Classen School of Advanced Studies Parent Notes

Welcome to the weekly newsletter for our Classen SAS family! In an effort to continue to improve communication, we are asking sponsors to submit all activities for the week and share information regarding the happenings at our school. The PTSA will continue to send the Classen Blast as well.

Attendance issues are increasing as spring arrives! Students are to report to every class, including advisory. Failure to attend classes has resulted in truancy officers reviewing attendance for some students.

Enrollment for 2017-2018 is being reviewed and a master schedule made to try to meet as many needs as possible for all students. Any current SOPHOMORE or JUNIOR that would like to take a Visual and Performing Arts Internship next year should see Dr. Davis asap. The internship will give back to our OKCPS elementary schools by allowing our upper classmen to teach students in schools where the arts have been cut due to budget constraints. We implemented this in our school this year with tremendous success! Our VPA students taught our autistic students and everyone learned and grew so much!

Important Dates:

PROM April 29 at Vast Tickets on sale at school and must be

purchased in advance. The last day

to purchase is April 21st. Tickets are

\$60. Parents that are able to assist with setting up for the prom, please contact Jessica

Wheeler! (jlwheeler@okcps.org)

BRIDGING May 5

All Sports Celebration May 18 Will Rogers Theatre

NW 43 & Western

FREE! All high school and middle school athletes, dance team, pep club, pep band,

coaches, and family members.

SR ROBING / AWARDS

May 19

Robing is a honor ceremony to honor

the graduate and those who have supported the graduate to this point in life. The seniors were reminded that this is to be taken seriously and not a time for joking.

Valedictorian Breakfast May 22 Will Roger's Theatre 7:30 AM Tickets

will be available for purchase for \$15.00 per person for family and friends. Valedictorians and honored teachers will not require a ticket. If a financial hardship exists, please contact Dr.

Davis' office.

Class Picture May 22 Wear Sr. T-shirt and bring a college

tshirt! We will take a photo in both.

SR PICNIC May 24

Graduation

Rehearsal May 24

GRADUATION May 24 at State Fairgrounds

ALL SENIOR ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION MAY BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE SENIOR PAGE.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT FRIDAY APRIL 28 CSAS GYM 6:00 pm

\$2 STUDENTS / \$3 ADULTS BURGERS AND HOT DOGS SOLD

Come watch basketball seniors play the coaches!

This will be a family fun evening! See you there!!

Testing has started and will continue through the end of the school year! Please review the following test schedules for state mandated testing, Advanced Placement testing, and International Baccalaureate testing. If your child is testing, please make sure he or she eats breakfast, gets adequate rest, and feels confident going into the exam. The students and teachers have prepared all year and will have a great testing season!

STATE TEST SCHEDULE

TEST MONITORS ARE NEEDED. If you are able to help, please contact Trisha Draper: tldraper@okcps.org

April 26 8th Grade English Writing

April 27 8th Grade English

AP TEST SCHEDULE

May 1 AM: Chemistry PM: Psychology

May 2 AM: Spanish Language PM: Art History and

Physics 1

May 3 AM: English Lit

May 4 AM: US Government PM: Chinese Language

May5 AM: German Language

US History

May 8 AM: Biology

Music Theory

May 9 AM: Calculus AB PM: French Language

Calculus BC

May 10 AM: English Language

May 11 AM: World History PM: Statistics

May 17-19 Late Exams / Conflicts with IB

IB TEST SCHEDULE

May 1 PM: SL/HL Biology Papers 1 & 2

May 2 AM: SL / HL Biology Paper 3

May 3 PM: SL/HL English Paper 1

May 4 AM: SL/HL English Paper 2 PM: SL Math Studies Paper 1

SL/HL Mathematics Paper 1

May 5 AM: SL Math Studies Paper 2

SL/HL Mathematics Paper 2

May 8 PM: German Paper 1

HL Mathematics Paper 3

May 9 AM: German Paper 2 PM: SL/HL History Paper 1 and 2

May 10 AM: HL History Paper 3

May 11 AM: SL/HL Music Paper 1 PM: SL/HL Chemistry Paper 1 and 2

May 12 AM: SL/HL Chemistry Paper 3 PM: SL/HL Psychology Paper 1

May 15 AM: HL Psychology Paper 3

May 16 PM: Spanish Paper 1

May 17 AM: Spanish Paper 2 PM: SL/HL Philosophy Paper 1

May 18 AM: SL/HL Philosophy Paper 2 PM: HL Philosophy Paper 3

French Paper 1

May 19 AM: French Paper 2

Study Hall is here! Many students have enrolled and all are welcome. The cost is \$30 for second semester. Students are able to do their homework, seek help from teachers or even other students in the room that may be able to assist. All students may eat breakfast for free! **Students that are not in study hall can arrive at campus at 8:50 AM.**

Many students are being dropped off at school that are not reporting to study hall. Remember, students can only be on campus early if attending study hall. All other students may begin arriving at 8:50 AM. PLEASE drop off students on Ellison, in front of the school. Dropping off students in the parking lot has resulted in many "near misses". For the safety of our students, please drop off in the designated area.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

The choir competed in 5A competitions and won sweepstakes in both! Classen is the first OKCPS school to accomplish this in over 40 years! The judges stopped the groups during sight readings because it was SO GOOD!

Classen SAS Tennis Teams! Boys Tennis Team Wins the All-City Championship!

Jack Sergent - 1st place in #1 Singles

Ruben Vijayan - 1st place in #2 Singles
Miles King & JT Pons - 2nd place in #1 Doubles

Larry Gu & Ethan Worley - 4th place in #2 Doubles

Girls Tennis Team is All-City Runner Up!!

Kat Pham - 1st place in #1 Singles
Liz Smith - 1st place in #2 Singles
Grace Herendeen & Ashton Keith - 2nd place in #1 Doubles

Sam Brown, Pierce Keith and Mason Amis for winning first place in the 24 Hour Film Festival!

These students were accepted into Oklahoma Summer Arts Institute at Quartz Mountain

Acting

Olivia Buss

Abby Miner

Myranda Bahr

Nic Meade-Greenman

<u>Film</u>

Lily Smith

Ballet

Valerie McDonald

Isabella Armstrong

Modern Dance

Halee Harder

<u>Vocal Music</u>
Julianne Henry
Bear Harlow
JT Pons
Jack Sergent
These students were accepted into the Stella Adler Teen Acting Conservatory held in NYC.
Alex Fulmer
Giavanna Hoffman
McCall McCarty
Gigi Grotta
Accepted to Interlochen Center for the Arts Musical Theatre Summer Program in MI.

THANK YOU to the CSAS PTSA and ACE GROUP. You do many wonderful things for our staff and school. You are truly appreciated!

School Goals

Jackson Gifford

Nola Powell

- 1) Improve attendance and reduce tardies.
 - a. Did you know that attendance is a factor in our school report card? Research shows that attendance in class greatly impacts student success.
 - b. Attendance is calculated for middle and high school.
- 2) Promote a clean campus.

- a. The art department has created and hung posters promoting cleanliness on our campus. Students have been doing a wonderful job being aware of the campus and taking ownership in keeping it clean.
- 3) Improve dress code compliance.
 - a. Please assist the school to improve our compliance with dress code. The district has allowed Classen SAS to have a dress code and not a uniform. Please make sure to send your student to school in the appropriate attire. The school dress code can be found on the website.
- 4) Improve student support systems.
 - a. Advisory has been implemented this school year. It serves several purposes:
 - i. Announcements are delivered during advisory to protect instructional time during first period.
 - ii. Counselors are able to meet with groups of students during this time to not interrupt instructional time.
 - iii. No classes are being held during the lunch/advisory or advisory/lunch hour so that no classes are interrupted.
 - iv. Grade level specific instruction or information may be delivered to students during this time.
- 5) Appreciate staff, students, parents and patrons.
 - a. Thank you to PTSA for providing monthly treats to the staff!
 - b. PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports) is being implemented this school year. It impacts all of our goals as we are making attempts to provide positive reinforcement to students making good choices.
 - i. Students in dress code were given random Taco Bell certificates.
 - ii. This is a continuous process and the school welcomes parental suggestion for rewards when students are "caught doing the right thing".
 - iii. Parent volunteers are sought to hang bulletin boards to display success data.
- 6) Artistic and Academic Excellence are the norm.
 - a. Excellence is our day to day expectation. Our students are amazingly talented people that we celebrate and push to continue their path toward artistic and academic excellence.
 - b. Student Engagement is our school practice where we are placing focus. Please ask your student how they are engaging in classes.
 - c. Small focus groups are being created to assist students that may need help to improve standardized test scores.

Weekly Calendar

Monday-Thursday, 04/24-27/2017

All City Piano Set-Up. Check in with Mrs. Cory in Room A114 at your lunch to see if there's anything to do.

Monday 4/24/17

Baseball @ Douglass Tennis v. Western Heights Soccer (boys)

Tuesday 4/25/17

Senior Class STUCO meeting 8:30 am room A207 7th grade showcase 8:15 p.m. Baseball v. NE Soccer (boys)

Thursday, 04/27/2017

All City Piano Festival 8:00AM-2:00PM. Check in with Mrs. Cory in Room A114. Bring music and a pencil.

Chess Club 4pm in the Library

Baseball @ NWC

All City Piano Concert 7:00PM in the Auditorium.

Friday, 4/28/17

Family Fun Night @ CSAS Gym