#### Dear Parent/Guardian:

Congratulations to eight seniors who have been identified as Semifinalists in this year's National Merit Scholarship Program. Semifinalists are the highest-scoring PSAT program entrants in each state and represent the top 0.5 percent of each state's senior students. Comparatively, our Class of 2022 boasts 2.8% of Arizona's 283 National Merit Scholars. Semifinalists may go on to apply for Finalist status and potentially win a National Merit Scholarship.

> Nathaniel Cross **Alexey Pivniouk** Noah Wellman **Hassan Dahshan** Aditi Ghosh Samuel Xie Rohini Ghosh Alexandra Zega

The Class of 2022 has set a new CFHS record with 18 students recognized as **Commended Scholars**, who are the top 3-4% of scorers on the PSAT.

> Jean Paul Aoun **Dylan Hellbusch** Sandeep Bandlamuri Jake Jump

Megan Bime **Jonathan Martinez Madeline Blakely** Ava Pritz

**Madison Bonomolo Deniz Psaltis** Maria Cazzata **Theodore Quilter Bhargav Ghosh Nathan Tankesly Emily Gruber Grant Thompson** 

**Payton Hall** Diya Tuli

Congratulations to these academically talented Falcons!

A few upcoming calendar reminders: Friday, October 8th is a half-day and classes will be from 8:45am until 12:00pm. We have Fall Break the week of October 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>. Classes resume on Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:05am. The following week we will host parent-teacher conferences on October 26th and 27th students again will be released at 12:00pm on the 26th and 27th. Parents, here is the Conference signup link if you would like to schedule a virtual conference with your child's teachers.

Student Council is busy planning events for Homecoming week. October 18th-23rd

October 21st 5:30-7:30pm **Homecoming Bonfire** Near Softball Field

October 22nd Pep Assembly Gym

Group 1 – Students in House 1, A building, B building, Gym

1:50-2:25 Assembly 1 (35 min) Group 2 - Students in Houses 2, 3, 4 2:45-3:20 Assembly 2 (35 min)

October 22nd 7:00pm Homecoming Varsity Football vs Amphi Stadium

**Homecoming Dance** October 23rd 7:00-10:00pm Plaza/outside location

Sincerely.

Jody Brase Principal



#### **CFHS**

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HYPERLINK "http://cfhs.cfsd16.org/" cfhs.cfsd16.org Office hours: 7:30-4:00 on School Days Closed on all student holidays.

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# October 8 Ha

Half Day Grading Day

October 11-15 No School (Fall Break)
October 26-27 Parent/Teacher Conference
November 11 No School (Veteran's Day)
November 24-26 No School (Thanksgiving)
December 15-17 Final Exams Schedule
December 20-31 No School (Winter Break)
January 17 No School (MLK Day)

**Important Dates to Remember:** 

February 24-25 No School (Rodeo Break)
March 11 Half Day Grading Day
March 21-25 No School (Spring Break)

May 20 Seniors' Last Day

May 23-25 Final Exams (Gr.9-11) Schedule May 25 Graduation/Last Day of School

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# **Parent Teacher Conferences (Virtual)**

October 26-27, 2021

**Parent/Teacher Conferences** will be held virtually on October 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Please see <u>Conference signup link here</u> for instructions on how to sign up online for conferences with your son/daughter's teachers on Synergy Parent VUE.

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# From the Counseling Office

Website: https://cfhs-counseling.cfsd16.org/

# **ECAP 11 (Education and Career Action Plan)**

CFHS Counselors spent time in 11th grade English classes the last week of September, meeting with students about the importance of junior year grades, exploring college and post-secondary options, and developing a SAT/ACT test plan as needed. Students were encouraged to review the lesson materials with parents. More information about the SAT and ACT can be found here: <a href="bit.ly/SATACTPSATinfo">bit.ly/SATACTPSATinfo</a>. **ECAP 10 and 9** will take place in November.

### PSAT at CFHS ~ October 26

CFHS will administer the **PSAT** the morning of Tuesday, October 26, to all juniors and sophomores who registered via InTouch while tests remained available. Students may pick up a test prep booklet from the Counseling Office in House One, and/or may access free full-length practice tests on <a href="https://www.khanacademy.org/">https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/</a>. An email will be sent to registered students the week of Oct 20 with information regarding room assignments, what to bring, etc.

# **FAFSA** opened October 1!

Seniors seeking financial aid for college are encouraged to complete the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**. Over 65% of last year's seniors completed the FAFSA and we hope the class of '22 will match or best that. Colleges post FAFSA priority deadlines for November/December to assist students with college financial planning and decision making as early as possible. Families may go to <u>FAFSA.ed.gov</u> at any time to review the process and types of aid available, and to request the required FSA ID (one for student and one for parent) in preparation for completing the FAFSA. Here's a video tutorial on completing this year's FAFSA: <u>bit.ly/FAFSAWalkThrough</u>

# **Senior Parent Night Info**

Confused about the college application process? Here's a recording of the recent Senior/Parent College Night presentation regarding applications: <a href="mailto:bit.ly/SrParentSept2021">bit.ly/SrParentSept2021</a>. Additional information can be found on the College Application FAQ <a href="mailto:bit.ly/CAppFAQ">bit.ly/CAppFAQ</a>. Seniors are encouraged to complete at least their instate applications by the end of October so that they may have decisions in hand by winter break. The Senior Lab (H1 room 115) is open for drop in assistance every Monday, 2:30-4:15. Fall break is the perfect time to work on college applications as well as the FAFSA.

# Virtual College Fairs, Financial Aid Workshops, Military Information, and more

Join your student to search through a plethora of information on these topics Counseling Google Classroom. Important information is also sent through email so open and read senior/parent emails.

# AP Test Registration opens OCTOBER 1 and holds a strict NOVEMBER 1 deadline!

Information regarding AP exam registration has been shared with students in all AP classrooms. Click <a href="here">here</a> and then on "AP" for necessary information! All intended exams must be ordered <a href="NO LATER THAN">NO LATER THAN</a> <a href="November 1">November 1</a> (with the exception of semester 2 Govt or Macro which has an order deadline of March 1).

# **Academic Struggles?**

Students are encouraged to check out some amazing resources and strategies available to them here: bit.ly/AcadResource

# Parent Teacher Student Conferences - Oct. 26-27, 2021

Students are strongly encouraged to be present and participate in Parent-Teacher conferences.

WEEK OF OCTOBER 4th-8th								
Time		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday		Time	Friday
8:35-9:35			- 1	1	1		8:45-9:20	1
		3 & Advisory					9:25-10:00	2
9:40-10:40		9:05-10:40	2	2	2		10:05-10:40	3
10:45-11:45		4	4	3	3		10:45-11:20	4
1st L 11:45-12:10	44-50 40-50						11:25-12:00	5
12:15-1:15	11:50-12:50	5	5	5	4			
12:15-1:15	2nd L 12:50-1:15						Grading	
1:20-2:20		6	6	6	6		Grading	
2:25-3:25		7	7	7	7			
Missing Period(s)		No 1st, 2nd	No 3rd	No 4th	No 5th		Missing Period(s)	No 6th, 7th

Conference Week October 25th-29th Rotating Schedule all days with half-days on Tuesday & Wednesday						
Tir	me	Monday		Thursday	Friday	
8:35-9:35		3 & Advisory		1	Academic Assistance 9:05-9:35	
9:40-10:40		9:05-10:40	See half-	2	1	
10:45-11:45		4	day	3	2	
1st L: 11:45-12:10	11:50-12:50		schedules			
12:15-1:15		5	below ↓	4	3	
12:15-1:15	2nd L: 12:50-1:15					
1:20-2:20		6		6	4	
2:25-3:25		7		7	5	
Missing Period(s)		No 1, 2		No 5	No 6, 7	

OCTOBER 26thAND 27th				
Time	Tuesday	Wednesday		
8:35-9:05	1	1		
9:10-9:40	2	2		
9:45-10:15	4	3		
10:20-10:50	5	5		
10:55-11:25	6	6		
11:30-12:00	7	7		
12:30-3:30	Conferences	Conferences		
Missing Period(s)	No 3	No 4		

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A 21st CENTURY LEARNING COMMUNITY

October 1, 2021

To: Parents of CFSD Students

From: Mary Kamerzell, Superintendent

Re: CFSD Open Enrollment Program for the 2022-2023 School Year

The Catalina Foothills School District (CFSD) will begin its open enrollment application procedures for the 2022-2023 school year on **November 1, 2021**.

Pursuant to A.R.S. §15-816 and A.R.S. §15-816.01 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, 2021 and January 31, 2022**.

Open enrollment applications and information regarding the application process are on the district Web site, <a href="www.cfsd16.org">www.cfsd16.org</a> (as of November 1, 2021). Under Parents, select Open Enrollment.

Electronic applications must be submitted **no later than January 31, 2022**. Decisions about admission, based on capacity, will be made by March 1, 2022. 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.

# Health Office Updates

#### **CFHS Note from the Health Office**

October, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope you are all staying safe and healthy!

As we begin our first days of Fall, Flu season is around the corner, the CDC recommends that you and your family consult with your healthcare provider about getting a Flu (Influenza) vaccine, especially this year during the COVID-19 pandemic.

See https://www.cdc.gov/flu/index.htm

If you haven't yet please email, fax or drop off the <u>Student Health Information Form</u>. A new one is needed each school year, even though students are remote learning.

In order for students to be enrolled in school, the State requires complete and updated <u>immunization</u> records be submitted to the Health Office.

Each year we offer vision and hearing screening for 9th graders, new to district students and those in Support Services. Students were tested during class time but, if you wish to schedule an appointment please contact the nurse at 520-209-8330. If you choose to decline this service, please notify the nurse or health assistant that you need a Hearing and Vision Screening Declination Form.

We are also collecting annual <u>forms for students with Chronic Health Conditions</u>, like Diabetes, Asthma, Seizure Disorders, etc.

For any COVID-19 information please refer to:

- CFSD Website
- Pima County Health Department
- CDC

We look forward to a safe and healthy 2021-2022 school year.

Thank you in advance for any donations of Lysol disinfectant wipes or Clorox wipes, Gatorade, crackers and please contact us with any questions.

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# FFO - Family Faculty

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General FFO meeting dates are below. Meetings begin at 9:00am virtually.

### **Meeting Dates:**

Oct 19

**Nov 16** 

Jan 18

**Feb 15** 

Mar 15

Apr 19

**May 17** 

Hello Falcon Families.

Thank you to everyone who joined our virtual August and September FFO Meetings. I encourage everyone to attend our next <u>Virtual FFO</u> <u>Google Meet</u> to learn more about us and how to get involved. Our guest host this month will be our very own school counselor Julie McCrea. She will be sharing specific information regarding scholarships and PSAT/SAT/ACT testing.

The meeting will be Tuesday, October 19th, from 9:00-10:00 AM.

# \*Click here for the link to the **FFO meeting**.

https://meet.google.com/gob-qino-mnn

If you missed either meeting, the minutes are posted on our webpage under "About," then scroll to meeting minutes. Angela Caballero was our guest speaker last month. She discussed "Six Critical Steps to Make College More Affordable." The recording is also on our website, <a href="https://www.cfhsffo.org/">https://www.cfhsffo.org/</a> under "About," scroll down and click on "Archive," Or cut and paste this link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ZITDOQTk\_tTKzaOQ-H5mvQU54rUEBVd9/view

<u>Staff Appreciation:</u> luncheons are planned for the entire year. The staff loved the salad bar last month! Thank you to all the parents who donated. The teachers and staff very much appreciated it. Ashleigh Kruk has the entire year on the sign-up link below, so you can plan how and when you would like to help.

\*Click here for the **Staff Appreciation** Sign Up Genius Link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D4BA9A62DA2FC1-20212022

Jean Popham held an in-person meeting regarding **Grad Night**. She was able to recruit some volunteers, but she could always use more. Please click on the link below to see how you can help this much-loved tradition!

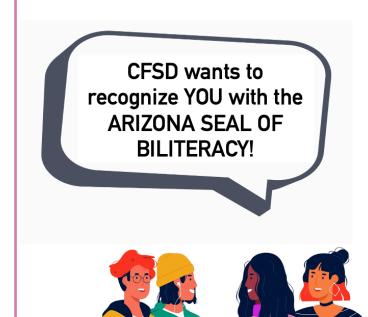
\*Click here for the **Grad Night** Sign Up Genius Link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e084aaaa829a64-grad

<u>Grade Level Representatives</u> -are always an available resource to ask questions. Their emails are on our website.

We send out our <u>FFO newsletter</u> the Sunday before each monthly meeting as a reminder (the Google Meet link is included). Check your inbox and spam to make sure you are receiving them. If not, please let us know.

Eileen Pastorious
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Are you proficient in English? Can you also demonstrate proficiency in:

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

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

# Please PLAN AHEAD as additional testing/re-testing sessions are **NOT** available.

FEE PAYMENT DEADLINE	TEST DATES	LOCATION & TIME	
By noon on 9/3/21	Friday, October 1		
By noon on 10/1/21	Friday, November 5	HOUSE 1 ROOM 115	
By noon on 12/3/21	Friday, January 7	8am	
By noon on 1/7/21	Friday, February 4	The STAMP test is untimed; testers move at their own pace.  Average test time = 3 hours	
By noon on 2/4/21	Friday, March 4	Average test time = 5 hours	

\* SEATS ARE LIMITED! REGISTER SOON!

# How do I sign up for this fantastic opportunity?

- Go to the link on the <u>Counseling Office website</u> to register for your selected test date. You'll find the registration links under "Upcoming Events."
- Test Fees:
  - STAMP 4S (all 4 skills) = \$19.90/test for all languages except Hebrew. Contact Sheryl Castro for Hebrew test fees. Partial tests are also available. All test fees are listed on the online registration form.

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# FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- ✓ Talk with your Chinese or Spanish teacher.
- ✓ Visit: <a href="http://www.cfsd16.org/index.php/academics/seal-of-biliteracy">http://www.cfsd16.org/index.php/academics/seal-of-biliteracy</a>
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