perfect**
  - **As a side note to this, the student will do well on his/her grades and actually learn the material if he/she does the work and turns it in**

Organizational Skills

- **Assisting your son/daughter in developing organizational skills would be one of the *best* gifts you could ever give them**
  - ***Better gift than a PlayStation 4, iPhone X, or Dr. Dre Beats headphones***

Organizational Skills

- ***Leading*** **cause of parent conferences**
- **If students do not turn in their work, it is difficult to help them**
- **Reward system at home is a positive**
- **Rules/Structure**

High School Course Considerations in Junior High

- **Grades achieved do not figure in high school class rank or G.P.A.**

Junior High Course Considerations

- **All general ed classes, Level and Pre-AP, are college preparatory.**
- **Most students taking Pre-AP courses just take two at the most.**

Choices

- **Please make your decisions based on what is right for *your* child, not your friend's child from *Bunco, or down the street.***

Schedules

- **7th grade**
- **Make sure all spaces are filled in at the top of the page!**
- **Choose either level or Pre AP classes.**
- **Pre Algebra and Algebra lists will come from Grangerland.**

Required Electives

- Choose one required elective

General Electives (Band, Athletics, Choir, etc.)

- Rank only the electives you desire to have.
- Your top choice elective would be “1”.
- Some general electives, may require an application process.
- MJH teacher approval is required.

General Electives

Art (1/2 credit)*
Debate (1/2 credit)*
Theater Arts I (½ credit)*
Technology (Industrial) (1/2 credit)*
Theater Production (1 credit)*
Yearbook (must apply) (1/2 credit) (spring sem)
Band (1 credit)
Choir (1 credit)
Orchestra (1 credit)

* Depends on class size

Physical Education Requirements

- **Students must take P.E. for one year (2 semesters) in seventh grade.**
- ***Physical education in 7th grade is a requirement***

Physical Education Requirements

- **Athletics *does* substitute for P.E.**
  - **Basketball**
  - **Girls Volleyball**
  - **Cross Country**
  - **Boys Football**
  - **Soccer**
  - **Track**
  - **Cheerleading**
  - **The Dazzlers**
  - **Tennis**
  - **Golf**

Course Request Process

All Course Requests Are Submitted Online

- **All course requests will be made through their counselors at Grangerland.**
- **Ideally, the course selection process is a collaborative effort of parent and child.**

All Course Requests Are Submitted Online

- **Tentatively, the online window for course requests will occur February 7 through 26.**
- **The final deadline through the process to request courses is February 26 at 5:00p.m.**

Electives

A Taste of Adventure

The Remainder of This Presentation

- **Will cover:**
  - **Musical fine arts**
  - **The Dazzlers**
  - **Cheerleading**
  - **Theatre Arts**
  - **Athletics**

Fine Arts and Athletics

- ***Many*** **students are involved in a fine art and athletics**
- **A few are involved in two fine arts**

Fine Arts and Athletics

- **Expectations are ***greater*** of the students as they represent the organization.**
  - **Be wise about allowing your child to use social networking sites, smartphones, or the internet as it may result in them being removed from organizations.**
- **Understand in advance that classroom teachers will visit with sponsors/coaches regarding encouragement, concerns, and ways to help the child.**

Fine Arts and Athletics

- **Learn *invaluable* life lessons which are difficult to teach anywhere else.**
- **Not about the sport**
  - **About the:**
    - **Teamwork**
    - **Fellowship**
    - **Friends**
    - **Dedication / Commitment**
    - **Stories you embellish twenty years later**

Signing up for Band, Choir, or Orchestra

- **Unlike other electives, if you sign up for a musical fine art elective you *are* automatically enrolled.**
- **Tryouts – teachers determine class placement.**
  - **Schedule will be built around the placement**
  - **Students will be placed in a band based on the child's skill set.**
  - **Placements announced on schedule in August.**

Signing up for Band, Choir, or Orchestra

- **Encouraged to do multiple musical fine arts if you are interested**
- **Step up in commitment from intermediate campus**
- **There are some minor fees associated with these organizations.**
- **Prepares students for participation in these activities at CCHS**

Band Details

- There are three levels of band which are grouped by ability level at audition.
- Previous band class experience is necessary (speak to the band directors if you have any questions).
- All bands practice either before or after school.
- Band is a commitment for the entire year.
- Beginning band

Band Activities

- Concerts
- Sectionals
- Individual and full band competitions
- Region Band
- Solo and Ensemble
- Pep rallies
- UIL Concert and Sightreading Competition

Band Activities

- Football games
  - High School events
- Concerts
- Spring trip
- Social events
- Spring contests

Band Details

- **Over 200 students are in band and a combination of:**
  - **Athletics**
  - **Pre-AP courses**
  - **Choir**
  - **Dazzlers**
  - **Cheerleading**
  - **Theatre**
  - **Drill Team**
  - **Other**

For More Information on Band Contact

- **Mr. Day**
- **jcday@conroeisd.net**

- **Mr. Villanueva**
- **Venerson.v@conroeisd.net**

Orchestra Details

- **Students with no experience will be placed in Beginning Orchestra.**
- **All students with experience will be placed in an Orchestra based on ability level, determined at audition.**
- **Four orchestras including:**
  - **Chamber**
  - **Symphony**
  - **Philharmonic**
  - **Concert**

Orchestra Details

- **Students can participate in/audition for:**
  - **Solo and Ensemble contest**
  - **Region IX orchestra**
  - **Orchestra UIL**
  - **Optional activities may require rehearsal outside of the regular class.**

Orchestra Details

- **Chamber orchestra has before and/or after school practices.**
- **There is a small cost for uniform items**
- **All Orchestra members perform in concerts**
- **Commitment for the year**

Orchestra Activities

- Concerts
- Individual and group competitions
- Early Music Festival at Texas RenFest
- Community performances
- Spring trip
- Other social events

For More Information on Orchestra Contact

- **Mrs. Blackshear**
- **tblackshear@conroeisd.net**

Choir Details

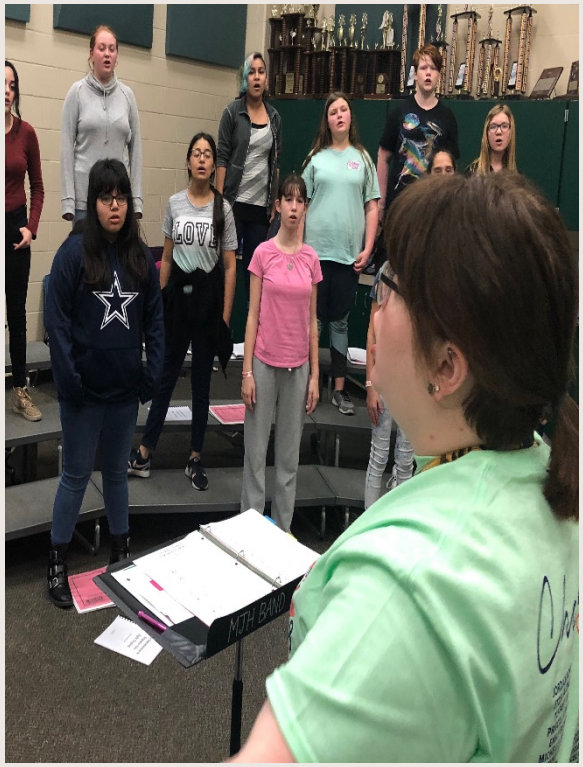
- **Most, but not *all*, practices are during the school day.**
- **No previous choir experience is necessary.**
- **Some specialized activities such as region choir and preparation for solo contests occur before or after school.**

Choir Details

- All students can participate in choir
- Only 2-3 rehearsals after school
- Performs 3-4 concerts a year
- Good musical fine art to double with another Fine Art or Athletics as choir has far less outside of the regular school day requirements
- Over 130 members

Choir Details

- **There is a minimal cost for uniform items**
  - **We provide the formal attire**
- **Girls have Treble, Concert, and Chamber Choirs which requires an audition and is only available to 8th graders.**
- **Boys have the Boys Choir**



Choir Details

- Choir Camp
- Students can audition for Solo and Ensemble Contests, Region Choir, and the spring Pop Concert.
- Optional activities may require outside of school day rehearsals.
- Choir Banquet
- Commitment for the year

Choir Activities

- Concerts
- Individual and group competitions including solo/ensemble and region choir
- Team building events
- Community performances
- Pep rallies
- UIL Evaluations
- Choral Festival and Spring Trip
- Social Events
- Texas Ren Fest Chamber Choir competition

For more information on choir contact

- **Ms. O'Rourke**
- **corourke@conroeisd.net**

Fine Arts Commitment

- **Band, choir, and orchestra commitments in junior high far exceed the expectations of elementary school organizations in these areas.**
- **Make sure everyone in the family is aware of what is expected for the year in band, choir, or orchestra. The commitment made for these organizations is firm for the entire 2019-2020 school year.**
  - **A student who requests these courses will have his/her schedule built around this course.**

Required State Physicals Athletics, Cheer, Dance

- **Has to be dated after April 15, 2019 or later to be good for next year**
- **The official required form will be online in the spring**
- **Please note that doctors do not have many slots open in the summer for physicals**
- **CCHS normally has an optional physical day in May**

Cheerleading

- **Meets during the school day**
- **Replaces P.E. credit**
- **Practice may also occur after school**

Cheerleading Requirements

- **Purchase of clothing**
- **Tryout process**
- **Need to be *completely* committed to the team if you plan to tryout**

Cheerleading

- **This program entails a large commitment of time outside of school during the spring of this year, summer, and the regular school year.**

Cheerleader Spring Tryout Information Tentative Dates

- **TBA - Tryout Info Meeting**
- **<u>TBA -</u> Packets due**
- **<u>TBA</u>- Tryout Clinic begins runs from 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.**

Cheerleader Spring Tryout Information

- **TBA-Tryouts approximately @ 4:30 p.m.**
- **TBA- Results posted by 4:00 p.m.**
- **TBA- New member info meeting @ 6:00 p.m. in the Commons LGI**
- **TBA- Uniform fitting @ 4:00 p.m.**
- ***All dates and times are subject to change.***

Required Cheerleader Responsibilities

- Summer Camp (normally in August)
- After school practices
- Parades
- Pep rallies
- School events
- Games
- Community service events

Cheerleader Responsibilities

- **Commitment to the team and your teammates**
- **Cheer**
  - **Games**
  - **Pep Rallies**
  - **Parades**
  - **Others as needed**

For More Information on Cheerleading Contact

- **Mrs. Surgers**
- **esurgers@conroeisd.net**

For More Information on Cheerleading Contact

- **Mrs. Pritchett**
- **spritchett@conroeisd.net**

The Dazzlers

- Requires ***significant*** time before and after school
- Competitions are on weekends
- Meets as a class during the school day and practices also outside of the regular day
- Do not sign up for on elective request sheet
- Receive P.E. credit

The Dazzlers

- ***Runs all year***
- **Serious dance troop**
- **Preparation for CCHS Starlettes**
- **Discipline**
  - ***Need*** **to be able to take direction and enjoy being part of a *team***

The Dazzlers

- **Tryout Information:**
- **Feb. 28 - Mandatory tryout information meeting at 6pm in the cafeteria**
- **Feb. 28 - Tryout packets due (available at Grangerland in the front office)**
- **March 4th – 7th Tryout clinic**
- **TBA - Results posted**
- ***Dates and times are subject to change.***

Commitments

- Practice
- Performances
- Parades
- Football Games
- Basketball Games
- Pep Rallies
- Competitions

For More Information on The Dazzlers Contact

- **Mrs. McCord**
- **lmccord@conroeisd.net**

For More Information on Theatre Arts contact

- **Mr. Evans**
- **raevans@conroeisd.net**

Athletic Competition District *Details*

- **Composed of teams from 8 junior highs from Spring I.S.D. and Conroe I.S.D.**
- **The athletic district fields schedules of A and B teams in girls and boys basketball as well as girls volleyball**
- **Girls and boys cross country as well as girls' and boys' track operates differently and keeps larger squads due to almost infinite practice space**
- **The C.I.S.D. schools also offer C teams in boys/girls football due to the fact space is not a limiting factor**

Fine Art/Athletic Schoolwork Responsibilities

- **All fine arts students, athletes, and any other student involved in a school organization is responsible for schoolwork, homework, and tests the day after an event**

State Eligibility for Participation in Fine Arts, Athletics, and Organizations

- **No classes are exempt in junior high from U.I.L. Eligibility**
- **Pre-AP and high school courses all *count* for eligibility to participate**
  - ***Consider* this when choosing your child's schedule**

Athletic Physical Requirements and Details

- **Students in Texas must have a completed athletic physical signed by a doctor to tryout or participate in athletics**
- **The signature date needs to be April 15, 2019 or later**
- **Parents/guardians are highly encouraged to make a copy of the athletic physical for your records as these are often used for camps or other personal use**

7th Grade Athletics

- ***Commitment for the year***
- **Replaces P.E. requirement**

What Sports Can I Play?

- Fall Sports
  - Girls Cross Country
  - Boys Cross Country
  - Boys Football
  - Girls Volleyball
- Winter Sports
  - Girls Basketball
  - Boys Basketball
- Early spring
  - Boys Club Track
  - Girls Club Track
- Late spring
  - Club Soccer
  - Club Tennis
  - Club Golf

One season of sports ends before the next group of seasons begins

A student's schedule could change

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For example:

Many athletes who play basketball also play volleyball, cross country, or football

If Students Enjoy Athletics They Are Encouraged to Participate in *More Than One* Sport

- **Why?**
  - **Seasons are generally shorter than high school**
  - **There are no guarantees of making any squad that has a tryout process**

General Questions Regarding Athletics

- **Please contact Coach Pickett**
  - **Boys Athletic Coordinator**
  - **bpickett@conroeisd.net**

General Questions Regarding Athletics

- **Please contact Coach Bartel**
  - **Girls Athletic Coordinator**
  - **dbartel@conroeisd.net**

People Who Can Help if You Have Questions Today/Tonight and/or Throughout the Spring

- Counselors
- Administrators
- Department Heads

- These individuals will be located in the foyer on your way out if you have questions.
- Assignments are always subject to change
- Email addresses for each staff member are available at our website.

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