



The Hawk Nest

NEWS from CHASKA HIGH SCHOOL

August 2017

Mark Your Calendar:

Date	Event
August 14 th	Fall Sports Start Date for All Sports (except Adapted Soccer) Mandatory Parent/Athlete/Coach Meeting, 6:30pm-Main Gym
August 21 st	8am-7pm – School Pictures, Parking Permit Sales, Schedules distributed 9 th Grade Only Chromebook Distribution: 2-5:00pm
August 22 nd	8am-4pm – School Pictures, Parking Permit Sales, Schedules distributed
August 29 th	Freshmen Orientation: 8am-12pm, Main Gym (more info below)
August 30 th	Welcome Back Celebration (more info below)

Looking Ahead:

September 5 th	First Day of School
September 6 th	Picture Make-up Day
October 6 th	Picture Retake Day

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Principal News:

Changes to Entrance Doors

The Family Learning Center has officially moved out of Chaska High School. Here are the entrances to use during school hours:

- **All** visitors and student drop off must use the East Main Entrance (door #1)
- Students who **drive** to school will now use the West Purple Entrance (door 23) to enter the building
- During school hours, **only** staff will be allowed to enter the West Activities Entrance (door #31) using their Staff ID badge.

Back to School Days - Pictures, Schedules, Parking Permits

Monday, August 21st

All Students 8:00am – 7:00pm

Tuesday, August 22nd

All Students 8:00am – 4:00pm

Pictures

Students in grades 9-11 are required to have pictures taken for Student IDs. There is no charge for a picture ID taken by Lifetouch. Optional packages are available for purchase. Lifetouch picture packets are available when pictures are taken or you can order your package up to two weeks in advance at: <http://my.lifetouch.com/mylifetouch/pictureDayId/MI297034Y0>. If you are unable to make it to one of the days above, there is a **make-up picture day** on September 6th. **Picture retake day** is October 6th.

**New this year- seniors do not need to have their picture taken for a school ID.

Schedule Pick-up

Students in grades 9-11 must have their picture taken before they can pick up their schedule. Students must pick up their own schedule. If you are unable to come in, schedules will be available in portal the evening of August 22nd.

Schedule Corrections

Students with “EMPTY” period(s) due to scheduling conflicts will be notified of times counselors are available to assist with their schedule. It is our priority to work with these students and ensure that they have a complete schedule in place.

Schedule corrections are allowed for limited reasons and are based on class availability. Schedule corrections take place in P130 based on the following schedule:

12th Grade: Wednesday, August 23 from 11:30-3:30 & Thursday, August 24 from 11:00 am – 7:00 pm

11th Grade: Thursday, August 24 from 11:00 am – 7:00 pm

9th and 10th Grade: Thursday, August 24 from 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm.

Students are assigned the following Counselor according to their grade/last name:

Counselor	House Office	Grade Level	Phone
Katie LoScalzo	Green House	Grade 9 (last name A-Z)	556-7141
Garrett Silker	Green House	Grades 10-12 (last name A-G)	556-7142
Cassie Klein	Blue House	Grades 10-12 (last name H-O)	556-7121
Kayla Denner	Blue House	Grades 10-12 (last name P-Z)	556-7122

Parking Permits



Students may purchase parking permits in the purple office beginning August 21st. In order to purchase a permit you must have all books, uniforms and instruments returned and/or all fines paid, complete the permit application with signatures of both the student and parent/guardian and present a valid driver's license *in person*. Parking permits are \$220.00 for the year and must be paid in full (no payment plans).

Parent and Student Welcome/Orientation, Activities Fair, and Open House Events

9th Grade Link Crew Orientation – Attendance highly recommended for all 9th Grade Students

Who: All incoming CHS 9th grade students

What: 9th Grade Orientation

When: Tuesday, August 29 from 8:00am – 12:00pm

Where: Chaska High School Gymnasium



I highly recommend that each 9th grade student attend the 9th Orientation. The Link Crew freshman orientation and transition program is designed to both welcome and support freshmen by assigning them a junior or senior Link Leader as a mentor during this first year. This Link Leader is a responsible older student who was hand selected from a large pool of applicants and has met the qualifications of being a good role model and a positive leader on our campus. The following is some information to let you know what you and your student can expect in advance of their first day of school.

- Your student can expect to receive an invitation to Freshman Orientation Day in the mail. If he or she has not received the invitation by August 14, 2017, please call the main office at 952-556-7100 and request one.
- Your student is encouraged not to bring backpacks, purses or other like items as the day is quite active.
- Please make sure that your student wears comfortable clothing that does not restrict movement. Students will be sitting on the floor, moving around, and standing up.
- This is a student only function so we encourage you to let your child attend on her or his own.

Please note this event is for freshman only and there is no alternative date if your student is unable to attend.

Activities / Resource Fair and Dinner

Who: All 9th grade and new students and their parents / guardians recommended. All families and students invited.

What: Activities / Resource Fair and Dinner

When: Wednesday, August 30 at 6:00

Where: CHS Commons

Parents and Guardians for 9th grade and new students can join their son or daughter at the Activities and Resource Fair at 6:00pm. Learn about athletics, activities, and clubs at CHS. Take care of last minute details with school nutrition, the main office, the nurse and more. Purchase a burger or hot dog from the CHS Boosters.

All Parents and 9th Grade and New Student Welcome Celebration / Orientation

Who: All 9th grade and new students and their parents / guardians recommended.

What: CHS welcome celebration

When: Wednesday, August 30 at 6:30pm

Where: CHS Gymnasium / CHS

Ninth grade and new students and their parents / guardians are requested to our beginning of the year celebration and orientation at Chaska High School. Learn about academics, activities, arts, and athletics at Chaska High School. Hear about CHS programming, supports, and opportunities for partnership. Feel our pride. It is recommended that all 9th grade and new students and their families attend.

All Student and Family Back-to-School Kick-off and Curriculum Night

Who: All students and parents / guardians

What: CHS Open House

When: Wednesday, August 30 from 7:00pm – 8:15pm

Where: Chaska High School. The entire building is option

All students and families are invited. Find your locker. Try your locker combination. Walk your schedule to find your classrooms and meet your teachers. This is a great opportunity to speak with staff and for students to become comfortable in the building before school begins.

9th Grade Only Chromebook Distribution is August 21st

All 9th Grade parents/students are asked to pick-up their chromebook between 2:00-5:00pm in B130.

*****Students who do not pick-up their chromebook on August 21st will be able to pick it up the first day of school. There are no other pick-up times planned prior to the start of school.***



New Student Chromebook Distribution is First Day of School

New students in grades 10-12 may pick up their chromebook in the media center on the first day of school.

CHS Student Supply List – Student Planners

CHS does not have a student supply list. Students should come prepared with writing utensils and notebooks. Classes that require specific supplies will communicate that during class the first few weeks of school.

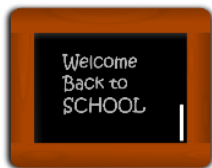
Student Planners will be available to purchase for \$10.00. Students in 9th and 10th grade are expected to have a planner.

Request to EXCLUDE Student Directory Information

If you wish to exclude your student's directory information from any published lists available to the public, the Exclusion Request form (available in the purple office) must be completed (renewed) each school year.

Directory information is considered public information and includes, but is not limited to, the yearbook, graduation programs, honor roll or other recognition lists, sports programs, and drama playbills.

School Begins



Tuesday, September 5th is the first day of school for all students. It is a regular 7-period school day beginning at 8:00. We are looking forward to having students back in the building.

Enjoy the remainder of your summer!

Did you Know?:

New School Hours for 2017-18



Part of the new school boundaries task force was to review school start times. It was decided that both high schools would change start and end times. School hours beginning the 2017-18 school year are 8:00am-2:50pm.

There are Summer Assignments for AP English

Advanced Placement (AP) English has summer assignments. To access the assignments, click [here](#).

Main Office Summer Hours

The Main Office is open during the summer Monday through Thursday from 7am – 3pm.

Little Volumes from the CHS Media Center:

Hello to all of our CHS parents and guardians! We are so excited to welcome the students back to school in September. We have a lot of big ideas for our Media Center this year, and we could really use your help. We want to incorporate a student project area into our space, and we are looking for donations of supplies to make this happen. If you are out and about doing some school supply shopping, we would truly appreciate donations of the following:

- Markers
- Dry erase markers
- Colored pencils
- Colored construction paper or cardstock
- Liquid glue and glue sticks
- Post-its notes of all sizes
- Index cards
- LEGOs or LEGO sets
- Duct tape - all colors and patterns
- Teen/Adult coloring books
- AA and AAA batteries
- Craft supplies such as yarn, sequins, pipe cleaners, pom-poms, etc.

Thank you so much for your generosity and support of our Media programs!

Notes from Food Service:

DID YOU KNOW?: That you can register and set up an online account on the website “mypaymentsplus.com” and you can see your child’s balance, watch their history of purchases and get notifications to your email when their account gets low? All aspects of the online service are free of charge except payments, which if made on line are charged a bank fee of 3.99%. Nutrition Services provides healthy meals daily with menus for each school located on the Eastern Carver County Schools website. Each student has an individual lunch account and separate payment is required for each student.

Payments can be received by check or cash at the school site or via online payment. Make checks payable to ISD 112 Nutrition. Applications for Free and Reduced Lunches are accepted anytime of the year.

Notes from Athletics:

Mandatory Parent/Athlete/Coach Meeting – August 14th, 6:30pm

Plan ahead to attend the **mandatory** PAC (Parent/Athlete/Coach) meeting for all fall Sports in the main gym.

Fall Sports begin August 14th

August 14th is the start date for all fall sports with the exception of Adapted Soccer. Adapted Soccer begins August 28th.

Student Athlete Attendance Policy

In order to participate in an athletic practice or contest during a school day or during the evening of a school day, students **MUST** be in school **“ALL DAY”** in order to participate in a MSHSL event. The exceptions are: school sponsored field trips, doctor appointment (with a note from the physician, time and date stamped), dentist (with a note from the dentist, time and date stamped) or a funeral. Exceptions to this policy will be:

- A. Administratively approved absence.
- B. Previous administrative permission to miss school.

Any other exceptions to this policy shall be considered only upon the advice and consent of the athletic director.

For a complete schedule of athletic events, go to: www.metrowestconference.org and select *Chaska* under school calendar.

Notes from Yearbook:

Senior Pictures are due October 26, 2017 for 2018 Graduates

Make your appointment now for senior pictures; see this [form](#) for further details. The deadline for senior portrait submissions is 3pm on Thursday, October 26. No late submissions will be accepted. Please mail your photo c/o Yearbook Advisor to Chaska High School, OR you may submit the photo digitally to: <https://images.jostens.com/upload.jsp>

Digital photos should be a TIFF (preferred) or JPEG file of at least 300 dpi. Please see our website for complete requirements.

Ads for Grads are due November 16, 2017 for the 2018 graduates

Every year, the yearbook staff sponsors a fundraiser. You may choose to submit an *Ad for Grad* as part of the celebration for your senior. These advertisements are a unique part of the yearbook in that they add a very personal, heart-felt touch to your senior's yearbook by looking back on their early years. An *Ad for Grad* is a wonderful way to say something important to your son or daughter – such as some sound advice or just how much you love them – before he or she graduates from CHS. All proceeds from *Ads for Grads* go back to the Hawk to help supplement the costs of the yearbook. More information will be shared later; all Ads will be paid and submitted online to Jostens.

Notes from Booster Club:

We are excited about our 2017-18 school year. Please join us at our first meeting of the year on Monday, August 21, 2017 @ 6:30 in the Main Office Conference Room. ALL ARE WELCOME!

The Booster Club is a volunteer organization that supports Chaska High School and its students through various fundraising and volunteer activities.

- 100% of the Booster profits go directly back to the students and high school!
- Come and meet us..... The Boosters always welcomes new members throughout the year.
- We meet the first Monday of every month during the school year.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT - OPEN HOUSE AUGUST 30TH

The Boosters tent will be serving Burgers and Hot Dogs during the event as well as the Booster Passes for 2017-18. Stop by the Hawk Shop for your FREE Hawks window sticker (one per family please!)

BOOSTER MEMBERSHIP PASSES

Booster Membership passes for the 2017—18 seasons will be available for purchase at Back to School Night as well as Fall sports/games.

OPEN POSITIONS:

We are looking for the following positions to be filled for the 2017-2018 School Year:

- Activity Pass Sales - help promote/sell Student/Adult/Family Activity Passes during the Fall & Winter Season at home events.
- Concession Aide (2) - help Parent Volunteers during concession shifts during the Fall & Winter season.

Contact Alan Wright - President chsboosterpres@gmail.com or Kim Reding - Concession Coordinator chsboosterconc@gmail.com if interested.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Please watch for the many volunteer choices to earn money for your student's activities/sports. It is fun, easy and great way to meet others in our Hawks Community!

All Concession Volunteers earn \$10 per hour - 100% goes to Team/Activity of choice! Open to ALL Teams & Activities!

Contact chsboostervolunteer@gmail.com for more info Dates/Times.

PAINT THE TOWN!

Show your Hawk Pride have the Hawk logo painted on your driveway/sidewalk for \$25. It's also a great fundraiser for teams & clubs - portion of proceeds goes directly to sport or activity

Contact Michelle - Chspaintthetown@gmail.com

For future meeting dates or Chaska High School Booster information, visit us at www.chaskaboosters.org or Chaska High School under Athletics or Activities. And don't forget to Follow Us on Twitter @ChaskaBoosters

Hawk Pride

CHS Alumni Soar

Congratulations to the following Hawks:

- Brad Hand, Class of 2008 who pitched in the Major League Baseball All-Star game for the National League Team.
- Sean Engel, Class of 2016, who was recently named one of the Top 5 Newcomers to Watch on the University of North Dakota Bison Football Team.
- Ben Sathre, Class of 2008, who won the Minneapolis Half Marathon

Boys Hockey Player Will Represent Team USA on U17 Select Team

Congratulations to junior, Mike Koster who was selected to represent Team USA at the Five Nations Tournament in the Czech Republic later this summer.

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