

CHS Family Newsletter 2025 - 2026 October 3, 2025

Principal's Message

Parent-Teacher Conferences will take place between **October 13 and October 24**. Each teacher will be available for a total of three hours during our fall conferences. Please note that parents are welcome to request a conference with a teacher at any point during the school year.

To reserve your time, please use the **Calendly link** that will be sent to you on **Friday, October 10**.

Conference Details:

- Conferences will be scheduled in 10–15 minute sessions per family.
- Meetings will take place after 3:00 PM or before 7:15 AM on weekdays.
- Parents may choose to meet in person, via Zoom, or by phone.
- Teachers will also reach out directly to parents of students with academic, behavioral, or attendance concerns to ensure those families have an additional opportunity to meet with our teachers.
- Parents may reach out and schedule a meeting with a teacher at any time of the year.

We look forward to connecting with you and working together to support your student's success here at CHS.

It's Great To Be Gold!

School News and Events

Gold Card Winners

The following students were the Gold Card Winners this week: Emily Bowling, Jon Conklin, Josiah McKinnies, Kaylee Owens, and Allysen Spencer.

Shiawassee Scholars

Congratulations to the newest CHS students named Shiawassee Scholars for the Class of 2029. These students scored among the top 50 across our county on the spring PSAT 8/9: Abigail Bentler, Cassidy Braid, Taylor Braun, Claire Chunko, Sabrina Cooper, Charlie Cunningham, Elizabeth Ford, Mary Ellen Marshall, Hector Meganck, Mary Newcom, Kadin Reed, Tyler Sweet, Molly Veale, and Robert Wyatt III.



Powderpuff

<u>Powderpuff football</u> is back at CHS! The game will be held on **October 14** at 7 pm. Raffle basket donations are needed for the event, so if you can help out, please contact Denise Zeeman at <u>zeeman@corunna.k12.mi.us</u>.

8th Grade Cider Mill Field Trip

The 8th-grade class will be visiting Flushing Farms Cider Mill on **Wednesday, October 8**, during the school day from 10:30 am - 2 pm. Students will enjoy activities such as corn mazes, bounce houses, and more. A bagged lunch will be provided by the school, but extra money may be brought for concessions and for the gift shop. The cost is \$12 per student, and any student with a financial hardship can reach out to <u>Amy Murphy</u> for assistance. Students should wear comfortable clothing and shoes suitable for outdoor activities. Click on the link to view the <u>permission slip</u>, and here is a <u>link to the waiver</u> that must be completed to attend. Payment and waiver are **due Monday, October 6**. Please return this permission slip, even if your student is *not* attending.

Middle School Drama Schedule

Here is the middle school (6th-8th grades) drama schedule for the upcoming week of October 6-10.

Donations Needed Please!

Help give CHS students the nutrition they need to help them through their day. We know that students who have been through trauma function best when they are fed every two hours. CHS students are resilient and true survivors. Despite their life circumstances, they come to school, work hard, and plan for big futures. Please click on the link below for more information: Feeding Brains and Building Bonds

2026 AP Exams Application - For Full-Year Classes

The main office will be collecting the <u>applications</u> and fees for AP Exams from **October 6 to October 24**. Exams are \$90 each (\$40 per exam if the student qualifies for a fee reduction, with a \$35 refund at the end of May per exam that they take). There's a \$40 unused exam fee for students who order the exam but don't end up taking it.

Yearbooks- Sale ends on 12/31!

The CHS Yearbook is still on sale! Our yearbook is a 2025 award-winner in excellence! It's over 200, all-color, and hardcover publication-- and the only true record of the school year.

You may purchase the yearbook with Mrs. Hilewsky in room 112 with cash or a check made payable to Corunna High School in the amount of \$76.32 (\$72 + tax). You may also purchase online at yearbookforever.com. Prices go up on 1/1/26. For more information, click the link here.

Class of 2026 - Yearbook Information

This is the week that senior pictures are due! We encourage all seniors to submit their senior pictures by **October 10**. This is a special CHS tradition that allows students to use their own professional photographs. The senior pictures are much larger portraits in the yearbook, and they are also used on the banners to be displayed in downtown Corunna. Find more <u>detailed information here</u>.

In addition to this special tradition, senior parents, grandparents, friends, and other family members can support their Class of 2025 seniors with a Senior Send Off ad in the yearbook. We offer four sizes to accommodate all. Find more <u>detailed information here</u>.



Yearbook Snap App

Parents and students may upload pictures of school activities- sports, clubs/organizations, student life, etc. to our Walsworth Yearbook Snap App. For Apple or Android devices, download the free Yearbook Snap app and then search for Corunna High School. Enter the passcode **cavs** in all lowercase letters and upload pictures that we could use in this year's yearbook!

Yearbook Culver's Night

Please mark your calendars now to grab dinner at Culver's on **Tuesday, October 21**! This is our biggest annual fundraiser, and we're hopeful for a great turnout! By grabbing dinner between 5-8 PM, you will help raise much-needed funds for the Corunna High School Yearbook program. Help us spread the word!

Eastern Europe Trip

Mrs. Hilewsky's is offering an EF Tours trip to Eastern Europe in June 2027! This 12-day tour includes Croatia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Slovenia, and a 3-day extension to Vienna, Austria and Krakow, Poland with a visit to Auschwitz-Birkenau. Open to students in grades 6–12 and adults—save \$200 if you enroll by 10/10/25! There are only FIVE spaces left! Learn more and enroll here. Contact Mrs. Hilewsky with any questions.



CHS College and Career Month News and Events

Michigan's Post-Graduation Opportunities Resources

<u>This link</u> can help students find career and school pathways that fit their personal interests. Students can also explore in-demand Michigan careers and credentials needed to find success in their next steps after high school.

FAFSA

The FAFSA is open! Here's the link to the application page. Seniors, if you need help completing your contact the Counseling Staff for more information!

Community College Guarantee

Graduating high school seniors are eligible to earn a skill certificate or degree tuition-free if they are considered an in-district student at the community college of their choice. If you are a Shiawassee County resident you won't be considered an in-district student at any Michigan community college, but the Community College Guarantee will pay for the cost of tuition at the in-district rate, resulting in significant savings to you. To qualify, you must:

- Complete the FAFSA, but there are no income requirements
- Be a Michigan resident since July 1 of the previous year
- Enroll in a Michigan community college within 15 months of high school graduation
- Attend full time

Please contact the community college you plan to attend for more information.

Seniors Applying to Colleges and Trade Schools

College and Career Fair (Seniors Only)

On **October 10**, our Seniors will have the opportunity to attend the College and Career Fair at Baker College of Owosso. This event is designed to provide our students with valuable exposure to colleges, universities, and potential career paths. Seniors will be transported by bus from the High School to Baker College, where they will engage with college, armed service, and various industry representatives, as well as gather important information to help shape their post-secondary plans. If you do not want your Senior to participate, please

inform us, as this notification will serve as a permission slip for the event. We are excited for our students to take advantage of this important opportunity!

10th Grade Career Pathway Expo

On **October 21**, the SRESD College and Career Readiness Center in Vernon has invited 10th graders to their Career Pathway Expo. At this event, students will rotate through each of the program stations, including CTE Welding, CTE Heavy Equipment, CTE Electrical, CTE Health Science, CTE Teacher Academy, CTE Public Safety, Early College, and Dual Enrollment. If you do not want your 10th-grade student to participate, please inform us, as this notification will serve as a permission slip for the event.

Senior Mock Interviews - We are looking for volunteers!

We are currently seeking volunteers to assist with Senior Mock Interviews as part of our ongoing efforts to prepare students for college and/or careers as part of our District Mission. Your involvement would provide valuable experience and support to those looking to improve their interviewing skills.

The mock interviews will give Seniors an opportunity to practice their responses, gain constructive feedback, and boost their confidence in a real-world setting. As a volunteer, you will conduct interviews, offer insightful feedback, and help job seekers improve their chances of success.

Details:

Date: Tuesday, October 28, 2025,

Time: Session 1: 8:15-10:00, Session 2: 11:00-12:30, Session 3: You choose your times, and we will

accommodate

Location: Corunna High School's Media Center

If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please send us an email at lharrison@corunna.k12.mi.us by October 18. We truly appreciate any time you can offer in supporting our students and our district to fulfill our mission for our school community.

School Information and Links

High School Office Hours

If you need any assistance, we will be more than happy to help you! You can contact the school office by calling (989) 743-3441 or visiting us. Office hours are 7:15 am to 4 pm each school day. On Fridays, we close at 3:30 pm.

Safe Storage Law Resources

Districts are required to send information home to parents and caregivers on the safe storage of firearms. This is in accordance with the "Safe Storage Laws," MCL 28.429, MCL 380.1313a, and MCL 380.1313b. Please review the following links:

- What is the Secure Storage Law in Michigan
- Safe Storage Notice.

Additional resources and information can be found on MDE's <u>Safe Storage Law webpage</u>. Questions may be directed to MDE's Office of Health and Safety at MDE-OHS@Michigan.gov.

Drop Zone at CHS

CHS students often need items dropped off during the day, such as Chromebooks, shoes, or clothes. To keep things safe and limit classroom interruptions, please use the **Drop Zone** in the office entry breezeway. Place items in a cubby, fill out a slip with your student's name and grade, and we'll call them between classes to pick up. Envelopes and a lockbox are available for money, and a bin is provided for notes and forms. The area is monitored for security. For student pick-ups, just call the office from your car and we'll send your child out. Thank you for helping us protect learning time and our building safety.

Communication

Our communication with you as parents is very important! Staff have an expectation to check their email once daily. Because we want staff focused on students during the school day, this typically happens before or after school hours. Staff have a 48-hour rule for replying to emails - they should reply to you within 48 hours of receiving your email. Therefore, if you have a more pressing matter that needs immediate attention and cannot wait 48 hours for a response, please call our office at 989-743-3441.

PowerSchool for Parents

PowerSchool and Schoology are the online programs used by teachers to communicate attendance, and grades and student progress with parents. If you don't have an account, please contact lfugate@corunna.k12.mi.us for instructions on how to sign up. You need a special initial code for each of your children when you first create your account.

School Counseling Support

The CHS Counseling Department consists of a team of staff ready to support students with a variety of needs. If your student needs support, please use our <u>Counselor Request Form</u> to set up an appointment.

Student Parking and Driving at CHS

CHS students who want to drive and park at CHS will need to register their vehicle. Students will be asked to fill out the <u>CHS Parking Registration Form</u>, show proof of their driver's license, and provide registration for the vehicle. After registration is completed, students will receive a parking registration sticker (free of charge) to be displayed on the driver's side, lower left window.

Social Media

Corunna High School uses the following social media platforms for distributing information:

- District website www.corunna.k12.mi.us
- Facebook: Corunna High School and Corunna Public Schools
- X (Formerly Twitter): @Corunna_HS
- Thrillshare: All of our phone and text messages come through Thrillshare. If you are not receiving these messages, please call the office to update your contact information.

Athletics

Family, Individual, and Student <u>Athletic Passes</u> are available for purchase for the 2025-26 season. Contact Mrs. Richardson in the Athletic Office to purchase a pass. Athletic game schedules can be found on www.corunnacavs.org

Super Snack

Super Snack is a healthy after-school snack that is available **FREE** to students at the end of school from 2:40-2:50 pm. This is a great opportunity for students involved after school to get something nutritious to eat.

No Peanuts or Cashews Please

Our amazing student population will include students with <u>life-threatening</u> peanut and cashew allergies. We are asking you to consider sending snacks and lunch items that do not include peanuts or cashews. Attached, you will find a PDF with ideas. <u>Peanut-Free Snack Suggestions</u>

Breakfast and Lunch Menus

Please click on the link for the high school breakfast and lunch menus.

Community Events and Links

City of Corunna - Festival of Trees

The city of Corunna is seeking sponsors for the Festival of Trees. The city is hoping to have sponsorships in place by **late October**. See <u>this link for details</u>.

Girls Night Out - K-6th grades are invited to a Girls Night Out with the Varsity Cheer Team, October 20

Karate - Owosso Martial Arts at EM, October 4

Pro Wrestling Event - King of the Castle, November 1

Youth Engagement Group - High School Halloween Party, November 1

<u>Heavenly Tumbles</u> - <u>Session 2</u>, November 4

<u>Medical Care</u> - <u>Shaiwassee Free Medical Clinic</u> - 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month

<u>Adolescent Addiction</u> - <u>Recovery Pathways</u>

Local Food Pantries - Shiawassee Food Pantry List

Personal Needs Pantries - Shiawassee Personal Needs List

Shiawassee Community Closet and Pantry

Hours: Monday 12pm - 3pm, Wednesday 9am - 12pm, Friday 9am - 12pm, Location: Catholic Charities, 1480 N. M-52, Owosso, MI 48867, Phone: 989-723-8239

Drive-Up Flu & Covid Vaccine Clinic

Thursday, October 9, 8:30am-3:30pm Shiawassee County Health Department, 149 E. Corunna Ave., Corunna MI 48817, Call 989-743-2356 to schedule

Support Group - Voices for Children

Thursday, October 9th, 4-6pm Join us for an in-person support group for survivors of abuse and neglect and their caregivers! Phone: 810-238-3333 x 225

Respite Volunteer Fall Purse Party Bingo

Thursday, October 9th, doors open at 5:30pm Contact the office for tickets - \$20 in advance, \$25 day of. Phone: 989-725-1127

Fall Festival - Shiawassee Family YMCA

Sunday, October 19, 1-4pm, Vendor tables, bounce house, kids' games, local resources Website: www.Shiawasseeymca.org

Halloween Party - Shiawassee Prevention Network's Youth Engagement Workgroup

November 1, 5:00pm-7:00pm, Open to all High School age students, Location: Jennifer's Place, 521 E. Williams St. Owosso

More Family-friendly events can be found at https://www.sresd.org/great-start-shiawassee/resources/

2025-2026 District Calendar - Click here to view the district calendar.

CHS Upcoming Events

October 1 - 31	College and Career Month at CHS
October 8	8th Grade Field Trip to Flushing Farms
October 10	Baker College - College Fair 12th graders
October 15	NMSQT Test (National Merit test for students who signed up)
October 15	8th graders will take an internal practice PSAT test
October 21	10th Grade Career Pathway Expo @ the CCRC
October 24	End of the First Marking Period
October 31	Half Day of School 11:05 AM
November 26 - 28	No School - Thanksgiving Break
December 17 - 19	Final Exams for 1st semester
December 19	End of the 1st Semester
Dec. 20 - Jan. 4	Holiday Break
January 5	School Resumes - First Day of the 2nd Semester

