



# Principal's Notes

## COLLEGIATE HIGH SCHOOL at NWFSC

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### LEADERSHIP CLASS STILL OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

Each spring semester the Collegiate HS, in conjunction with Northwest Florida State College's Costa Leadership Institute, offers a Leadership Class for a limited number of juniors and seniors. The class meets Tuesdays from 2:15 - 4:15 p.m. and students will receive 3 hours of college credit. Facilitated by Mrs. Julie Cotton, along with Collegiate HS instructor Mrs. Alicia Franklin, students will learn about public speaking, time management, resumes/interviews, dressing for success, teamwork and business etiquette. The course also includes a mock trial, Chamber Business Breakfast and Graduation Luncheon.

Interested? We still have openings available and applications can be picked up in school office and returned by November 30th.

### CLASS RINGS & GRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS NOV. 29!



Representatives from Southern Recognition Products of Florida will be in our Collegiate HS building on Tuesday, November 29th, between 10 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to take class ring orders for all students and graduation announcement orders for seniors. This company provides a college graduation insert at no cost for high school announcements ordered through them.

Brochures for both the rings and graduation supplies will be available through the front office after November 1st so you can see what is offered, along with the prices. We have copies of previous years' graduation announcements in the front office if you would like to see what they look like.

You can also go to their website at [www.NRPFL.com](http://www.NRPFL.com) to review the rings or graduation announcements and supplies. And please know you can always purchase class rings and/or graduation announcements from any vendor you choose.

Seniors are reminded that the high school cap and gown for graduation will be provided to you at no cost, but if you participate in the college graduation ceremony you will need to purchase the NWFSC cap and gown through the campus's Barnes and Noble book store in early spring.

### YEARBOOKS: HOW TO ORDER AND SENIOR ADS

The 2016-2017 yearbooks can be preordered through the front office. The cost through December 14th is \$40, and will go up to \$45 when we return for the spring semester in January. Payment can be made by cash or checks can be made out to "Collegiate HS with distribution in late April/early May.

And senior parents are reminded that if you would like to place a free, personalized "senior ad" in the yearbook, on a space available basis, the deadline of December 2nd is coming up (but with limited space, earlier is always better)! Info about the senior ads was provided previously, and is also available on our website, [www.nwfcolligatehigh.org](http://www.nwfcolligatehigh.org) under "Parents", or by contacting Mrs. Robin Masters, our yearbook advisor, 729-4949 or [andrewsr@nwfsc.edu](mailto:andrewsr@nwfsc.edu).

## Calendar of Events



**VETERAN'S DAY  
School Holiday  
(School closed)  
Friday, Nov. 11**



**Order Class Rings  
and/or Graduation  
Announcements  
Tuesday, Nov. 29th**



**Thanksgiving  
Holiday  
Nov. 23 - 25**

## PROM MEETINGS ARE OPEN FOR ALL; NEXT ONE IS MONDAY, NOV. 7



Students and parents are invited to attend any and all upcoming prom meetings, and the next one is scheduled for Monday, November 7th, at 3:30 p.m. in the Pit/D140. Our Collegiate HS prom is open for all grades and is set for Saturday, April 8th, with the theme "Masquerade", which was chosen by our seniors.

You can help in ways other than attending meetings, and as we move closer to our prom date we'll ask, with the committee's guidance, for help with specific donations that will bring the theme to life. We will also need donations for door prizes (gift cards work great for this!) for students during prom. And as always, your ideas, hands-on help (set up, clean up, chaperones) and enthusiasm are always needed and appreciated!

## COMMUNITY SERVICE AND NEW CLUB OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

If your student needs community service hours, we have been contacted recently with a number of opportunities. Students are reminded to check their college email for community service information, and to check out the Community Service bulletin board on the back hallway (near RATS Lab) because new opportunities come in all the time. Currently help is needed for a Pioneer Day in Niceville, and basketball concessions at the college,

Students are reminded that a large number of high school clubs are offered here at Collegiate and are in full swing and open for members! Students can check out Leadership, Art, Interact, Fitness, Spectrum, Technology, Sherlock Holmes, and National Honor Society (NHS is by invitation based on gpa and credits) along with each grade's Student Council .....and also remember that our students can participate in any club that is offered on the college side. Students can get college club information at the Student Life office in building 410. Campus Christian Fellowship, a brand new college club, open to our Collegiate HS students and college students, and sponsored by Mrs. Alicia Franklin, one of our Collegiate HS faculty, is just getting off the ground and have announced meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.

## UPCOMING HOLIDAYS AND GRADE SCHEDULE FOR THE FALL SEMESTER

Just a reminder that our school calendar is different than the public schools and our next school holiday will be on Friday, November 11th for Veteran's Day. Our Thanksgiving Break will start Wednesday, Nov. 23 through Friday, Nov. 25, and the last day of school before Winter Break is Wednesday, December 14th (juniors and seniors will finish earlier according to their final exam schedule which runs Dec. 9- 14). Students return to school on Thursday, January 5th for the spring semester.



You will receive one more informal grade report this semester. The November Progress Report will be mailed home at the end of November and is the final of three informal reports you receive each semester, two Progress Reports (Sept. and Nov.) and one mid-term grade report (Oct.). The final formal report card will be mailed home to you after we return in January 2017.

## CHELCO YOUTH TOUR OPEN FOR JUNIORS ON CHELCO LINES

If you live on CHELCO lines your junior has an opportunity to be the Collegiate HS representative for the CHELCO Youth Tour that is held each year. High school Youth Tour representatives go to Tallahassee at no cost in February 2017, to visit the Capitol and our legislators, the Florida Supreme Court and the Challenger Learning Center. Students must be available to go on the February Tallahassee trip in order to participate in the competition. During the Tallahassee trip our Collegiate HS representative will also meet with other students from around the state. They will also have an opportunity to compete for a summer Washington D.C. trip, which is in June. The Youth Tour application and parent consent form was sent to all juniors by email but we can provide another copy if needed.

**Interested and qualified students will need to fill out an application and write a one page essay (300- 500 words on the topic *Explain the role of nonprofit cooperatives in American History*). The essay and application should be returned to the Collegiate HS office no later than December 2, 2016.**



## **SPOTLIGHT!**



We could never highlight all the many achievements our students accomplish both in and out of school but here are just a couple we would like to spotlight!

Congratulations to senior **Cailey Ness**, a 2017 National Merit Scholarship Program semi-finalist! Cailey is a part of less than 1 percent of US high school seniors who were identified as semi-finalists based on their scores on the 2015 PSAT. Finalists are announced in February 2017.

Congratulations to sophomore **Christopher Garcia-Soto** who has been selected as our representative to the HOBY (Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership) conference held each June in Tallahassee. **Aaron Sutherland** was chosen as our alternate representative. Sophomore applicants wrote on the topic of the role of a leader in an organization and submitted a resume for consideration.



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