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To: Governing Board for the Collegiate High School

From: Dr. Devin Stephenson, President

Date: April 16, 2024

Re: Collegiate High School Updates

CHS has entered admissions season for the 2024-2025 school year. This informational memo provides admissions and enrollment updates and highlights recent outstanding student accomplishments.

CHS's first application window for admissions closed Thursday, February 29. The lottery occurred on Monday, March 4. As a reminder, CHS accepts a mix of Collegiate and Pre-Collegiate students for the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grades. Pre-Collegiate students are those striving to meet standard admissions criteria but have work in progress to meet requirements to take specific college-credit coursework. The second application window is March 1-31. The second lottery is April 8. This is the first year CHS has utilized an online lottery and application system called Lotterease creating more efficient practices.

CHS Enrollment Numbers 2024-2025 (4/1/24)					
	Capacity by Grade and Program	Current Students	New Students Offered Admission	Remaining Available Seats	Waitlist
9 <sup>th</sup> AA	48	0	48	0	50
9 <sup>th</sup> AA Pre-Collegiate	12	0	12	0	6
9 <sup>th</sup> AS	40	0	40	0	5
9 <sup>th</sup> AS Pre-Collegiate	10	0	10	0	2
10 <sup>th</sup> AA	52	47	4	1	0
10 <sup>th</sup> AA Pre-Collegiate	13	12	1	0	5
10 <sup>th</sup> AS	40	40	0	0	2
10 <sup>th</sup> AS Pre-Collegiate	10	10	0	0	2
11 <sup>th</sup> AA	118	78	9	31	0
11 <sup>th</sup> AS	33	33	0	0	0
12 <sup>th</sup> AA	109	109	0	0	0
Totals	485	329	124	32	72

We are proud to announce that two CHS students are NWFSC-PTK Sigma Mu Scholars. Congratulations to Genesis Chavez for being named the 2024 Hites Scholar and awarded a \$7,500 scholarship. Hites Scholars are recognized for outstanding academic achievement, engagement in college and community activities, and leadership. Genesis has also been awarded \$24,000 by the University of Florida Lombardi Honor Scholarship. She will attend the University of Florida to pursue a pre-med degree and become a pediatrician. Mary Vanderkooy was awarded the 2024 Bronze Scholar and awarded a \$1,000 scholarship. She will be attending the University of Florida and majoring in Chemical Engineering.

Senior Capstone projects will be presented to judges on April 16 and 17. Capstones are a graduation requirement for seniors. Their presentations highlight either career or altruistic focused community shadowing experiences and research they conducted throughout their senior year. CHS would like to thank all the community members and NWFSC staff that support the success of these projects. This is a true reflection of the success of CHS students and their impact they will have in their community in the future.

The CHS Radical Raiders Robotics team participated in the Florida FIRST Robotics First Tech Challenge State Championship held on March 1, 2024 and March 2, 2024, in Winter Haven, Florida. The team's entry to the championship was earned through victory in the T-shirt design competition, which highlighted the team's creativity and artistic talent and their vast technical skills.

Under the guidance of faculty chaperones Ms. Mary Beth Mizell and Ms. Juli Boretsky, coaching from Micah Reese and Alex Delamata, and led by team captains Allie Cadenhead and Derek Bickley, our team spent day one setting up the team's Pit area, ensuring it was well-organized and equipped for the upcoming matches. On Day 2, the team competed in six matches. Although they did not advance to the semifinals, they gained much experience and knowledge.

CHS Governing Board members are invited to attend the following CHS events: CHS Award Ceremony-Thursday, May 16, 6pm at the Mattie Kelly Arts Center CHS Graduation Ceremony-Wednesday, May 22, 7pm at the Mattie Kelly Arts Center