COTTONWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2021

PRINCIPAL'S WEEKLY UPDATE

Dear Cottonwood Parents and Students,

Congratulations to the graduating Class of 2021 valedictorian, **Annie O'Bryan**, and salutatorian, **Cali Colton**! We are so proud of these exemplary students and are excited to hear from them during the graduation ceremony!

April is Ethnic Diversity Celebration Month at Cottonwood! Throughout the month, our parents and students will discuss the importance of being tolerant and respectful.

Report cards for 3rd quarter were mailed to parents last week. Please let us know if you have not received these by Wednesday.

Honor roll certificates were also mailed to homes last week. We are so proud of our honor roll students who have truly excelled in spite of the obstacles from this pandemic. Details are below:

9th grade honor roll:

- 4.0 students = 17
- 3.5 3.99 students = 78
- Total number: 95

10th grade honor roll:

- 4.0 students = 25
- 3.5 3.99 students = 108
- Total number: 133

11th grade honor roll:

- 4.0 students = 20
- 3.5 3.99 students = 73
- Total number: 93

12th grade honor roll:

- 4.0 students = 39
- 3.5 3.99 students = 64
- Total number: 103

Just a reminder that we are administering the **ONLINE** state mandated assessment, ASPIRE+, this Wednesday, April 14, for all 9th and 10th grade students, both distance learners and face-to-face learners.

Details about Wednesday, April 14:

- 9th and 10th grade students ride the bus at regular times both morning and afternoon
- 9th and 10th grade students arrive by 7:30 am with their Chromebooks **CHARGED** and updated for the test
- 9th and 10th grade students will be provided a hearty breakfast, snack, and lunch
- 11th and 12th grade students who have a GTI class will come to school as usual and ride the bus to and from the GTI
- Regular school breakfast and lunch will be provided for 11th and 12th grade GTI students
- 11th and 12th grade students who do not attend the GTI will do distance learning

Please let me know if you have any questions about the ASPIRE+ testing day!

Lastly, we are excited to have **PROM** next week! Please see the details below.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

Terri Roylance

PROM

We are so excited for our students to be able to go to PROM this year!

- Date: Saturday, April 17
- Time: 7:00 10:00 pm
- Place: The Aquarium
- Cost: \$10 per person
- Dress: Formal

Tickets will be sold online starting Monday, April 12.

Seniors and juniors (12th and 11th grade students) will have the opportunity to buy tickets on Monday. Sophomores and freshmen can buy tickets starting on Tuesday.

All students attending PROM **must** have a negative COVID-19 test within 48 hours of attending PROM. We will be doing COVID-19 testing on Friday, April 16, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.

Masks must be worn at all times at the dance.

If a Cottonwood student chooses to bring a high school student from a different school, a contract agreement must be signed and proof of a negative COVID-19 test within 48 hours must be shown at the door. Non-Cottonwood students may test with Cottonwood students on Friday, April 16, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.

Questions? Please contact me by email or call the main office. 385-646-5264

COUNSELOR CORNER

SENIORS:

- Senior Award Packets are available online and in the counseling center. The Senior Award Packet contains the award applications for the Diploma of Merit, the Senior Awards Banquet, the Academic Letter application (for this current year and last year's retroactive award), and accompanying materials. The contents of the packet are due Friday, April 16th by 3 p.m.. Distance learners may print the application from the website and follow the instructions in the informative power point for getting teacher signatures. All information, including the packet, can be found here: https://www.coltscounseling.com/seniors
- The deadline for enrolling in online classes through Granite Online has passed for the year. Any student who needs new credits will have to pursue outside sources. Please see your counselor immediately if this applies to you.
- We currently have not solidified plans for graduation, though they should be formalized by next week. Graduation will be a ticketed event, as it always is, though that number may vary from year's past. Details to come.
- Any student who hasn't ordered their cap and gown can do so at <u>https://www.jostens.com/apps/catalog/packageBrowse.mvc?</u> <u>customerId=1120664&customerName=Cottonwood-High-</u> <u>School&catalogOsr=GRAD_PROD_HS_SENIOR_SPRING_CATALOG&catalogName=Graduation&c</u> <u>ategoryOsr=REGALIA&pubCatId=1458662247</u> *note that the basic cap and gown package is free of cost.

ALL STUDENTS:

• The applications for this year AND last year's academic letter are in the counseling center. Students may apply retroactively for last year's academic letter, if they so qualify. The requirements are a 3.7 cumulative GPA, three or more honors, AP or CE classes, and no grade less than a B for the academic year.

GRADUATION FOR THE CLASS OF 2021

Two weeks ago our seniors had the opportunity to participate in a district survey asking their opinion about graduation which is scheduled for Thursday, June 3.

The Cottonwood survey results were as follows:

- Seniors want a traditional ceremony
- · Seniors want their parents to be able to attend

This last week, our Cottonwood seniors took a second survey asking what "traditional ceremony"

upcoming week.

Details will be outlined in next week's newsletter!

COTTONWOOD AND MILLCREEK YOUTH COUNCIL INFORMATION

Hello Cottonwood Families!

In preparation of Teacher and Counselor Appreciation Week, the Cottonwood, Millcreek, and Holladay Youth Councils would like your help.

We are looking for studenta and parents to write notes to impactful teacher and faculty. There will be a box along with notecards provided in the main office to drop off these notes from April 12 - 22.

Distance learners can write notes using this link: <u>https://bit.ly/39Ht7mh</u>

We are looking for at least one note per staff member, so feel free to write multiple notes.

We really appreciate your help and look forward to your contribution!

Sincerely, Abdul Mansoor Youth Council Liaison

GEARING UP FOR COLLEGE EVENT!

All Cottonwood students and parents/guardians are invited to attend!

Date: Wednesday, April 14, 2021 Time: 5:30 - 6:30 pm Place: Cottonwood auditorium

Please join us to hear alumni, Anna Bergeson, and a liaison from Utah Valley University share experiences and information about transitioning from high school to college. Additionally, they will speak about ways to pay for college and specific information about UVU.

The FIRST 100 STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENT/GUARDIANS to arrive at the event will be given a FREE dinner: Jimmy John's grab-n-go sandwich, chips, and cookie.

Masks will be required and social distancing rules will be observed.

Sponsored by GEAR Up!

HEALTH CARE INTERNSHIPS

Health care internships are starting again next fall and one student from each high school will be chose. Please see the flyer below with additional details!



MASK MANDATE - INFO FROM GRANITE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dear Granite District Parents and Families,

We've heard from a number of you who are concerned about rumors you're hearing that masks will no longer be worn at school. As I'm sure you are aware, the law that was passed by the legislature specifically left the school mask wearing requirement in place. Consequently, you need have no safety concerns within Granite District.

Our students and employees will continue to wear masks in school and at school activities through the end of the school year in harmony with the law and state and local health department requirements.

The link for that order is here - <u>https://coronavirus-download.utah.gov/Health/UPHO-2021-2-Updated-School-Face-Mask-Order.pdf</u>

As has been the case throughout this year, students who do not have a mask will be provided one and those families who choose to not wear masks will be provided a distance education.

Most of our employees have received COVID immunizations and as we know, these immunizations are proven to prevent symptoms. The CDC continues to study whether immunizations prevent catching, carrying or passing the virus. Consequently, we encourage everyone to keep wearing masks even away from school when in close contact with people who have not been immunized.

Sincerely,

Granite School District

REMINDERS

Please report student absences within SEVEN days by sending an email to our attendance secretary, Jackie: <u>coltsattendance@graniteschools.org</u>

All meals served in our cafeteria (breakfast and lunch) are FREE. Additional meals are available for students on Thursday afternoons to take home on Friday.

Download the Cottonwood APP: (see picture below)

Cottonwood athletics: Cottonwoodcolts.org

Cottonwood Instagram: Cwoodcoltsofficial

Cottonwood Twitter: @CottonsooHS

Cottonwood website: www.schools.graniteschools.org/cottonwoodhigh/

Cottonwood student body officers site: Cwoodstampede.com



CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 12 - 17

Monday, April 12

B DAY

- JV/Sophomore baseball @Highland HS, 3:30 pm
- Tennis @home vs Cyprus HS, 3:30 pm

Tuesday, April 13

A DAY

- Baseball @Highland HS, 4:00 pm
- Soccer @home vs Olympus HS, 3:30 pm
- Softball @East HS, 3:30 pm

Wednesday, April 14

B DAY

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- 11th and 12th grade students do distance learning UNLESS they have a GTI class that day
- GEAR Up sponsored College Event for ALL STUDENTS AND PARENTS, auditorium, 5:30 pm

Thursday, April 15

A DAY

- Baseball @home vs Highland HS, 4:00 pm
- Softball @Highland HS, 3:30 pm
- Tennis @East HS, 3:30 pm

Friday, April 16

A/B DAY

- Distance learning for all students; check CANVAS for a short assessment/assignment for each A and B day class
- JV/Sophomore baseball @home vs Highland HS, 3:30 pm
- Soccer @home vs Hillcrest HS, 3:30 pm
- COVID-19 TESTING IN THE COMMONS, 9:00 AM 1:00 PM

Saturday, April 17

- State theater @Spanish Fork HS
- Track @Davis HS
- PROM @The Aquarium, 7:00 10:00 pm

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 19 - 24

Monday, April 19

A DAY

- Golf @Rose Park
- JV/Sophomore baseball @home vs East HS, 3:30 pm

Tuesday, April 20

B DAY

- Baseball @home vs East HS, 4:00 pm
- Soccer @home vs Brighton HS, 3:30 pm
- Softball @Olympus HS, 3:30 pm
- Tennis @home vs Hillcrest HS, 3:30 pm

Wednesday, April 21 A DAY

Thursday, April 22

B DAY

- Baseball @East HS, 4:00 pm
- Softball @home vs Brighton HS, 3:30 pm
- Tennis @Brighton HS, 3:30 pm

Friday, April 23

A/B Day

- Distance learning for all students; check CANVAS for a short assessment/assignment for each A and B day class
- Baseball @home vs Stansbury HS, 4:00 pm
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- Soccer @Skyline HS, 3:30 pm
- Track @Orem HS

Saturday, April 24

• Track @Orem HS

