

COLVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

The mission of Colville High School is to promote academic excellence by providing all students an education that empowers them to reach their goals beyond high school in a safe and caring learning environment.

SPRING 2020

MAXIMIZING STUDENT ATTENDANCE AT CHS

Our focus on student attendance comes as a result of a few things:

1. An analysis of CHS student attendance from this recent school year (data outlined below).
2. The accountability we have to WA State to accurately report and maximize student attendance.
3. Our responsibility, in partnership with students and families, in developing critical life skills that support student success beyond high school.

You can expect monthly emails and quarterly letters from the High School with information about your student's attendance. Please call the high school if your Skyward information (phone, address and email) is not accurate so we may update that information and be able to contact you when necessary for not only attendance issues, but also in case of an emergency. Those monthly emails and quarterly letters will identify your student as being in 1 of 3 attendance zones:

- **Green Zone** Student has missed 10% or less of school days; both excused and unexcused
- **Yellow Zone** Student has missed 11-20% of school days; both excused and unexcused
- **Red Zone** Student has missed 21% or more of school days; both excused and unexcused

** 4 or more missed class periods in the same day constitutes an absence.*

**Absences due to school activities do not count.*

Attendance Zone	Yearly Days Absent	Monthly days absent
Green Zone	17 days or less	1-2 days
Yellow Zone	19-36 days absent	3
Red Zone	37 or more days absent	4 or more

While we have an action plan for improving attendance, we also rely on you to support your student(s) in developing important habits such as setting alarms, understanding the amount of time they need to get ready, knowing how long it takes to get to school and returning to school from lunch on time. Additionally, we ask that you have conversations with your student(s) about prioritizing school and making the "right decisions". We are confident that a coordinated effort will not only improve your student's attendance and academic progress but will also support the achievement of our school-wide goal that 85% of our students achieve Green Zone status.

"COLLEGE TRACK" PARENT MEETING

Colville High School will host a college preparation night on Tuesday, March 3, at 5:30 PM. The goal of this night will be to communicate with parents of students in grades 9-10-11 the steps necessary to prepare your child for the college experience. Topics of the evening will be FAFSA, College Applications, SAT, College-in-the-Classroom and Running Start.

REMINDER CHS IS A CLOSED CAMPUS

CHS is a closed campus EXCEPT FOR JUNIOR AND SENIOR STUDENTS DURING THE LUNCH BREAK. Students in grades **9-10 ARE NOT ALLOWED TO LEAVE FOR LUNCH**. Any exception for 9th and 10th graders during lunch must be by a parent coming in to the school office and personally signing their student out.

During the regular school day, students may not leave unless they have a written note from a parent stating the reason. Reasons for leaving campus may be a dentist or doctor appointment or emergencies. All students MUST check in and out from the CHS Main Office. Leaving school without signing out of the Main Office is classified as truant.

School Messenger Parent Notification System

Choose how you want to be contacted by the Colville School District parent notification system. Simply set your communications choices inside the School Messenger InfoCenter parent portal. You need to sign up at infocenter.schoolmessenger.com

InfoCenter allows the ability to view and listen to messages from the school district, add, delete and verify your contact information, and personalize how you receive these school communications. InfoCenter centralizes these communications in a unified inbox where you may access the contents of emails as well as voice and text messages. If you are associated with students in different schools, all matching records will be linked to your account. With flexible preference controls, most kinds of communication may be configured to be accessed exclusively via InfoCenter without disrupting phones or regular email.

SchoolMessenger and the TCPA

The Telephone Consumer Protection Act (47 U.S.C. 227) provides certain protections of your wishes with respect to receiving non-emergency phone calls. While schools enjoy exemptions from some of these protections, the preference configurations within SchoolMessenger InfoCenter allow you to set your consent state ("yes" or "no") for each phone number associated with your account. With the exception of emergency calls, any phone set to "no" for its consent state will not receive calls or texts from SchoolMessenger.

CHS STUDENTS MUST SCAN IN TO EACH CLASS

Students need to scan into each class as they enter using their school issued ID cards, their phone, by a school issued bar code or manually enter their ID number. CHS hopes this will allow teachers to teach from bell to bell and clear up many of the clerical errors. This will also help CHS know where each student is at any time during the school day. With this system, students will be marked absent until they scan in to each of their classes, period by period – including Tribe Time. If a student is late to class, they must scan in at the main office and receive a tardy slip.

YEARBOOK SALES

Yearbooks will be on sale until the last day of school. Any unsold books will be available to purchase on the day of distribution. The cost of a yearbook is \$45.00. To get a student's name imprinted on the cover, an additional \$5.00 is charged. However, those students who wish to have their name imprinted will need to buy their annual by April 3, 2020. The yearbooks will be distributed the last week of school. Seniors will receive their books the day before graduation (Senior Picnic day).

SUMMER SCHOOL FOR GRADES 7-12

CHS will be offering Summer School again this year to help students gain the skills and credits necessary to be successful. It will run from **Monday, June 15 – Thursday, July 16, Monday through Thursday, 8am – 11:30am**. Course offerings will be Math (7-8 Grade, Pre-Algebra, Algebra and Geometry) or Reading/Writing (7-8 Grade Reading and Writing); possible online options for high school students. This is open to students who will be in grades 7-12 next year. There is no cost to students. Students will receive a lunch daily. To register your student, please call Sandy Smith in the CHS Counseling Office at 685-2805 by June 8. There will also be Summer School at both the Hofstetter and Fort Colville Elementary Schools. Contact those schools respectively for more information.

SCHOOL SAFETY

School Safety is always important to the staff at Colville High School. Any student, parent or community member that has a safety concern is encouraged to contact our school at 509-684-7800 and make us aware of the concern. Occasionally, a person may feel uncomfortable doing so and may wish to remain anonymous when reporting a safety concern. The Colville School District subscribes to a safety alert system called SafeSchools Alert. This is a way that a concerned student, parent or community member may report an unsafe situation or a “tip” and remain anonymous.

There are 4 easy ways to report:

Use the internet: [HTTP://1145.alert1.us](http://1145.alert1.us)

Send an email: 1145@alert1.us

Make a call 1-855-4ALERT1, ext 1145

Send a text: #1145@tip+your tip message to ALERT1. The information reported will be passed on to school officials for action. Remember always call 911 if there is an emergency!

EMERGENCY DRILLS

Throughout the year we practice a variety of emergency drills. During practice drills, we do not contact parents ahead of time, and normally we do not pre-warn students. Upcoming drills for CHS will be fire and lock down drills during different times of the day, i.e. during class, breaks, or lunch. Rest assured that for any event, other than a practice drill, the school would send out a parent notification via school messenger. **This being said, it is extremely important that we have accurate phone numbers listed for your children who attend Colville School District.** If you have a cell phone and do not receive text messages from the schools, because previously you had your phone number blocked, but now you would like to receive messages, you may send a Y to 68453 to Opt In. Again, if you change phone numbers or drop your landline, please inform your school office.



SAT in the SCHOOL DAY

On Tuesday, April 14, Colville High School will offer the SAT during the school day free to all Junior students. SAT during the school day is beneficial for students by eliminating common reasons for not taking the SAT, such as: 1. Financial -- The cost to the student is removed; 2. Time/availability -- Testing on a weekday does not interfere with work or family obligations that are scheduled on the weekend; 3. Transportation/location -- Students no longer have to worry about transportation or trying to locate the testing site; 4. Comfort/Stress -- Less worry about travel and cost, plus being in familiar surroundings may reduce the traditional anxiety that goes along with testing. We are very excited to see the student results.

UPCOMING CALENDAR DATES

March 2 – Spring sports practice begins
 March 3 – Parent Night College Info 5:30pm
 March 11-13 – Jazz Band to U of Montana
 March 13 & 15 – Spring Drama Presentation
March 16 SBAC Periods 1-2-3 for the day
March 17 SBAC Periods 4-5-6 for the day
March 18 SBAC Periods 1-2-3 for the day
March 19 SBAC Periods 4-5-6 for the day
 March 18 – CHS Classical Evening -- 7pm
March 30 – Conference Day – No school
 April 6-10 – SPRING BREAK
 April 14 – SAT in the school day for juniors
 Apr. 25 – Jr./Sr. Prom
 May 7 – Progress Reports
 May 12 – CHS Spring Concert – 7pm
 May 21 – Benchwarmer Banquet
 May 19 – CHS Spring Band Concert – 7pm
May 25 – Memorial Day – No School
 June 1 – Sr. IES Summit 8-12n
 June 3 – Sr. Awards Night – 6pm
 June 6 – Graduation – 11am
June 12 - LAST DAY of School to make up snow day – HALF DAY(Original date June 11)
June 15-16 -- Additional snow days if needed
 June 15 – July 16 – Summer School

SBAC ELA Testing Schedule March 16-19 Block Testing plus Tribe Time

All students and all grades 9-12 will
follow this schedule:

Monday, March 16 –Periods 1-2-3
 Tuesday, March 17 – Periods 4-5-6
 Wednesday, March 18 – Periods 1-2-3
 Thursday, March 19 – Periods 4-5-6
Friday – Regular schedule

1st or 4th – 8:00 – 9:49

Break 9:49 – 10:04

2nd or 5th – 10:04 – 11:50

Lunch – 11:50 – 12:25

3rd or 6th – 12:25 – 2:10

Tribe Time – 2:14 – 2:45

Non-Discrimination Statement

Colville School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following positions have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Civil Rights Coordinator - Exec. Director of Business & Operations, Section 504 Coordinator - Exec. Director of Student Services, Title IX Coordinator - Exec. Director of Student Services. Contact: 217 S. Hofstetter Street, Colville WA 99114 services@colsd.org 509-684-7850.