Dear CFHS Parents/Guardians;

In order to expose our students to as many colleges, programs of study, and career pathways as possible during high school, CFHS hosts a Falcon Connection Day each semester during an extended Advisory period. Falcon Connections Days occur once a semester, where college, career, and military representatives are invited to present information regarding their school or job to a group of interested students. Students grades 9-12 are able to sign up for their first, second, and third choice presentation choices and then are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

This school year's fall Falcon Connections Day took place on Monday, October 21st. The speakers gave extremely positive feedback about the event and our CFHS students.

- The University of Arizona's new Undergraduate Law Program Career Strategies Officer and Professor, Linus Kafka, responded to a return invitation to present, "I look forward to another visit. The CFHS students are great."

- Tremain Ravenell, University of Arizona alumni of the Eller College of Management, and current Master's degree student and Interim Director of Alumni Careers and Professional Development, whose presentation covered how to be successful as a college student and beyond, stated, "Thank you this was great! Would love to do again!"

- Recruitment Coordinator, Angela Botello, from the University of Arizona's College of Education commented, "I must compliment you on a well-organized event. Yes, I would love a chance to meet with your students again for the next Falcon Connections Day."

- Brian Seastone, Chief of Police at the University of Arizona stated, "Thank you so much. I really enjoyed visiting with the students. I would be honored to come back in March. I've blocked it on my calendar."

- Pima Community College Admissions Counselor, John Farrell responded to our March Falcon Connections Day invitation, "It was a great event I'm happy to attend in March as well!"

Various other alumni and community representatives from careers in healthcare, culinary and restaurant management, the music industry, engineering, business ownership and management, events management, law, and the military offered sessions for our students to attend.

We want to highlight not only the appreciation we have for the time and effort made on behalf of our presenters, but we also want to thank our students for their initiative in wanting to explore college and career options. We could not offer this event without student interest and without the respect they show towards the visitors on our campus. Thank you, students, for all that you do to engage, ask questions, and take advantage of this opportunity for post-high school exploration. And thank you, parents/guardians, for your support in encouraging your teens to go above and beyond, and to welcome our speakers and understand they have much to offer.

Parents or alumni who are interested in sharing their career path with interested students on a Falcon Connections Day are invited to contact CFHS counselor Robin Larson at rlarson@cfsd16.org.

Wishing you a wonderful Holiday Season,

Jody Brase
Principal
Important Dates to Remember:

- December 18-20: Final Exams
- Dec 23 – Jan 3: No School (Winter Break)
- January 20: No School (MLK Day)
- February 20-21: No School (Rodeo Break)
- March 23-27: No School (Spring Break)
- May 15: Seniors’ Last Day
- May 18-20: Final Exams (Gr. 9-11)
- May 20: Graduation/Last Day of School

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YEARBOOKS $80

Don’t miss your chance to get your yearbook - on sales now at the Bursar Office or online through InTouch.

Senior Parents: Don’t forget to give your senior his/her own tribute in the yearbook! Tributes are due no later than January 10, 2020.

Go to yearbookordercenter.com and use school order number 7219.
October 1, 2019

To:  Parents of CFSD Students  
From:  Mary Kamerzell, Superintendent  
Re: CFSD Open Enrollment Program for the 2020-2021 School Year

The Catalina Foothills School District (CFSD) will begin its open enrollment application procedures for the 2020-2021 school year on **November 1, 2019**.

Pursuant to A.R.S. §15-816 all Arizona school districts follow a prescribed procedure and timetable for admitting out-of-district transfer students and resident transfer students (those who live in the District but are attending a school outside the attendance area of their residence). All students who currently attend CFSD schools and reside in other districts, and all CFSD resident students who attend a school outside of the attendance area of their residence, are impacted by this law.

We require **all open enrollment students to apply for admission each year**. Therefore, if your child is a resident transfer (open enrollment) student and you want him/her to continue in that capacity, or if your child resides outside of the district, either as a continuing or a new open enrollment student, please complete an open enrollment application online **between November 1, 2019 and January 31, 2020**.

**Open enrollment applications and information regarding the application process are on the district Web site,** [www.cfsd16.org](http://www.cfsd16.org) **(as of November 1, 2019). Under Parents, select Open Enrollment.**

Electronic applications must be submitted **no later than January 31, 2020**. Decisions about admission, based on capacity, will be made by March 1, 2020. At that time, all applicants who applied during the application period will be notified by email whether their applications were accepted, waitlisted, or declined. **Note: A separate application must be completed for each student.**

Please keep in mind that annually, the open enrollment process involves three steps: application, notification of our decision and, if accepted, online registration.
CLASS OF 2020 ~ CFHS SENIOR PLANNING TIME LINE

Jan 10  Deadline for Senior Falcon Tributes submissions [2019-20 Yearbook] through Herff Jones Website only
Jan 31  Deadline to report corrections for names in the graduation program. Changes are due to Registrar in the counseling office by 3:30 pm.
Feb 6 & 7  Distribution of caps & gowns on the plaza by Herff Jones/Rembrandt (pick up to wear for senior group picture)
Feb TBD  Senior Breakfast in Cafeteria (during Grade 9-11 Course Selections)
Mar 1  Deadline to order an engraved brick through FFO
Mar 2  Senior Group Picture (graduation gowns required): 8:30 am – Stadium
Mar 9  Senior Meeting, including distribution of announcements, during Advisory (10:05-10:40) Auditorium
April TBD  Senior Graduation Meeting – 9:15 in the Auditorium. **ALL** seniors **must** attend this **mandatory** meeting in order to participate in the graduation ceremony. Attendance will be taken.
April 17  Deadline for Student Graduation Speaker / Performer sign up; no later than 3:30 pm. Pick up and turn in the information sheet in House 3. Open to seniors only!
April 22  Student Graduation Speaker / Performer Auditions – 3:30 pm – House 1 Seminar Room
April 27  Seniors inform Counseling Office of college and other post high school plans
May 15  Seniors’ last day – Senior Luau
May 18  Senior Honors Ceremony – 7:00 pm – Auditorium (Recognizing seniors with 3.75 after 7th semester)
May 19  Graduation Practice 2:45 – 4:00 pm; start in the Auditorium. **Participation required for ceremony.** Back pack check-in for Grad Night: 12:00 noon – 2:00 pm.
May 20  **Graduation Ceremony @ 7:30 pm – CFHS Stadium.** Seniors arrive 6:30 pm for line up. **Grad Night** - Senior Celebration following the graduation ceremony.

**Important Contacts regarding Graduation:**

Jennifer Brock  Herff Jones/Rembrandt  Grad Night: FFO
Assistant Principal - House 1  (Grad Supplies)  Jean Popham
209-8474  Bill Waldrup 745-5289  jspopham@hotmail.com
jbrock@cf sd1.org  2927 N. Country Club
Unofficial Practice ACT and SAT at CFHS

Students are encouraged to take the official SAT and/or ACT during the spring of the junior year in preparation for college application season fall of senior year. To get a feel for the ACT and SAT, our FFO/Counseling volunteers sponsor a full-length unofficial practice ACT during fall semester and SAT during spring semester. These practice opportunities are in partnership with UA Think Tank, our Community Schools’ test prep program provider. The unofficial practice SAT is scheduled for Feb 9. Registration information will be posted in January. These practice tests are open to students grades 9-11. Extended time accommodations are not available with these unofficial practice tests but students are encouraged to still test with regular time as an exposure and practice opportunity.

Note: This year’s ACT date was Nov 10. Students who did not attend the optional results/strategy session on Nov 20 should pick up their results from the Counseling Office.

SAT and ACT ~ College Admission Tests

- While more and more colleges are becoming “test optional,” the vast majority of colleges still require either an SAT or ACT test score for admissions consideration. Our state universities (UA, ASU, and NAU) require test scores for consideration of merit scholarships and Honors programs. (UA, ASU, and NAU allow retakes and submission of higher scores through senior year to increase scholarship amounts.)
- As students apply to college during fall of senior year, all students are encouraged to take the SAT and/or the ACT in spring of junior year.
- As many students score higher on one test than the other, and colleges always use the higher score, students should consider taking both the SAT and the ACT.
- Students should plan to take the test as if they are only taking it once (don’t consider the first sitting as “practice”) but know that the tests can be taken more than once in attempt to improve one’s score.
- Very few colleges require the optional essay portion of the exams or the SAT Subject Tests. Check the school’s website to confirm test requirements.
- Go to sat.collegeboard.org to register for the SAT and actstudent.org to register for the ACT. You will need a credit card (test cost is approximately $45) and the CFHS CEEB code which is 030476. Students will also need to upload a head shot for security purposes.
- We encourage families to take advantage of the four free test reports option and select four colleges when registering or at least our state universities which will always consider highest scores (so no negative impact if send higher scores later). Ordering reports at the time of college applications will cost approximately $15 each.
- Test fee waivers are available if student qualifies for Free/Reduced Lunch. See your counselor.
- Test dates remaining for 2019-20 are below:
  - SAT – Dec 7 (late reg/standby), Mar 14 (reg by 2/14), May 2 (reg by 4/3), Jun 6 (reg by 5/8)
  - ACT – Dec 14 (late reg/standby), Feb 8 (reg by 1/10), Apr 4 (reg by 2/28), Jun 13 (reg by 4/8), Jul 18 (by 6/19)
    Students must register approximately one month in advance though late registration with additional late fee may be possible. See SAT and ACT websites for registration timeline and fees.

May 2020 AP Exam Registration Reminders

- Students in semester 1 or yearlong AP classes who did not register by the November deadline can still do so for a $40 late fee. Students must please see Ms. Petrillo in the Counseling Office for the late registration paperwork.
- Students in semester 2-only AP Government or Macroeconomics classes will receive their join codes and registration information in January from their teachers.
- The final deadline for all registration and payment is March 1.
Drama Department

CFHS Advanced Theatre Arts Class presents:
The Rabbit Hole
By David Lindsay-Abaire

Showtimes:

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Tickets $5 - available online through InTouch, in person at the Bursar Office or at the door.

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Fine Arts Concerts & Performances

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Band News

On behalf of the entire Band program, thank you to the CFSD community for your support of the Band program over the past year! We couldn’t have made it to the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade without you!
What’s New for the 2019-20 Flu (Influenza Virus) Season?

- It’s not too late to get the flu shot!
- Flu vaccines have been updated to better match circulating viruses.
- There will be some new vaccines on the market this season.
- The recommendations for people with egg allergies have changed.


The flu shot is recommended for anyone over 6 months, for anyone at high risk: chronic health conditions: asthma, diabetes, heart and/or lung disease, people 65 years and older.

Flu-like symptoms may include:

- fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills, fatigue, sometimes vomiting and diarrhea.

Preventative and coping measures:

1. Try to avoid close contact with sick people
2. When sick, stay home and avoid contact with others to not spread germs.
3. If sick with flu-like symptoms, stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone, except to get medical care.
4. Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use an alcohol based hand sanitizer of no water available.
5. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth, as germs spread quickly this way.
6. Clean/disinfect surfaces and objects that may be contaminated with germs, flu virus.
7. Do not share drinks, utensils, musical instruments, food when sick.
8. See your doctor if you have a high fever (over 100) and/or cough that lasts more than 5 days.
9. Be sure to get a doctor’s note to cover the school absences.

Additional Safety/Health Concerns:

1. Not eating or drinking can cause headaches, stomach aches, fatigue that will not be treated by a pain killer. Bring or buy food/water to avoid these distractions from your school work.
2. The Health Office (Nurse’s Office) does not have allergy medications.
3. If you suffer an injury on campus, be sure to report it to your teacher immediately and then see the school nurse.
4. Remember to dress accordingly with the cooler weather and to abide by the dress code.
5. Don’t text and drive.

We always accept generous donations of Saltine crackers, water bottles, Gatorade powder.

Have a wonderful and safe Holiday Season!

Halyna Chirovsky, RN, BSN, NCSN, School Nurse  hchirovsky@cfisd16.org  520-209-8330
Jo-Ann Tellez, Health Assistant  jtellez@cfisd16.org  520-209-8304
Are you proficient in English? Can you demonstrate at least Intermediate Mid proficiency in:

Mandarin Chinese (Simplified or Traditional), Spanish, Arabic, French, German, Hebrew, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Polish, Portuguese (Brazilian), or Russian?

Sign up for the STAMP & get ready to show off the SEAL OF BILITERACY on your CFSD DIPLOMA!

### 2019-2020 STAMP ASSESSMENT CALENDAR

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Re-takes are allowed on any of the dates listed above. Students who wish to re-take any part of the test must wait a minimum of 8 weeks between testing sessions.

* SEATS ARE LIMITED! REGISTER SOON!

**To sign up...**

1. Visit the Counseling Office to register for your selected test date.
2. Take your registration form to the Bursar’s Office to pay for the test.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

✓ Talk with your Chinese or Spanish teacher.
✓ Contact: Sheryl Castro, Director of Global Citizenship Education (scastro@cfsd16.org)
Family Faculty Organization could use your help!
Last Chance for Tax Deductible donation in 2019!

5 easy ways to support CFHS:

1) Make your annual 'Falcon Funds' donation on our website CFHSFFO.org or Donate Here. Please help us Support teachers & staff, classroom enrichment, and campus projects! We are looking for 100% participation. Remember it’s tax deductible. Thanks in advance to all who have already given!

2) Clean out your closet! Partnering again with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southern AZ for a school-wide “clothing drive” running now through December 16. Everything stays local and helps both organizations so the heavier the better! Bag up clothing (any size), jewelry, accessories, handbags, shoes, linens and place in the green bins out front at CFHS.

3) Order Gift cards now sold ONLINE for you or others. New this year, pay with a credit card by enrolling at shopwithscrip.com using the enrollment code 4F6F48B81L687.

4) Buy gift cards (see #3) as door prizes for Staff Appreciation on Dec. 10 for the Holiday Breakfast.

5) Buy Laminated Bell Schedules(ID Size) in Bursar office or online on our website www.cfhsffo.org along with Spirit wear, or a Brick. Or bring in food for the next meeting.

There is no meeting in December. See you January 14 in House 4, Room 712

On behalf of the Family Faculty Organization we would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

Sincerely,
Marianne Fett
FFO President
The party planning has begun! **SENIORS! Grad Night Tickets are available.** Don’t miss out … Join your class for one epic night of fun with amazing raffle prizes… must be present to win! **Grab your tickets through InTouch or the Bursars Office before the price increases!**

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**Sponsorships and Volunteers Needed**

Grad Night provides a fun, safe all-night graduation party for our seniors. To keep our seniors safe and provide them with this memorable last hurrah, it takes lots of volunteers and support.

We have the following sponsorship opportunities and sponsorships can be made at the FFO online store or contact grad.night@cfhsffo.org for more information! Thank you!!!

1. Table -$100-Logo or Family name will appear on table at party
2. T-Shirt -$200-Logo or Family name will appear on 400 T-shirts
3. Backpack -$200-Logo or Family name will appear on 400 backpacks

We will have our first set design meeting on December 13th at the high school from 9 am – 12 noon. Come meet at the grad night closet on the south west corner of the school by the gym south entrance.

We will need A LOT of volunteers starting Monday, May 18-Thursaday May 21 to help transform the gym and help clean up. We will need A LOT OF NON-SENIOR parents to volunteer for the party in shifts starting at 7 pm-5 am to provide a safe party. Volunteer opportunities will include party check in, back pack check in/out, security, casino, carnival, raffle prizes, first aid/medical advisor, snacks, etc. Look for sign up genius emails and please sign up and recruit friends. Remember this is a pay it forward event. If you are a non-senior parent, volunteer this year so when you have a senior someone will volunteer for you.
Spanish Immersion Program
in Catalina Foothills School District

Families with children entering grades K-5* are invited to apply to enroll their children in Catalina Foothills School District’s Spanish Immersion Program at Ventana Vista Elementary School for the 2020-2021 school year.

**Goals for Students:**

- Meet or exceed academic achievement levels in all areas of the district’s curriculum as aligned to state standards.
- Acquire communicative and academic proficiency in English and Spanish.
- Gain an appreciation of other cultures and a deeper understanding of their own culture.
- Increase capacity for creative thinking and problem-solving skills.

In our half-day kindergarten program, 100% of core instruction (Language Arts, Math, Science, Health, and Social Studies) is taught in Spanish. In Grades 1 and above, Language Arts, Math and Health are taught in English, while Science and Social Studies are taught in Spanish. The program is designed for English-proficient students to acquire Spanish.

Spanish literacy is developed at all grade levels in our immersion program.

Open Enrollment applications are currently available on the district’s web page only at [www.cfsd16.org](http://www.cfsd16.org).

Open Enrollment applications should be submitted by January 31, 2020.

*Students in grades 2-5 must meet language proficiency criteria for enrollment.*

**How To Learn More About the Program:**

Attend a Spanish Immersion Program informational meeting scheduled for December 4 or January 22 from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the Ventana Vista Elementary School library. Click on the Academics tab on the Ventana Vista website at [http://vves.cfsd16.org/](http://vves.cfsd16.org/).
Chinese Immersion Program in Catalina Foothills School District

Families with children entering Kindergarten through Fifth Grade* are invited to enroll their children in Catalina Foothills School District’s Mandarin Immersion Program at Sunrise Drive Elementary School for the 2020-2021 school year.

**Goals for Students:**

- Meet or exceed academic achievement levels in all areas of the district’s curriculum as aligned to state standards.
- Acquire communicative and academic proficiency in English and Chinese.
- Gain an appreciation of other cultures and a deeper understanding of their own culture.
- Increase capacity for creative thinking and problem-solving skills.

In our half-day kindergarten program, 100% of core instruction (Language Arts, Math, Science, Health, and Social Studies) is taught in Chinese. In Grades 1 and above, Language Arts and Social Studies are taught in English, while Science and Health are taught in Chinese. Math is taught in English and Chinese. The program is designed for English-proficient students to acquire Chinese.

Chinese literacy is developed at all grade levels in our immersion program.

**Open Enrollment applications are currently available on the district’s web page only at www.cfsd16.org.**

**Open Enrollment applications should be submitted by January 31, 2020.**

*Students in grades 2-5 must meet language proficiency criteria for enrollment.

**How to Learn More About the Program:**

Attend a Chinese Immersion Program Informational meeting scheduled for January 14 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the Sunrise Drive Elementary School Library. Click on the Academics tab on the Sunrise Drive Elementary website at http://sdes.cfsd16.org/

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Kindergarten Show and Tell
in Catalina Foothills School District

Families with kindergarten-age children* are invited to visit their neighborhood school to discover the passion and commitment for early childhood learning embraced by Catalina Foothills educators.

- You will learn about the school’s half-day (Kindergarten) program and the optional, fee-based full-day (Kindergarten Plus) program and how we can work together to help ensure your child has a smooth transition to school.
- Children will participate in classroom activities with one of the school’s kindergarten teachers.
- “Show and Tell” sessions are one hour long, followed by a thirty-minute tour of the school.
- K-Plus Registration forms will be available to all families at the Kindergarten Show and Tell sessions. Resident K-Plus applicants will be processed for two weeks from the date of the school’s first Show and Tell session, then all other K-Plus applicants will be processed in the order received.

Please sign up for a “Show and Tell” session by telephoning your neighborhood school.

- Canyon View Elementary 209-7700
  December 2 OR January 13, 2:00 p.m.
- Manzanita Elementary 209-7800
  December 4 OR January 15, 2:00 p.m.
- Sunrise Drive Elementary 209-7900
  December 5 OR January 16, 2:00 p.m.
- Ventana Vista Elementary 209-8000
  December 3 OR January 28, 2:30 p.m

Note: Open Enrollment applicant families are welcome to attend.
* If your child will be five years old prior to September 1, 2020, he or she is eligible to attend kindergarten at one of our four elementary schools.
Recreational Soccer
WINTER 2020

Registration Now Open!

Questions?

Visit us at www.fctucsonyouth.com or email us at rec@fctucsonyouth.com

❖ Age groups U4 to U12
❖ Sibling discounts
❖ Scholarships
❖ Registration includes uniform, team photo & award
❖ Kick-off date: 1/18/20
❖ Locations: Udall Park (East) and Mehl & Brandi Fenton Parks (Midtown-West)
❖ 6-game season
❖ Fee waivers for volunteer coaches
❖ Free coaching clinic
❖ Refereed games for U8 and U12

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