Chippewa Valley High School – 9th Grade Center
Weekly Announcements
Week of January 9, 2023

NEWLY ADDED ANNOUNCEMENTS for 1/9/2023 – 1/13/2023 (please read)

- **Family Night Out** at Dakota High School - It's Real: Teens and Mental Health, Wednesday, Feb 1, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. Come for dinner and a great opportunity to learn and discuss important issues with the community. You will also have a chance to win cool door prizes. RSVP today and share as you desire https://forms.office.com/r/EJFFrcGgu7.

- ***New from the You-Know-That's-Not-Right Corner:*** Because students often write how they speak, Mr. Williams announces a new word or phrase that he overhears incorrectly used in the hallway, and he uses it correctly. Students listen, quickly learn, and laugh, especially since many have used a few of these words. The goal is to increase proficiency in writing, even if only by small gains. Last week's words and phrases were as follows:
  - **could have, should have, would have** - In regular speech, many of you have heard the contractions *could've, should've,* and *would've*. As you made meaning out of it, many of you began using *could of, should of,* and *would of*. Please be careful not to make this mistake in writing. Although in verbal communications, the difference is hardly noticeable, on paper, this improper use is a glaring mistake. Because certain types of writing do not allow for contractions, please use could have, should have, and would have.
  - **taken –** As you know, the simple past tense of *take* is *took*. Recently, I heard a student mention that he "had tooken..." I think he might have watched the movie *Bring It on* 😊. Nice attempt, but the present and past participles of take is *taken* as in "I have taken six classes per semester since 2018." Please don't forget this tip as you write and speak.
  - **going to/will -** Those of you with southern roots have probably used the colloquial term gon' as in *I'm gon' buy a car*. You have probably also used the more widely accepted colloquial term *gonna* in informal conversations as in *I'm gonna buy a car*. Some of you have even shortened your syllables by using *Ima* as *in Ima buy a car*. When writing or speaking formally, please remember to use *going to* or *will* as in *I will buy a car,* or *I am going to buy a car* to express future intentions.

- **Student Activities (getting involved)**: The opportunity to participate in the following teams, clubs, and activities was recently announced to students:
  - Today, the boys' varsity basketball team will be hosting a Coaches vs. Cancer basketball game against Dakota. Please come support the basketball team and a great cause. Wear purple to the game.
  - There will be a Fellowship of Christian Athletes meeting Wednesday at 6:30 a.m. in room 226 of the main building.
  - The Drama Club meets every Friday from 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. in the main building's media center.
  - The Film Club meets every Wednesday from 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. in the main building's media center.
  - The after-school Gamers Club is starting an esports team, and we need players! Come to the informational meeting after school Friday, January 6th, during the Gamers Club meeting in the main building's media center. We will discuss forming a team, games, and fees involved. The competition begins in February. The Gamers Club meets every Friday after school until 4:30 p.m. Feel free to stay and participate. If you are interested in playing but you can't make this meeting, please contact Ms. Goosen or Ms. Paterson via Schoology or email for the information.
  - Do you have a talent you would like to show the school? Junior Class Council is hosting Variety Show tryouts on Friday, January 6th. Visit our Schoology group page for more information.
  - Homework help has begun and is held every Tuesday from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in the main building's media center.
  - The Argumentative Writing Club meets every Wednesday, from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m., in the main building's community room beginning.

- P**ositivity Quote**: Look for something positive every day, even if you have to look a little harder.

Choose to have an awesome week!

Show your P.R.I.D.E. every day at CV9!

PREVIOUSLY POSTED ANNOUNCEMENTS for PARENTS (please review only as needed)

- **COVID Cases**: Should your student receive a positive COVID test, please complete the Community COVID Reporting Form. Our COVID assistant will confirm the case, provide the 5-day isolation dates, and your child's return date. **If your child is well enough, he or she should live stream during each class period.**

- Please review the documents on the Big Red Check-In page with your son or daughter so that he or she is as familiar as possible with CV9.
- **Missing Information** – If you ever delete an email with Weekly announcements, all of them can be found at CV9's Weekly Announcements.

Daily Class Schedule	
Periods	**Times**
1st Hour	7:15 – 8:14
2nd Hour	8:20 – 9:19
3rd Hour	9:25 – 10:24
4th Hour	10:30 – 12:01
5th Hour	12:07 - 1:06
6th Hour	1:12 - 2:11

- Our attendance policy has been revised and mostly restored to pre-COVID expectations. Please view the attendance policy so that you are fully aware of the process.

- Please click on Parent Advisory Meetings for future dates and times.

- Please click on the newly improved payschoolsevents so that you can easily purchase CV9 PE (gym) apparel or CV9 apparel in general.

- This year, students will only be allowed to carry **clear backpacks** (no synch bags) to class. For students who do not plan to carry backpacks to class, they can carry variously textured and colored backpacks to be stored in their lockers until the end of the school day. This rule applies to PE students, as well.

- Please be sure to review Chippewa Valley High School's Universal Dress Code with your child prior to help ensure a fantastic first-day experience.

- If your child takes any medication including over-the-counter medicine, please click on the link for guidance regarding School Medication Procedures.

- If your student has a mobile phone, please encourage him or her to take a picture of the ID (once available) and be sure that the barcode is visible. The cost to replace an ID is $2.

- Please frequently check **Parent Portal**, and email teachers for grades and other information. If you would like access to your child's **Schoology** account, be sure to email ONE of your child's teachers for a parent access code.

- CVHS has several clubs and groups in which students can be involved. For more information, please have your child visit Student Clubs and Activities and email the appropriate teacher.

- **Signing Out Students for Early Dismissal** – Although we expect the students to act more mature than their middle school years, they are not adults just yet. Please help us maintain proper care of your child by calling the office to sign out your student instead of calling/texting your student to just leave the building. Undocumented absences will have to be marked as unexcused.

- When **dropping off** your student in the morning, please recognize that there is only one way in and out of the CV9 court. When you arrive, please keep your child inside the vehicle, follow the flow of traffic around the circle, and do not release your child until he/she is curbside. To maximize movement, please pull as close to door 2 as possible (just beyond the main entry) and allow your child to quickly exit the vehicle as soon as he or she is curbside; there is no need to wait until he or she is right in front of the main entry. **At no point should your child cross the street.** Please do not use the middle lane until you pass door 2 (one door past the main entry). Doors open at 6:30 am. To avoid the morning rush, please consider dropping off your student prior to 6:50. Always practice patience.

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- When **picking up** your student, park alongside the curb as traffic dictates. Pull forward to door 2. Whenever possible, please continue to move forward. **Your child will be able to cross the street at the main crossway in front of the main entry only.** He or she must wait until Mr. Williams gives the signal to cross. After picking up your child, and you are still not able to progress, please kindly signal and wait for Mr. Williams' clearance before utilizing the center lane.

- **Transportation Options** – If you live in-district, but you drive your student to and from school, please consider allowing your child to ride the bus. For those of you who are uncomfortable with your child walking in the dark, your child can wait at his or her bus stop inside your vehicle until the bus arrives. This way, you won't have to worry about traffic jams or making a left turn out of CV9's parking lot. You can also wait for your child to arrive at his or her bus stop in the afternoon from the comfort of a nearby subdivision.
  If you still prefer to drop off and pick up, please strongly consider making a right turn. You will find that turning right is less stressful, and the two extra minutes it takes you to get home will be the same two minutes you would have used waiting for others as you attempt a left turn out of CV9's parking lot.
  Those of you who arrive early for afternoon pick-up, please fight the urge to park beyond door #2. Doing so may create a shortcut or be easier for you, but it blocks a lot of drivers from entering the lane to make a right turn, which inhibits everyone's ability to exit. Be patient, and remember, there is only one way in, and one way out 😊.

- **Inappropriate Language** – Recently, there has been an increase in students using inappropriate language (profanity/n-word). Even if they can use this speech at home, please speak to your child to ensure they are using productive, positive language and that they are being respectful of those who are near while at CV9. Students were given this message and were reminded that they are responsible for the choices they make.

- **Physical Horseplay** – Please help reinforce that students must keep their hands to themselves. Many would like to say they are playing with friends, but when asked, they don't know the other person's name. Other students say they are just having fun, but these playful actions set the stage for accidents or an escalation due to one student feeling embarrassed in front of a group.