

# CCA Weekly Parent Update

## December 5, 2022

### *From the Principal*

Many thanks to the parents who helped with the Snow Ball this weekend. Special thanks to PAPA President, Laura Brown, for her dedication to making this an awesome event for our students. We appreciate everyone's support!

Thanks, also, to those who have made some holiday purchases of school supplies for our teachers. Here is the link in case you still would like to donate:

<https://a.co/92r1OGI>

Hamilton County Schools has launched a Million Acts of Kindness campaign. If you are aware of an act of kindness by a student or faculty member, please log it here. To log an act of kindness, please use the form [here](#).

**HCS Strategic Planning** Share your thoughts and ideas about the future for HCS through [this survey](#) and Community Input Sessions.

We hope to see you this week at the Art Opening, the Vocal Concert, or the Intermediate Acting Showcase!.

~ Dr. Levine

### ***Important Updates and Student Opportunities***

Just for fun...The Week of Dec. 12 is CCA Holiday Spirit Week!

Monday: Anything but a Backpack Day

Tuesday: Flannel & Mittens Day

Wednesday: Dress Like a Candy Cane

Thursday: Dress Like Your Favorite Holiday Movie Character

Friday: Pajamas Day

**Free ACT/SAT Prep Sessions** from the Princeton Review links:

Sunday, December 4 | 8 PM ET [SAT, ACT, or Both?](#)

Monday, December 5 | 10 PM ET [SAT Strategy Session](#)

Tuesday, December 6 | 8 PM ET [ACT Strategy Session](#)

### **CCA Inaugural Summer Arts Institute - May 30 thru June 30**

This is an exciting opportunity for rising juniors and seniors to earn dual enrollment credit through ChattState Early College on the CCA campus! Participating students will complete a five-week summer intensive Arts course earning high school **and** college credit. Qualifying students may use the Tennessee Dual Enrollment Grant to pay tuition. CCA's counseling team will help students access this grant. Potential course offerings include:

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| Intro to Computer Animation     | Intro to Film Studies |
| Intro to Film & Television Tech | Musical Theatre       |
| Baking                          | Jazz Dance            |
| The Audition Process            | Stage Craft           |
| All classes meet at CCA         |                       |

All classes will meet at CCA Monday thru Thursday from 9:00 AM to Noon. We will assist families with registration and Dual Enrollment Grant paperwork at a Parent Night for participating families on Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Please let us know if you're interested by completing the interest/pre-registration: [Duel Enrollment form](#). If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Sarabia, College and Career Advisor, at [sarabia\\_melissa@hcde.org](mailto:sarabia_melissa@hcde.org)

**National Junior Honor Society Food Drive** - NJHS is hosting a food drive to benefit the Chattanooga Area Food Bank. Non-perishable donations may be brought any day next week. A bin is located in the Commons and a poster is shown below. For monetary contributions; <https://chattfoodbank.org/home>

**Lunch:** [Please click this link](#) to apply for a free lunch or to make an account to add funds for student accounts. Last year due to the pandemic, CCA was able to offer free lunch to all students but is unable to this school year. We want to ensure all students get a meal whether they pack for their lunch or get a school one.

**Class Officer Meeting:** Class officer meetings will be held on Friday at 8:25 a.m. at our library. Students have been notified via email and announcements will be made during the week. At our last meeting, students voted on only allowing 2 unexcused absences to

our meetings and if they see a conflict arise, they are to communicate with Dean Scott before the meeting takes place.

**Normal Park Volleyball (6th-8th):** Daniel Madden (volleyball coach at Normal Park) is asking that any CCA middle school students that are interested in volleyball email him by Tuesday. Specific days for tryouts are still being worked out, but they will be held the week of December 12th. If any students are interested, parents please reach out to coach Madden at [madden\\_daniel@hcde.org](mailto:madden_daniel@hcde.org). Note that students must have a sports physical before trying out.

**After-School Tutoring:** Tutoring resumed on November 28th. The last day of tutoring before the Winter Break will be Thursday, December 15th. However, there will be no tutoring on **Monday, December 12th**. Please ensure your student is attending if they need extra support or are not passing their class.

**Benchmark Testing:** We will have Benchmark 2 testing from December 5 - December 14 for math, english, social studies, and science. The tests are spread out over this 2-week testing window.

**14th Annual Dinner and the Arts - Friday, January 20, 2023** - The evening will feature live music and performances from CCA students, a silent auction, and catered dinner. 100% of the funds raised at the annual gala will be used to support arts programs at CCA. Tickets are \$25 per person through December 31st. Beginning January 1st, tickets are \$35 per person. Purchase tickets online [through this link](#). Or, text Dinner&theArts to 44-321.

**Grade Level Baskets:** See below (*bottom of newsletter*) for grade-level themes. Those that attend Dinner and the Arts will be able to bid on them!

**2022 Broadway Regional Awards** - Georgia Sharp has been nominated for "Best Performer in a Musical" for her role as Jo March in the CTC musical production of *Little Women*! To vote for Georgia [click here!](#)

**Dress Code** – Please remind your student about the dress code and check in with them before they leave the house in the morning. The dress code is outlined in the student handbook and available online.

**Food City School Bucks** - Raise money for CCA on your next shopping trip. Log in to your Food City online account at [foodcity.com/schoolbucks/](http://foodcity.com/schoolbucks/). When prompted, link your account to CCA's school code 60057. It is that easy!

**Publix Partners** - Raise money for CCA every time you shop at Publix. Log in to your account at [Publix](#) Scroll left to Publix Partners. Enter our zip code 37405, and choose

Center for Creative Arts. Every time you shop, enter your phone number at the register. It is that easy!

**Golden Apple Award** - Every Tuesday night at 6 pm, WDEF News 12 recognizes an educator for their accomplishments in the classroom and acknowledges the critical role education plays in the future of our region and nation. Nominate your favorite CCA Educator at [Golden Apple Award - WDEF](#)

### **Mark Your Calendar!**

[Click here](#) to view the yearly calendar!

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| Tuesday 12/6       | Art Gallery Opening  |
| Thursday, Dec 8    | Cookies and pictures with Santa at 5:30<br>Holiday Vocal Concert 7:00 p.m. |
| Friday, Dec. 9     | Intermediate Acting Showcase 5:30 p.m.                                     |
| Tuesday, Dec. 13   | Piano Concert 6:00 p.m.  |
| Wednesday, Dec. 14 | Literary Gala 6:00 p.m.  |
| Thursday, Dec. 15  | Literary Gala 6:00 p.m.  |
| Friday, Dec. 16    | End of 2nd Quarter - Winter Break Begins at end of day!                    |
| Wednesday, Jan. 4  | Students Return  |

### **Parent/Family Events and Volunteer Opportunities**

Art Gallery Opening opportunities [click here](#)  
Spirit Week Winners Pizza Party [click here](#)  
Band Trip to Cleveland [click here](#)  
Literary Gala opportunities [click here](#)  
Dance Dept. Holiday Party [click here](#)  
Various volunteer opportunities for December [click here](#)  
Volunteers needed for Student Auditions [click here](#)  
CCA Faculty Holiday Party (sponsored by PAPA) [click here](#)

### **Dinner and the Arts Silent Auction Baskets**

Students may start bringing in items for their Dinner and the Arts silent auction basket. Please remember to include a receipt with the student's name and grade. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to [winne\\_diane@hcde.org](mailto:winne_diane@hcde.org). Thank you!

Class Basket Themes for Silent Auction

**6th Grade:** The Great Outdoors - camping or picnic-related items for enjoying beautiful TN

**7th Grade:** Gardening - plants, succulents, gardening supplies, gloves, tools, kneeling pad, gift cards to nurseries

**8th Grade:** Date Night - date nights in or out of the house, including gift cards, theater gift cards, local experiences like axe throwing, bowling, concerts, delivery services, local shops/bars/restaurants

**9th Grade:** Gourmet Gifts - chocolates, savory or sweet specialty foods, specialty cheese shop gift card, charcuterie board gift card, trays/dishes/non-perishable food items to make your own snack trays, coffees, teas, spices, cooking classes, baking items, wine glasses, Crumbl gift cards, etc.

**10th Grade:** Rainy Day - books, puzzles, games, throw blankets, mugs, local food services gift cards

**11th Grade:** Water-Related – tickets to duck boat or Southern Belle, pool toys, lake floats, paddle rentals

**12th Grade:** Self-care - spa gift cards, at-home face masks, nail polish/manicure sets, candles, bath salts, etc.



NJHS  
**FOOD DRIVE**  
MONDAY 12/5 TO FRIDAY 12/9  
DROP OFF LOCATION IN THE COMMONS  
FOOD IS A HUMAN RIGHT AND IS AN IMMEDIATE AND TANGIBLE WAY TO HELP SOMEONE. EVERY DONATION OF FOOD CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

WE ACCEPT DONATIONS OF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD IN JARS AND CANS. WE RECOMMEND SAUCES, SOUPS, BEANS, HONEY, PEANUT BUTTER, COFFEE GROUND, AND FISH IN OIL.

Chattanooga Food Bank thanks you!

The poster features a collection of food items including jars of Truly Tomatoes, Saucy Spaghetti, and Chicken Soup, and cans of Mama's Mushroom Soup, Everbowl Oatmeal Pure, Silly Chili Beans, Truly Tomatoes, Tostitos Sweet Peas, and Tostitos Tuna. A red apple icon is also present.