Jacket News
March 27, 2023

Read Aloud

Astra Club 9-11th Grades – Mrs. Prothro needs volunteers to work at the Judson Elementary Field Day on May 12th. You must provide your own transportation. See Mrs. Prothro to sign up.

Congratulations to Chloe Liles and Hudson Roberts who have been chosen to be a part of the LSU Health SMART Program for the 2023-2024 school year! We are proud of you.

Current Juniors Only – Are you interested in applying to be a 2023-2024 Top Jacket during your senior year? There is a **mandatory** informational meeting in the auditorium **Wednesday.** You can either attend the meeting before school at 7:40 am **OR** after school from 4:00 - 4:30 pm. We will be discussing the application process and timeline. See Panos or Springer if you have questions.

Juniors and Seniors – Save the date! Prom is going to be held on **April 15th** at the Shreveport Convention Center. Prom contracts are available outside the main office and in room 206. You must be off the debt list, have an ACT score, and if you are a senior your FASFA must be completed.

Students – If you are looking to earn service hours, Providence House is looking for energetic, dependable, academically strong high school students to serve as tutors for our children (grades 3-10th). If you are interested in helping, here are the details: Location: 825 Cotton Street in Shreveport. Tutoring will be now through May 18th on Monday – Friday 4:30pm – 6:00pm AND Saturday 10:00am – 12:00pm. All tutors will be provided the books and materials needed to support our students. In addition, there will be on-site, adult supervision during all tutoring sessions. This is a great opportunity for peer-to-peer support and a super way to earn service hours.

Students – Northwest Louisiana Association of Realtors is holding a poster contest. The Northwest LA winner will receive $500 and go on to compete in the state level competition. The state competition winner will be named on April 25th and receive $1,000. Poster must be 18x24, have the Louisiana Realtor logo included, bring to light everything Fair Housing encompasses, may use any media – digital, paint, sketch, etc, and it must be an original work. Deadline is **tomorrow** and poster must be delivered to the Northwest LA Association of Realtors, 2036 East 70th Street. Call 318-797-0054 for more information.

Print

ACT Fee Waivers are available in the Counseling Office for juniors and seniors who meet the criteria for free/reduced lunch. Students are eligible for 4 fee waivers during their junior and senior years. When registering for the ACT with a fee waiver, students receive free ACT prep available through their ACT accounts. Please see your counselor if you have any questions.

College Visits – LSUS 4/3

Freshmen – If you have community service hours to turn in for the Community Service Endorsement for your diploma bring to Mrs. Prothro. This is separate from the Presidential Volunteer Service Award. If you have questions, please call Mrs. Prothro at 364-5455.

Freshmen – Are you interested in becoming a Lyle Leader? See Mrs. Prothro or Ms. Waters (room S112) for an application, or print one from the PTSA email blast. What is a Lyle Leader? Dr. Lyle, 1958 C. E. Byrd graduate, founded the leadership program by making a donation of $100,000 to C. E. Byrd High School. The 2006-2007 freshman class was the first group to have the opportunity to participate in this program which is designed to develop leadership skills, experience the community and conduct community service projects. The

current group has pledged to be active participants in this program for the next three years until they graduate from C. E. Byrd High School.

Junior Girls and Boys – If you are interested in going to Girls' State or Boys' State, please see Mrs. Prothro as soon as possible. Space is limited.

Lyle Leaders – 10th and 11th graders – Are you interested in attending the Louisiana Youth Seminar? I have some scholarships available on a first come, first serve basis. The **2023 Louisiana Youth Seminar** is an exciting opportunity for high school juniors and seniors to participate. The 2023 seminar will be returning in person this year at the LSU Baton Rouge campus. Look up louisianayouthseminar.org for more information. See Mrs. Prothro ASAP if you are interested.

Students – Interested in traveling to London and Paris in 2024, check out this tour Mr. Williams is taking. Go to www.explorica.com/Williams-5779 or stop by Mr. Williams' room for information and to sign up.

Students – Off campus P E applications for the 2023 - 2024 school year are available for pick up in the counseling office. The deadline to return the completed application to the counseling office is Tuesday, **May 2nd.**

Students - The Louisiana Folklife Center at Northwestern State University is sponsoring the NSU Louisiana High School Essay contest. This is open to students in grades 9-12. Students will address the prompt "Imagine yourself in twenty years. What is your occupation. How does your work improve Louisiana?". Winners will be awarded a $1600 scholarship to NSU. Deadline is **June 1st.** Additional information is available in the counseling office or at www.nsula.edu/folklife/highschoolessay/

Scholarships

Southern University at Shreveport has band scholarships still available. Students do not have to audition. Scholarships are based on grades A, B, or C as recommended by the director. If interested, please contact Dr. Albert L. Jackson, Director, Southern University at Shreveport Band; aljackson@susla.edu/318-670-9381.

The Women's Republican Club of Shreveport Scholarship is available in the Counseling Office or the Class of 2023 Canvas page. 5 $1500 scholarships will be awarded to eligible seniors. Students must be 17, female, and registered with the Republican party. Applications are due **March 31st.**

Applications are available for the Caddo Extension Academy. The Caddo Extension Academy provides a year of specialized training, college coursework, and coaching at no cost to students. This program is designed to help graduating seniors who have not earned a TOPS ACT score or gpa, pay for a year of schooling. Students can also use this year to qualify for the TOPS Tech/Opportunity Award via a qualifying ACT score. Students can choose programs at Ayers College, BPCC, Southern University Shreveport, or the Caddo and Technology Career Center. Please come to the Counseling Office if you have any questions or would like more information. Applications must be returned by Monday, **April 3rd.**

The Louisiana Construction Education Foundation (LCEF), Louisiana's Community and Technical College System (LCTCS) and the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) is now accepting applications for the Jump Start Construction Connect Scholars Program. This program is the state's first and only scholarship dedicated exclusively to Jump Start graduates who have earned a Jump Start credential and a Louisiana high school diploma and subsequently enroll in an LCTCS Construction Pathway Program or Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) training program the summer or fall immediately following graduation. This scholarship will assist graduates in gaining the necessary training to earn industry employment in construction crafts fields aligned to four and five star jobs that may lead to management positions. Applications are due **April 21st.** **Eligibility Requirements:** Any high school senior who has a National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) credential, will earn a Jump Start Career Diploma, and enrolls in an LCTCS construction pathway program or an ABC training program in the summer or fall semester immediately following high

school graduation. **Scholarship Award:** Up to forty one-time scholarships in the amount of $1,000 each will be awarded to students enrolling at an LCTCS program or an Associated Builders and Contractors training program. For more information please email stephanie.marcum@la.gov**.**

The 2023 Emmy Noether Award is available to high school senior females planning to pursue **graduate degrees** in STEM-related fields. After completing undergraduate studies, the Gold Medalist will receive up to $75,000, and the two Silver Medalists will be awarded $25,000 each for qualified **graduate-level programs** (to be divided over a 3-year span). In addition to the 3 merit winners, up to 10 applicants will be invited as Emmy Noether Scholars to join a network of young female aspiring research scientists and receive information on internship and networking opportunities. An awards banquet will be held in New Orleans on **April 23rd,** at 12:30 pm to honor the awardees and scholars. Requirements include: Female, Senior in High School, Lives in LA or MS, Pursues a research-based graduate degree and career in a STEM field, and 28 or higher on the ACT. Application available at https://www.thebrownfoundation.org/emmy-noether-award. Application details are available on the Class of 2023 Counseling Canvas page.

Senior Information

Seniors – The honor graduate list is posted outside the Counseling Office or in senior classrooms. Honor graduates are all students with a 4.0 gpa, plus the top 5% of the remaining graduating class. This year it includes all students with a 3.90 or higher cumulative grade point average. Honor graduates are eligible to purchase and wear a purple and gold honor cord, which will be distributed at the Senior Awards Assembly, TBA. You can purchase immediately at locallevelevents.com. If you would like to pay in person, you will be able to do so beginning **April 3rd**. If purchasing at school, you must have exact change/cash only. Cost is $10. Cords must be purchased by **April 24th** to receive them at the assembly. Purchase cords online at https://www.locallevelevents.com/events/details/25555 Your access code is your student ID number without the preceding 0. Math/Science Magnet students may wear the magnet stole at graduation. This is the white satin stole with letters BHS printed on the end. You can purchase immediately at locallevelevents.com. If you would like to pay in person, you will be able to do so beginning April 3rd. If purchasing at school, you must have exact change/cash only. Cost is $18. Purchase stoles online at https://www.locallevelevents.com/events/details/25554 Your access code is your student ID number without the preceding 0.

Seniors – A financial aid step must be completed in order to graduate. If you need assistance completing your FAFSA, please let Mrs. Byrd in the Counseling Office know.

Seniors - You must complete one of the following financial aid steps IN ORDER TO GRADUATE: 1) Complete the FAFSA (available at studentaid.gov) This is your TOPS application, as well as application for federal grants and student loans; 2) Complete the Louisiana TOPS form- if you are not completing the FAFSA (available at mylosfa.la.gov). If you choose this step, you must print a confirmation and bring it to the Counseling Office; 3) A parent or legal custodian, or a student legally emancipated or of the legal age of majority, may certify a waiver in writing to the LEA (See Mrs. Byrd for this form) . Only one step is required- you will not complete the FAFSA and the TOPS form. The FAFSA is also the TOPS application. The FAFSA application is available beginning October 1st. Students should complete the 2023-2024 FAFSA application using 2021 income tax information. The FAFSA Completion Guide is attached to this e-mail and is also available on the Class of 2023 Canvas page.

Seniors – Transcripts are now available. Each senior will receive a copy of his or her transcript during orientation. All public colleges/universities in Louisiana have access to your transcript through the Student Transcript System and we do not have to mail them. If you are applying to an out of state or private college/ university, your transcript must be mailed. You must pay for the transcript on locallevelevents.com and record your receipt number on the transcript request form. ****If you are applying through the Common App, you do not have to mail your transcript. These will be sent electronically.**

Seniors – If you ordered your caps and gowns with Jostens, they will be delivered to the school in **April**. If you ordered additional items, they will be delivered to your home as they are available. All orders go through

Jostens - the school does not accept any payments and we do not have any information about your order. If you have any questions, you must contact Jostens. 1-800-JOSTENS (567-8367)

Contests

Duty Schedules

Monday – Adkins, Algood, Blackwell, K Cole, Comerford, Cox, Fabio, Hodge, Hyslop, J Lary, Rowe, Samuel, Vance

Tuesday – Ballew, W Bryant, Carmody, C Cole, Dean, Duncan, Fox, Hammit, Ludke, Owen, Tate, Trudnak, West, Zator

Wednesday – Bailey, Bruno, French, Gilchrist, Hale, Harris, W Lary, Levermann, Maier, Schwab, G Williams, R Williams, Wilson

Thursday – Adamson, Bolton, Castleman, Corbett Jefferson, Leone, Mayeux, Speyrer, Springer, Waters, Watson, Waxham, C Williams, Wyatt

Friday – Carberry, Goodwin, Guerrero, Knox, Maranto, Pabst, Panos, Pope, Saulsbury, Sewell, Smith, Strong, Tromba, White