

Cheektowaga Central High School

Monthly Bulletin

"Where Character, Curriculum & Community Connect"



CHARGERS

January, 2025

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Welcome to 2025!

As we enter the new year, it's the perfect time for new beginnings and fresh opportunities. This year invites us to embrace the chance to set new goals, take on challenges, and grow in ways we might not have imagined before. Let's approach the months ahead with an easy-going mindset, understanding that each new day offers a fresh start and the potential for positive change. In a time when the world moves quickly, taking a step back and appreciating the present moment can make all the difference. Together, as students, families, and staff, we can support one another and make this year one of personal growth, academic success, and meaningful connections. Here's to making the most of this new chapter and all the possibilities it brings!

Mrs. Cyganovich



UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

1/2 - Classes Resume

1/14 - **Board of Ed Meeting** at 6pm

1/20 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

1/21 - 1/24 – Regents & Midterm Week
(no classes – see last page for schedule)

1/24 - 2nd Marking Period Closes

1/29 - Lunar New Year *(no classes)*

Character Word of the Month
Easy Going

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

Remedial	1:54pm – 2:32pm
(Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri)	

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



"A positive, easy-going mindset can turn any challenge into an opportunity for growth."

"In a world full of chaos, be the easy-going person who brings calm and kindness."



Earth Science - Students are learning how Earth's rotation results in everyday occurrences like day/night and stars rotating around *Polaris* (the North Star).

Chemistry – Regent students have been learning about compounds and bonding, while AP students have engaged with intermolecular forces and are preparing solutions for further study using spectrophotometry!

Biology – Regent students have begun investigating group behavior and genetic relationships among African lion prides. AP students are learning about the biochemistry of aerobic cellular respiration.

Physics – Students have been learning about the forces of the universe, how they work in their daily lives and making calculations with these forces.



Environmental Science - Students are learning about everything ecology related. Recently, they researched different biomes from around the world and created posters to illustrate their favorite ones.

Forensics - Students have been working on comparing and analyzing handwriting samples using the 12 criteria that forensic scientists use in cases involving fraud and forgery.

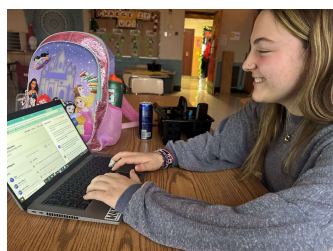
Medical Terms – Students wrapped up the muscle unit by creating a physical therapy plan to tie the skeletal system and muscle system together.

Computer Science – Students have been working on learning C++ to make physical components of a circuit work. Recently they added a dimmer switch to control an LED.

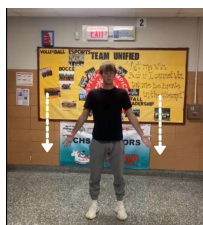
General Chemistry – Students used an app called Seek to identify different plant species growing around the campus.



In Mrs. Baker's Life Math class, students are using SchoolAI to participate in a mock interview with a potential employer at Tim Hortons. In addition, they have been creating and perfecting their Resumes, and some have been using them when applying for jobs!



Students in Mrs. Hy's American History through Film class are working to create their own screenplays for a historical topic of their choosing. Student "directors" must make choices on camera shots, music, props and dialogue for each scene. They must also make the important decision of whether to focus on historical accuracy, entertainment...or both. Topic choices include Harriet Tubman, Japanese Internment, and the assassination of Abraham Lincoln.

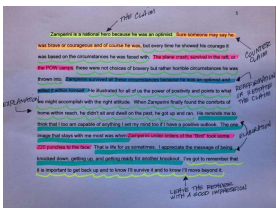
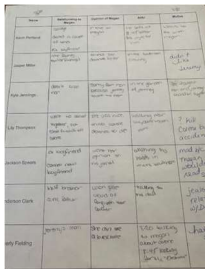




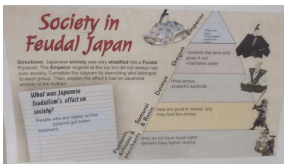
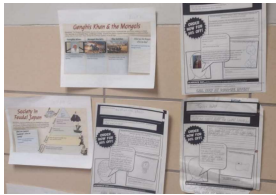
In ELA Enrichment, 11th and 12th graders sharpened their critical thinking by solving a fictional wedding murder mystery. Using context clues and textual evidence, they pieced together motives, alibis, and clues to crack the case.

In a unit focused on students' right to free speech in schools, learners created compelling arguments, crafted claims and backed them up with evidence from real-world court cases, articles, and discussions.

These activities not only helped students prepare for their upcoming exam by reinforcing essential reading, writing, and critical thinking skills but also equipped them with tools they can use in real-life situations. By tackling relatable scenarios and collaborating creatively, students turned exam prep into a meaningful and fun experience.



Mr. Chasse's Global classes have embraced deepening, applying, and celebrating their learning through active, project-based activities. Global 10 kicked off the year by exploring the rich legacies of the Ottoman, Mughal, and Tokugawa Empires, diving deep into their characteristics and lasting contributions. They also examined the key beliefs of Enlightenment thinkers, exploring how their ideas shaped the modern world. Meanwhile, Global 09 students engaged in creative and insightful projects, including crafting advertisements for inventions from the Tang Song Dynasties, analyzing the rise of Genghis Khan and the Mongols, and constructing a visual representation of the social hierarchy in Feudal Japan. Through these hands-on assessments, students have not only deepened their understanding of these civilizations and cultures but also developed a greater appreciation for their contributions to the world today.



Studio In Art Hand Turkey Challenge



Buffalo State Honors Band & Chorus Participants

STUDENT SERVICES

Throughout the month of December, counselors will be in English classes discussing graduation requirements and course request options for the 25-26 school year. In addition, Meals on Wheels and Feedmore WNY volunteer opportunities continue. *(Permission slips available in Counseling!)*

Important Upcoming Dates:

- 12/3 - Daemen University Visit
- 12/5 - BOCES Presentation for 10th graders & Northland WTC Presentation for 12th graders
- 12/10 - Feedmore WNY Volunteer Opportunity
- 1/14 - FAFSA Support Night (5pm-7pm in HS LGI)



ATHLETICS

Home Matches

- 1/3 – B BK W. Seneca E.
- 1/3 & 1/4 – Track Buffalo State
- 1/4 – G BK Health Science
- 1/7 – B Swim E. Aurora
- 1/7 – B/G Bowling Depew
- 1/10 – B/G Bowling Alden
- 1/11 – Track Houghton
- 1/13 – G BK McKinley
- 1/14 - B BK Pioneer
- 1/14 – B Swim Iroquois
- 1/15 – G BK Alden
- 1/15 – B/G Bowling Maryvale
- 1/17 – B Swim Lake Shore
- 1/17 – Track Buffalo State
- 1/18 – Track Houghton
- 1/22 – Wrestling Lake Shore
- 1/23 – B/G Bowling Cleve Hill
- 1/24 – Track Houghton
- 1/24 – G BK Cleve Hill
- 1/27 - B BK Lackawanna
- 1/28 – B Swim Depew
- 1/28 – B/G Bowling Will North
- 1/31 – B BK Maryvale



JANUARY 2025

Regents and Midterm Examination Schedule

Cheektowaga Central High School

JANUARY 21 TUESDAY	JANUARY 22 WEDNESDAY	JANUARY 23 THURSDAY	JANUARY 24 FRIDAY
8:15 a.m.	8:15 a.m.	8:15 a.m.	8:15 a.m.
English Language Arts (ELA) Regents ELA 11 Midterm AP Literature Midterm	Geometry Regents US History and Government U.S. History & Government Midterm	Global History & Geography II Regents Global History & Geography II Midterm AP Government and Economics Midterm	Living Environment Regents Biology Midterm AP Chemistry Midterm AP Biology Midterm
12:15 p.m.	12:15 p.m.	12:15 p.m.	
Earth Science Regents Earth Science Midterm Chemistry Regents Chemistry Midterm	Algebra I Regents Algebra I Midterm Physics Regents Physics Midterm	Algebra II Regents Algebra II Midterm **Geometry Midterm**	

Deadlines for Admission
Morning Examinations - 10:00 a.m.
Afternoon Examinations - 2:00 p.m.

From Tuesday, January 21st through Friday, January 24th, students should only attend school on the days and times that they are scheduled for an exam. Performance scores on local midterm assessments will be used in either the 2nd or 3rd marking period report card. There are no make-up dates for Regents Examinations. Make-up opportunities for local midterm assessments will not be provided, unless there are well-documented, extenuating circumstances that preclude students from attending on the original administration date.

The district will be providing bus transportation to and from school for all exams. Bus routes and schedules will be posted in student Google Classrooms and on the school web page.

- Morning buses will pick students up at the normal time for an 8am exam and around 11:00 am for afternoon exams as needed.
- Departure busses from school will be at 10:30am, 11:30am, 2:30pm & 3:30 pm

