

NEWARK HIGH NEWS

NEWARK HIGH SCHOOL * CHRISTINA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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NHS Important Dates

May

- 2 NHS Talent Show 7pm NHS Auditorium
- 3 SAT's at NHS
- 3 6 – 11 p.m. Chase Center NHS Prom
11 p.m. – 2:30 a.m. After Prom NHS Gym
- 6 SAT Registration Deadline for June 7, 2008 Test Date
- 9 NHS Improv Show – featuring Seniors! 7pm NHS Auditorium
- 12 JazzArts Fest 7 PM in the Library--An evening of jazz performances and art exhibits.
- 14 Auditions for *Midsummer Night's Dream* NHS Auditorium 2pm
- 16 Senior attendance appeals due to counselors
- 20-23 DSTP Tests, Retests & Make up (Science, Social Studies) grade 11
- 20 Senior Exams Blocks 1 A & 3 A
- 20 Pops Concert 7 PM NHS Auditorium-The Music Department showcases a collage of popular & light classical selections.
- 21 Senior Exams Blocks 2 B & 4 B
- 22 Senior Exams Blocks 5 A & 7 A
- 23 Senior Exams Blocks 6 B & 8 B
- 26 MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY
- SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED
- 27-28 DSTP Retest, Grade 11 (Science, Social Studies) & Make-Up Test
- 28 7:30 a.m. Seniors report to A Cafeteria for distribution of caps and gowns.
8:30 a.m. Awards Ceremony for seniors in the auditorium.
- 29 9:00 a.m. Graduation practice in the auditorium.
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Graduation tickets will be distributed at this time.
If you do not attend practice, you will not be allowed to walk at Graduation. Senior class picnic will follow graduation practice.

June

- 2 9:30 a.m. Graduation practice for REACH students only.
6:15 p.m. All graduating seniors must report to the Bob Carpenter Center.
7:00 p.m. Commencement for Newark High School's 115th Graduating Class!!!
- 2 NHS Graduation
- 2 – 5 High School Exams - Early Dismissal High Schools
- 6 LAST STUDENT DAY
- 9 LAST TEACHER DAY - STAFF DEVELOPMENT
Paraprofessionals Off

May – mid June 2008

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About this newsletter

You may view this newsletter and previous newsletters at www.christina.k12.de.us/newark/NHSnews/index.htm.

Send any newsletter submissions for the mid June – July Issue by or

before June 6th to:

Mary Lou McDowell at
NHS1980@aol.com.

From the Administration

The end of the school year is rapidly approaching and many events and celebrations will be happening around Newark High School. All seniors have received a calendar of events leading up to Graduation. The calendar is located in this newsletter. The senior class of 2008 will participate in the 115th Commencement ceremony on June 2, 2008 at the Bob Carpenter Center.

Each grade level will also hold an award ceremony for outstanding achievement during the school year. Parents will be notified in the mail if their student will be receiving an award.

As we begin to plan for the 2008-09 school year, all students have met with a counselor and have made course requests. You will receive a copy of those requests in the mail during the first week in May. We ask that you review your student's course requests and return a signed copy to the school. The administrative team along with teacher leaders will develop a master schedule for the 08-09 school year based on those requests. It is important to note students will not be allowed to make schedule changes after August 15th, this includes level changes. When the school year begins we **will not make any changes** to student schedules. This is a change from past practice, but it is necessary given the impact that schedule changes make to class size and consistency in our program offerings. If you have any questions in regards to your students course requests please contact their grade level Guidance Counselor.

Newark High school piloted the Home Access Center for the families of our students this year and we look forward to having that access for our families in the future. At this time the Home Access Center allows you to see current grades, attendance, re-

port cards, interim reports, discipline, and **08-09 course requests**. Please continue to use this valuable tool to have conversations with your students and their teachers. If you have misplaced your login information or your password, please contact your student's guidance counselor to get you back online.

Throughout their time here at NHS students are provided many items to enhance their learning. Items usually are textbooks, calculators, library books, team uniforms, and music or art supplies. If items that belong to the school are not returned the school loses materials. Students are given an "unmet obligation" if school issued property is not returned the students final report card is held until the issue is resolved.

The administrative team at NHS appreciates your support in making NHS our community's first option in education.

Sincerely,
Curtis Bedford
Principal
Newark High School
(302) 631-4700 ext.14701

Reminder for Parents!

Students are not permitted to call parents and ask them to drop forgotten items at the office for them. The NHS Office staff will not be accepting items parents want to drop, nor will the office interrupt any classes to call students to the office to pick up any items.

Make sure students have everything they need before leaving for school in the morning.

5th Quarter Thank You!

The 5th Quarter held on March 14, 2008 was a huge success! Thanks to all who volunteered to help. Whether you made signs, shopped, set up, provided a baked good, served food or chaperoned our active student body, you provided an evening of fun in a substance free environment for more than 280 high school students for 3 hours on a Friday evening.

The students enjoyed dancing to DJ Craig, racing fellow students through the Titan Obstacle Course, playing hours of basketball and some seriously competitive ping pong tournaments. The kids devoured 40 pizzas, 400 chicken wings, 2 veggie trays, a fruit bowl, 28 liters of soda, 11 cases of water, and many scrumptious desserts.

We had 54 volunteers contribute to 5th Quarter which included Key Club students, Teachers, Administrators, College Students, Parents of current high school students as well as Parents of former students, Staff from Delaware Council on Gambling Problems, Staff from Delaware Office of Volunteerism and members of the PTA/Building Bridges Coalition. Each and every person involved was key in making the 5th Quarter a success.

Look for the next 5th Quarter to be held in the Fall of 2008.

With Gratitude,
PTA/Building Bridges Coalition

It's 4th Marking Period. Do You Know What Your Child Is Doing in School?

Check your child's attendance, assignments, grades, and more my going to his/her Home Access Center record. For more information and password, contact your child's guidance counselor.

<https://hac.doe.k12.de.us>

Newark High School's Marketing students participated in the Junior Achievement Battle of the Titans in Wilmington on Tuesday, April 15, 2008. The students who participated in the big competition were Latraia Boyce, Reggie Fitzharris, Ashley Ford, Sean Kim, Usman Mian, Kyle Sullivan, Zach Vinson, and Anton Williamson. The battle included 95 students from five different high schools. The students tried very hard during the three rounds, but were defeated. The students were trained to use the computerized program by SFC Joseph Nye from the Delaware Army National Guard over the past few months in Ms. Edina Buzgon's Marketing class.

Newark High School's Business/Technology Department took several juniors and seniors to the Business, Industry, Education (BIE) Alliance Delaware Job Fair at Del Tech in Dover on Wednesday, April 16, 2008. The students engaged in mock interviews, learned about job availabilities and qualifications, received a college tour, and obtained information about the SEED program. The students involved were Amber Beaman, Dymesha Bolden, Jasmine Bowers, Kera Eaddy, Jalessa Hinson, Felesha Penn, Amber Potts, Shaun Thomas, Aaron Tyson, Zach Vinson, Patrick Woitieh-Kabehl, and Ashli Wright. They were chaperoned by Mr. Sean Mulrine and Ms. Edina Buzgon on this trip.

Many parents are concerned about the issue of underage drinking and how to approach it with their children. The Office of Highway Safety has compiled some tips from the U.S. Department of Health and Social Services as well as the YMCA Resource Center DE and the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence on how to start the conversation.

It's not easy. Friends exert a lot of influence. Fitting in is a chief priority for teens, and parents often feel shoved aside. Kids will listen, however. Study after study shows that even during the teen years, parents have enormous influence on their children's behavior.

The bottom line is that most young teens don't yet drink. And parents' disapproval of youthful alcohol use is the key reason children choose not to drink. So make no mistake: You can make a difference.

Some ways to begin:

- Make it a conversation, not a lecture! To make the most of it, take some time to think about the issues you want to discuss before you talk with your child. Consider too how your child might react and ways you might respond to your youngster's questions and feelings. Then choose a time to talk when both you and your child have some "down time" and are feeling relaxed.

- Ask your young teen what he or she knows about alcohol and what he or she thinks about teen drinking. Ask your child why he or she thinks kids drink. Listen carefully without interrupting. Not only will this approach help your child to feel heard and respected, but it can serve as a natural "lead-in" to discussing alcohol topics.

- Ask open-ended questions. Encourage your teen to tell you how he or she thinks and feels about the issue you're discussing. Avoid questions that have a simple "yes" or "no" answer.

- Share important facts about alcohol. Although many kids believe that they already know everything about alcohol, myths and misinformation abound. Alcohol is a powerful drug

that slows down the body and mind. It impairs coordination; slows reaction time; and impairs vision, clear thinking, and judgment.

- Share good reasons not to drink alcohol : Teens say the best way to persuade them to avoid alcohol is to **appeal to their self-respect**— let them know that they are too smart and have too much going for them to need the crutch of alcohol. It can interfere with getting good grades in school. It can negatively affect athletic performance. It can cause injury while swimming or biking. It is illegal and may mean trouble with police, parents, and endanger future plans if its on your criminal record. Drinking is illegal. Because alcohol use under the age of 21 is illegal, getting caught may mean trouble with the authorities. Drinking also makes a young person more vulnerable to sexual assault and unprotected sex.

- Control your emotions. If you hear something you don't like, try not to respond with anger. Instead, take a few deep breaths and acknowledge your feelings in a constructive way.

- Don't try to "score points" on your teen by showing how he or she is wrong. If you show respect for your child's viewpoint, he or she will be more likely to listen to and respect yours.

- Help your child say no. The best way to say "no" is to be assertive—that is, say no and mean it. Stand up straight. Make eye contact. Say a firm "No thanks. I don't want to." Don't make excuses. Stand up for yourself.

Start talking with your children about the dangers of alcohol before they start drinking. If they want to know where they can search for helpful information, send them to www.thecoolspot.gov for tips and guidance on how to resist peer pressure.

The information in this article was obtained from the State of Delaware Office of Highway Safety.

Corporal Greg Micolucci
School Resource Officer
Newark Police Department

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By Shirin Skovronski, skovronskis@christina.k12.de.us 631-4700 x 14313

We are now in the last few weeks of school. Interims for 4th marking period will arrive in the mail around May 9th. If you do not receive one, please contact your child's advisor / counselor. There is still a month in which to bring up any grades, so contact your child's teachers to ask them how to improve the grade. Remember, most teachers' e-mails start with the last name and first initial followed by "@christina.k12.de.us". You should be able to find this information on our website too.

Final exams will take place on June 2,3,4, and 5, so please try to make sure your child does not miss one of these days. If your child does not have an exam for one of the exam periods, there will be forms in the main office for parents to sign to allow a student to come in late or leave early. This will mean the parent has to provide transportation for the child too. Exam grades are worth 10% of a student's final grade, so a good exam grade can make a big difference. Final report cards will be mailed home around two weeks after the end of school, unless a student has an unmet obligation for a book or uniform or other school obligation. In that case, the report card will be held until the unmet obligation is fulfilled, either by returning the item or paying the cost of the item.

For those students who do end up failing a subject or two, we are offering a summer program which requires daily attendance. Most classes are \$125 (\$75 for fee reduction qualifiers). Health/PE and Driver's Education cost more. Students who live in Wilmington will be able to attend summer classes at Sarah Pyle Academy, and those who live in Newark or Bear will attend classes at Newark High School. If you believe your child will need to attend summer school, and have questions about other options that might be available, please feel free to contact your student's counselor. Registration forms are due to Ms. Ross in A-106 by May 9th.

As the weather gets warmer, students have the tendency to stop studying and stop dressing appropriately. Please encourage them to continue studying for just a few more weeks. The points they add to their grade this marking period, are points they will not need to earn on the final exam. Also encourage them to dress appropriately for school. They should not have spaghetti straps, or tube tops, or halter-tops, or transparent shirts, like "wife beater" shirts. Bel-

lies need to be covered at all times, and undergarments should never be exposed. Shorts and skirts should not be too short either.

May is a busy month for students too. We have Advanced Placement (AP) testing (schedule listed below) and DSTP testing for grades 8 and 11 in science and social studies on May 20 and 21. Students should also be organizing their notebooks to prepare for final exams. Those students who have exceeded the allowable number of absences for a class (4 for a semester, 9 for a year), will need to file attendance appeals in late May and plan to participate in the Seat Time Program during May to make up some of their absences. They will need to see their grade-level counselor or administrator to review their attendance situation.

Students can now start looking for summer volunteer opportunities at museums (contact Jeni Jackson at Winterthur for Kids Corps at 888-6111), libraries, parks (such as Fort Delaware – contact Chris Abbot at 834-7941 or Christopher. abbot@state.de.us), the Food bank (contact Katherine Lee at 292-1305x221), the Humane Society or SPCA, Boys and Girls' Club, and other places (see www.volunteerdelaaware.org or www.volunteerway.org for more volunteering opportunities). Several Churches offer monthly volunteer opportunities with food programs such as Kingswood Methodist Church's Hope Dining Room or Fish Program (contact Diane Sammelwitz at 358-9395). Many churches and programs like the YMCA have summer programs for children in the community. Just be sure the program is not serving only members of a certain church, but the whole community. Remember, all students can earn the Delaware Volunteer Credit for 90 hours of volunteering within a year.

Sophomores and juniors can consider applying for Summer College at UD or taking summer classes elsewhere. Students can even start planning what colleges they want to visit during their summer vacations. Prom is May 3, so parents will be needed to help, especially with After Prom. Then, in late May, we will have awards assemblies, so you will want to plan to come in for those. Of course, seniors will also have senior activities, like the senior picnic, and the senior awards assembly. For juniors or seniors still planning to take SAT's this year, the last opportunity of the

year is on June 7th. You must register by May 6 (\$43) or pay an additional \$22 late registration fee if you register by May 15. Go to www.collegeboard.com to register.

To prepare for the summer, students need to ask their teachers about reading lists, especially in English and in Honors or AP classes they plan to take next year. A preliminary list of summer assignments is included in this newsletter, but more information will be available in the next newsletter. Students who are athletes, need to make sure to get sports physicals done between May 1st and August 14th. The Wellness Center can be reached at 369-1606 to make an appointment. If the physical is completed before the end of the school year, the form can be turned in to the nurse's office. If the physical occurs during the summer, please hand in a copy of the physical to the appropriate coach. Sports practice starts on August 15 (contact Ms. Webb-Braun with questions), and band camp runs from August 4-9 (contact Mr. Wittman).

Over the summer, please have your children look at some websites to search for career information, colleges, and scholarships. There are many websites they can search, such as www.educationplanner.org which also has a Spanish website. Other websites include www.careercruising.com/ssp, www.collegeboard.com (look for the section called "My Road"), www.fastweb.com, www.collegeanswer.com, www.finaid.com, www.ed.gov/students, and www.scholarships.com. Parents can also register at www.upromise.com to be able to have a percentage of everyday purchases bought in certain stores put towards paying off student loans. You will see the "upromise" logo on the shelves in grocery stores for items that can be bought towards this fund. Remember all seniors with a cumulative gpa of 2.5 or better are eligible for the SEED scholarship (<http://seedscholarship.delaware.gov/>) which offers two years of free tuition for an Associates Degree at Del-tech or the Associates of Arts Degree at UD. One more step to prepare for college is to start visiting colleges, so please take time to visit some colleges this summer to help you decide which one is the best fit. I will include a checklist for visiting colleges in the next newsletter.

Finally, have a wonderful summer vacation, and we will see your children on

COUNSELOR'S CORNER continued

August 25th ready for another 10 months of school!

AP Test Schedule:

Monday, May 5

– AP Government and AP French

Tuesday, May 6

– AP Statistics, AP Spanish Language

Wednesday, May 7

– AP Calculus AB and BC

Thursday, May 8

– AP English Literature

Friday, May 9

– AP US History, AP European History, AP Studio Art (portfolios due)

Monday, May 12

– AP Biology, AP Music Theory, AP Physics B, AP Physics C Mechanics, AP Physics C Electricity and Magnetism

Tuesday, May 13

– AP Chemistry, AP Environmental Science, AP Psychology

Wednesday, May 14

– AP English Language

Thursday, May 15

– AP World History

If you need to take exams that are scheduled for the same time slot, see Mrs. Halfen about taking one of the exams during the late-testing period. More AP information is available on <http://apcentral.collegeboard.com>. Click on "AP Courses and Exams" and then click on "Exam Calendar and fees".

The NHS Alumni Association congratulates the following 2008 NHS Alumni Scholarship recipients!

NHS Alumni Scholarship

– Scott H. Shinton

NHS Scholarship 2nd place

– Meghann M. Barbar

Anne Richards Maclary Munyan

Award

– Shawn Thomas Patterson, Jr.

Summer Assignments 2008

Over the summer, many of the classes at Newark High School have assignments that will be due when we return in August. Below is a list of some of these assignments. More details will follow in the next newsletter.

All English classes have summer assignments. Ask your English teacher for these assignments. More details will be posted on the web in late May.

Cambridge students will get assignments from their teachers. Incoming Cambridge students will have assignments given to them at Cambridge night or can pick them up in the main office over the summer.

Cambridge and AP U.S. Government and Politics summer assignments can be picked up in the main office over the summer. All work will be due the first day of class in August.

AP Chemistry – packets will be available in the main office or from Mr. Dotts. All students must sign out a chemistry textbook with Mr. Dotts for the summer.

AP Calculus AB and AP Calculus BC – packets will be available in the main office or from Mr. Koliss.

AP Spanish students need to review all verbs and tenses. Also a diary needs to be kept. For more information and a list of verbs to review, see Ms. Vance.

AP French students need to buy Barron's AP French Prep Book and review all verb tenses. See Ms. Fahy for the French reading text and assignment for the summer.

Assignments for other AP classes, Cambridge classes, and English classes will be available in the next newsletter. We will also post the assignments on the web over the summer.

National Latin Exam Winners!

On March 12th, 30 students from Newark High School participated in the National Latin Exam. This year, the National Latin Exam was taken by over 134, 500 students from all 50 states and 11 foreign countries. Students in levels one, two, three, and four took the exam and at least one person from each level received an award, with three receiving medals. In Latin I, Razaz Mageid received a Magna Cum Laude certificate. In Latin II, Jessica Palmer and Holly Firlein both received a Silver Medal and Maxima Cum Laude certificate. In Latin III, Funmilola Owotomo received a gold medal and Summa Cum Laude certificate and Divya Mishra received a Cum Laude certificate. In Latin IV, Isaac Schlecht received a Cum Laude certificate. Mrs. Fallon would like to say, "Gratias Tibi" to all of her students that took the exam!

NHS Alumni Association

The NHS Alumni Association wants to remind alumni, soon-to-be alumni, and parents that you can continue to show your Yellow Jacket Pride and support future Yellow Jackets by visiting the NHS alumni website: NHSalumni.org

Buy a brick for the flagpole
Walk of Fame!

Buy Alumni attire!

Get your own
Delaware NHS license plate!

Keep up-to-date on reunions and
other alumni related events!

NHSalumni.ORG

Attention Parents of Newark High School Seniors!

The American College Health Association is recommending the meningitis vaccine for all college bound students. Meningococcal disease or meningitis is a serious illness that is caused by bacteria. It is an infection of fluid surrounding the brain and the spinal cord. This disease can be fatal within 24 to 48 hours, or result in serious complications such as amputations or permanent neurological damage.

While anyone can get meningitis, college freshmen, especially those who live in dormitories, have an increased risk of contracting this disease. College campuses have an increased risk of outbreaks because of prevalent risk factors such as constant upper respiratory infections, first and second hand smoke exposure, bar patronage, high stress levels, and excessive alcohol exposure.

There are two vaccines available. Both vaccines can prevent four types of meningitis, including two of the most common strains. This vaccine works well and protects about 90 percent of people who would get meningitis. The vaccination is effective and lasts for three years. The vaccine can also help prevent spreading the disease from person to person. When you are planning your child's pre-college physical, make sure you ask their doctor about the meningococcal vaccine.

Lori Economos RN MSN

Ag News

The April Chapter meeting was our last chapter meeting for this school year. We held a Friendly's Fun Night as a fundraiser and had a great turn out. Thank you to everyone who attended!

The annual Parent-Member Banquet will be on May 15 from 6 to 8 pm in A Cafeteria. Please plan to attend the banquet with your student, as it is the major awards event of the year and officer announcements for the 2008-2009 school year will be made. See any FFA advisor or officer for an invitation. We look forward to seeing you there!

If you would like to participate in one of the competitions at the Delaware State Fair, please see Mrs. Oldis or Mrs. Kook for more information on competitions or other activities that you can participate in.

If you plan to be in FFA next school year, please make sure you have requested an agriculture class with Mrs. Kook or Mrs. Oldis for next year. Check your course catalog or speak with your counselor if you need help choosing a class.

For more information on upcoming events please go to our website: http://nhs_ffa.tripod.com/.

BASSU News

Don't miss the NHS Talent Show this year. Students have auditioned and are ready to perform. Guest appearances by several staff members.

A Must See!

When: Friday May 2, 2008 at 7:00 pm.

Where: NHS Auditorium

Cost: \$5.00 in advance Students

\$7.00 in advance Adults

\$8.00 At the Door

Library News

Doing some spring cleaning? Consider making donations to the NHS library. We are looking for books, DVD or VHS tapes, computer mice or keyboards, a coffee table, or fake trees and plants. Call Mrs. Reed in the Library to make arrangements to drop them off.

SAT Help!

My name is Diana Freccia and I offer one-on-one tutoring for the SAT. I go through all aspects of the test:

Critical Reading, Essay Writing, Grammar and Math. I try to build confidence and supply test taking strategies. I use all materials from The College Board. I am accepting reservations for sessions from July through October at this time.

Please contact Diana Freccia by cell phone at (516) 457-7470 or by email at diana@photodee.com

Prep with Kaplan This Summer for the October 6th SAT! Classes are filling up fast! Call 1-800-KAP-TEST or visit www.kaptest.com/sat seats are limited!

Volunteers are needed on Sat., May 10 from 3 - 6 pm to help sort food donations for the Postal Food Drive. To volunteer contact volunteer@fbd.org or Liz Irwin at 302-292-1305 x215 or Katherine Lee at x221.

Newark High School Christina School District 2008 Senior Calendar

DATE EVENT, TIME AND PLACE

MAY

16 Senior attendance appeals are due to counselors.

20-23 Senior Exams

20 Blocks 1A and 3A

21 Blocks 2B and 4B

22 Blocks 5A and 7A

23 Blocks 6B and 8B

26 **Memorial Day!**
Schools and offices closed.

27 Makeup day for Senior Finals

28 7:30 a.m. Seniors report to A Cafeteria for distribution of caps and gowns.

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JUNE

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7:00 p.m. Commencement for Newark High School's 115th Graduating Class!!!



Newark High School's Positive Behavior Support Program UPDATE – Recognizing the Positive!

Our goals: **RAP:**
Respect, **A**chievement, **P**ersonal
Best
Upcoming Events

**Trip to the
Blue Rocks April 30th game.**
Cost: \$6/00 plus 10 RAP cards

Four Phillies tickets raffle.
Any student who is on time to all classes from April 7th to May 7th will be automatically entered into a raffle on May 8th for the May 26th Phillies game.

The PTA Needs You!

Do you want to become more involved in the NHS community? Volunteering for a leadership role in PTA is a great place to start. We need YOU to help to fill the following positions for the 2008/2009 school year:

- ⇒ Treasurer – current treasurer's son is graduating this year. She is willing to train her replacement on our current procedures.
- ⇒ Vice-President – open. Good opportunity to learn alongside an experienced president!
- ⇒ Staff Appreciation Chair – organize 3 – 4 activities a year. We have great records on past activities and a good volunteer base.

To volunteer to serve on the board or to nominate someone else, please e-mail Catherine Buckminster at clmbuck@comcast.net.

Artistic Winners!

Congratulations to the students who won at the state level for the PTA Reflections Program:

Visual Arts: Award of Excellence - 9th grader
Samantha Moreland,
"The anatomy of forgiveness"

Award of Achievement- 9th grader
Javier Bedolla,
"The Helper"

Literature:
Award of Excellence- 10th grader
Tony Santiago,
"Realizing the Enlightenment of How it Should Be"

Delaware Foundation of Visual Arts Excellence in Drawing winners:

Congratulations also to seniors David Boyd and Jordan Miller who won for the Delaware Foundation of Visual Arts Excellence in Drawing Calendar Contest. Their drawings will be printed in next year's calendar that DFVA produces.

*You are cordially invited
to the annual
Newark Jazz Arts Fest
Monday, May 12,
starting at 7 pm.
in the NHS library.
Enjoy the student
art show and a variety of
musical selections
performed by our
music students.*

Christina School District Summer Graduation Calendar

June: Pick up cap and gown from home school; Students needing additional credits must sign up for summer school and/or correspondence to ensure that they will finish all credits needed by August 1st

August 8th: Last day to complete any credits needed for graduation. Students who do not complete their required credits by this date will be eligible for June 2009 graduation.

August 14th:

9:00-11:00 a.m.- Graduation Practice, Glasgow High School Auditorium
MANDATORY REHEARSAL-if you do not come to rehearsal you cannot participate in the ceremony!

6:00-7:00 p.m.- Summer Commencement Ceremony
Glasgow High School Auditorium
STUDENTS MUST ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 5:30 PM!!!

Appropriate Clothing for Graduation

Summer graduates must pick up their cap and gowns from their home schools in early June or the caps and gowns will be sent back to Jostens. Clothing to coordinate with your cap and gown should be as follows:

Ladies: White or light colored dress with light or neutral pantyhose (if wearing hose); nice shoes, but not too high a heel! You will be required to wear your cap, so make sure your hair style will work with the cap.

Gentlemen: Black or Blue slacks with a white dress shirt and tie; nice shoes (Absolutely no sneakers!)

Important Information

No professional photographer will be on hand for the summer graduation, so feel free to have family members take pictures and video of the event. We do ask that people be respectful and not take pictures from the aisles where they might block others who are trying to see their graduates.

Please remember that noisemakers, laser pointers, and the like are distracting to people and are not appropriate for graduation. Also, any distracting clothing or accessories must be removed prior to the ceremony (e.g. sunglasses, overly large jewelry, etc.).

Remember that this is a dignified ceremony and one that you will remember for a lifetime. Put your best foot forward and make sure you make a good impression for your friends and family.

After-Prom 2008 is almost here!

NHS After-Prom 2008

May 3rd, 11:00 p.m. - 2:30 a.m.

at Newark High School.

Casual Dress \$5/person.

Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Parents, we can always use additional help in putting up decorations the day of the event. Help make YOUR student's After-Prom 2008 a memorable event! Please contact Lynn Clarke at lynnclarke@comcast.net to volunteer.

It's not too late!

Last year the kids LOVED looking at the picture wall at after-prom. We still need candid shots (old or new) of our juniors and seniors with their friends. We prefer 4x6, 5x7 or poster size collages. We also need baby pictures of our seniors for our baby wall. Please put your child's name on the back of the photo. Send all photos to NHS PTA or email Catherine Buckminster at clmbuck@comcast.net.

**NHS PTA Presents
Your College Search**

Wednesday, May 21

7:00 p.m. in NHS A-Café

Newsweek Magazine recently reported that "high-school students just survived what may be the most brutal college admissions season ever", due to "a record number of high-school seniors... all competing for the same number of freshmen slots." So how do you even begin to find a school that's right for your? How can you improve chances of being accepted? Which colleges should you visit this summer? Dana Dimock will share her advice in this seminar that's particularly suited for NHS sophomores, juniors and their parents.

Please join us for a short PTA meeting (which will include election of 2008/2009 officers) at 7:00 followed by our presentation.

Attention Fall Athletes!

The Wellness Center will be scheduling sports physicals for the 2008/2009 school year starting on May 1st. Please stop by the Wellness Center to pick up the DIAA form and to get your physical scheduled. Please hurry before appointments fill up!"

Calling all Actors!

Auditions for the NHS Fall 2008 play, A Midsummer Night's Dream will be held on May 13th at 7pm and May 14th at 2:30 in the NHS Auditorium. Please be prepared with 20 lines from any of the characters in the play.