

# The York Connection

## Parent Newsletter

December 2017

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### Important Dates

#### December

- 11 Boys Basketball v. Peet 5 pm, 6 pm
- 11 Liberty Babes at Boys Basketball Games 5 pm
- 13 Theater Radio Show 6 pm in the LGI
- 14 Breakfast of Champions
- 14 Winter Band Concert at York 7 – 9 pm
- 15-20 Midterm Exams
- 20 Early Release for Students at 12:55 pm
- 21 Start of Holiday Break

#### January

- 9 Students Return to School
- 12 Report Cards Distributed

### New Principal for York Junior High School

On January 8, 2018, York JHS will welcome Ron Galindo as the Interim Principal for the spring semester. Mr. Galindo is a retired administrator that has covered numerous administration positions for Conroe ISD for at least eight years now. Mr. Galindo will help smooth the transition for York JHS as Central Office looks to hire a new principal in the spring to start working the summer of 2018.

It has been an honor and a pleasure serving as the principal at York JHS. I look forward to continuing to work for our school community as the principal at Grand Oaks High School. Starting January 8, I will officially work on getting our high school ready for the start of school in August 2018.

My family and I have moved into the area in September and we are blessed to live in CISD, have our kids attend CISD schools, and have a career in CISD. I look forward to working with all of our kids in the future at Grand Oaks High School.

I hope you and your loved ones have a wonderful holiday break and get some quality time together. Enjoy the break and hug your kids!

Best wishes,  
Chris Povich

### **December Midterm Exam Bell Schedule**

Midterm exams count for 10% of the Fall semester grade for each course. The bell schedule for midterm exams is listed below. Students absent on the day of the midterm exam(s) will receive an incomplete and have to make them up.

#### **York JHS Midterm Exam Schedule Fall 2017**

##### **Friday, December 15**

|                                     |             |   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|---|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Period Midterm Exam | 8:55-10:55  |   |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Period Review       | 11:00-12:40 | Check with Teacher for Lunch Assignment |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Period Review       | 12:45-1:55  |   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Period Midterm Exam | 2:00-4:00   |   |

##### **Monday, December 18**

|                                     |             |   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|---|
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Period Midterm Exam | 8:55-10:55  |   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Period Review       | 11:00-12:40 | Check with Teacher for Lunch Assignment |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Period Review       | 12:45-1:55  |   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Period Midterm Exam | 2:00-4:00   |   |

##### **Tuesday, December 19**

|                                     |             |   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|---|
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Period Midterm Exam | 8:55-10:55  |   |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Period Review       | 11:00-12:40 | Check with Teacher for Lunch Assignment |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Period Class        | 12:45-1:55  |   |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Period Midterm Exam | 2:00-4:00   |   |

##### **Wednesday, December 20 Early Student Dismissal**

|                                     |             |   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|---|
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Period Midterm Exam | 8:55-10:55  |   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Period Class        | 11:00-12:55 | Check with Teacher for Lunch Assignment (C-Lunch will return back to 4 <sup>th</sup> Period after Lunch from 12:45-12:55) |

##### **Lunch Schedule for December 15-20**

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| A Lunch | 11:00-11:30 (Class: 11:35-12:40)              |
| B Lunch | 11:35-12:05 (Class: 11:00-11:35, 12:10-12:40) |
| C Lunch | 12:10-12:40 (Class: 11:00-12:10)              |

### **Campus Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) 2016-2017**

The 2016-2017 Campus Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) has been posted on the school's profile page for York JHS. This is the second of three accountability reports which must be posted on our campus website and shared with parents. Click on the link below to view it or follow the directions below to access it off the school website.

<http://www.conroeisd.net/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Final-TAPR-2017-York.pdf>

From the school's website:

- Go to "Our School/Campus"
- Click "Campus Profile"
- Select "Accountability Reports"
- Click "2016-2017"
- Texas Academic Performance Report

## **Counseling Center**

Tentative 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Electives for Grand Oaks High School

<https://york.conroeisd.net/wp-content/uploads/sites/64/2017/09/9th-electives-2017-2018.pdf>

Endorsements for High School Graduation

<https://york.conroeisd.net/wp-content/uploads/sites/64/2017/09/Endorsements.pdf>

How to create a 4-Year plan

[https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vSfguTmag26Wpb8u\\_dp3ZyeZ3XXvNdkZ01UeenttbfaucNC45UzqrIdPSyVjnLAEALsW1NMMlw2V58/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=5000](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vSfguTmag26Wpb8u_dp3ZyeZ3XXvNdkZ01UeenttbfaucNC45UzqrIdPSyVjnLAEALsW1NMMlw2V58/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=5000)

How to plan Course of Study for Grand Oaks High School 4-year plan worksheet

<https://york.conroeisd.net/wp-content/uploads/sites/64/2017/09/Four-Year-Plan-worksheet.pdf>

Naviance Career Assessment Directions

<https://york.conroeisd.net/wp-content/uploads/sites/64/2017/09/Naviance-2017-18.pdf>

## **Academy for Careers in Engineering and Science**

ACES flier and brochure

<https://york.conroeisd.net/wp-content/uploads/sites/64/2017/09/aces-flier.pdf>

<https://york.conroeisd.net/wp-content/uploads/sites/64/2017/09/BrochureACES.pdf>

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Application for ACES

<https://york.conroeisd.net/wp-content/uploads/sites/64/2017/09/8thGradeApplicationACES.pdf>

## **Nominations for Gifted and Talented Testing**

Nominations are now open for Conroe Independent School District Gifted and Talented program. Although the testing will not take place until late January, nominations are accepted at this time through December 20. Nominations can be made by the parents and/or teachers. You can find the nomination form and other GT information on the CISD GT homepage (<http://www.conroeisd.net/ci/gifted-talented/>) under Program Forms.

## **Language Arts**

The 7th grade Language Arts team is looking for books! Research has found that students who are in classrooms with well-stocked classroom libraries read more and become better readers AND writers. For this reason, it is our goal to build high quality libraries in our 7th grade Language Arts classrooms this year. Below are some ways that you can help your student have access to high-quality literature in the classroom:

- Donate any unwanted books from your home to our classes
- Shop at garage sales, used book stores, library sales, etc. for young adult novels and send them in with your student or drop them by the front desk
- Have your child pick out a novel they think other students would enjoy the next time you're out shopping and allow them to donate it to their teacher

Thank you so much for considering enriching our classroom libraries this year!

Sincerely,  
The 7th Grade Language Arts Team at York

## **Theatre**

York Theatre Presents its 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Radio Production of "A Seussified Christmas Carol" on Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. The show will be broadcast on [www.lrlonestar.com](http://www.lrlonestar.com) and Conroe's FM 106.1 and 104.5.

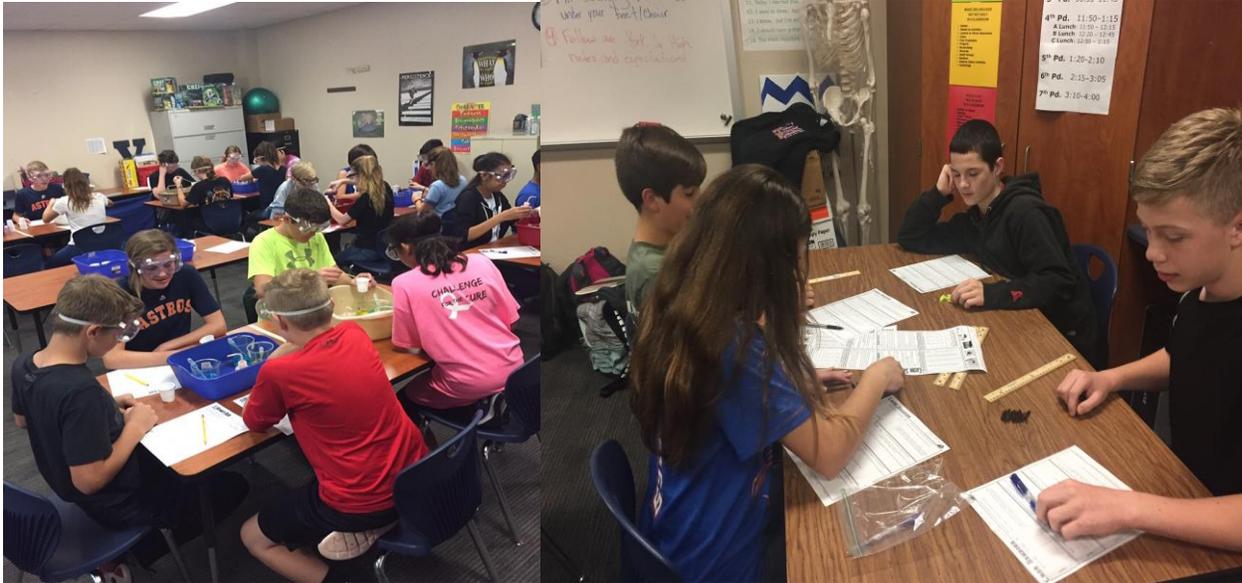
## **Student Council**

Student Council will deliver purchased cookie-grams for friends or teachers, and they will be delivered with a note letting them know who sent them! The money raised will be donated to feed hungry families in our area during the holidays.

Get in the holiday spirit, treat your friends, and help support those in need during the holiday season!

## **Science Investigations**

Science Investigations covers a wide range of content and careers in the Criminal Justice field. Recently, we have had some great experiences working with blood typing of multiple evidence samples, which students were able to use to solve a crime. Although, bugs are not for everyone, we have explored how insects are very helpful in some investigations. Students were able to step into the shoes of an Entomologist and solve cases using their knowledge of the life cycle of flies and critical thinking in a safe environment that all students felt comfortable participating. We are looking forward to our unit in Anthropology.



**FCA**

***Want to have some Fun?***

**Friends  
Fun  
Games  
Devotions  
Service**



**Fridays  
@ 8:15am  
in the  
BOYS'  
GYM**

You do not have to be an athlete to come. All are welcome!

**FCA - Community Service Opportunity**

**Yearbook**

Yearbook sales are in full force! Go to [www.smart-pay.com](http://www.smart-pay.com) to reserve yours before we run out.

## **Clinic**

We are in the process of finishing testing all 7<sup>th</sup> graders and any new 8<sup>th</sup> graders to CISD for Vision & Hearing. Please be sure your child brings their glasses or contacts to school with them.

If your child was sent home with a referral, please return the forms to the clinic ASAP.

Also, any other donations are welcome, such as band-aids (asst. sizes), feminine products (maxi pads only), saltine crackers or 5 oz. clear plastic solo cups.

## **Lunch Deliveries**

York will not accept student lunch deliveries from a restaurant or from delivery services such as “doordash”. The only lunches that are accepted in the front office are those delivered by a parent or family member. We will only accept lunch for an individual student. Please do not bring lunch for your child’s friends.

## **Deliveries to Campus**

Students who have forgotten items at home, such as lunch, athletic clothes, homework/projects. Etc., should stop by the front office to see if the items have been delivered. No items of this nature will be delivered to the student in the classroom. Deliveries from florist and other outside vendors will not be accepted. Balloon bouquets, floral arrangements, cupcakes and candy are not allowed in the halls or classrooms.

## **PTO**

The PTO loves rewarding our students, teachers, and staff please consider donating. Each donation is tax deductible. Donations can be made by cash, check or PayPal. Follow the link below to PayPal.

[https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=\\_s-xclick&hosted\\_button\\_id=W7PN5QUHQDKWN](https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=W7PN5QUHQDKWN)

Other ways to help the PTO financially

Shop Amazon Smile! Follow the link to connect your Amazon account to York Jr. High PTO

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/20-3316335>

Or link your Kroger card to York Jr. High PTO

<https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow>

The York PTO webpage <http://yorkgrizzliespto.digitalpto.com/>

Like the York Junior High PTO Facebook page!

# York Jr. High PTO Events

## January

19th Kendra Scott 5-8

26th A/B Honor Roll

## February

16th Spring Dance

20th Whataburger 5-8

## March

14th Sonic Spirit Night 5:00-8:00

## April

6th Color Run

10th McDonald's Spirit Night 5:00-8:00

### **York Champions Club**

We are in need of volunteers! If you are interested, please email us at [yorkchampionsclub@gmail.com](mailto:yorkchampionsclub@gmail.com).

### **Conroe ISD Police Anonymous Tip Line**

An anonymous tip line has been established by the Conroe ISD Police Department. Parents, students, and community members may call in anytime and share helpful information to keep our kids safe.

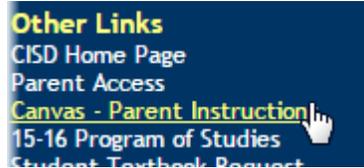
**1 - 888 - Kid Chat** 543-2428

### **Canvas**



**Parent Access to Student Online Courses in Canvas**

Parents now have access to CISD's student learning management system, Canvas. This allows you to see your student's online courses and calendar. For directions on how to log into Canvas, click on this link (<http://york.conroeisd.net/CanvasParent.pdf>) or go to the York web site and click on the link "Canvas – Parent Instructions."



## **Volunteers**

We appreciate our volunteers at York Jr. High. If you are interested in volunteering, please complete the Volunteer Application at <http://www.conroeisd.net/student-parent/volunteer.asp>.

## **Free & Reduced Lunch**

Free and reduced applications are normally sent home the first week of school with all students; however, there is an online free and reduced application for parents to complete. It takes less time to process, it is easier to complete, and it is more confidential. *Parents can fill out applications at [www.applyforlunch.com](http://www.applyforlunch.com).*

## **Parent Access Accounts (PAC)**

All parents are asked to establish a Parent Access account. To establish an account, please go to the following link and follow the instructions:

<http://www.conroeisd.net/student-parent/pac.asp>

PAC accounts allow you to view your student's grades. You must register each student you wish to access through the Parent Access account.



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