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THURSDAY: DRUG PREVENTION and OUTREACH PROGRAM at CHS

Chesterton High School will host a Drug Prevention and Outreach Program on Thursday, March 9 from 7-9 p.m. in the CHS Auditorium featuring a short presentation by key panel members addressing substance abuse followed by a question and answer session. The program is free and open to the community. Please use Entrance #31.

Panel members will include:

Jason Kniola, nationally licensed mental health addictions counselor speaking on Detection and Early Prevention;
Dr. Mann Spitzer III, D.P.M., Community Action Drug Coalition speaking on Substance Abuse Prevention
Todd Willis, Porter Stark Services director of Prevention and Education speaking on Gateway Drugs/Signs of Substance Abuse
Chuck Harris, Porter County Coroner speak-

ing on Consequences and Reality
Amber Chaffer, Recovering Addict
Karen Moffett, CHS school counselor, Department Chair

This panel group has been organized to discuss the growing concerns about experimental/regular use of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs. Believe it or not experimentation with drugs and possibly addiction begins at the middle school level. In fact, the latest research suggests that experimentation of drugs is beginning to even reach pre-teens. The problem is not going away. In fact, the problem is getting worse. Something has to be done.

Attend this informative event at Chesterton High School on Thursday, March 9 to learn how to see the signs, get involved and communicate with kids.

Arts-A-Budding features Duneland Student Artwork

The 42nd annual Porter County Arts-A-Budding student art exhibit is March 4-14 at the Chapel of the Resurrection at the Valparaiso University Campus. This exhibit is organized through volunteer efforts of the Porter County Visual Arts teachers and is sponsored by the Porter County Arts Commission in cooperation with the Bauer Museum of Art, Valparaiso University.

This is an exhibit of the best artwork produced by students' in grades Kdg.-8th in Porter County. Visual Art teachers from across Porter County selected the top 11 pieces artwork done by their students during the past year. The art works done by these students include various media such as drawing, painting, printmaking, fiber art, sculpture, pottery and computer graphics.

These honored students, along with their families and friends are invited to the opening award reception on Sunday, March 12 at 2:00 p.m. Approximately 1,500 people attend the ceremony every year! At the reception, students will be publicly recognized for their accomplishment by name and will receive a ribbon. Each year the talents and accomplishments of more than 400 participants are recognized. Arts-A-Budding gives Porter County students an opportunity to exhibit their work and be rewarded for artistic merit. Visiting hours are weekdays and Saturdays from 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; March 13 - March 15 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. (visitors must enter through Helge Center) and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Closed at 3 p.m. on Wed., March 11.

Community Survey/Meeting for New Superintendent Search

The Duneland School Corporation (DSC) announces the opening of a search for a new Superintendent who will to assume responsibilities on July 1, 2017. The new leader will succeed Dr. David Pruis who has announced his retirement effective June 30, 2017. The Board of School Trustees has selected BWP & Associates, a national search firm, to assist them in this process.

In an effort to engage all stakeholders and clearly communicate all aspects of this process, the Board of School Trustees invites interested members of our community to participate in an online survey that will be available March 3-17, 2017. The data collected from this confidential survey will contribute to a profile that will be developed by the search team and used to identify and select the most highly qualified individuals for this very important position.

The survey may be accessed directly from the Corporation's website or by using the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/G5ZJ2NX>.

Community members who prefer a paper copy of the survey may obtain one from

the Corporation's central office located at 601 W. Morgan Avenue in Chesterton. Completed paper surveys are to be returned to the same location. In order to ensure accurate results please complete only one survey.

Additionally, all members of the Duneland Schools community are invited to attend a community meeting, which will be held at the Chesterton Middle School Auditorium, 651 W. Morgan Avenue on Tuesday, March 14 at 7 p.m. Please use the front Auditorium Entrance (#2) or the back Pool Entrance (#11).

For Your Information

ISTEP Testing: Students in grades 3-8, and 10 are now taking the applied skills portion of the ISTEP+ Part 1 (Indiana Statewide Test of Educational Progress) through March 11. Students will do their best work on the tests if they are not overly stressed, get plenty of sleep and eat a good breakfast each morning. Regular attendance on test days is especially important.

Please do not schedule any appointments or other planned absences in the mornings during this time.

National Breakfast Week: Make the Grade With School Breakfast! National School Breakfast Week is March 6-10 with a special breakfast menu for grades K-6. Free parfait samples every morning during School Breakfast week!

Monday – Egg and Cheese Sandwich, Fruit or Juice, Milk

Tuesday – Fresh Baked Cinnamon Roll, Fruit or Juice, Milk

Wednesday – Breakfast Pizza, Fruit or Juice, Milk

Thursday – Biscuit and Gravy, Fruit or Juice, Milk

Friday – Taters with Eggs and Cheese; Fruit or Juice, Milk.

Fuel up for ISTEP!

TUESDAY: Spring Learn-To-Swim: Registration for Spring Learn-to-Swim lessons for Duneland School children will be held on one day only on Tuesday, March 7 from 5:00-6:30 p.m. at the Chesterton High School Pool, Entrance 34.

Come for some of the best swim lessons in NWI! Our instructors teach Red Cross based curriculum for all skill levels ages 4-12.

There will be one, two-week session March 13-April 23. Each lesson runs Monday through Thursday at the Chesterton Middle School Pool from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Fee is \$40 for the eight (8) lessons.

For more information email hwilliams@duneland.k12.in.us

If you cannot make registration, please email the address above after 6:30 p.m. on March 7. Online registration will only be taken if spots remain available.

The Duneland Exchange Club will host the 26th Annual Talent Showcase on Saturday, April 8 at the Chesterton High School Auditorium to benefit the Natural Helper Program at CHS.

Duneland School students in grades K-12 are eligible to participate. There are three divisions: Primary - grades K-4, Junior - grades 5-8, and Senior - grades 9-12. There is a mandatory dress rehearsal on Friday, April 7.

Everyone is required to audition prior to the show. Auditions will be held at Chesterton Middle School on either Wednesday, March 22 OR Thursday, March 23. Send in your applications early for preferred audition times. Applications will be available at all Duneland School Main Offices and should be turned in no later than March 17. Any questions, please email rue51@comcast.net.

Reality Store Volunteers needed: In coordination with the Duneland School Corporation, the Duneland Chamber of Commerce will host their annual "Reality Store" for Chesterton Middle School eighth grade students to experience real life on Wednesday, March 22 from 7:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. at Chesterton High School, 2125 S. 11th St. The event is in need of 40 more volunteers, who are welcome to take part in the Reality Store for either a half a day or the whole day. Morning sessions are from 7:30 to 11:45 a.m., and afternoon sessions from 11:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Breakfast and lunch are provided for volunteers. Volunteers should contact Michelle Hunsley at the Chamber ASAP at 926-5513 or at info@dunelandchamber.org

CHESTERTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Five Guys Community Fundraiser: CMS will host a Five Guys Community Fundraiser at the Valparaiso and Michigan City stores on Sunday, March 12 during all hours of operation. Five Guys will donate 20% of fundraiser sales and an additional \$1 for every milkshake purchased to Chesterton Middle School. Purchase a gift card and receive additional donations.

CHESTERTON HIGH SCHOOL

CHS Open Swim: Chesterton High School will offer open swim every Wednesday only from 7 p.m.-8:45 p.m. (pick-up by 9 p.m.). Open swim is for infants thru grade 12. Admission for adults is \$2 and Duneland students \$1 (no staff passes). Please bring bills smaller than \$20 for admission. Towels are not provided. Small children with or without a floatation device must be with a parent or guardian at all times and be within arms reach at all times. Those attending should use Entrance 34.

Winter Guard Coupon Booklets: The CHS Winter Guard is selling their NEW 2017 Coupon Book full of valuable money savings at several local locations: New locations have been added this year, including many popular locations, like Santiago's, Culver's, Gelsosomo's, El Salto's and so many more. Each location has three coupons per sheet adding to your savings. These coupon booklets are good until Nov. 30, 2017. Cost is \$10 per booklet with TONS of dollars worth of savings. Help out the CHS Winter Guards! Purchase at the CHS Main Office or from a 2017 Open/JV Guard member.

CHS College & Career Center:

College Fair: The 2017 Valparaiso Regional Spring College Fair will be hosted on Wednesday, March 8 from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Harre Union Ballroom at Valparaiso University.

Scholarship Info: See Mrs. Arthur in the CHS College and Career Center located in the Guidance Office for an application and more information on all the listed scholarships below. A complete list of scholarships are available on the CHS Career Center website.

Mitchell A. Winey Scholarship. Due Friday, March 3

Valparaiso Family YMCA Foundation Scholarship. Due March 11

Kathryn Pokorny General and Lady Trojan Soccer Scholarship. Due March 17

Crown Point Community Foundation Scholarships applications are available online at www.thecpcf.org Three scholarships are available for CHS students. Due March 17

St Mary Medical Center Auxiliary Scholarship applications are online at www.comhs.org/ASA. Due March 30.

Valparaiso Woman's Association Scholarship. Due March 31.

Construction Advancement Foundation Scholarship applications are available online at www.cafnwin.org. Due March 31.

First Trust Credit Union (2) Scholarships: (Bachelor's Degree) and (Apprenticeship, Certification, or Associates Program). Due March 31

Indiana Sheriffs' Association Scholarship. Due April 1.

Red Ribbon Scholarship. Due April 7.

Duneland United Churches Resale, Inc. Volunteer Services Scholarship. Due April 7

Bailey Elementary PTO Scholarship. Due April 7

Christel R. Helmchen Duneland G.A.P.P. Scholarship. Due April 14.

Jackson Elementary Jacob Johnson Scholarship. Due April 14.

Westchester Intermediate PTO Scholarship. Due April 14.

Alberico Scholarship Foundation available at <http://www.albericoscholar.com/scholarship-details/> Due April 15

Thomas Dubach Memorial Scholarship. Due April 21.

Manuzzi Family Trade/Technical/Business Scholarship. Due April 21.

Manuzzi Family Music Scholarship. Due April 21.

Warren "Skip" Highwood Memorial Scholarship. Due May 1

Polish Heritage Scholarship. Due May 3

Tim Hecht Scholarship. Due May 26.

Abbott & Fenner Scholarship Program available at <http://abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm> Due June 12

Aspiring Nurse Scholarship applications are available online at <http://www.nursing-schoolsalmanac.com/articles/2017-aspiring-nurse-scholarship> Due June 30.

Rusty's Run 25K Run-5K-Run/Walk: A special run/walk to raise money for cancer research in memory of former Liberty Elementary student Rusty Schultz will be hosted on Sunday, March 18 at 9 a.m. at Brummitt Elementary School, 2500 Indian Boundary Road in Chesterton. The benefit is Rusty's Hope for childhood cancer. Visit www.thtiming.com for more information.

Visit Duneland School Corporation's Homepage and DuneNews online at <http://www.duneland.k12.in.us>

School Calendar

Thursday, March 2, 2017

WIS 5 Read Across America Day
WIS Faculty Meeting

4:30 p.m. CMS 7 Girls BB-Ben Franklin

4:30 p.m. CMS 8 Girls BB-Ben Franklin-H

Friday, March 3, 2017

Supt. Search online survey available thru March 17

CHS Jazz Band ISSMA Jazz Festival-LaPorte HS

5:30 p.m. CHS B&G V TR-Region Rumble-Portage

7 p.m. CHS Boys V BB IHSAA Sec.-Mich. City

Saturday, March 4, 2017

CHS Show Choir Comp.

CMS Jazz Band ISSMA Jazz Festival-LaPorte HS

8:15 a.m. CMS 8 Girls BB-MC. Inv.-Mc

10 a.m. CHS B&G V TR Qualifier-Portage

11 a.m. SP Little League Assessments-CHS Fieldhouse

1 p.m. CHS Girls V GYM Reg.-Valpo

7:30 p.m. CHS Boys V BB Sec.-Mich. City

Sunday, March 5, 2017

11 a.m. SP Little League Assessments-CHS Fieldhouse

Monday, March 6, 2017

3:30 p.m. MS FB Camp-CHS Turf Field

4:30 p.m. CMS 8 Girls BB-Hobart

4:45 p.m. CMS 7 Girls BB-Hobart-H

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

4:30 p.m. CMS 7 Girls BB-Thomas Jeff.-H

4:30 p.m. CMS 8 Girls BB-Thomas Jeff.

7-10 p.m. Mr. CHS Event-Aud.

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

LIS 6 Spring Band Concert-LIS

Gym

3:30 p.m. MS FB Camp-CHS Turf Field
7-8:45 p.m. CHS Open Swim-Pick up at 9 p.m.

Thursday, March 9, 2017

7:30 a.m. WIS PTO Mtg.

2:30 p.m. LES PTO Mtg.-Media

4:30 p.m. CMS 7&8 Girls BB-Krueger

6-7:30 p.m. BR Festival of Learning

7-9 p.m. Drug Prevention & Outreach Program-CHS Aud

Friday, March 10, 2017

ISTEP Testing window ends

LIS Spirit Day

CMS Band/Choir/Orchestra

ISSMA Contest-LaPorte HS

Saturday, March 11, 2017

CHS Show Choir Comp.-Fairfield, OH

CMS Band/Choir/Orchestra

ISSMA Contest-LaPorte HS

9 a.m. CMS 8 Girls BB Inv.-Ben Franklin

9 a.m. CHS B&G V TR Hoosier Qualifier-ARC/Trine Univ.

10 a.m. CHS Girls V TR Relays-Bishop Noll

Noon CHS Girls V GYM State Finals-Ball State Univ.

Sunday, March 12, 2017

10 a.m. IHSAA Bsb Certification-CHS Gym/Fieldhouse

CMS Five Guys Community

Fundraiser-Hrs of operation

Monday, March 13, 2017

IREAD Gr. 3 Testing Begins

Tuesday, March 14, 2017

7 p.m. Supt. Search Community Mtg.-CMS Aud.

BB=Basketball TR=Track GYM=Gymnastics

B&G=Boys' & Girls'

School Menus*

(*School menus are subject to change without notice)

Elementary and Intermediate Menu

Monday, March 6, 2017

Corn Dog, Fresh Broccoli w/Dip, Corn Grapes or Applesauce, Milk

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

Deluxe Hamburger or Cheeseburger on a Bun, Baked French Fries, Baked Beans, Orange Slices or Pineapple Tidbits, Milk

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

Curly Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce (on the side if desired), Breadstick, Romaine Garden Salad, Grapes or Peaches, Milk

Thursday, March 9, 2017

Chicken Rings, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Cherry Tomatoes, Mixed Fruit or Strawberries, Wheat Roll, Milk

Friday, March 10, 2017

Stuffed Crust Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza, Seasoned Carrots, California Blend w/Cheese, Orange/Pineapple/Cherry Sorbet Cup, Milk

Chesterton Middle School Menu

Monday, March 6, 2017

Chicken Rings, Carrots, Diced Pears, Milk

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

Nachos w/Meat, Black Beans & Corn, Nacho Cheese Cup, Grapes, Milk

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

Chicken Patty, Potatoes w/Gravy, Mixed Fruit, Roll, Milk

Thursday, March 9, 2017

Ravioli, Broccoli, Garlic Bread, Applesauce, Milk

Friday, March 10, 2017

Bosco Sticks w/Sauce, Corn, Fruit, Milk
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