

Jacket News
December 2, 2022

Read Aloud

Dual enrollment applications are now available for LaTech Winter quarter. Winter quarter registration is only available for students who were not able to register for fall quarter classes. Students already enrolled in a dual enrollment course and wish to continue, will wait for spring quarter registration. Students in the following courses can apply at LaTech: AP US History, AP European History, English III Honors, English III GT, English IV enriched Williams and Maranto only (enriched students who enrolled in English 101 during Spring 2022 will wait until Spring 2023 registration). And English IV GT. Cost is \$150 course tuition, \$20 application fee (paid once/school year). English classes also require a \$30 course packet fee (paid once/school year). Byrd will pay for one core English, math, science, or social studies course/semester at either LSUS or LaTech, as long as funds are available. Students are encouraged to apply early. Instructions are available from these teachers, or cebyrd.com. Please read all information carefully and complete all required steps. **Deadline to apply is Today at 4pm**. Please contact the 11th or 12th grade counselor if you have any questions.

Students 9-12th Grades – If you work at Community Christmas, you **WILL NOT** be able to check out after it is over.

Get your tickets to the Byrd Drama fall production of the murder mystery comedy, **Clue**. **Performances have been changed to today through Sunday**. Tickets are \$12 and are available on Local Level Events or by scanning the QR code on the posters hanging up around school. Tickets are also available at the door. For more information, contact the Byrd Drama Department at byrddrama@gmail.com, 318-364-2900, or by visiting byrddrama.weebly.com.

Astra Club – The baseball team has asked us once again to donate gift cards of any amount \$5-\$25 for their Buzz Bash coming up in early 2023. Each \$5 amount will count as a volunteer hour. For example, a \$5 gift card counts as one hour, a \$25 gift card would count as 5 hours, etc. Please bring them to Mrs. Prothro by **Friday, December 16th**. Thanks for your generosity to help another Byrd organization! You are appreciated.

We will no longer process checkouts after 3:15 with the exception of extreme emergencies.

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10 -12th Grade Students – The Jumpstart Summer Enrichment Program (JSEP) is sponsored by the Office of Diversity Affairs at Louisiana State University Health Shreveport. The program targets students interested in pursuing careers in Medicine, Dentistry, Biomedical Research or Allied Health Professions. The JSEP program allows area high school students, grades 10-12, the opportunity to participate in eight weeks of hands-on research activities mentored by faculty at LSU Health Shreveport. Student must be 16 years old by the start of the program (June 1, 2023). Click the link to apply. The applications will open **November 1st**. The deadline to apply is **January 20th**. Please see your counselor for more details.

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 – Army National Guard 12/13.

Juniors – The Coolidge Scholarship is a full ride, four-year, merit scholarship that may be used by recipients for undergraduate study at any accredited college or university in the United States. Any high school junior who plans to enroll in college in the fall of 2024 and is an American citizen or legal permanent resident is

eligible to apply. Winners may use the scholarship to pursue any academic major. The scholarship application, along with additional information, can be assessed on the scholarship site: www.coolidgescholars.org. More detailed information can also be found on the Class of 2024 Canvas page. **The submission deadline is 5:00 p.m. eastern time, Thursday, February 23, 2023.**

Perspectives is now accepting entries for this year's publication. *Perspectives* is C.E. Byrd's literary magazine. We publish all types of creative writing and visual art created by current Byrd students. Selected entries are published in a beautiful, full-color magazine printed at the end of the school year. All students who are published in the magazine will receive a free copy to enjoy. Look for QR codes around the school or ask your English teacher for the entry form. Deadline: **February 3rd**.

Seniors – If you didn't get pictures made this past summer, Harrington House will be here on **Tuesday, February 14th**, from 7:30 am until 9:00 am for pictures. This is a one shot picture and they will provide the cap and gown.

Students - The 2022 Fall LEAP 2025 testing window is now open. This administration will be for those students who have previously been unsuccessful on parts of the LEAP 2025 exam. Only select students are eligible for the retest. Eligible students will be given individual notices of the dates and times they are scheduled to test. Contact Mrs. Johnson if you have questions and/or concerns. lwjohnson@caddoschools.org or 318-364-5462

Students - Are you interested in participating in Film Prize Jr? If you have an idea for a short 3-10 minute live action film, are interested in script writing, pre-production, editing, or filming, see Mrs. Smith in room S307 as soon as possible!

Students 9-12th grades – Do you have 100 or more volunteer hours from **March, 2022 to March 1, 2023**? If so, you are eligible for the Presidential Volunteer Service Award which is a national award to recognize people who are committed to community service to make our world a better place. Please bring your volunteer sheets with your total number of volunteer hours to Mrs. Prothro or email them to her at MProthro@caddoschools.org. If you have any questions, please call (364-5455) or email Mrs. Prothro. Any community service through school, nonprofit organizations and church activities can be counted toward your total number of community service hours. Attached is a volunteer log sheet if you would like to use it; however, you do not have to use this one. I will accept any log sheets that has the activities and hours listed. **The deadline is March 1, 2023.**

Scholarships

The AFL-CIO scholarship is available in the Counseling Office. The Louisiana AFL-CIO will be awarding three \$1000 scholarships to high school seniors whose parent/step parent is a member of an affiliated local union in good standing. Students must submit an essay and high school transcript. Deadline to apply is January 20th.

The Reynolds Foundation Scholarship is available in the Counseling Office. Students must be a current senior, plan to immediately enroll in a 2-year or 4-year institution of higher learning, or vocational school, have a minimum 2.5 gpa, and complete a community service project(s) for the application by Winter break. Deadline to submit the application is January 31st.

Senior Information

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 locallevelvents.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.**

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Contests

Students – If you are interested in entering any poster contests, please see your teacher or Mrs. Prothro.

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, Evans, 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