







WEEKLY MESSAGE





HELPFUL LINKS







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We have had so many wonderful performances since the last round up. We are blessed to have such talented artists on our campus. Last night it was a joy to see students in 7th grade through 12th preform together on the same stage.



If you haven't bought a new yearbook now would be a good time. Our yearbook program recently received recognition from Jostens that last year's yearbook earned Gold status, the highest rating that a year book can earn from Jostens. To order your yearbook you can go to Jostens.com. Get yours today.



If you are looking for a way to support our Colts who might need a little bit more support, you can do so by donating to our lunch program. If you or someone you know would like to give back to our Casteel Colts: https://give.livingtree.com/c/help-keep-student-meal-accounts-current--casteel-high-school.



You can also support a wide number of programs by make a tax credit donation to Casteel. Click here to learn about the best way to support your Colts and receive a tax credit on your taxes.

Attention all 7th & 8th grade students, NJHS offers tutoring every Tuesday and Thursday before school & after school in the library. Look for the bright green signs on the tables to get help with homework, studying for a test, or extra practice. NJHS is ready to help you get those grades up!! Come see us!!



Finals are given the last two days of the quarter, December 20th and December 21st. I have included the bell schedule in this Round Up for both of these days. We do not give finals early. In most cases, finals are electronic. Please help us by making sure students get in the habit of charging their laptops each night.

We are also posting the April State Testing Schedule early along with this Round Up. Please help us by making sure students are not absent on these days. State testing is computer based and students will need a **school issued laptop** to take the test.



FAFSA OPEN LAB NIGHT AT CASTEEL JANUARY 11TH FROM 5-7PM in the CAREER CENTER!

IMPORTANT!!! You are invited to participate in our upcoming FAFSA Open Lab Night! We have several slots available in 20-minute time increments. You are welcome to attend and receive help with your FAFSA Application. Please select one appointment time slot per student to reserve your spot!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E44ACAD2DABFEC34-46858329-casteel

Joyson Phillips
CASTEEL PRINCIPAL

FINALS SCHEDULE

0 Hour 6:30-7:25

1st / 2nd Hour 7:35-9:05

3rd / 4th Hour 9:10-10:40

5th / 6th Hour 10:45-12:15

DEC 20TH / DEC 21ST

LUNCH NOT SERVED



And remember, H's free to be kind!



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE





https://bit.ly/CEF_Scholarships

Complete this form and have it ready to upload to to the scholarship platform when requested.

Gather information about your high school years:

- · Volunteer work
- · School clubs and activities
- Sports and activities outside of school
- Awards earned for academics, sports, or other activities
- Names of one or two people, including a high school teacher/coach, who is willing provide a reference for you. Some donors may also ask for an elementary school teacher.

Inform your referees that they will receive a short questionnaire by email. They do NOT need to write a letter.

Not all applications require references, but have this information ready just in case!

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Download your high school transcript

You can access it on Infinite Campus under the DOCUMENTS tab.

When viewing on a computer, it is located on the lower left of your screen. Scroll to the bottom to find UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT WITH IN PROGRESS CLASSES.

Block out your address and name, leaving your Student ID# visible. Save and upload to the scholarship platform when requested.

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Register on the CEF Scholarship Platform

https://bit.ly/CEF_Scholarship_Platform



CEF Foundant Scholarship Platform

Create your User ID and password. Note: you cannot use your school email address. We recommend using Google Chrome as your browser.

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Complete the Common Application Questionnaire

Approximately 30-40 questions designed to steer you towards scholarships most suited for you.

Once submitted, you cannot go back and edit! You can save and return, then click EDIT to update each section before hitting submit.

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Complete the FAFSA

https://www.studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa



FAFSA Application

Although the FAFSA is NOT required for Chandler Education Foundation (CEF) scholarships, your application will not be considered by donors who ask for financial need information without it. The FAFSA provides a confidential and consistent way for CEF to evaluate financial need for all applicants.

Additionally, many colleges require FAFSA completion as part of the application process. Even if you don't qualify for student aid, you may qualify for grants!

Need Help? Your school College & Career Specialist has information about completing the FAFSA. Additional resources are available at https://bit.ly/FAFSA-handbook.

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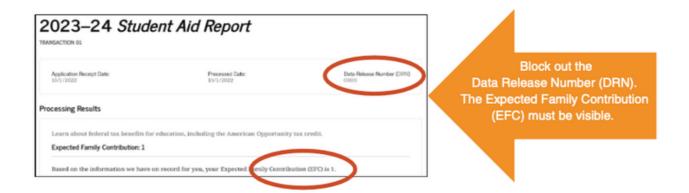
Print the Student Aid Report (SAR)

Go to studentaid.gov. Log in with your FSA ID and password. Select 'View Student Aid Report (SAR) from the 'My FAFSA' page. Go to 'Processing Results'. Select 'Print'.

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SCAN and SAVE pages 1 & 2 of the SAR

Be sure the OMB and DRN are covered first. These 2 pages should be uploaded to the scholarship platform when requested.



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Submit and review the scholarships listed

Some scholarships will indicate "Application Submitted." Those have now been submitted for you. There's nothing more to do.

You may be eligible for additional scholarships. Review these opportunities, listed as "Application Draft." Select the scholarship name to see supplemental questions and essay prompts. You may work on and save until you are ready to submit each additional application.

Once finished, the Foundant platform will allow you to see your application status.

A panel of CEF volunteers will assist the donors with evaluating the scholarship applications. You should expect to receive an update by mid-April. You will receive notification via the email address used when you registered for the platform.



RELEASE OF INFORMATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Please print, sign, and email this form to info@chandleredfoundation.org

I authorize the Guidance Department of Arizona College Preparatory High School / Basha High School / Casteel High School / Chandler High School / Chandler Online Academy / Hamilton High School / Hill Academy / Hill @ ICAN / Perry High School to provide the following information if required for scholarship applications: teacher evaluations, high school transcripts, financial information, counselor letter of recommendation, or standardized test scores. This release must be completed for a scholarship packet to be established for me.

If the Chandler Education Foundation (CEF) is contacted by local organizations with additional scholarship opportunities, I authorize CEF to forward my application for further review.

I understand that CEF does not proactively search for additional scholarship opportunities on behalf of CUSD students.

By signing this form, I am also agreeable to receiving communication directly from my scholarship donor or representative.

Student ID #:	Student Full Name:		
Student Signature:		Date:	
If student is under 18 years of age			
Parent Signature:		Date:	

Deadline to submit scholarship applications via the Foundant platform: 11:59pm Sunday, March 3, 2024



State testing is





Saturday	9		15	20	22	Please make every effort to have students in class on test day and avoid scheduling appointments/trips during these important times. Students not present on designated test days will be called out of class to make up any missed exams.
Friday	20	Periods 1-6	12 Even Block Day	[[]] Periods 1-6	56	Please make every effort to have students in class on terand avoid scheduling appointments/trips during these important times. Students not present on designated terwill be called out of class to make up any missed exams.
Thursday	*	r-ELA/Math Part 1 Even Block Day	LATE START 11 11th Grade: ACT Odd Block Day	18 ELA/Math Part 2 CTE Testing Even Block Day	52	*Late start days are for any grade levels that are not testing. More detailed information to come!
Wednesday	≈ 6	7/8th Grade: AASA-ELA/Math Part 1 Odd Block Day Even Block Day	LATE START 9th Grade: ACT Aspire 11th grade: AzSCI Even Block Day	7/8th Grade: AASA-ELA/Math Part 2 CTE Testing Odd Block Day Even Block Da	24	
Tuesday	~	7/8th Grade: AASA-Writing Block Day Even Block Day	PATE START 9th Grade: ACT Aspire 8th grade: AZSCI Odd Block Day Even Block Day	[6] Periods 1-6	202	20
Monday	1	7/8th Grade: Odd Block Day	8 Periods 1-6	15 Periods 1-6	22	29
Sunday			20	14	21	28



Free Breakfast is in the Included Reduced Meal Program.

We serve breakfast
every school day
in the cafeteria

This institution is an equal opportunity provider



Casteel Counseling Department



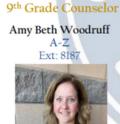


10th -12th Grade Counselors



Stephanie Waaramaa Counseling Secretary Ext: 8116

Randee Clifford



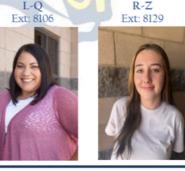






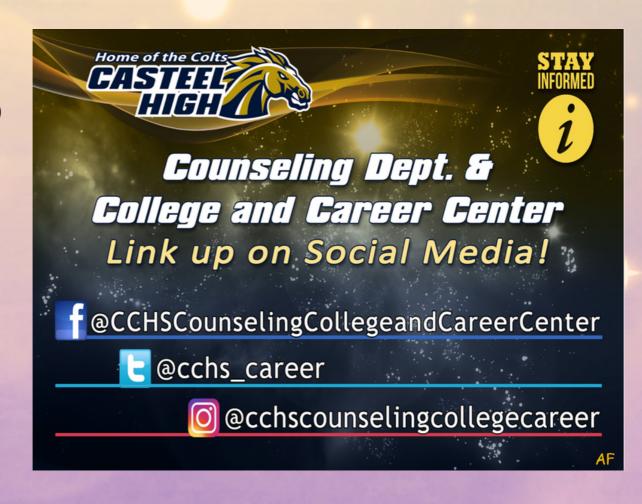


Carrie Shropshire



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MONDAY **TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY** Finals Early Finals Early Release Release NO Today EXAM

January

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NO Today

3rd Quarter

Starts

FAFSA OPEN LAB NIGHT AT **CASTEEL JANUARY** 11TH FROM 5-**7PM IN THE**

> **CAREER CENTER!**

It's not too late to apply for free and reduced-price school meals. Visit myschoolapps.com to complete an application.



Click here to see the student announcements.













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fundraiser





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