

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS FOR CPC - 1/16/2025

GOOSEHILL PARENT TEACHER GROUP (GHPTG)

- **Event Recap:**
 - Thanksgiving Food Drive and Holiday Toy Drive for Helping Hands Mission were both huge successes.
 - Our virtual GHPTG meeting was attended by 70 families. The children loved making their snowman craft while listening to Mrs. Cosme, her daughter Leah and their dog Buddy read a holiday book.
 - Our pop-up holiday boutique turned a huge profit despite the rainy weather.
 - The GHPTG packaged 96 boxes of Sweet Treats for our GH staff and bus drivers.
 - The GHPTG delivered amazon gift cards to our GH staff.
 - Pioneer Sports had a great first session and the second session kicked off on January 7th.
 - The January GHPTG meeting included a Parent Workshop about Resolutions and Routines led by Mrs. Schmid. This workshop was coordinated by the SIT Committee.
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - 100 Day of School Assembly
 - Sports Night
 - Family Fun Night on **March 27th**
- **Things to Know:** The GHPTG Executive Board has nine open positions for the 2025-2026 school year.

LLOYD HARBOR SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER GROUP (LHSPTG)

- **Upcoming Events:**
 - Save the dates! The Annual Scholastic Book Fair will be coming to LHS from **Tuesday, February 4th - Wednesday, February 5th**. All students will visit the book fair with their class.
 - You can visit the Lloyd Harbor Scholastic page to fund your e-wallet and explore what will be on sale. By funding an e-wallet, it ensures an easy check out for your child.

WEST SIDE SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER GROUP (WSSPTG)

- **Event Recap:** The WSS Musical, Something Rotten, was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who attended. The Holiday Boutique went well. Sweet treats were delivered to all faculty and staff along with cash from the PTG, which was collected from PTG dues. The 5th and 6th grade winter concert was a success.
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - The WS Winter Dance for grades 5 and 6 is on **January 24th**.
 - Family Bingo night is on **February 27th**.

- **Things to Know:** WSSPTG has funded a new foundation flooring for the outdoor gaga pit. WSSPTG is also donating funds for a new mural in the cafeteria, which is being installed by 71 Visuals.

CSH JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER GROUP (CSHPTG)

- **Event Recap:**
 - We had our most recent PTG meeting last Tuesday, January 7th. For the second year, we hosted a panel of high school alumni currently at the University of Pittsburgh, University of Texas at Austin, SUNY Binghamton, and Dartmouth College to speak with us about their experiences applying to, selecting, and adjusting to college. The kids were adorable, insightful, and recognized in themselves a lot of growth in the short time between high school graduation and their current point in their education. The presentation was recorded and will be available shortly.
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - We are funding the junior high school student government's upcoming dance for 7th and 8th graders on **Friday, January 24th**. Anyone interested in chaperoning this fun and anthropologically entertaining event can reach out to the PTG and watch for a sign up genius.
 - Our annual fundraiser, the Literary Luncheon, will take place on **Thursday, April 3rd** from 11 AM to 2 PM at the Huntington Country Club. Proceeds will go to the Jr/Sr High PTG and to the Central Arts Council. Author selection chairs Jill Seiman Mayer and Erin Cunningham recruited author Shelby Van Pelt to talk about her best-selling novel, Remarkably Bright Creatures, which is currently being made into a film. Our event planning chair, Lynda Gerber, is in full-steam ahead in her work for the big day, and she is looking to build a team of people to help her facilitate the event and to find sponsorships and donations for raffle baskets. If interested, let the PTG know and we will put you in touch with Lynda.
 - Next PTG meeting is on **Tuesday, February 4th**. We plan to host a faculty member advisor for one of the school clubs as well as a couple of students who participate in it
 - **Tuesday, February 4th** At 7 PM in the PAC, the guidance department will host a workshop on writing a competitive college essay.

CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE (CAC)

- **Event Recap:**
 - WSS - 12/16 Multicultural Holiday Show - All grades
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - **West Side School:**
 - 1/24/25 Hollyrocks - Trivia Game show - All grades
 - 2/14/25 Math Music Fusion - All Grades

- **Jr/ High School:**

- 1/22 & 1/23 Journey from the Dust - 8th grade . The story of a young guy from Oklahoma during the Dust Bowl and Great Depression of the 1930s highlights the limited opportunities, social and economic inequalities, and the constant fight for survival.
- 1/23/25 Virtual Music Technology - Music Studio students

FAMILIES OF THE COMMUNITY UNITED WITH SCHOOLS (FOCUS)

- **Event Recap:** Zip Zap Shop Holiday Boutique was a huge success. We reached our fundraising goal and will be able to bring Jonahs Mission back to present to the students
- **Upcoming Events:** Valentines floral workshop Event and Wellness Week

SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION (SEPTO)

- **Upcoming Events:**
 - **January 14** “Supporting Siblings of Children with Disabilities” with Dr Main and Mrs Schmid
 - **February 11** Event “Navigating Social Situations”
 - **March 4** we will have a “mini fair” where you can meet 1:1 with professionals for take home skills. experts on behavioral issues, ADHD, anxiety, etc
- **Things to Know:** Club aides in great use at west side and LHS

ARTS BOOSTER CLUB (ABC)

No update

SEAHAWKS BOOSTER CLUB (SBC)

The Booster Club received the list of CSH Athletics 2024-25 Award Winners.

The list can [be found here](#).

CSH EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Cold Spring Harbor Educational Foundation voted to approve two grants at our November board meeting. Below is a brief summary of both.

- **Global Play Day - Goosehill Primary School; Ms. Cosme** Global Play Day celebrates the power of play in education. This special day (February 5th) is dedicated to unstructured, screen-free play, allowing children to explore their creativity and social skills freely.

The grant will provide funds to purchase supplies that will be used to set up activities in the classrooms for Global Play Day. In addition, the Youth Ambassadors along with the CSH High School Social Action Club will interact with the students as mentors in various ways throughout the day. The day will start with a schoolwide assembly and then students will visit different classrooms to participate in the activity of their choice.

This day of play is a crucial aspect of a child's social, emotional, and cognitive development. The movement has gained support from educators, parents, and organizations globally, and it continues to grow as more schools recognize the importance of balancing academic rigor with the benefits of play in a child's overall development. Through play, students develop their curiosity, problem-solving skills, intentionality, flexibility, and verbal and non-verbal skills. Socio-emotionally they are developing their emotional intelligence-learning confidence, cooperation, negotiation, sharing, empathy and how to communicate appropriately. This initiative honors the importance of fun and play within the school day; it will support students through play centers during center time, recess, and free play in future years.

Drone Grant - Jr. Sr. High School; Youth Ambassadors/Mrs. McLees This grant was initiated by our Youth Ambassadors back in 2023. The students on the Grants Committee worked diligently alongside Mrs. McLees for many months to get the grant finalized to be presented to our board.

The grant will provide 8 additional drones to be used within the Summer Research Program, Intro to Computer Science II, and eventually in the STEM Technology classes in the Jr. High School. Teaching with drones is a unique way to foster interest in Computer Science and working with autonomous vehicles and systems. Students will be able to take the knowledge they have learned in Computer Science I to program a drone to complete an obstacle course that they pre-program and then run. Currently, there are 5 "teaching" drones, which is not enough to use within a classroom setting. The additional 8 drones will make learning this skill in the classroom feasible. Drones help to foster interest in Computer Science/coding because they are tangible and make learning fun. By using the drones at the Jr. High, teachers can use this as a way to capture interest in coding at an early age.

If you want to learn more about the Ed Foundation, please visit our website at www.cshedfoundation.com and follow us on Instagram at [@cshedfoundation](https://www.instagram.com/cshedfoundation).

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