The Academic Decathlon team competed in the 29th Annual PAGE Georgia Academic Decathlon State Competition at Berkmar High School on February 27-28. Team members are seniors Brianna Stone, Sean Passmore, Heather Globerman, Brookyn Sheets, Daylen Brock and Henry Hagin; sophomores Dakota Flowers, Jackson Autrey and Scott Passmore. The coach is Ms. Nicole Jackson. Students competed in ten topics such as literature, economics, art, math, and music and questions focused on this year's topic "New Alternatives in Energy: Ingenuity and Innovation." Our team placed 8th out of 21 teams and won ten individual medals. Among those winning medals were Brianna Stone won 5 medals: Bronze for Scholastic Language and Literature, Bronze for Scholastic Mathematics, Gold for Scholastic Economics, Bronze for Scholastic Arts, and Silver as Top Scholastic Decathlete. Henry Hagin won Silver in Varsity Mathematics and Gold in Varsity Economics. Heather Globerman won Silver in Honors Speech and Gold in Honors Interview. Brooklyn Sheets won Silver in Scholastic Economics.

### Literary Meet

The Regional Literary Meet was held at Darton State College on March 4. CCHS placed 2nd overall in the region. Participants included: Courtney Terrell Bekah Ward, Caleb Nelson Braden Traylor, Austin Hampton, Lyman Hinson Elijah Lumpkin, Catalina Arnett, Savannah Dean Savanna Chapman, Jordan Will Hall & Brianna Stone

Will Hall & Brianna Stone

Forehand. Logan Johnson, Sean Passmore, Olivia Ziegler Will Hall, Makena Gibbs Karli Parker, Hannah Walden, Brianna Stone, and Blake Thompson. The following students won first place at the regional competition and will go to Northside High on March 14 for the State meet. Will Hall—boys' essay Sean Passmore--boys' dramatic interpretation Makena Gibbs--girls' dramatic interpretation Elijah Lumpkin, Braden Taylor, Austin Hampton, and Lyman Hinson--boys' quartet.

### Important Dates

**March**
- March 2: Varsity Tennis vs Lee Co.
- March 3: CC Cattle Show
- March 4: Track - Home Meet - G/B
- March 5: All-State Choir Jostens Ring Orders Senior Grad Supply Order Delivery Var Soccer vs Tift Co. Var Baseball - Hoover, AL
- March 7: Boys Golf-Taylor Made/Adidas Track - Bainbridge - Girls/Boys
- March 10: Midterm Exams Sub V Baseball - Lincoln, FL Var Baseball - Tift Co. Var Soccer vs Lowndes – G/B
- March 11: Midterm Exams Varsity Tennis vs Thomasville Track - Home Meet - G/B Sub V Baseball - Tift Co. (DH)
- March 12: Var Baseball - Chiles, FL Mar 13 – 14, 2015 Tennis Viking Invitational, VAL
- March 13: Grades posted 4pm Var Soccer vs Ware Co. G/B - Var. Baseball vs. Valdosta @Packer Park
- March 14: SAT @CCHS Track - TCCHS - G/B
- March 16: LGPE Choir Festival Girls Golf - Lady Blue Devil
- March 17: LGPE Choir Festival Varsity Tennis vs Lee Co. Var Soccer vs Cairo - G/B Var Baseball – Lowndes Sub V Baseball - Cook Co. (DH)
- March 18: LGPE Choir Festival 9 Weeks Progress Reports Spring Sports Jacket Sizing Early Release 12:20pm Var Baseball - Jeff Davis

### Literary Meet Participants

**Front, L to R:** Coach Nicole Jackson, Brooklyn Sheets, Daylen Brock, Heather Globerman, Brianna Stone **Back, L to R:** Sean Passmore, Dakota Flowers, Scott Passmore, Henry Hagin, Jackson Autrey
March continued

March 19
- Varsity Tennis vs Tift Co.
- Sub V Baseball - Crisp Co. (DH)

March 20
- Senior Grad Supply Order Delivery
- Var. Baseball – Valdosta

March 21
- Boys Golf-Coffee Inv.
- Girls Golf - West Hall Inv.
  @Braselton
- 9 AM Track - Fitzgerald - G/B

March 22
- A Capella / Women's / Serenaders Church Performance 6 PM

March 23
- Band Festival
- Boys Golf-Dynamite Goodloe Inv.
- Var Baseball - Deerfield Beach, FL

March 24
- Band Festival
- Varsity Tennis vs Lowndes
  Track - Mitchell Co -Girls Only
- Var Baseball - Cook Co.
- Var Soccer vs Worth Co. - Girls

March 25
- Elementary Music Festival
- Sub V Baseball – Cairo

March 27-28
- Track - FSU - Boys Only

Mar 27
- Band Festival
- Var Soccer vs Valdosta – G/B
- Var Baseball - Tift Co.

March 28
- Boys Golf-Packer Inv.
- GA Southern Open House
- Sub V Baseball - Lee Co.(DH)

March 28-April 3 Spring Holidays

March 30
- Boys Golf-Boy's Inv. @AAC
- Sub V Baseball – Berrien

March 31
- Var Baseball - Lee Co.

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Celebrate My Drive Day by Cassidy Weaver

During the month of October, CCHS participated in the Celebrate My Drive Campaign, which is a campaign dedicated to informing young people about the dangers of careless driving the safety precautions that they must to in order to be safe drivers. On December 9, 2014 at the Holiday Bash assembly, Principal Terrell announced that CCHS has won the $25,000 grant for being in the top 50 schools nationwide, thanks to the students who committed to safe driving and State Farm Insurance for creating the campaign.

A portion of the money will be used for CMD Day on March 18th. During the field day, activities about safe driving will be incorporated as well as other activities such as sports and games such as a dunking booth, a mechanical bull, and Minute To Win It games. There will also be grilled hamburgers, Coke and other tasty treats.

Part of the grant money is going to, a memorial for students who have passed away in car accidents will be displayed at the new high school, and signs and banners the give facts and statistics about safe driving will be scattered around the school as well.

Students will also be given coupon booklets that will give them free admission to certain sports events on certain day. For example, on March 3, there will be a tennis match. On March 10, there will be a soccer match. There’s a track meet on March 11, and a basketball game on March 20, and all of these events can be free admission if you come with a coupon booklet.

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Miss CCHS Male Beauty Pageant by Gabi Lirio

The 2015 Male Beauty Pageant, hosted by the KEY Club, is March 12 at 7 PM in Withers Auditorium. The theme is Miss Universe. Unlike years prior, all proceeds will go to COME Uganda, a Christian outreach mission and evangelism organization. The donations to COME Uganda will be used for rescue, education, medical, poverty relief, and evangelism to motivate, equip and empower children and women of Uganda.

Each contestant will have a bucket labeled with their names so that the crowd can donate money to their favorite contestant. There are multiple awards given to the contestants. Each male beauty will participate in an opening dance, talents, and answer interview questions. Get your tickets to attend this extravaganza on March 12 at 7 PM in Withers Auditorium. It is for a good cause and is sure to be an entertaining experience.
CCHS Blood Drive by Brooke Conger

On March 19th, Colquitt County High School will be hosting a blood drive. It will be held by One Blood. If you would like to give blood and you’re 16 years old, you will need a parental consent form which you can get from rooms 302 and 304. Make sure you bring your Picture ID; it will be needed. The Blood Drive will be held in the gym and also, the busses will be parked in front of the gym waiting for your donations. Just remember, it doesn’t cost anything to save lives!

Prom Fashion Inspiration by Ryan Littleton

The CCHS Prom 2015 theme is “The New York Skyline”, giving it the perfect setup to be classy and glamorous. Obviously, one does not have to follow the theme when dressing for prom, but for one seeking inspiration, New York Fashion Week is the perfect focus. This year the Fall/winter NYFW fell from February 12th-19th and featured close to 100 shows. One of my favorite lines was Venexiana. The line showcased mostly flowing silhouettes and deep, unique colors paired with subtle patterns. One of the best things about this year’s NYFW is that there was such a variety of ideas. No matter what your shape or style you can find something to inspire your look this year. To look at all the shows from this year visit [http://mbfashionweek.com/new-york/schedule](http://mbfashionweek.com/new-york/schedule).

2015 Becky Bevacqua Scholarship by Bre Copeland

The Becky Bevacqua scholarship is another scholarship available to anyone who meets the qualifications and is in the senior class. It is in memory of Becky Bevacqua, an English teacher here in the Colquitt County School District for 17 years.

Below are the qualifications you have to meet in order to qualify:

- Taken Advanced/AP English Courses for 3-4 years
- Has a GPA of 3.5 or above
- Have been involved in extracurricular activities here at the high school and in the community; Held a leadership position in at least one of the activities
- A member of the National Honor Society (Preferred but not required)
- Applying to schools outside the state of Georgia (Preferred but not required)

The student who wins the scholarship will receive $500 a year for the total of 4 years. It would contribute to tuition, room/board, or books during the academic year. To apply for the scholarship, you have to complete an application and an essay. You can stop by counselor’s Corner or Room 413 to get one. The deadline is March 23rd. The winner will be announced at Colquitt County High School Senior Night. Good luck to all.
**April continued**

**April 20**
End of Pathways Assessments
SLO Testing
Boys Golf-Region 1-AAAAA Tournament
Girls Golf Region Tournament

**April 21**
End of Pathways Assessments
SLO Testing
Var Baseball - Lee Co.

**April 22**
End of Pathways Assessments
SLO Testing
Var Baseball - Crisp Co.

**April 23**
End of Pathways Assessments
SLO Testing
GA State FFA Convention
Track - Region Meet – G/B

**April 24**
End of Pathways Assessments
SLO Testing
GA State FFA Convention
Var Baseball – Lowndes

**April 25**
SLO Testing
GA State FFA Convention
Track - Mill Creek Sectionals – G/B

**April 26**
SLO Testing

**April 27**
SLO Testing
Theatre Works

**April 28**
SLO Testing
Soccer State Playoffs

**April 29**
SLO Testing
Soccer State Playoffs

**April 30**
SLO Testing

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**Varsity Soccer Schedule**

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**DOCO Scholarship** by Claudia Oro

Most of us want a big house, a nice new car, and a job that treats us well and pays well, too. The big American dream does not happen by itself; it takes work, dedication, and money. That is why you want to get the education you have always wanted. DOCO is a credit union that helps students get the education we have always wanted. DOCO is awarding 4,500 in college scholarship money; this is broken down into three amounts of 1,500 dollars to three high school seniors who qualify. The application is due by March 20, 2015 by 5 PM. For more details, questions, and concerns contact our guidance department as soon as you can or you can email Becky Belcher at bbelcher@DOCOcu.com or contact Becky Belcher by phone, 229-420-8247 or 800-227-9180.

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**Megan DePaul Nursing Scholarship** by Bre Copeland

The Megan Depaul Nursing Scholarship is a $500 scholarship given by Dr. Samuel DePaul, Colquitt County Schools Superintendent. It’s only available for a qualifying graduate who intends on pursuing a nursing career. The following are student requirements to be eligible:

1. Minimum GPA of 3.0 at the end of first semester of Senior Year

2. Demonstrate outstanding character throughout high school.

3. Submit an essay on the importance of caregiving with medical patients. The essay has to have a minimum of 250 words and must be double spaced.


The scholarship money is paid directly to the college to which you have been accepted. Good luck!
CCHS Welding Competition by Kerri Owens

CCHS hosted the annual Welding Competition on February 20, 2015, which was sponsored by Tulsa Welding School. In this competition, 34 senior participants from our school as well as several surrounding counties suited up in proper safety equipment and performed what is known as a basic “stick, mig” welding job. Scholarships of $200 were rewarded to all participants and top welders were chosen by their performance in the competition. First place received $1000, second place received $500 and third place received $250. Beyond the tremendous scholarship opportunities, this competition provided practice for our future welders as they are required to pass a very cut-and-dry welding test to pursue this profession.

Tulsa Welding School by Claudio Oro

Calling all Welding Students! The Welding Competition at our school has informed the Packer Press about the school that has only three campuses and it is the largest welding school in the nation. Tulsa Welding School, or TWS, is responsible for training students in welding since 1949. The teachers in this school work very hard to provide a curriculum that involves training that will be used after schooling is complete. The programs at TWS are proportioned to assist students with employer weld test preparation, interview preparation, preparing resumes, on campus employer recruitment testing for graduates, conducting employment searches, and much more in the following states: Texas, Oklahoma, and Florida. Make sure if you are interested to go to the website: www.weldingschool.com and find out more information about scholarships, programs, financial aid, admissions, and contacts.
DePaul Scholarship by A’breya Barfield

This scholarship is given by Dr. DePaul, Colquitt County Schools Superintendent. A student who wants to pursue a career in educational fields and receives the scholarship will be awarded a $500.00 to any college that they plan on attending. To be eligible for this scholarship, the student must:

- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 at the end of senior year first semester
- Outstanding character throughout high school
- Submit an essay on the importance of education (250 words minimum; double-spaced)
- Return application with essay attached to Ms. Bass in the CCHS Guidance Dept. by March 25, 2015

Youth Art Month by Ryan Littleton

The month of March is nationally recognized as Youth Art Month (YAM). The Council for Art Education administers youth art month to celebrate art education for students of all ages. The art teacher at CCHS, Whitney Hood, thinks the month is important because “it shows our community the importance of art education in the middle school, junior high and high school level, and recognizes student achievement in visual arts.” Mrs. Hood is picking 20-25 pieces of art to be in a youth art show. The show will take place Saturday, March 14th from 11 to 1 o’clock. There will be pieces from a variety of mediums including painting, drawing, pottery and mixed media. The event is to be a show not a sale, but it is socially appropriate to ask the artists if you may buy their work if you so desire.

Credit Recovery

Failure is not an option; this is why our high school offers Credit Recovery.

Credit recovery is something that will benefit you if you have missing grades or bad grades that lead to a failed class. If a student does not make up a class, there is the chance of a student not being able to graduate with their graduating class. This is a big deal, because students have the opportunity to make up that failed class and earn the missing units.

Students have the opportunity to go to credit recovery and make up classes. It takes time, but it’s worth it!

Try your best to make up classes as soon as you can! Use the schedule below to make a plan. 😊

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