



Cheektowaga Central High School

Monthly Bulletin



“Where Character, Curriculum & Community Connect”

February, 2024

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

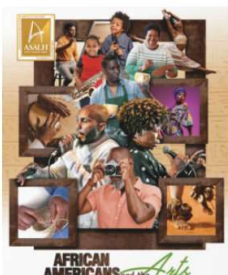
This year's national Black History Month theme is "African Americans and the arts." African American art is infused with African, Caribbean, and Black American experiences and artists have used their craft to not only preserve history but for empowerment as well.

Whether digital, literary, visual or performing arts, Black trailblazers and innovators revolutionized their fields. Artistic and cultural movements such as the New Negro, Black Arts, Black Renaissance, hip-hop, and Afrofuturism, have set the standard for popular trends around the world.

Here is a list of just a few of many influential African American artists: Robert Johnson, McKinley Morganfield (Muddy Waters), Riley (BB) King, Alvin Ailey, Judith Jamison, Amiri Baraka, Nikki Giovanni, Sonia Sanchez, Roland Kirk, Janelle Monáe, Jimi Hendrix, David Walker, Maria Stewart, Edmonia Lewis, Henry O. Tanner, Phillis Wheatley, DJ Kool Herc, DJ Grandmaster Flash, DJ Afrika Bambaataa etc. For more examples and resources visit:

<https://www.blackhistorymonth.gov/>

<https://centerracialjustice.org/resources/black-history-month-resource-guide-for-educators-and-families/>



UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

2/08 – Black History Month Presentation 6pm

2/12 – 2/16 – Inclusion Spirit Week

2/13 - Board of Ed Meeting 6pm in LGI

2/15 – Band Festival 7pm

2/19- 2/23 - Mid-Winter Recess (No Classes)

Character Word of the Month

Inclusive

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

Doors Open for Students	7:00 am
Warning Bell for 1 st Period	7:14 am
1 st Period Starts	7:17 am

HS Main Office	716-686-3601
HS Student Services	716-686-3634
HS Athletic Office	716-686-3659

Inclusive:

It does NOT mean,
"If you want to participate, conform to the cultural/social norm of the majority."

It means,
"Diversity is so vital that every person will have his needs met so that all have access to the same opportunities to learn, play, and live."

“When everyone is included, everyone wins”

Jesse Jackson





In Mr. Cross' 10th Grade ELA, students wrapped up reading the novel "Speak" by Laurie Halse Anderson, and watching the film directed by Jessica Sharzer. They were then presented with the question "what don't you want to be silent about?" Students choose a topic that interests them, researched it and presented it to the class in a unique and meaningful way. They will have an opportunity to showcase their work to a broader audience at Youth Voices that will be held at Buffalo State University in May.



In Ms. Aiken's Law Enforcement class, students have had the opportunity to establish connections with diverse Law Enforcement agencies in our Western New York region. Each Friday, a different representative from a Law Enforcement agency visits the class to elaborate on their professional journey, daily responsibilities, and share distinct experiences from their roles. Additionally, students have been granted the chance to visit the Cheektowaga Police Department, further enriching their understanding of the practical aspects of law enforcement.



AP Biology students are digging into gene expression, which is crucial for correct organismal function & survival.

Earth science students are investigating different minerals and identifying their names based on differences in crystal structure, color, density, cleavage, or fracture.

Forensics students are learning all about fingerprints - identifying the general patterns in their own fingerprints using pencils and ink pads as well as practicing the techniques used to lift latent fingerprints.



In the wonderful world of Geometry, both regents and non-regents, we are working through skills that the students will be able to use in real life. Regents Geometry is working with quadrilaterals and the coordinate plane. While non-regents are finishing up with volume and moving into right triangles using the Pythagorean theorem and trigonometry. In their math lab we are taking time to reinforce skills that have been already taught to deepen the students' understanding using tools like Formative, Gimkit, and around the room activities where they get to work together cooperatively.





Spanish classes have been studying reflexive verbs and French classes have been learning about weather. Upper-level classes have been studying the future tense. They made New Year's resolutions about things they "will do" in 2024 and read authentic texts that feature the future tense, including song lyrics and classic poems.

French 4 students, Sara Thompson and Jaiden Block help each other learn their irregular future stems. Sometimes, in spite of all the technology, the "old fashioned way" works best!



Demain, Dès L'Aube 147
 DEMAIN, DÈS L'AUBE, À L'HEURE OU BLANCHIT LA CAMPAGNE,
 Je partirai. Vois-tu, je sais que tu m'attends.
 J'irai par la forêt, j'irai par la montagne.
 Je ne puis demeurer loin de toi plus longtemps.
 Je marcherai les yeux fixés sur mes pensées,
 Sans rien voir au dehors, sans entendre aucun bruit,
 Seul, inconnu, le dos courbé, les mains croisées,
 Triste, et le jour pour moi sera comme la nuit.
 Je ne regarderai ni l'or du soir qui tombe,
 Ni les voiles au loin descendant vers Harfleur,
 Et quand l'arriverai, je mettrai sur ta tombe
 Un bouquet de houx vert et de bruyère en fleur.

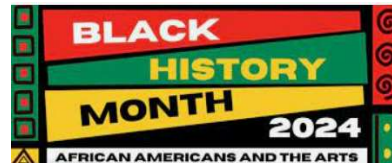
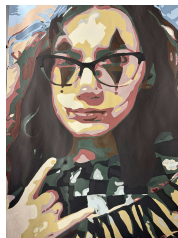
Athletics

Varsity & JV Home Matches

2/6 – B BK – West Seneca E – 5pm
 2/6 – B & G Bowling – Will South – 4pm
 2/6 – Unified Bowling – Amherst – 4pm
 2/7 – G BK – Holland – 5pm
 2/8 – B BK – Lake Shore – 5pm
 2/9 – Unified Bowling – Depew – 4pm
 2/10 – G BK – Tapestry – 10am
 2/10 – B BK – Will South – 12noon
 2/10 – Track at Houghton – 9am
 2/12 – G BK – Pioneer – 5pm
 2/13 – B BK – Maryvale – 5pm
 2/16 – G BK – Niagara Falls – 5pm
 2/27 – Unified Bowling – W. Seneca – 4pm

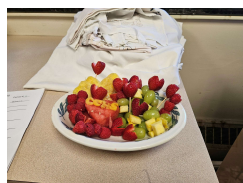


Classes are working on Ceramic mugs and learning the art of printmaking.



- **Black** - Represents the resilient people whose existence as a nation is honored and affirmed by the existence of a flag.
- **Red** - Symbolizes the blood of innocent Black lives that has been shed throughout history.
- **Yellow** - Stands for optimism, justice and equality for everyone.
- **Green** - Symbolizes Africa's rich greenery and other natural resources

Ms. Preston's classes are always looking for food judges. Students put a lot of creativity & thought into the projects they create.



Cheektowaga Central BHM Club Presents: "A Celebration of 50 Years of Hip Hop"

When: Thursday, Feb 8, 2024
Time: 6pm SHARP



CCHS Music Department



GREASE LIGHTNING!!
Music students started rehearsing their acting singing, dancing and pit orchestra music for our annual Spring musical.



Winter Pep Rally



February

2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29 District Lockdown Drill	30	31	1	2	3 Winter Dance 7pm-10pm
	Evaluative Being Survey				Follow Wed Bells Pep Rally	
	WINTER SPIRIT WEEK					
4	5 R: Science, Social Studies & PE	6 R: Math, Specials & PE	7	8 R: ELA & PE BHM Presentation Evening Only 6pm	9 R: World Lang & PE	10
11	12 INCLUSION SPIRIT WEEK	13 R: Math, Specials & PE	14 HAPPY Valentine's DAY	15 R: ELA & PE Band Festival during day & 7pm	16 R: World Lang & PE	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	WINTER BREAK - No School					
25	26 R: Science, Social Studies & PE	27 R: Math, Specials & PE	28	29 R: ELA & PE LEAP DAY	1 R: World Lang & PE HS Musical - Grease	2

CHEEKTOWAGA CENTRALS' WEEK OF INCLUSION

MONDAY-
"BLEND TOGETHER"

WEAR TIE-DYE

THURSDAY-
"HIGHLIGHT YOUR DIFFERENCES"

WEAR NEON COLORS

TUESDAY- COLOR WAR

FRESHMAN- ORANGE
SOPHMORE- BLUE AND GOLD
JUNIORS- PURPLE
SENIORS- GREEN
TEACHER/STAFF- RED

WEDNESDAY- "ONE SCHOOL ONE GOAL"

WEAR SCHOOL COLORS

FRIDAY- "INVISIBLE DISABILITIES"

WEAR CAMOFLAUGE

Cheektowaga Central High School[®]
Presents

GREASE



March 1st & 2nd at 7:00 p.m. • March 3rd at 2:00 p.m.
Admission Price: \$10.00 for Adults \$8.00 for Students

Scan Here for Tickets →

