

Jacket News
October 19, 2023
Read Aloud

“Go to Smallcakes TODAY from 3-7 and support the Byrd Senior Class”!

Congratulations to Z-Club member, Thailia Steveson, who designed the winning T-shirt for the Zonta race on October 28. She wins \$100 from Zonta for her design!

Juniors -- There was a junior class meeting in the auditorium during EIP on Tuesday, October 17 with Jostens about senior rings. Jostens will be back on campus **Monday**, October 23 in the Learning Center from noon until 6pm for in-person ring orders.

Congratulations to Hannah Kendrick, Riley Quinlan, and Kate Shaw who were selected as Byrd’s nominees for the Willis Knighton/Independence Bowl Foundation Scholarship. They will continue the competition at the district level.

Picture retake will be held on November 3rd, starting at 8:30 and ending at 9:00. Anyone who has not taken a school picture is able to take their picture at this time.

Don't miss out on the chance to relive the extraordinary moments of the year. Don't wait—make your yearbook yours today and preserve those cherished memories forever! Yearbooks can be purchased on locallevevents.com for \$65.

Seniors! The moment you've been waiting for has arrived – it's time to create your unforgettable senior yearbook ad. Purchase your ad at locallevevents.org and seize this opportunity to leave your mark on the yearbook. Once you've secured your spot, send us all your artwork and heartfelt messages to be featured on your ad at cebyrd.yearbook@my.caddoschools.org Make your senior year even more memorable with a personalized ad – don't miss out!

Our next Youth and Gov meeting is Wednesday 10/25 at 7:40 AM in the Learning Center! We will be debating a SPOOKY HALLOWEEN BILL!

Attention juniors: We need responsible and reliable students to help with planning and executing this year's ring ceremony. If you are interested in serving on ring staff, please go by and sign up outside Mrs. Cole's room (S210) or Mrs. Bolton's room (S212). The deadline to sign up is Wednesday, October 25. If you sign up, there will be a mandatory interest meeting in room S212 on Wednesday, November 1 at 7:45 before school or at 4:00pm right after the last bell.

First Baptist Alums – Mrs. Prothro needs students who attended First Baptist to work at their Fall Carnival. See her to sign up.

Key Club and Astra Club Members – Sign up to work at Reruns are Fun in Mrs. Prothro’s office.

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Key Club, Astra Club and Lyle Leaders - We are collecting Halloween candy for A. C. Steere Trunk or Treat AND Common Ground. Please bring one bag of candy to Mrs. Prothro's office by 8:00 a.m. **Thursday, October 19, 2023.** If you are a member of more than one of these groups, you only need to bring one bag. Each bag counts for 2 hours.

Mens' Soccer - If you'd like tryout for the Men's Soccer please come on Monday, October 23 at 7:00 pm at Byrd and Tuesday, October 24 at 7:00 pm at Cargill Park. Teams will be announced Friday, October 27. For those that make the team, there is a MANDATORY PARENTS and PLAYERS meeting Monday, October 30 at 6:00pm in the Byrd Cafeteria.

Girls' Soccer Tryouts will take place:

Monday, October 16, 6:15-8:00 pm at Cargill Park

Tuesday, October 17, 6:00 am -7:30 am at Byrd

Wednesday, Oct 18, 6:15 pm -8:00 pm at Cargill Park

Thursday, Oct 19, 6:00 am- 7:30 am at Byrd

Team lists will be posted on October 20th.

You must have a physical in order to tryout.

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Students, the 2023 Homecoming Dance will be on October 28 from 6:30 to 10:30 in the school gym. Homecoming dance contracts are now available outside the main office. Contracts must be turned in to a bookkeeper before you can purchase tickets. Tickets are available on Local Level Events from October 1 – October 19 for \$25. After midnight on October 19, the cost increases to \$50 and is only available until October 26.

Videography, Photography, Event Planning and Movies – If any of these are your calling, join C. E. Byrd's Visual Media and Marketing Club. See Mrs. Smith or Khalil Farris for more information.

ACT Boot Camp will be held on **Saturday, October 21st**, from 9:00 am until 12:00 noon in the Learning Center. If you would like to sign up, please contact Sherri Moss at 318-572-5507.

Astra Club – Mrs. Prothro needs volunteers for the South Highlands Carnival. Before you sign up, please know that this is the same date as our Homecoming Parade. Sign up in Mrs. Prothro's office.

Drama - Show your house spirit and buy a Puffs t-shirt!

Are you a Brave (red)? a Smart (blue)? a Snake (green)? a Puff (yellow)?

Choose one of these great colors and support Puffs and Byrd Drama at the same time!

Go to <https://www.locallevevents.com/events/details/28895> to purchase!

HOBY Leadership Seminar for Tenth Graders – If you are interested in being a HOBY delegate, see Mrs. Prothro for an application. This is a fabulous leadership activity. Applications are due October 20, 2023.

Juniors and Seniors - We are pleased to announce that online registration is now open for **Science Day 2023, Sponsored by Halliburton**, scheduled for **Friday, October 20th**. Please see the attached flyer. This is a FREE event, tailored especially for high school seniors and juniors who have an interest in majoring in an area of science. It is important that **all participants** (teachers, chaperones, students, etc.) register *in advance*. The online form is quick and easy to complete. The online registration link, as well as up-to-date information about Science Day 2023, is available at <https://sciences.louisiana.edu/node/190>. Please feel free to contact Dr. Michael W. Totaro with any questions about Science Day 2023, via the following: Email - michael.totaro@louisiana.edu. Office: (337) 482-5697. We look forward to seeing you and your students on **Friday, October 20th!**

Seniors – Elks Student of the month scholarship applications are available in the counseling office. Each month (October-April) a scholarship will be awarded to an outstanding **senior boy** and **senior girl** who demonstrate exemplary standards. Students should be well-rounded with leadership, citizenship, service, and scholarship qualities. Students will compete against other high school students in Caddo-Bossier area. Applications are due by the 15th of each month and only need to be submitted once.

Students – Do you have a love for science? Want to join the newest honor society at C.E. Byrd? Applications for C.E. Byrd's Science National Honor Society are now being accepted. See Mrs. Comerford in 211 or Ms. Adamson in S106 for more details and to pick up an application. Applications are due by Monday, October 2nd.

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Poster Contests – The dates for the PTSA Poster Contests are posted. Please see Mrs. Prothro for the entry forms, deadlines, and contests.

Providence House is seeking applications from high school students interested in serving on the 2023-2024 Youth Advisory Board of Directors. We are expanding our current youth board. This leadership role works with the larger governing board and offers hands-on experience in philanthropy, fundraising, leadership and planning. The Youth Board has its own budget, leadership team and they get to plan events and use their voices to support all efforts around homelessness as well as community leadership. This is an amazing opportunity for young people to make a difference. Applications are available in Mrs Prothro's office and are due by **October 31st**.

Robinson Film Center is now accepting applications for the Teen Film Council. This after-school program meets on Mondays and features film production and theory taught by working industry professionals. Prepare for film school or a job in the industry, or just come to learn more about film. Apply now at **robinsonfilmcenter.org**

Students - 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. Students must apply for free/reduced lunch at <https://www.myschoolapps.com/> You will receive an e-mail from the Child Nutrition Program. You must provide this to the counseling office to receive a waiver.

Students – If you are interested in wrestling this year, please go activate and fill out all info. Practice officially starts first week of October and all info must be filled out in order to participate. Also, email byrdwrestling@gmail.com or contact coach Wells at 318-393-8988.

The application for the Allied Health Education and Discovery (AHEAD) Program is open for Summer 2024! The AHEAD Program is a 5-day summer program for Louisiana high school students interested in exploring the health career programs offered at LSU Health Shreveport – School of Allied Health Professions: Medical Laboratory Scientist, Nurse, Occupational Therapist, Physical Therapist, Physician Assistant, Public Health Professional, Respiratory Therapist and Speech-Language Pathologist

Program Dates 2024:

- Session 1: June 10 – 14, 2024, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm
- Session 2: July 8 – 12, 2024, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Apply today at <http://www.lsuhs.edu/ahead>! Applications are due March 15, 2024.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Students must be at least 16 years old by the first day in the session.
- Enrolled in a Louisiana high school. ***Graduating seniors are welcome!***
- Minimum 3.0 high school GPA at the time of application.
- Access to reliable transportation and commitment to full attendance.
- Please note: This is a non-residential program and housing is not provided.

Club Info

African American Studies – scan QR code around school – go to S109 for more info

BETA Club – applications in S112 or scan QR code – applications and fees due

Drama Club – scan QR code and pay online at payschoolscentral.com or go to Room 200

Growing for Good – applications in S105 – fee \$5.00

Robotics - scan QR code around school - fee is \$10

Spanish Club – applications by 117 in main building and S304 – pay fees online at payschoolscentral.com

Scholarships

Lela's \$1000 FAFSA Completion Scholarship application for the Class of 2024 is now available for those who plan to apply for college financial aid by submitting a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

The Robertson Scholars Leadership Program Scholarship application is now available at <https://robertsonscholars.org/> The Robertson Scholars Leadership Program provides eight semesters of full tuition, room and board, and most mandatory fees for Scholars at Duke and UNC-Chapel Hill. Scholars also have access to generous funding for up to three summer experiences, funding for conferences throughout the academic year, and for two semesters of study abroad. You may apply either Early Decision or Regular Decision to Duke, or Early Action or Regular Decision to UNC-Chapel Hill. As long as you apply for first-year undergraduate admission to one or both of these universities, you are eligible to apply for the Robertson. All students will learn whether they are moving to the second stage on the same day, regardless of which university application they select. Deadline to apply is **November 15th**.

Seniors- The Hagan Scholarship is available at www.hsfmo.org. This is a nationwide need-based merit scholarship that provides up to \$7500 each semester for up to 8 consecutive semesters. Applicants must have a 3.5 cumulative grade point average and plan to work 240 hours from January 1, 2024-the completion of the 2024 fall semester of college. Applicant's adjusted gross household income reported for 2022 Federal Income Tax purposes must not have exceeded \$85,000.

SchoolHouse Connection's Youth Leadership Program Scholarship is available for students who have experienced homelessness in the last 6 years.

- Applicants must reside in the United States.
Note: undocumented applicants are eligible.
- Applicants must be born on or after November 24, 2003.
- Applicants must begin college (four year, community college, or trade school) for the **first time** in 2024 (not including dual-enrollment courses).

A SchoolHouse Connection Scholar Will Receive:

- \$2,500 Scholarship Award
- One-on-One Support from SchoolHouse Connection Staff
- Three All-Expenses-Paid Trips
- Support from SchoolHouse Connection Scholars

Opportunities to Engage in State and Federal Policy Advocacy

<https://schoolhouseconnection.org/scholarship/?emci=5526c877-875c-ee11-9937-00224832eb73&emdi=e2aaba01-5061-ee11-9937-00224832eb73&ceid=11022566>Links to an external site.

Senior Information

Seniors – Updated transcripts are now available in the Counseling Office. Each student will receive a copy of the transcript during Senior Orientation in English IV classes. If you need one prior to that visit, you can pick one up in the Counseling Office. Transcripts and transcript information cannot be e-mailed or provided over the telephone. All public colleges and universities in Louisiana have access to transcripts and you should not have to send them. If they tell you they cannot access the transcript, or if you need to send a transcript to a private school within Louisiana, or any school outside of Louisiana, you will need to complete the transcript request form at <https://www.locallevelvents.com/events/details/26815>. Make sure you submit payment and complete the google form on that page. Students applying to colleges through the Common App do not have to complete the transcript request form. The transcript will be uploaded on the Common App portal.

Seniors – If you plan to attend the University of Virginia as your top choice school and want to be nominated for the Jefferson Scholarship, please notify Mrs. Byrd in the Counseling Office.

Seniors – A representative from Centenary College will be available outside the cafeteria during both lunch shifts on Wednesday, 10/18.

Contests

All posters must be turned in to Mrs. Prothro by the dates below. The size must be 11 X 14, no glitter, and a flat surface. Each poster must contain the label attached to the back of the poster entry. See Mrs. Prothro for the entry form more information. If you need extra forms, email Mrs. Prothro at MProthro@caddoschools.org or come by her office.

Character Education Week	Deadline: October 20 th
Red Ribbon Week	Deadline: October 27 th
Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week	Deadline: November 11 th
Internet Safety Prevention Week	Deadline: December 8 th

Duty Schedules

Monday – Adkins, Algood, Bailey, Blackwell, Boyd, Cole, K, Cox, Lary, J, Richey, Rockett, Rowe, Samuel, Vance.

Tuesday – Ballew, Bryant, W, Cole, C, Dean, Fox, Hammit, Harris, Ludke, Mitchell, Owen, Tate, Trudnak, West, Zator.

Wednesday – Bruno, Comerford, Duncan, French, M, Gilchrist, Hale, Hilton, Lary, W, Levermann, Maier, Schwab, Williams, G, Williams, R, Wilson.

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

Friday – Carberry, Goodwin, Hampton, Knox, Maranto, Panos, Piazza, Pope, Saulsbury, Sewell, Smith, Strong, Tromba, White.