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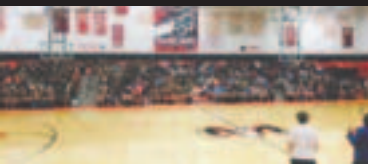


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A Look Back at the Events of 2017 & 2018

August 2018

28



First day of school!

September 2018

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First College Fair of the year.


22



Pep Rally! Students get excited for sports to begin.

October 2018





7

CHS adminsters SAT's.


Marching Band

2

Club Fair

24

Fall Blood Drive takes place.



31

Students participate in the Halloween parade.

November 2018

3

End of First Quarter Marking Period.

14

Sophomore Career Day


16-18

The fall play *She Stoops to Conquer*.

December 2018


7

CHS Choral Concert.



14

CHS Instrumental concert



16

Winter Festival


22-1

Winter Break


January 2018

4

Gas Leak in Cheshire. Students evacaute school.



February 2018



6

Coco and Cram

19-23


Midterms take place

23

Curriculum Night

25

Start of the Second Semester



4

Philadelphia Eagles Win Superbowl

7

Winter Blood Drive cancelled due to snow.

March 2018

3

Cheshire Education Foundation hosts its first Trivia Challenge

14

National Walkout

21

SAT School Day Administration

22-24

Spring Musical *Merrily We Roll Along*

April 2018

9

End of 3rd Quarter Marking Period.

7

CHS Impact Assembly

27

CHS Unified Theater Production

28

CHS All Night Grad Party Clothing Drive Fundraiser

Junior Prom!

May 2018

3

Shirk Strong Greatest Showman Sing Along

17

Tornado hit NE

18

CHS Talent Show


22

Award Ceremony

June 2018

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The Good Doctor Aries Production



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Honor Cord Ceremony

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B1 Day

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CHS Through the Lens

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Graduation

Shirk Strong

By Don Therkildsen 2018

On June 3rd 2016, Cheshire held its 20th Mrs. Shirk is a beloved teacher in our school’s social studies department, and she is revered by the students as one of the most amazing teachers. Unfortunately, earlier this year, she was diagnosed with cancer and had to go on leave. Mrs. Shirk deserves more, but there is no one more capable of winning this battle than her.

Upon her leave of absence, a group of students and teachers formed to promote awareness for Mrs. Shirk and to help her and her family in this difficult time. They came up with the slogan “Shirk Strong,” and it is quite fitting. They have administered multiple events and orga-

nized various activities in order to do this. There are even t-shirts that say “Shirk Strong” on it that you can purchase during any lunch period, and I encourage anyone to do so to show support for our wonderful, and truly strong, teacher.

One of these events was the showing of “The Greatest Showman” in Thorp auditorium on May 3. For this, the cinematic musical, “The Greatest Showman,” was shown with an option of karaoke. Both students and teachers contributed in organizing this event, and Mrs. Shirk and her family came to enjoy the movie. Mrs. Shirk also showed up as her psych students were nervously shuffling to the AP Psychology Exam, and gave all the students the extra encouragement they

needed. Another event that happened only a couple of weeks ago, on Friday, June 8, was the pasta dinner for Mrs. Shirk. Again, both teachers and students came together to support Mrs. Shirk and her family. There was, of course, pasta, as well as a raffle. Cheshire High’s chorus group even showed up to perform. This event was successful, and Mrs. Shirk and her family came again to enjoy. Everyone involved in Shirk Strong continue to support Mrs. Shirk, as well as the rest of Cheshire High School. Shirk strong is fitting, for Mrs. Shirk truly is strong, and this school, both the entirety of the faculty and the student body, will forever support her.



Bike Shar- ing comes to Cheshire

By Shivani Padhi 2018

Look no further to be healthy and fit this summer. A Cheshire resident has created a free bike sharing program in Cheshire. Jim Jinks, a resident of Cheshire, has been collecting bikes around Cheshire to launch his new bike sharing program. He decided to start the bike sharing program in Cheshire after he got inspired from the Simsbury free bike program.

As of right now, the only places that offer bikes for free are the Cheshire YMCA and Pop’s Pizza. Anyone who is 18 and over and has a driver’s license can rent a bike from these places. More venues for bike renting will open up as this bike sharing program continues. To rent a bike, one needs to pay a 10 dollar (cash only) deposit to rent a bike for 24 hours. This 10 dollar deposit can either be refunded back to you or you can donate it once you return your bike. This bike sharing program also allows you to rent a helmet for no additional charge with your bike.

This bike sharing program is a great asset to have in the town of Cheshire. There are so many linear trails in Cheshire, making it easy for bikers to ride. Through this program, Jinks hopes to make Cheshire a healthy community at no cost! At the inauguration of this bike sharing program, I got the opportunity to talk to a few Cheshire residents, including Sarada Padhi. Padhi said this bike sharing program is a “well-thought program that encourages people to remain healthy and active. I am very excited and am looking forward to using the bikes this summer!”.

Through this small effort in providing free bikes to local Cheshirians, a huge impact can happen. Not only will people stay fit, but also a new precedent for future programs can be set!



A New Look for B1 Day

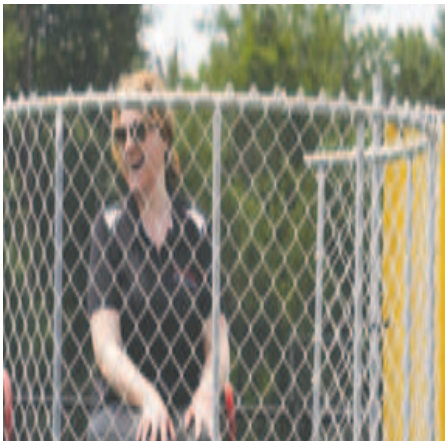
By Grace Azaula 2020

On a normal day of school, students stay inside their classrooms, doing school work, studying, and learning about important subjects like math, english, history, and science. However, there are some very important lessons that one may not learn from this traditional classroom. On June 8th, 2018 Cheshire High School dedicated a whole day to learning these valuable lessons, such as community, support, and friendship.

The school partook in an event called B1 day, which has been a tradition at CHS since the Columbine shooting in 1999. The day was created as a way to make students feel safe within their school environment, as well as unite as one against tragedies, hence the name “Be One Day”. However, in recent years B1 day has begun to change into a day that strayed far from its original format. There seemed to be less emphasis on community and friendship, and

more and more people began to see the day as useless, skipping it all together. So, in 2018, a small group of CHS students decided to bring B1 day back to what it had once been. They organized the day into two halves: one that was more structured and one that was dedicated to fun. During the first half of the day, students were split up into 3 groups and rotated through a cycle of activities. One of these activities was a panel and an open mic time for students to speak about the experiences and hardships that they’ve gone through, such as bullying, sexual harassment, addiction, and family issues. A CHS alumni was even recruited for this panel, speaking about his experience with drug and alcohol addiction. Another panel was also held, this time including politicians, a police officer, and a member of the Cheshire Board of Education. These adults gave the CHS students insight into problems that they see within their jobs, and answered many student-asked questions. The final portion

of the morning was dedicated to watching videos created by CHS students and then voting on which was the funniest and the overall best video. After lots of sitting in the morning, students were ready for some action! CHSs-ports teams, like the boys track team girls tennis team, and many more, volunteered four of their members to participate in relay races. CHS students cheered on their peers and fellow athletes as they did a variety of races, relays, and even a game of dutch auction! The crowd was full of energy, making the relay races a real blast! The final part of the day was the least structured part of the day, and arguably one of the best parts. Students were able to hang out with their friends, relax and unwind as they munched on picnic food, provided by the school. They were also able to participate a number of yard games, pie eating contests, and even a dunk the teacher tank, which the principal Dr. Gadd volunteered for!



Saying Goodbye to Our School Teachers

A Farewell to Mrs. Smalec After Three Decades in Cheshire

By Abby Dziura 2020

Paula Smalec is retiring this year after 35 years of teaching, including 33.5 years at Cheshire High School. She works in the Career and Technical Education department and has taught everything from Home Economics at Dodd Middle School to Culinary Arts at CHS, as well as the Food, Nutrition, and Wellness class. She is also the advisor for the Community Service Club and the Culinary Club, and helped to start the Boy's Varsity Volleyball team a few years ago. We hope that she enjoys retirement!



A Sendoff to Retiring Mr. Rood

By Shivani Padhi 2018

David Rood has been a teacher for 32 years. Although he has been teaching at cheshire high school for sixteen years, he has also taught for 10 years at Ridgefield High School, 5 years at Independent Day School, and 2 years at Rye Country Day School. At Cheshire High School, Rood is one teacher who has been teaching AP Psychology. He is a dedicated teacher who is really passionate about his students as well as the subject. He is very knowledgeable in the field of psychology. In his free time, Rood like to volunteer. After retirement, he will be fully committed to a soup kitchen in New Haven. Mr. Rood and his unique teaching style will be missed dearly!



Mr. Lathrop is on the Move

By Abby Dziura 2020

William Lathrop is leaving Cheshire High School after many years of teaching. He worked in the math department and taught classes like Algebra II and Calculus. He was also the Boy's Cross Country coach. Best of luck to him!



Mrs. O'Neil is Going to the South

ByMike Lewis 2019

Elizabeth O'Neill has been a teacher here at Cheshire High School for the past two years, working in the CTE department. She has taught classes such as architecture, CAD, and multimedia. This year, she had the very difficult job of helping create the CHS yearbook, and did a great job with it. We wish her the best of luck in her future ventures as she heads back to Texas!



YOU WILL BE MISSED!

Goodbye to Retiring Teacher Mr. Williams

By Shivani Padhi 2018



John Williams has been a teacher at Cheshire High School for 20 years. He has been a significant member of the Cheshire High School theater productions. His classes designed sets for the play and the musical. In addition, he also taught residential construction, structures and designs, and CAD. Besides being heavily involved in the academic aspect of CHS, Williams coached the CHS Girls Golf team. A former student and a former captain of the Girls Golf team Leah Gutowski, 2018 says "Whether you're having a bad day or your best day, Mr. Williams is always there to listen

to you. It doesn't matter who you are or how many classes you've had with him, his doors are always open for you to stroll through and start talking about what is going on in your life. Mr. Williams has also been one of the largest supporters of creativity. He knows that you are able of incredible work and he expects nothing less.-- ". Williams and all the memories he has made with so many students and faculty will be remembered forever!



CHS DRAMA OVER THE YEAR



MEET THE STAFF



Anne Wellspeak: Club Advisor



Kate Mrowka: Club Advisor



Shivani Padhi, Co-Editor in Chief, 2018

Favorite Website: snowdaycalculator.com

Pet Peeve: People who do not respond to their texts

Favorite kind of pizza: Thin crusted pizza with pineapples...deal with it!

Superlative: Class Savage

Favorite aspect of CHS: The CHS staff. They are always willing to help no matter what! They truly care about their students and their futures.

Why you like writing for the Rampage: Writing for Rampage helped me become a stronger writer and a better communicator. I love writing and I wanted to continue my zealous passion through writing for the school newspaper.

One reason why everyone at CHS should read the Rampage: Rampage is a fun and easy way to stay connected to the entire school. Rampage essentially is the main new-source of the school. It is fun, easy and contains tons of useful information that everyone needs....so get your COPY today!



Annie Wang, Co-Editor in Chief, 2018

Sports/Activities: XC, Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field, Young Democrats, Math League, Science Bowl, Model UN, Student Council, Bible Study Club, and Rampage!

Favorite Place: Barcelona, the home of my lovely grandparents.

Favorite TV Shows: The Amazing Race, Downton Abbey, Xiaolin Showdown, This is Us, Zoey 101, basically any Korean drama.

Future Career Plans: Law/Military/Political Science

Favorite Ice Cream: One ingredient banana ice cream. It is just as creamy and completely guilt-free!

One reason why everyone should read Rampage: It is written for students by students. Every student in the school is given the chance to write an article about what they find interesting and have it be read by their peers.



Simran Kaur, Arts/Review Editor, 2018

Extracurriculars: Drama Club, Key Club, NHS, Link Crew, and Rampage!

Pet Peeve: Clicking pens

Favorite Ice Cream Flavor: Cookies and Cream

Craziest Thing I've Done: When I went zip lining in Mexico

College and Major: Ithaca College as a Theater Production and Design Major

One Reason why Everyone at CHS should Read the Rampage: Reading the Rampage helps in becoming more informed on what is happening in and out of CHS. It's always interesting to see what the students write about certain topics.



Jordan Nann, College/Career Editor, 2018



Jess Tan, Health Editor, 2018



Kyle Leff, Web Editor, 2018





Mike Lewis, Sports Editor, 2019

Favorite ice cream flavor: Vanilla

Favorite sports teams: All the Boston teams (Patriots, Celtics, Red Sox, Bruins)

Future Career Plans: Sports journalist/broadcaster

Favorite subject: English (duh) or Math

One reason why everyone should read the Rampage: The Rampage is showcasing future writers talking about things YOU the students care about. Whether the article is about a school or world-wide event, it's a great place to become informed.



Abby Dziura, Student Life Editor, 2020

Favorite Classes: English (of course!) and Theater

Clubs and Activities: Rampage (duh), Drama Club, Girl's Track and Field, Best Buddies, and Spilled Ink

Favorite Ice Cream Flavor: Black Raspberry

Favorite Season: Autumn

Favorite Place: Can anything top Disney World?

One Reason Why Everyone at CHS Should Read the Rampage: It's important to stay informed about what's going on around the school. Plus, you can hear about viewpoints that may differ from yours, which I think is super awesome and important.



Don Therkildsen, General Editor, 2018



Natalie Vetto, Photography Editor, 2019



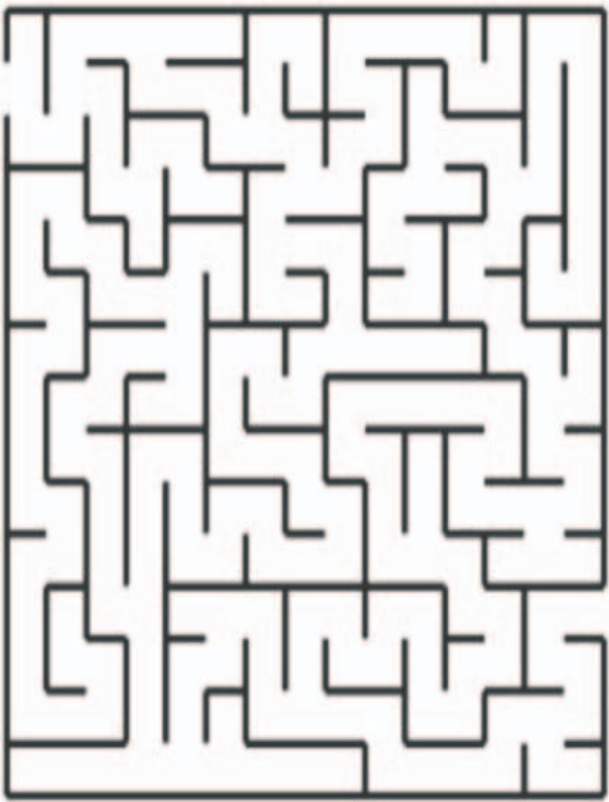
Find the following words in the puzzle. Words are hidden ↑ ↓ → ← and ↘ .

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CEREMONY
COLLEGE
CORDS
FRESHMAN
FRIENDS
FUTURE

FUTURE
GOWN
GRADES
GRADUATION
HIGHSCHOOL
HONOR
JUNIOR

MAJOR
MINOR
PARTY
SENIOR
SOPHOMORE
SUCCESS

START



END



RIDDLES AND JOKES

Q: What do librarians take with them when they go fishing?

A: Bookworms!

Q: Why did the clock in the cafeteria run slow?

A: It always went back four seconds.

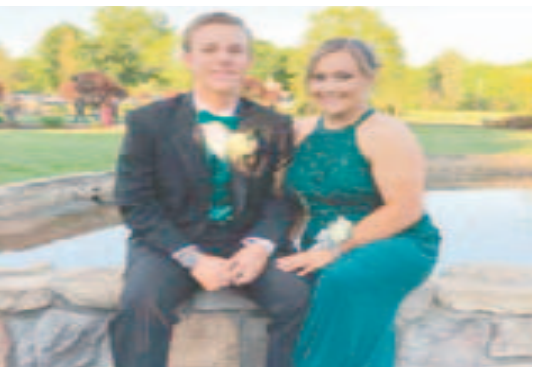
Q: How do you get straight A's?

A: Use a ruler!

Q: Why didn't the sun go to college?

A: Because it already had over a million degrees.

SENIOR PROM



Where Will They Go?

Acquavita, Julia Providence College	University of Massachusetts, Amherst	Clarke, Renee Endicott College	Eldredge, Daniel University of Connecticut
Acton, Brendan University of Connecticut	Boyer, Elizabeth Harvard University	Cohen, Elena High Point University	Ellis, Seneca Bowdoin College
Alexander, Zachary University of New Hampshire	Braun, Justin Central Connecticut State University	Cohen, Leah Marist College	Escoto, Cole Bridgton Academy
Ali, James Eastern Connecticut State Univer- sity	Brewer, Benjamin Boston University	Colafati, Tristan University of San Francisco	Fanning, Colin University of Maryland, College Park
Allegrini, Gina University of Florida	Bronson, Ethan University of Kentucky	Cole, Abigail Fordham University	Fanning, James Texas Christian University
Allen, Rebecca Mitchell College	Bronson, Michael Roger Williams University	Coler, Maria Isabel Emmanuel College	Farrell, Daniel University of Toledo
Amann, Kevin Central Connecticut State University	Brough, Matthew Villanova University	Como, Jason University of Maryland, College Park	Feldman, Alexander Southern Connecticut State University
Amato, Natalie University of Saint Joseph	Brydon, William University of Connecticut	Conway, Kailea Baylor University	Fiedler, Hayley Central Connecticut State University
Andes, Carson Elmhurst College	Buchmeier, Nicholas University of Connecticut	Covel, Daniel St. Lawrence University	Fielding, Ethan Gettysburg College
Angelone, Eric University of Connecticut	Burton, Jacob Southern New Hampshire University	Curello, Jessica Southern Connecticut State University	Fisher-Parsley, Alex Southern Connecticut State University
Arneson, Natalie University of Connecticut	Butler, Jacob Rochester Institute of Technology	Daddi, Lauren University of Connecticut	Fleury, Benjamin University of Connecticut
Bauer, Connor Albertus Magnus College	Cahill, Elizabeth University of Delaware	D’Amora, Kailee University of Arkansas	Flight, Elizabeth University of Delaware
Behuniak, Kaylie Springfield College	Calbo, Daniel St. Lawrence University	DeClement, Andrew Roger Williams University	Fortuno Mendoza, Maria University of Connecticut
Bellina, Andrew Villanova University	Candal, Emily Boston University	DeClement, Christopher University of Rhode Island	Fox, Brian University of Connecticut
Bennett, Jack University of Connecticut	Capute, Charles Skidmore College	DeLancy, Olivia Salve Regina University	Fritz, Robert Quinnipiac University
Benvenuti, Alexis University of New Hampshire	Carey, Hunter University of New Haven	DeLaubell, Benjamin United States Military Academy - Army	Fumo, Nicholas Virginia Tech
Berardi, Joseph Ithaca College	Carocci, Harvest University of Massachusetts, Amherst	Denhart, Carlese Bay Path University	Gardiner, Kate Salve Regina University
Berkowitz, Brandon Naugatuck Valley Community College	Cerrone, Mackenzie Hofstra University	Denne, Madison Curry College	Gaudio, Giuliana Sacred Heart University
Bertoni, Angelina Mitchell College	Chen, Joseph University of Pittsburgh	DePalma, Andrew Sacred Heart University	Gazvoda, Garrison University of New Hampshire
Biddiscombe, David Central Connecticut State University	Cheng, Sophia Worcester Polytechnic Institute	Desai, Anjali University of Pittsburgh	Gesler, William Champlain College
Bisson, Camille Pennsylvania State University	Chillemi, James Naugatuck Valley Community College	Deubel, Jordyn Marist College	Gessman, Christophe University of Maryland, College Park
Bonadies, Thomas Central Connecticut State University	Clark, Breanna Salve Regina University	Diglio, Madison Eastern Connecticut State University	Gieseler, Jessica Johnson & Wales University
Boy, William	Clark, Jason Gateway Community College	Donahue, Jack College of Charleston	Giusto, Cameron

Goodwin College		Kulkarni, Nathan University of Connecticut	Miller, Dakota Roger Williams University
Glenn, Alexandra Berry College	Horgan, Thomas American University	Kunz, Logan Lafayette College	Miller, Richard University of Hartford
Go, Amanda Northeastern University	Hoynes, Timothy University of Massachusetts, Amherst	Kurtz, Chloe University of Connecticut	Minella, Noah University of Connecticut
Gomez, Antonio Quinnipiac University	Hubelbank, Sarah Eastern Connecticut State University	LaMadeleine, Jack Roger Williams University	Mino, Aaron University of Connecticut
Goncalves, Catherine University of Connecticut	Hulteen, John Southern Connecticut State University	LaMaster, Mya Pennsylvania State University	Montoya, Jonathan Southern Connecticut State University
Goodrich, Sean Lasell College	Huminski, Michael Central Connecticut State University	Landau, Rachel Muhlenberg College	Montoya, Nathaniel Southern Connecticut State University
Gotowala, Cameron Sterling College	Hyman, Rachel Elon University	Leff, Kyle Syracuse University	
Graikoski, William University of New Hampshire	Imperati, Matthew Lasell College	LeTourneau, Kyle Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Morales, Lizeth University of Connecticut
Griffin, Riley University of Maine	Iqbal, Sameer University of Connecticut	Levenduski, Bryce Plymouth State University	Moran, Kaelie University of Connecticut
Grove, Meghan University of North Carolina	Jain, Manavi University of Connecticut	Levesque, Tyler Western Connecticut State University	Moran, Matthew Tulane University
Gumpert, Richard Eastern Connecticut State University	Jannetty, Jared Western Connecticut State University	Lin, Liang Pace University	Morin, Anthony Keuka College
Guo, Kailin University of California, Los Angeles	Jeffery, Michael Amherst College	Loftus, Ryan Lehigh University	Morrison, Jaydah Hampton University
Gutowski, Leah Temple University	Jentzen, Caroline Fordham University	Loda, Andrew University of New Haven	Moskowitz, Isaac Connecticut College
Hackett, Sawyer University of Guelph	Kaider, Alexis Saint Michael’s College	Lombardi, Sarah University of New Hampshire	Mueller, Thomas Clark University
Han, Jason Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Kakhodaverdi, Mahtab University of Saint Joseph	Lurz, Elizabeth Fordham University	Mulligan, Kayleigh Adrian College
Hanke, Jack University of Connecticut	Kaplan, Rachel University of Connecticut	Malone, Dara Employment	Mulligan, Sara Springfield College
Harris, Elizabeth Eastern Connecticut State University	Karda, Bechir Southern Connecticut State University	Mandava, Archana Case Western Reserve University	Murray, Brendan Yale University
Harris, Katherine Eastern Connecticut State University	Kaur, Amandeep Ithaca College	Marini, Andrew Ithaca College	Na, Hannah Bowdoin College
Harte, Spencer Endicott College	Khan, Faizan University of Saint Joseph	Marsh, Abigail Southern New Hampshire University	Nann, Jordan Trinity College Dublin
Hartshorn, Emma Hofstra University	Kiesling, Harry University of Connecticut	Martin, Corey Roger Williams University	Nasim, Sahal University of Connecticut
Hayes, Ryan Quinnipiac University	Killea, Liam University of Maryland, College Park	Mathews, Samantha Merrimack College	Neilander, Cole Enlist in the military
Heller, Elizabeth University of Connecticut	Klem, Jillian Sacred Heart University	McNamee, Ian Northeastern University	Neilander, Emma Suffolk University
Hersey, Daniel University of Miami	Kosover, Michael University of Connecticut	McQuade, Brady University of Rhode Island	Nelson, Nicholas Pace University
Hick, Dylan University of Delaware	Kroqi, Meganrita Trinity College	Mercugliano, Jonathan University of Hartford	Newton, Lauren American University
Horgan, Christian Dickinson College		Millares, Ava New York University	Nicastro, Matthew Worcester Polytechnic Institute
			Nishaf, Fahsin University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Noonan, Lauren Merrimack College	Quint, Nicholas University of New Hampshire	Brandeis University	Unsworth, Samuel University of Massachusetts, Amherst
O'Connor, Jack Central Connecticut State University	Raba, John Loyola University Maryland	Selitte, Joshua Brandeis University	Uren, Jacob University of New Hampshire
Odermatt, Cal Sacred Heart University	Radasch, Madelyn University of Washington	Shan, Ethan University of Connecticut	Venice, Ryan Quinnipiac University
Offerdahl, Kristina College of Charleston	Rapillo, Steven Champlain College	Shugrue, Margaret State University of New York at Albany	Vernon, Alea Cincinnati Conservatory of Music
Oris, Samantha Fairfield University	Rachelous, Kinsey James Madison University	Silin, Stephanie University of Wisconsin	Vigdorchik, Jonathan Western Connecticut State University
Padhi, Shivani University of Connecticut	Ray, Margaret Concordia University Wisconsin	Slade, Kirsten Endicott College	Vignola, Anthony Sacred Heart University
Palladino, Vincent Johnson & Wales	Reach, Owen Loyola University Chicago	Stanton, John Boston College	Vignola, Elizabeth Quinnipiac University
Palma, Samantha Sacred Heart University	Remillard, Avery University of Vermont	Stilson, Lily Southern Connecticut State University	Volpert, Joshua Naugatuck Valley Community College
Parys, Elizabeth Southern Connecticut State University	Riccitelli, Drew Bentley University	Strout, Alexander University of Massachusetts, Amherst	Votto, Sarah University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
Pastore, Susan Naugatuck Valley Community College	Rizzo, Andrew University of Maryland, College Park	Sun, Mengyi Pennsylvania State University	Walton, Andrew Providence College
Patel, Serena Temple University	Rodriguez-Carreon, Jonathan Southern Connecticut State University	Sutphin, Cecelia Central Connecticut State University	Wang, Annie Duke University
Pedbereznak, Karly Endicott College	Roles, Julia University of Vermont	Tagliaferi, Gabrielle Endicott College	Warner, Zachary University of Connecticut
Penner, Sierra Southern Connecticut State Uni- versity	Rosadino, Matthew Providence College	Tan, Jessica University of Pennsylvania	West, Hopeland Enlist in the military
Pepe, Michael Albertus Magnus College	Rossi, Amanda Quinnipiac University	Tejeda, Alexa Merrimack College	White, Colton Employment
Pepper, Tess University of Utah	Rubano, Alyssa Quinnipiac University	Terry, Alexander Plymouth State University	Wnuck, Thomas Stetson University
Perrotti, Brian Fairfield University	Rubin, Mark Bryant University	Therkildsen, Don Ithaca College	Wright, Mikael University of Maine
Pettit, James University of Connecticut	Ruminot Boatman, Sofia Southern Connecticut State University	Theroux, Olivia University of Connecticut	Wright, Richard Southern Connecticut State University
Piscatelli, Stephen Quinnipiac University	San Angelo, Alyssa University of Connecticut	Torres, Paula Hawaii Pacific University	Yonych, Emily Roger Williams University
Planinshek, Matthew Enlist in the military	Schaff, Julia Southern Connecticut State University	Tremblay, Michael Southern Connecticut State University	Young, Kaitlyn Eastern Connecticut State University
Pulisciano, Mia Endicott College	Schena, Benjamin Endicott College	Troiano, Gina Naugatuck Valley Community College	Yu, Mingqi University of Connecticut
Purcell, Alexa Salve Regina University	Schwab, Emily Connecticut College	Troiano, Giovanni Western Connecticut State University	Zanca, Jessica The University of Tampa
Purpora, Isabella St. Lawrence University	Searing, Stephen Central Connecticut State University	Turret, Caroline Pratt Institute	Zarra, Matthew Southern Connecticut State University
Purslow, Jared Miami University, Oxford	Seigel, Matthew	Ubertalli, Samuel Lafayette College	Zebarth, Andrew Sacred Heart University

Top Colleges for the Class of 2018



UConn
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Southern Connecticut State
17



Central Connecticut State
9



Quinnipiac University
9



Endicott College
9



University of New Hampshire
7



Eastern Connecticut State
7



Sacred Heart University
7

Summer Book Club List

<i>Simon Vs the Homo Sapiens Agenda</i> by Becky Albertalli with Mrs. Wildermann	<i>leste Ng</i> with Mrs. Flood, Mrs. Rooney, and Mrs. Loiselle	<i>A Dog's Purpose</i> by W. Bruce Cameron with Ms. Yamamoto & Mrs. Pelz	<i>Picoult</i> with Mrs. Close & Mrs. Sciascia
<i>A List of Cages</i> by Robin Roe with Mrs. Orsi & Ms. Girard	<i>1776</i> by David McCullough with Ms. Hoag & Mr. Kirby	<i>Flyboys</i> by James D. Bradley with Mr. Solan & Mr. S. Trifone	<i>Rediscovering Americanism and the Tyranny of Progressivism</i> by Mark Levin with Mrs. Missal
<i>The Hate U Give</i> by Angie Thomas with Mrs. Wellspeak & Coach Lee	<i>One Shot at Forever: A Small Town, an Unlikely Coach, and a Magical Baseball Season</i> by Chris Ballard with Mr. Parkhurst	<i>Loaded: Money, psychology and how to get ahead without leaving your values behind</i> by Sarah Newcomb with Mrs. Paier	<i>Uncanny X-Force The Complete Collection Vol. 1</i> by Rick Remender with Mr. Swanson
<i>Every Day</i> by David Levithan with Mrs. Carbone & Mrs. Ko-chiss	<i>The Cellar (The Cellar #1)</i> by Natasha Preston with Mr. Tartarelli	<i>Blue Heaven</i> by C.J. Box with Mrs. Christensen	<i>Before We Were Yours</i> by Lisa Wingate with Mrs. Maisto, Mrs. Rogozinski & Mrs. Figueiredo
<i>The Life We Bury</i> by Ellen Es-kens with Mrs. T. DiSorbo, Ms. Youman, Mrs. Williams	<i>The Alienist (Dr. Laszlo Kriezler #1)</i> by Caleb Carr - (TNT Mystery Series) with Mrs. Taillon, Mr. Manning, Mrs. Bevins, Ms. Gribben & Mrs. Albino	<i>Code Name Verity</i> by Elizabeth Wein with Ms. Griffiths & Ms. Roussell	<i>The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics</i> by Daniel James Brown with Mr. Wildermann & Mr. DeFalco
<i>Turtles All the Way Down</i> by John Green with Mrs. Redford, Mrs. Hmelovsky, and Mrs. Augusto	<i>Ready Player One</i> by Ernest Cline with Mrs. Haase & Ms. Barker	<i>The Girl with Seven Names: A North Korean Defector's Story</i> by Hyeonseo Lee & David John with Dr. Reed, Mrs. Bottaro & Mrs. Canning	<i>Close to Shore: Terrifying Shark Attacks of 1916</i> by Michael Capuzzo with Mr. Lewoc & Mr. Dalke
<i>Once and For All</i> by Sarah Des-sen with Mrs. LeBrun	<i>Quackery: A Brief History of the Worst Ways to Cure Everything</i> by Lydia Kang & Nate Pederson with Mr. Chlodnicki	<i>The Hazel Wood</i> by Melissa Albert with Ms. Chorney	<i>Sense and Sensibility</i> by Jane Austen with Dr. Gadd
<i>One of Us is Lying</i> by Karen M. McManus with Mrs. Balisciano & Ms. Bavone	<i>The Darkest Minds (The Darkest Minds #1)</i> by Alexandra Bracken with Mrs. Warburton & Mrs. Criscuolo	<i>Daughter of the Pirate King</i> by Tricia Levenseller with Mrs. Kores & Mrs. McDonald	<i>The Girl in the Blue Coat</i> by Monica Hesse with Ms. DeMeo
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Valedictorian- Jess Tan



By Jordan Nann 2018

Jess Tan, valedictorian, has had a successful high school career. In her time not working to get the highest GPA Jess has been involved in Science Bowl, Girls Swimming and Diving, Orchestra, Student Senate, Rampage, NHS, and SNHS. After high school she she will be attending the University of Pennsylvania and majoring in biology.

Why are you so smart?
Am I? Maybe I just have extra book smarts to make up for my lack of street smarts...
But in all seriousness, I think I achieved the valedictorian status because I work hard and I genuinely love learning. As nerdy as it sounds, it's an amazing feeling when everything clicks and I finally understand the concept. When you stop and enjoy what you're being taught, good grades will follow.

As the smartest person in the school, do you know how many licks it takes to get to the center of a tootsie pop?
According to the wise old owl, it takes three. In the commercial, he gives up after 3 and swallows the whole thing. I've actually attempted to count before to figure it out, but I always seem to get distracted by my love of candy. A better question to ask would be: how many attempts does it take

to find out how many licks it takes to get to the center of a tootsie pop?

What is one talent you wished you had?
I wish that I could wake up at any time, or at least that I could be a lighter sleeper. Good luck trying to wake me up from one of my "quick" naps.

Which teacher inspired you the most?
Don't make me choose just one! I'd say a few of my major inspirations would be Mrs. Wildermann, Dr. Bertenshaw, and Mrs. Shirk. Mrs. Wildermann didn't just teach me how to write better--she also taught me how to be confident in my writing and find my voice. Dr. Bertenshaw amplified my passion for science and taught me the importance of applying my learning. Mrs. Shirk inspires me every-day with her passion for teaching and her strength through her battle against cancer.

If you could meet anybody in the world dead or alive - who would it be?
Lin-Manuel Miranda! Not only did he write my favorite musical Hamilton, but he's also an incredible humanitarian and overall just a wholesome human being. His work ethic is absolutely insane, and he's nothing short of a creative genius.

What was the last thing you laughed really hard at?
A friendly pie-eating contest turned into a free-for-all pie war at my graduation party. Shoutout to Joe, Kyle, Hannah, and Jason for getting pied to the face! Will, I'll get you back for pie-ing me when my back was turned. I'm glad I saved the videos so I can continue to laugh at that incident. What is one embarrassing high school experience that sticks out in your mind? I've fallen out of far too many chairs at CHS. Who knew standing up was so hard? One moment in particular that stands out is when I got up to get a tissue during AP Lang class junior year. I totally face-planted and nailed my elbow into the ground. It was hilarious because no one knew whether to laugh or ask if I was okay.

Salutatorian- Lauren Daddi



By Jordan Nann 2018

Lauren Daddi has had an incredibly successful high school career. Not only is she the salutatorian, but she is also involved in many extracurriculars. Lauren is the captain of the cross country team and is the secretary of the National English Honor Society; additionally, she participates in indoor and outdoor track, the National Honor Society, and the National Science Honor Society. Next year she will be attending the University of Connecticut.

As one of the smartest people in the school, do you know how many licks it takes to get to the center of a tootsie pop?
1000, I guess, what kind of question is that?

Apple or Android?
Apple iPhone, Windows Computer

Favorite pizza place in Cheshire?
I go most often to Rossini's. But definitely Sally's in New Haven is the best.

If someone were to write a book about you, what would the title be?
Um.... I'm not sure.

What is one talent you wished you had?
To speak another language fluently. I re-

ally want to speak Italian and go to Italy.

What was the last thing you ate?
Halo Clementine.

Favorite sports movie? Favorite movie?
I don't really watch a lot of movies, so I'm not sure

How would you spend one million dollars?
First, I would donate some, or most of it. Then probably pay for college and travel somewhere cool.

Why are you so smart?
Putting all my effort in my work has been what made me successful. I kind of always do my homework, even when most people do not.



Italian-Alyssa Rubano



By Shivani Padhi 2018

Learning a second language can be cumbersome, and tedious at times; but, anything is possible if the hard work, dedication and passion is put in. For the class of 2018, the italian spotlight goes to Alyssa Rubano. Rubano has excelled in the italian language. Rubano's hard work that she

put in her italian classes at CHS really shown through as she is a well deserved individual for this spotlight. This coming fall, Rubano will be attending Quinnipiac University where she will be majoring in the health sciences.

How do you want to be remembered at CHS?
As being inclusive and kind to all.

What's in your pocket right now?
My keys

If you won a trip in which you picked the destination, and someone else paid for it, where would you go?
Greece

What motivates you to work hard?
My parents

What will you miss most about Cheshire?
I will miss all of the events in the community and the impact that they make.

What was your favorite thing about high school?
Italian class

What's your favorite color crayon and why?
Blue because it reminds me of the ocean.

What was your favorite tv show growing up?
Friends

List three things you are obsessed with and why
1.)Cooking because I like trying new things. 2.) The movie Grease because of the atmosphere, cars, and other things from that time period. 3.)Cars from the 60s because of the way they were designed, and the simple style.



Male Instrumental- Ethan Fielding



By Simran Kaur 2018

Ethan Fielding has been a part of the music department since his freshman year. His involvement in band and chorus made him realize that he would want to continue music after high school. Ethan is going to be attending Gettysburg College as a music education major.

- How does it feel to get the instrumental spotlight?**
I have no idea what this is but it sounds pretty cool
- How do you plan on using music after high school?**
I will be using it every day as I am a Music Ed major
- What does music do for you?**
Finding the music that connects with each individual person (for me it's jazz

- or classical or even rock music) is crucial, you can really change someone's life.
- What's in your pocket right now?**
Air (or nothing)
- Which teacher was an inspiration for you?**
Mrs. Malezzi is a huge inspiration to me. She holds every member of the choirs to a very high standard every day.

- What is your favorite type of music?**
It depends on the day, but my favorites are jazz, classical, and rock.
- If you could switch places with any single person, who would it be and why?**
If I could switch places with anyone, I'd switch with John Williams. The amount of musical genius stored in that man's head is incomparable.

- What is your favorite silly word/phrase?**
I don't know. I have quite a few, but I've got to say my favorite is "Do It" (Emperor Palpatine from Star Wars Ep. 3, Revenge of the Sith)
- What are you most looking forward to in college?**
In college I am looking forward to being able to do the thing I enjoy most (music) for the vast majority of each day.

Male Vocal Artist- Richie Gumpert



By Simran Kaur 2018

- Richie Gumpert has been an essential member of the choral department since his freshman year. His dedication to the program has lead him to obtain the position of Secretary of chorus. On his free time, Richie can be seen at Anime Club and Ramblers. Richie will attend Eastern Connecticut State University as an English major.
- What extracurriculars have you been a part of during your time at CHS?**
I've been a member of the anime club all four years, a member of Ramblers for the past three years, and I had a small role in this past Spring's production of Merrily We Roll Along.
- Any advice for underclassmen?**
As cliché as it is, always be yourself. It's easier to just fit in with the crowd and be like everyone else, but it's much more rewarding to be unique.
- What is your favorite chorus memory?**

- That's like asking a parent to pick a favorite child... I've had so many fantastic moments in all my choirs throughout my high school career. I'd be lying if I picked a single memory as my favorite.
- What was your favorite thing about high school?**
In some ways I've changed a lot, but in other ways I'm still the same person I've always been. I like that. I've always been true to myself, but I've still matured and accomplished a lot with all the opportunities available to me during high school.
- What are you most looking forward to in college?**
All of it. High school was a really great transitional period for me, and I've proud of how far I've come. I've done my time, though. It's time for the next chapter in my life, where I can put my newfound abilities and skills to good use.

- Which teacher inspired you the most?**
Without a doubt Ms. Chorney has changed my life more than any other teacher. She's seen me at my best and my worst, but through it all she's always been supportive and just really fun to be around. She's kickstarted my love for theater, encouraged me to travel the world, and even inspired me to become an English teacher myself— so I can change lives just as she has done for me. I also just have to mention Ms. Hoag and Mrs. Bevins, as their passion for their students is unparalleled and undoubtedly have made their own impact on my life.

Female Instrumental- Elizabeth Heller

By Simran Kaur 2018

Elizabeth Heller has been part of the music department at CHS since her freshman year. Her efforts in the program have earned her the position of Drum Major. She will continue her work in music at University of Connecticut as a major in music education. On her free time she also is the president of Bocce Club and officer of NEHS.

- How will you use music after high school?**
I will be going to the University of Connecticut to study music education. This will allow me to not only further my own musical capabilities, but also help in making music a more important part of younger generations' schooling.
- What is your favorite type of music?**
I'll honestly listen to anything, but I'm not that big on rap and country

- What is your favorite song right now?**
Pomp and Circumstance, if you know what I mean.
- If you could have any type of cake right now, what would it be?**
I'd rather have ice cream.
- How would you spend one million dollars?**
Pay for college, and then save the rest.

- What was the last thing you laughed**



- really hard at?**
Mrs. Carbone saying her rate my teacher scores were "lukewarm".
- If someone were to write a book about you, what would the title be?**

How Have I Gotten This Far?
- Who or what is your biggest influence at CHS?**

Ms. Roussell, Mr. Kuhner, and Mr. Ciasullo
- What is your favorite inspirational quote?**

"Do what is right, not what is easy"

Female Vocal Artist- Sophia Cheng

By Simran Kaur 2018

- Sophia Cheng has been a member of Chorus since her freshman year. Her efforts in chorus lead her to become the historian of the choral department. In the program, she is also a part of VIPs and Vocal Jazz. Sophia will attend Worcester Polytechnic Institute as an engineering major.
- What extracurriculars have you been a part of during your time at CHS?**
I'm part of the kpop club, anime club, and I am in the Elm City Girls Choir outside of school.

- Any advice for underclassmen?**
Don't give up half way through your sophomore year. I did that and my grades plummeted.
- What is your favorite chorus memory?**
Singing mixed up in circles around the piano and being able to burst into song anywhere and not being judged for it.

- Describe your ideal breakfast.**
Eggs with ketchup. No pancakes. I don't like pancakes.
- What was your favorite thing about high school?**
Hard to say... a lot of it sucked... but I guess hanging out with friends was the best part, of when the teachers run out of things to do so basically class turns into a study hall.

- Which teacher inspired you the most?**



- Mr. Hunter I would say. He seemed like he really cared about us learning the topics rather than breeze through them. That made calculus fun.
- What is a day in the life of Sophia like?**
Lots of sleeping and eating. Oh and being late to every single class with Dunkin'.
- What is one embarrassing high school experience that sticks out in your mind?**
There were so many lol but I think the biggest one was when I got 4 detentions in one day freshman year bio. It was our midterm and my iPad alarm went off and then my phone went off an hour later. I got 4 points off the test, but then asked to exchange them for detentions cause lol, I'm asian. Grades matter. But yeah there were probably so many more embarrassing moments I can't think of right now.

Male Theater- Sean Roach



By Simran Kaur 2018

Sean Roach has been a part of the theater department since his sophomore year. Although he wasn’t onstage performing, Roach made his impact on the program through his work in the technical crew. His hard work allowed him to become stage manager-- a job that requires the some of the most work in the department. On his free time, Roach likes to camp, hike, and hanging out with his friends. Roach will be attending University of Connecticut as an undecided major.

Why did you choose to be a part of the theater department?
When I was little, Ms.Yamamoto brought my sister and I to CHS’s shows and I was amazed not only by the performance but by the kids who changed the set in what seemed like 2 seconds. I thought they were so cool, swarming the stage and changing it so quickly, all in unison. I also thought the girl in the back wearing all black controlling the sound and light boards was so cool. CHS really has a phenomenal drama department and I’m honored to be a part of a program with such hardworking great people

How do you think you will use your skills in theater after high school?
Theater has helped me develop my leadership, responsibility, and organization skills. I also have learned so much about what goes into a production which helps me fully appreciate when I go see other shows.

If you had to choose to be any character on Broadway, what would it be?
I would want to be Elphaba from Wicked. Wicked is such an amazing show from the production of it all to the storyline, not to mention the phenomenal soundtrack. It would be so much fun (if I could actually sing and act) to be able to be a part of that show

Do you believe in magic and/or superstitions?
I believe in the magic in Harry Potter and I am still waiting on my letter. I do also have a few superstitions that I stick to and believe in like knocking on wood

What is your favorite memory of the shows?
I have two great memories from the show. One was the ribbon ceremony, where everyone dedicates a ribbon and a speech to someone has impacted them in some way. This ceremony is always very emotional and I love how everyone is appreciated by eachother. I also have loved working with Simran throughout the years and really becoming good friends and working hard alongside her.

What color crayon is your favorite and why?
Literally every single one, I love crayons. Simran would always get me a box of crayons and a coloring book in all of my psych boxes.

What was your favorite show performed at the high school?
Mary Poppins

Female Theater- Caroline Turret



By Simran Kaur 2018

Caroline Turret has been a part of most of the CHS Drama Club productions which led her to be a valuable member. Some of the shows she has been in include Ash Girl, She Stoops to Conquer, and Merrily We Roll Along. On her free time, Caroline is known to create many art pieces. She will be continuing her love of arts as a digital interactive art major at Pratt Institute this fall.

How does it feel to receive the theater spotlight?
I’m so honored! I’ve been really happy working with all of my friends these past several years through the plays and musicals, and it makes me very glad that I get to share the great memories I’ve made with them.

What is the best memory you have of being in the shows?
My favorite memory was when I got to tell the Senior joke after the last show of Merrily We Roll Along! I’d been hoping to tell the joke since I first heard it my

Freshman year after Nice Work If You Can Get It, so I was really excited when Lydia Feng passed it down to me. I had a lot of fun telling it, and I was even happier to give it to Doris Hall, who will be a senior next year!

How will you use theater after high school?
I think being part of the theater program helped me a lot with my self-confidence and the way I present myself! Thanks to working in acting, I think I’ll be more confident when I talk to other people in my business field, and I will be able to think more creatively when working on projects. In college, I might even see if I can try out for a few productions.

If someone were to ever write a book about you, what would the title be?
I Just Want To Take A Nap

Who is your favorite Broadway character?
I’m a fan of the Leading Player from Pippin! I really like the character’s idiosyncrasies, and I thought Patina Miller did an amazing job of portraying the role in the show’s recent revival.

Name three things you can’t live without.
My phone, my phone, my phone,

What teacher inspired you the most?
The teacher who’s been most supportive of me since I knew her in 7th grade was Magistra Oparowski! I’ve always admired her great attitude, and she’s been a constant source of kindness and support for me in my pursuit of the arts. Although I stopped taking Latin after Sophomore year, I’m always happy to see her in the hallway and talk to her.

If you could make a guest appearance on any TV show, which TV show would it be?
If it was still on the air, I’d have loved to be on The Office - I don’t know, they could make me the janitor or something.

Technology Education- Brandon Berkowitz

By Shivani Padhi 2018

CTE department has picked Brandon Berkowitz to receive the 2018 senior spotlight for Rampage. Berkowitz has taken a many classes within the CTE department at CHS. His passion in technology education has also made him look for local job demands and reversed engineered his pathway to get into the workforce. Throughout the many CTE classes he has taken, Berkowitz has concentrated on learning automation and CNC which inspired him to choose that as a career path.

Next year Berkowitz will not be attending college but instead he will working in a manufacturing facility.

What will you miss about CHS?
The atmosphere and support from all my teachers and staff who genuinely want the students to succeed in their academics and life in general to feel supported weather that’s in English math science the arts career and tech and even the main office or guidance they all care

What was your favorite thing about

high school?
Growing up and being independent and while yes there are rules there is in everything there’s many things I’ve learned and memories made that I will carry with me for the rest of my life also expanding my knowledge and become who I actually am there opportunities for everyone to advance their knowledge in what they like in highschool weather that’s music or math or like myself engineering there so much to learn and play around with I still wish I had more time in highschool it flew by.

Describe your ideal breakfast.
Besides having a large iced coffee 99% of my mornings Honestly didn’t eat much breakfast the last four years never found the time slept late made it to school just on time for the most part.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?
I see myself as a machinist making parts for the military weather that’s guns or aircrafts helicopters whatever it may be I want to make things tinker keep my mind sharp and know I’m making an impact in something bigger than myself.



What motivates you the most?
My loved ones specifically my girlfriend Jordan. I want success but I don’t always have the drive on my own at least to achieve all my goals but she gets behind me pushes me and I end up achieving my goals making even more and I don’t think

it’s possible to drive myself even more.



All Star Athlete: Brendan Murray

By Shivani Padhi2018

Brendan Murray, class of 2018, has earned the scholar athlete spotlight. Murray has been persistent and devoted to his running career which allows to him to compete in the new england level competition. This year, Murray was the runner up SCC championship meet. Being the captain of the boy’s cross country team, Murray has strengthened the team due to his immense work ethic and his strong passion to improve his running skills and timing. Murray’s teammates and coach call him a perfect example of a leader, teammate and friend! Next year Murray will be attending and running for Yale University.

List three things you are obsessed with and why?

1.) My health. I take my sleep schedule, diet and training very strict, which I really think has helped my running. 2.)

My dog. He’s too cute to not pet and give food! 3.) My schoolwork. Even when I say I’m going to keep the workload light, I always keep myself occupied while in school and at home.

Any advice for underclassmen?
Just find something your very passionate about and organize your time around it. Make the schoolwork challenging, but not overwhelming.

Who is your role model? Why?
My father because he’s encouraged me to pursue my passion of running.

What is your favorite type of music?
Honestly I like all types of music, preferably some Drake.

What do you think it takes to receive this kind of recognition?
Someone who values both school and

sports as equal. They are both heavily important and treating them as equally important will propel you academic, as well as athletic success.

Do you do anything weird or quirky things before running?
I always breathe through my nose before races.

What’s your favorite food?
Any type of pasta.

What is your favorite Disney movie?
Toy Story 2

If you could go back to freshman year, what would you tell yourself?
Enjoy all the experiences high school provides, like the musicals.

What are your goals for the future?
Live a fulfilling life.



Business-Thomas Horgan



By Donnie Therkildsen2018

Thomas Horgan has shown both exceptional academics and skill in the area of business. He is continuing his studies in business next year by majoring in Business Administration and Statistics at American University. He even created his very own business, with the help of his brother, Christian.

Which teacher inspired you the most?
It would have to be two teachers: Mrs Micari who gave me a very versatile set of business skills each year of high school through her classes, and Mrs Taillon, who I only had for one year but she gave me a learning experience in business that without it would make me a different person.

What do you like best about the business department?
My favorite part has to be the plethora of choices when it comes to what you could take. There is such a broad spectrum to what you can learn, and I know from taking 9 total I have now, after these 4 years, enhanced my business knowledge because of all the many unique classes.

If you could go back to freshman year, what would you tell yourself?
The main thing I’d tell myself is don’t be so bad at biology. But in all seriousness I would tell my freshman self to work as hard as I did senior year. My lax lifestyle back then really had a negative effect on

my overall grades in the long run and it should be known to all freshman that its an equally important year like any other. But still I would slap myself for doing so poorly in biology.

What is one funny high school experience that sticks out in your mind?
This was something that I thought you only see in the movies but during one of my freshman year lunches I found myself engulfed in an all out food fight between half of the cafeteria. What an experience it was seeing grapes and pizza and pasta flying all over, and enjoying all from the the other side of the Cafe.

What was your proudest moment throughout high school?
My proudest moment is undoubtedly winning the business education award. It is an award I didn’t even know existed until I received it but I knew this was something I only imagined existing. Business is basically my whole life and this award when I learned of it felt like the award meant for me. All the things I did to create the business man of myself were all in hopes of achieving something like this, and it is truly magisterial to see that an actual award came with that hard work.

How do you want to be remembered at CHS?
There’s two key points I hope to be remembered by: first, one of the best dressed students to ever enter the doors of Cheshire High School, and second, a business man at heart.



French-Christian Horgan

By Annie Wang2018

Christian Horgan has been learning French since he was in seventh grade. His hardwork and dedication to the language has led him to obtain the French spotlight. On his free time, Christian can be found playing sportsChristian is going to attend Dickinson College to major in Neuroscience.

How do you want to be remembered at CHS?
I want to be remembered as the most fun twin that has ever attended Cheshire High. Although Thomas is the loud one, I want people to remember me as the “party pleaser” or fun to be around kid.

If you could do anything in the world, what would it be?
I would love to find Mark Hamill and have a lightsaber duel with him.

What is your favorite song at the moment?
“Get You” by Daniel Caesar

What is a day in the life of Christian like?
A day in the life of Christian consists of waking up and checking my phone for a bunch of nonsense notifications. I usually do not eat breakfast, but a bowl of cereal is usually enough for me. In the morning, I will usually just sit in my bed watching youtube or netflix on my phone for a few hours very unproductively. I also love to go on my computer and just look at shoes and sneakers that I can’t buy, but looking at pictures always fascinates me. Besides watching videos and looking at shoes, I love to just randomly eat snacks throughout the day. Later in the evening is when I have the most fun. I usually hang out with a couple of friends playing ping pong, basketball, or going out to the turf to do whatever. These sessions will take me and my friends through the night until at least 11 or 12. After that, we might go out to get some late night food or just go chill at someone’s house. After a long day like that, I will go back to my bed to watch more videos or browse the internet. Finally, I end my day with a good night sleep, usually way too late at night.

Which teacher inspired you the most?



The teacher that has inspired me the most was my math teacher Mrs. Disorbo my junior year.

What aspect of college are you most looking forward to?
I am looking forward to having a fun campus to be on, mostly for playing frisbee outside or just having so many places to study.

What will you miss about CHS?
I am going to miss being a senior at CHS because I always loved walking around the hallways during class because I was a senior and had nothing better to do. It was always relaxing to just go around the school with my friends and do random stuff because that’s what being a senior is all about.

Describe your ideal breakfast.
My ideal breakfast is a massive bowl of fruity pebbles and orange juice.

If you could only shop from one clothing store for the rest of your life what would it be?
Urban Outfitters. They have the essentials



Kailin Guo’s Triple Threat- Math, Science & German



By Simran Kaur 2018

Kailin Guo has excelled in many subjects which led to her receiving the math, science, and German spotlights. Her dedication to each subject has made her a well rounded student. Kailin will be taking her talents to UCLA as a major in Chemistry for the pre-med track.

How do you want to be remembered at CHS?

I want to be remembered as the person who was and always will be happily underdressed (or alternatively, the person who showed up in pants instead of a dress).

What extracurriculars have you been a part of during your time at CHS?

I have been in Anime Club, Science Bowl, Greater New Haven Math League, New England Math League, and my Scifi Fantasy Book Club. I’ve tried Mock Trial, and been a part of Medical Interest Association and Key Club for a year or two.

List three things you are obsessed with and why

I’m currently obsessed with the Flash, because it’s an amazing show, and I’ve binge-watched one and a half seasons of it in the past half week. I will always be obsessed with books, but right now I’m obsessed with Leigh Bardugo’s Grishaverse. I really love her characters, and the elements of magic in her stories. Finally, I am obsessed with sleep. It’s great.

Describe your ideal breakfast.

I think I already said this but warm chocolate chip cookies and ice cream would be great. It’s basically eating that weird cookie cereal with milk, but better in every possible way.

What is your favorite song at the moment?

I don’t really have a favorite song, but I like Nathan Sharp’s cover of “The Day” from My Hero Academia.

Who is your role model? Why?

My role model is my sister. She also had super long hair, glasses, and went to college in LA, so I think I’m basically doing the exact same things she is (but better, obviously).

What is one embarrassing high school experience that sticks out in your mind?

Once, in marching band, in freshman year, I accidentally wore my backpack onto the field at the Highland performance, and several hundred elementary schoolers and my previous teachers saw me marching around with a drawstring backpack.

What are your goals for after high school?

I want to not fail college, and get into medical school, and then become some sort of doctor. Hopefully.

Spanish- Joseph Chen

By Simran Kaur 2018

Joe Chen has been incredibly involved in the Spanish classes offered to him. He dedicated a lot of his time to excel in the subject and receive the Spanish spotlight. On his free time, Joe plays volleyball and is involved in the Young Democrats. Joe is going to attend University of Pittsburgh with a major in pharmacy.

What extracurriculars have you been a part of during your time at CHS?

I have been part of Young Democrats, CHS Bible Study, Chess Club, and CHS Boys Volleyball.

Any advice for underclassmen?

Do not procrastinate, especially when it comes to anything college related. Also, join any club that interests you. You meet a lot of amazing people at clubs.

What is your favorite Spanish word?

La salchicha- Sausage

Describe your ideal breakfast.

Cinnamon french toast with a side of a fruit salad

What was your favorite thing about high school?

My favorite thing about high school was being in the same class as a best friend. It just makes the class so much more enjoyable and fun.

What are you most looking forward to in college?

I’m most looking forward to get outside of Cheshire and explore.

Which teacher inspired you the most?

Senora Velez

What is a day in the life of Joe like?



I usually wake up at 6, hit snooze, and then scramble to school. At school, I somehow manage to survive and then after school, I usually have a club and/or sport and if I do not, then I go home and do homework and sleep.

What is one of the strangest things that happened to you during class?

In my sophomore English class, one student decided to write a short story about an old lady mating with her cats (he didn’t get sent down to Guidance or the AP office though).

Do you have any unusual habits or quirks?

I sometimes create popsicles out of drinks like Sprite, Gatorade, etc. (even in the winter)

Latin- Jack Stanton



By Shivani Padhi 2018

Jack Stanton is said to be funny, witty and amiable by his friends and teachers. Stanton being dedicated to latin since seventh grade, has put in a lot of hard work to excel in the subject. In his last year of latin at Cheshire High School, Stanton took AP Latin, one of most challenging courses available at Cheshire High School within the language department. Despite the rigour of the course, Stanton is putting up

well with the class and enjoying every bit of it! Mrs. Oparowski says Stanton is full of limitless potential. Stanton will attend Boston College and major in Economics this upcoming fall.

What is your favorite silly word?

Squeegee?

What advice - academic or social - do you have for younger peers?

Enjoy your 4 years in Ramland. Make sure to get all of those silly little essays and homeworks in, but this is your one time in high school, so enjoy everything you can.

What is one superpower you wish you had?

Shapeshifting or Transportation. If you say flying you’re crazy

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

On a honeymoon with my third wife. (Just a little joke for the editor of this). But seriously, I hope to be working in a big city (big lights, big dreams, looking pretty). I hope to still be around many of the great friends that I met in high school, possibly even with a lady friend, and enjoying everything I’ve worked for.

Who is your role model? Why?

My parents, because they’ve blessed me

with so many things, including the comedic mind that is rattling off joke after joke in this spotlight. They’ve given me so much and made me want to be better for myself and for them. Also Magistra Oparowski, because she could be the coolest person I’ve ever met. Also also, Coach Lee. I don’t enjoy his hard roll debates but enjoy everything else.

What is your favorite type of gum?

Sweet mint, but only sweet not wintergreen or peppermint

What is your favorite Disney movie?

Monsters, Inc

Apple or Android?

Who do you think I am? Apple

How do you want to be remembered at CHS?

I hope that everyone remembers all of the work that I, along with my other wonderful class officers and Senate members, put in to hopefully make CHS better, especially me getting the school fruit snacks. I hope everyone remembers the good jokes and not all the times I stuttered over a punchline. And most of all I hope everyone remembers all of the great times because I know that I will.

Congrats
Class of 2018
You
Rock!

Female Social Studies-Alexis Kaider



By Don Therkildsen 2018

Lexi Kaider has shown exceptional effort and achievement in her Social Studies classes. She participates in a multitude of extracurriculars, such as the Young Republicans club and the manager to the CHS Boys Varsity Soccer team for three years. She is going to Saint Michael’s College, where she will major in biology.

Where are you going to college? What are you majoring in?
Saint Michael’s College. I will most likely major in biology.

What is your favorite era in history?
That’s a tough one, but probably the 1920s. That time period is so much fun to learn about.

If you could live in any decade, what would it be and why?
The 1950s. I really love the films, the music, and the clothes from this decade - it all seems so exciting.

If you could meet anyone in history, who would it be and why?
Franklin D. Roosevelt, he’s my favorite president. I’d also like to meet Henry Ford. I’ve toured one of his estates and I’d love to tell him how lovely it was.

What is a day in the life of Lexi Kaider like?
I always start my day by thinking about what I am most excited for. Going to school is fun for me because I love to learn. After school I usually babysit my little friends Logan and Ava, and then come home for a family dinner. I find the key to each day is reminding myself to stay positive and believe in myself.

What extracurriculars have you been apart of during your time at CHS?
I was the manager of the CHS Boys Varsity Soccer team for three years, which I can honestly say was one of my favorite experiences of high school. I was involved in the Young Republicans Club, and I was an officer of the club this year. I have also participated in Relay for Life for two years, which I recommend for everyone. It is a great experience with an even greater cause.

How do you want to be remembered at CHS?
I would like to be remembered as a kind person and a hard worker. At the end of the day though, how I see myself is more important. I would simply love to leave CHS knowing that I have positively impacted someone else’s time at the school.

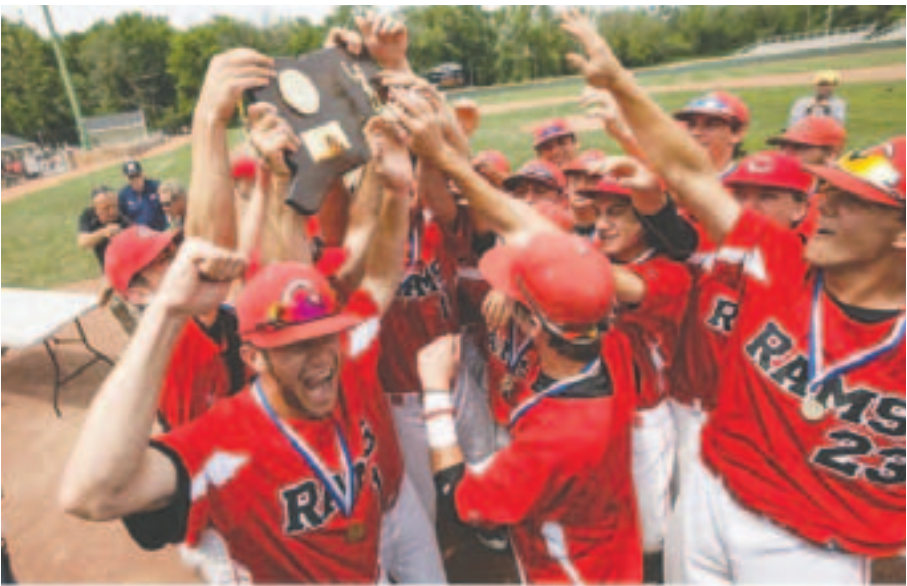
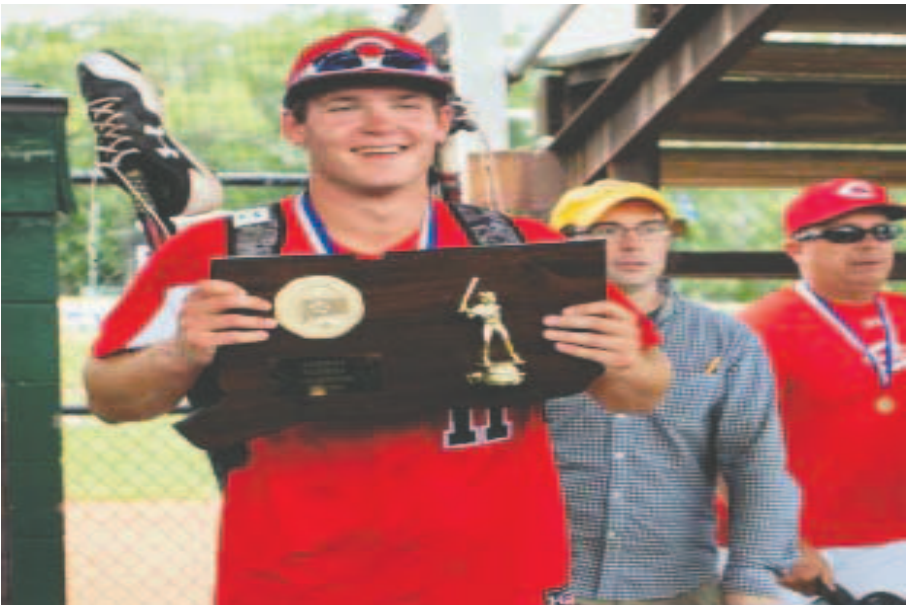
If you could meet anyone in the world, dead or alive, who would it be?
Mahatma Gandhi.

How have you grown since a freshmen entering this school to a senior leaving this school?
Coming from a small Catholic school with a class of only about forty students, I entered high school pretty clueless regarding how to dress, how to act, and who to talk to. As I am leaving high school now, I have not only gained more independence and confidence, but I have also grown in the sense of discovering who I am as a person.

Cheshire Baseball State Champs!

By Mike Lewis 2019

Saturday, June 9th. Palmer Field in Middletown. The Ridgefield Tigers were the only team standing between the Rams and Class LL glory. It was a hard fought battle, with neither team allowing a run until the final inning. However, it was pitcher Ben DeLaubell (who had a no-hitter into the fifth) who batted in the game winning run in the top of the 7th. The Rams finished the game with three outs before mobbing the mound, celebrating what many thought was impossible. Cheshire baseball had their first state title in a quarter of a century, a moment that will always be remembered by the athletes and fans.



Spontaneous Spotlight-Zak Mahoney

“I want to be remembered as the kid who always puts a smile on everyone’s faces”



Male Science-Will Brydon

By Simran Kaur2018

Will Bryden has excelled in the science department which caused him to earn the science spotlight. He has taken many vigorous courses such as AP Chemistry and AP Physics. His hard work and fun nature has made him a very likable person at the school. He will continue his studies as a double major in Geology and Molecular and Cell Biology at University of Connecticut. On his freetime, he also spends his time as a member of the CHS Marching Band.

How does it feel to receive the science spotlight?
It feels amazing to receive the science spotlight, and I am so honored.

How will you use your knowledge of science after high school?
I plan to double major in Geology and Molecular and Cell Biology at UCONN which will hopefully lead me down a

career path in either paleontology or medicine. I am still a bit undecided but I know that I am committed to a career in science.

If you were to ever have lunch with anybody-- living or dead-- who would it be?
I would have lunch with hillary clinton. I know this is an unpopular opinion but I love her so much and would kill to have lunch with her.

What is in your pocket right now?
My phone and two cents.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?
Anywhere but Connecticut. Am I right?

Who is your role model?
My role model is someone who very few people will know; it is Cheng I Sao. I cannot do her justice by telling her life story in a few short sentences so I urge you to watch the Extra History episode about her (It is on youtube). She is actually a really cool woman.



Do you have any unusual quirks or habits?
I absolutely love making slime. Even more so touching it.

If you could go back to freshman year, what would you tell yourself?

If I could tell my freshman self one thing, I would reassure him that everything worked out in Cheshire and to not worry about finding my social clique.

What is something you absolutely can't stand?
Black olives. I love the lunch ladies with all my heart but when they put black olives in the salad it is a real turn off.

Favorite movie?
Jurassic Park



Female English-Elizabeth Boyer



By Shivani Padhi2018

Elizabeth Boyer is a exceptional swimmer, a outstanding students, and an amiable peer and also an intuitive writer. Boyer immense talent is english has the capacity to move people as they read her compassionate poetry and essays. Boyers dedication and hard work towards the field of english is something that stands out—all of her previous english teachers have been impressed by Boyers hard and dedication in her english class.Next year, Boyer will be attending Harvard University but she is not sure what she will be majoring is...but the doors to English and literature are always open to her!

Who is your favorite author?
Jodi Picoult

What advice would you give to students, much like yourself, who are looking to excel in English?
It's easy to get overwhelmed with all of the reading, but always stay engaged and read the books. It becomes a lot more fun that way.

What advice would you give to aspiring creative writers?
Be confident in your work, and keep

writing because with every draft, it will improve.

What is your favorite genre?
Historical Fiction

What was the last thing you ate?
Belvita Bar

What is one talent you wished you had?
Being able to play an instrument well.

Looking back, what is one thing you'll always remember about CHS?
Being a student athlete as part of the Cheshire Girl's Swimming and Diving team.

Do you believe in magic and/or superstitions?
Yes, I believe in superstition, especially before important things.

What is one of the strangest things that happened to you during class?
An early dismissal announcement from the school flooding.

What is something you absolutely cannot stand?
Mushrooms

Male English-Ben Fleury



By Shivani Padhi2018

Benjamin Fleury is one of the best and eloquent writers in cheshire highs school. He is a very versatile writer and student as he is excelled in the numerous amounts of literature courses at cheshire the school. In addition to his writing skills, Ben also spends his time performing for the CHS Drama Club. Next year, Fleury will continue his strong passion in literature at UCONN where he will be majoring in English with a focus in creative writing.

What is your favorite book?
I'd say it's a tie between Watchmen by Alan Moore and Under the Dome by Stephen King.

If you could be any fictional character, who would you be?
It's pretty hard to choose. Most fictional characters have some kind of baggage that makes being them less than desirable. A lot of superheroes come to mind with that one. With a lot of fictional characters, I don't necessarily want to be them as be friends with them. They're their own unique person that I don't to interfere in as much as I don't want them interfering with me. If I've got to choose, I'd say Eragon, Spider-man, or Martian Manhunt-

er. Sorry, but it's hard to choose.
If you were to write a book, what genre would it be and what sort of plot would it have?

It would be a science-fiction/fantasy book, dealing with a person lost between dimensions for a long time finding his way home and dealing with the ramifications of that. I've actually started writing it a little bit, but it's far from done, and I've basically started over.

If you could build a mansion anywhere in the world, where would you build it?
Somewhere picturesque, like at the top of a waterfall or something. If I had enough money to build a mansion, I'd like to put it somewhere with a view, and by the water.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?
I'd love to be writing novels in 10 years, probably while doing something else for a steady paycheck, but that's really what I want to be doing.



Male Visual Artist- Corey Martin



By Shivani Padhi 2018

Being creative and artsy is something Corey Martin has excelled in. Through being in numerous art classes such as studio art, drawing, painting and AP Studio Art, Martin is highly worthy of receiving the male visual arts spotlight. He will attend Roger Williams University and majoring in Architecture this fall.

Apple or Android?
Apple

What’s your favorite color crayon and why?
Pacific Blue. Blue is my favorite color

What teacher inspires you the most?
Mr. Earley

What is your favorite inspirational quote?
“Success is sometimes the outcome of a whole string of failures”
-Vincent Van Gogh

Name three things you couldn’t live without
Family, Friends, Fun

Any advice for underclassmen?
Work hard cause it really pays off

in the long run. I wish I could have put more effort and care into my academics towards the beginning of the year. Making it easier to apply for scholarships, to schools, etc.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?
Hopefully owning my own firm in Architecture (most likely commercial and not residential).

What would you do if you knew you couldn’t fail?
If I knew I couldn’t fail I would definitely be an entrepreneur of some sort. I would love to get to travel the world and do

whatever I want all while making good money.

How do you want to be remembered at CHS?
I want to be remembered as the kid who was respectful and kind to everyone and was just an all around good person.

What is your favorite piece of artwork you’ve ever created?
Either my lava lamp piece or the ice cubes. I drew both using graphite.



Female Visual Artist- Taylor Wilson

By Shivani Padhi 2018

Taylor Wilson has dedicated much of her time in the visual arts department. She has taken many classes that range from painting to AP Art Studio. Next year, Wilson will be attending Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts where she will be majoring in drawing. For more about Wilson’s interest in art, stay tuned!

What is the favorite piece of artwork you’ve ever created?
It’s really hard to pick a favorite, but one of them is a mixed media piece of my friends Crocs. I think this is my favorite because I spend a lot of time on it so the shoes would look realistic. I used colored pencils for the shoes, but also incorporated pen and photoshop.

What is your favorite place to be?
My favorite place to be is by the ocean where I’d probably be painting.

What is your favorite Disney movie?
Monsters inc.

What is your favorite course at CHS?
My favorite course at CHS is Drawing 2.

What’s in your pocket right now?
Dolla dolla bills, y’all.

What is something you absolutely cannot stand?
I can’t stand when people judge others and try to bring them down.

What is the meaning of life for you?
I think the meaning of life is to do what



makes you happy. I think you should get the most out of life by experiencing new places and exploring new ideas.

Who is your best friend?
My best friend is Sarah Votto, I can tell her anything and I know she’ll always be there for me.

What extracurriculars have you been a part of during your time at CHS?
I’ve been apart of Best Buddies, Anti-Bullying Club, and Body Positivity Club.

How would you spend one million dollars?
I would spend a million dollars on lots of art supplies, vacations, clothes, but I’d also give some to different charities.



Female Athlete- Mia Pulsciono

By Shivani Padhi 2018

Mia Pulsciano has won the female spotlight for the class of 2018. She is an outstanding female athlete for the class of 2018. She is truly deserving of this honor. Steve Trifone, the athletic director had no hesitation while choosing Pulsciano for this spotlight. Next year, Pulsciano will be attending Endicott College and studying nursing.

What will you miss about CHS?
Something that I will miss at CHS is the friendship I made with students and teachers throughout my four years here.

What advice - academic or social - do you have for younger students?
Something that I would tell the underclassmen is not to procrastinate and just do your homework because those homework points are worth it in the end!

Do you have any unusual habits or quirks?
I like file my nails a lot

What was your proudest moment throughout high school?
My proudest moment in my high school career was probably making it to the state championship in field hockey my sophomore year. Even though we lost, it was a really great accomplishment for the entire team. The feeling of being there and playing in the game was the best feeling in the world and I will never forget it.

How do you want to be remembered at CHS?
I want to be remembered as someone who wasn’t afraid to be their true self and stick



to their morals. I believe that when you do that, people look up to you and take to heart your courage. It isn’t about how good you are at school or sports as much as how kind and respectful you are as a student.

Any advice for underclassmen?
Something else that I would tell the underclassmen is that you don’t have to do anything you don’t want to in order to be popular or fit in. ALWAYS be you. It goes farther than you think.

Who or what is your biggest influence at CHS?
I think my father was my biggest influence at Cheshire High School. I mean I saw him everyday. But, he pushed me to be a better athlete everyday. He also made sure that I was doing well in the classroom. He had a legacy here and he wanted me to have the same as him. I’m going to miss seeing him everyday and miss him pushing me to be the best I can



Female Class Leader- Lauren Newton

By Shivani Padhi



Lauren Newton proudly deserves to be awarded the female class leader. Through middle school and all throughout high school, Newton has proved that she is a class leader by participating in the senate, organizing fundraiser, and creating events at our school like B1 day. Newton is heavily involved in the school community with clubs such as JSA, fencing club, and held a imperative role in the CHS prom committee. Next year, Newton will bring her charismatic personality to American University where she will be majoring in political science and economics.

If someone were to write a book about you, what would the title be?
Fig Beyond the Classroom

Favorite movie?
Good Will Hunting is my personal favorite because of the strong message it sends.

If you could meet anybody in the world dead or alive - who would it be?
Bill Gates is a desirable human to meet because I have always wondered how he gained his fortune, his strategy to investing, and his advice for everyday life.

What motivates you to work hard?
The idea of helping others has always been a strong motivator of mine. Knowing that I can positively impact another person’s life by organizing a meaningful event or

What are your goals for after high school?
My goal is to continue to stay involved with the communities I belong to through

civic engagement. At American University I hope to become involved in the political atmosphere and eventually delve further into the field.

What’s in your pocket right now?
My car keys and a Cheshire Coffee gift card are in my pocket (funny because I am writing this at Cheshire Coffee right now, I definitely spend too much money here).

What is your favorite type of music?
I am not a picky person when it comes to music I am the person that always just listens to the top hits.

What aspect of college are you most looking forward to?
I am looking forward to meeting new people and living a more independent lifestyle.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?
Hopefully I have graduated college and received my graduate degree. I plan to be living in the suburbs of a city and having a successful job.

How do you want to be remembered at CHS?
I would love to be remembered as someone that made a difference for the class of 2018 and the high school as a whole. The 2018 B-1 Day is an event I would love my name to stay attached to and a legacy I want to leave behind.

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Double Trouble: Class Leader and Social Studies- Isaac Moskowitz

By Donnie Therkildsen 2018



Isaac Moskowitz has exhibited tremendous academic achievement in his Social Studies courses. He has served as the class of 2018’s class president since his sophomore year. He will be attending Connecticut college, and his major is undecided. He specifically said “How am I supposed to know what I want to do for the rest of my life?”

What is your favorite era in history?
The ‘60s. This decade was filled with so many events that shaped our country, like the Space Race, the Vietnam War, and the Civil Rights Movement.

If you could live in any decade, what would it be and why?
I would love to live in Colonial America. I know that living conditions might not have been ideal but to experience the birth of our nation would be super cool.

If you could meet anyone in history, who would it be and why?
Thomas Jefferson. Meeting the man who wrote the document that would establish the United States of America as its own, independent country would be insane. Also, he rocked that powdered wig.

Do you have any unusual habits or quirks?
I eat the whole strawberry, even the leafy top. I also smile a little too big, but I’m

still trying to figure out whether that is a bad thing or not.

What is a day in the life of Isaac Moskowitz like?
Wake up, eat a massive bowl of Cheerios (because breakfast is absolutely essential if you want to have a day filled with energy and excitement). Walk to school and jam out to Awesome Mix 1 (from Guardians of the Galaxy). Go to class and make some funny jokes. Eat a peanut butter sandwich for lunch. Throw some food at my friend Logan. Go to cross country practice and run with my boys. Go home and sleep!

What extracurriculars have you been apart of during your time at CHS?
I have served as the President of my class (2018) since my sophomore year, and have absolutely loved it. I also ran for the cross country, indoor/outdoor track teams and played percussion for the school band. Outside of CHS I am a proud Boyscout.

How do you want to be remembered at CHS?
I would like to be remembered as someone who worked hard for their school and put a smile on people’s faces. Hopefully B1 Day, an event me and some friends organized this year, becomes a tradition at CHS that kids can really get excited

about.
Any advice for underclassmen?
DELETE POWERSCHOOL ON YOUR PHONES. You should NOT be checking your grades on the weekend or during any break - it will only cause you anxiety about something you cannot change. This does not mean to not care about school. Just recognize that there is a time for school, and a time for your own personal life.

If you could meet anyone in the world, dead or alive, who would it be?
I would like to meet Chris Hemsworth and ask how he got so muscular in order to play the role of Thor in all of the Marvel Movies.

What is one embarrassing high school experience (or funny memory) that sticks out in your mind?
Junior year I asked a foreign exchange student to prom. She was from Denmark, so I figured it’d be cute if I asked her out in Dutch. I went up with it written on my arm, asked her, and she had no idea what I was saying. Turns out that people from Denmark speak Danish, not Dutch! (she said yes anyway)

Good luck seniors!
Find the library,
make friends with
the staff, and
visit often.
♥ Mrs.
Wellspeak

Best of Luck Seniors!
Be kind to others,
find joy in family
and friends and
Success will be yours!

Love,
Mrs. Hmelovsky

Class of 2018 -
Wishing you all
much success +
happiness! :)
Love,
Mrs. Flood.

Write on!
Seniors!
I wish you
all the best
in your next
adventures!
Love,
Mrs. Yamamoto
Best Wishes
To such a great
class. Work hard,
dream big & be
happy!
Mrs. Carlson

Sanitize and always
wear flipflops in public!
dorm showers! Best of
luck to all! Mrs. M DiSorto

The pathways of life
are full of intersections
They are called "options"
always keep your options
open so you can explore
Life to the fullest

Best of luck seniors!
Your class will be
missed. Go after
your dreams + always
be kind. ♥

Love,
Ms. Russell

Best Wishes
Class of
2018!
Find your
happy.
Enjoy
life!

Mrs. Daddio

Class of 2018 -
Congratulations and
best of luck in the
future! You will be
missed.
Mrs. Griffin
CLASS OF 2018,

To all the Seniors
that I came across
during that past few
years, BEST OF LUCK!
I'll miss you!
-Miss Manning ♥

Wishing all the
Seniors the very
best as you start
the next chapter
of your lives!
Enjoy!
Mrs. Wallace

Remember that we
get knocked down, only
to get back up again.
Be resilient!!

-Mr. VICARIO

The Ultimate Test: Valedictorian vs. Salutatorian

Valedictorian vs. Salutatorian is a friendly rivalry lasting throughout their school years. *Rampage* put the two to a test of pop culture. Half points are awarded for clever answers/responses. Congratulations to both players for participating in this fun test.

What flag is this?



Courtesy: Google Images

- a. Azerbaijan
- b. Seychelles**
- c. Guyana
- d. Eswatini

Val: C- (0pt)
Sal: C(0pt)

- 2.) Glee and Frozen actress Idina Menzel got her first role on Broadway in which musical?
- a. Hamilton
 - b. Rent**
 - c. Les Miserables
 - d. The Phantom of the Opera

Val: B-(1 pt)
Sal: C (0 pt)

- 3.) This actor plays Captain America with-in the Marvel Cinematic Universe?
- a. Chris Pine
 - b. Chris Pratt
 - c. Chris Evans**
 - d. Chris Hemsworth

Val: C- “Marvels>DC” (1 pt) +0.5
Sal: C-(1 pt)

- 4.) Which soccer player moved from FC Barcelona to Paris Saint Germain in the summer of 2017 for a world record fee of over €300 million?
- a. Zinedine Zidane

- b. Neymar**
- c. Lionel Messi
- d. New York

Val: A- “He has a cool name” (0pt)
Sal: C (0 pt)

- 5.) What musician was jailed on November 6th of 2017 for two to four years in prison, yet was released in 2018 after being found not guilty?
- a. Justin Bieber
 - b. Meek Mill**
 - c. Kendrick Lamar
 - d. XXXTentacion

Val: D- “I don’t know pop culture, sorry” (0 pt)
Sal: B- “um not Justin Bieber but otherwise idk” (1 pt)

- 6.) What year was Heart of Darkness actually published, which was written in by Joseph Conrad as 1902?
- a. 1899**
 - b. 1900
 - c. 1901
 - d. 1903

Val: B- I’m definetly letting Kalin down if this is wrong” (0 pt)
Sal: C- “Oh I’ve never heard of this so...” (0 pt)

- 7.) What’s the only major in Golf that Phil Mickelson has not won?
- a. U.S. Open
 - b. The Masters
 - c. PGA Championship
 - d. The Open Championship**

Val: B - This sounds hard (0 pt)
Sal: C- ”oh but who watches golf” (0 pt)

- 8.) What three US Cities are the largest by population (Not in order)?
- a. New York City, Boston, Dallas
 - b. Milwaukee, Los Angeles, Chicago
 - c. Chicago, Los Angeles, New York City**
 - d. Cheshire, San Diego, Portland(OR)

Val: C - Everything’s better in Texas...but I think it’s move sparse?” (1 pt) +0.5
Sal: C- “I think I got this one” (1 pt)

- 9.) What is the only state capital in New England that does not house a McDonalds?
- a. Providence, Rhode Island
 - b. Montpelier, Vermont**
 - c. Augusta, Maine
 - d. Hartford, Connecticut

Val: C- Those poor fellas” (1 pt)
Sal: B- “Cheshire could probably be Vermont’s largest city thb so definatly going with Vermont” (1 pt) +0.5

- 10.) What concept in Calculus does this formula stem from?F(x2)=x1-f(x1)f’(x1)
- a. Euler’s Method
 - b. Newton’s Method**
 - c. Shell Method
 - d. L’Hopital’s Rule

Val: A - Yikes, haven’t done calculus since last year” (0 pt)
Sal: A- “Maybe? I think?” (0 pt)

- 11.) What is the New York Times long standing motto?
- a. Wakanda Forever
 - b. If it matters to you, it matters to us
 - c. All the news that’s fit to print**
 - d. The paper that stands for real values

Val: D (0 pt)

Sal: C- (1 pt)

- 12.) What Roman hero performed the twelve labors for the King of Thrace?

- a. Hercules**
- b. Romulus
- c. Iove
- d. Remus

Val: A- Magistra, I hope you’re proud of me!” (1 pt)
Sal: A (1 pt)

- 13.) What YouTube video had the most views of any video in 2017
- a. “Despacito” by Luis Fonsi and Daddy Yankee**
 - b. “See You Again” by Wiz Khalifa ft. Charlie Puth
 - c. “Shape of You” by Ed Sheeran
 - d. “That’s What I Like” by Bruno Mars

Val: A (1 pt)
Sal: A- (1 pt) “Just because I love Despacito” +0.5

- 14.) What were Aladdin’s three wishes?
- a. To become a prince, free his family, and loads of money
 - b. To become a prince, to be rescued from drowning, and to get rid of Jafar
 - c. To become a prince, to be rescued from drowning, and to free the genie**
 - d. To become a prince, to be rescued from drowning, and to marry Jasmine

Val:D (0 pt)
Sal: C- (1 pt)

WINNER: SALUTATORIAN

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these past four years!



Speeches You Won't Hear On Graduation Day

Seniors Share Words of Wisdom

by

Elizabeth Lurz



Good morning students, faculty, family, and friends. Thank you for joining us to celebrate this exciting graduation of Cheshire High School's Class of 2018.

As many cliché speeches do, I thought I would start off with some math for a dramatic effect. We have spent six and a half hours a day, 180 days a year, four years in a row, at Cheshire High School. This multiplies out to a grand total of 4,680 hours spent inside this building. And as large as this number is, in reality it should be doubled. Because 4,680 does not include the countless hours our athletes, musicians, and actors spend at practice. It doesn't include time for locker room meetings, pre-game rituals, and post-game Greg interviews. 4,680 doesn't account for the hours spent in clubs after school, maybe a few extra if you're Lauren Newton. It doesn't include Friday nights in the infamous student section or 6:45 AM psychology retests or the endless impromptu summer nights spent at the turf with friends. It doesn't even take into consideration the 20 minute brisk and stressful morning walks over from the Bartlem lot junior year, or even senior year if you happen to be Will Boy. In essence, Cheshire High School has been the central hub of our lives for four great years. It is just what we have come to know. Of course, there are days when our tired teenage bodies will resist rolling out of bed at all costs. But in the end, Cheshire High School is a place that has taught us more than many of us will admit. It is a place that has fostered our self growth from the beginning, pushing us to become people we are proud of. It is a place that welcomes radiating laughter and smiles. It's a place of comfort, a place of acceptance, a place we can call home.

And it is this sense of home that makes this graduation an emotional one. We must leave behind these four years of fond memories. Sure, we won't have to write another FRQ or slave over one more calculus test or walk down that terribly crowded and sweaty middle hallway. But there will be no more laughing attacks in study halls, naps on the senior walk, rotating morning Shefs runs, or Jack Lamadeleine dance battles. There will be no more spending every day with our classmates, best friends, and favorite teachers. It's hard to give those hugs and say goodbye to the place that has given us so much. Yet, how lucky are we to have gained this knowledge, these relationships, and these memories to carry with us to the next exciting chapter in our lives?

So to my fellow classmates, I can say with ease that we owe ourselves a huge congratulations. Because while it was not always easy, we always made it fun. We lift each other up and make each other laugh like no one else can. We are truly a special group of people and I know that we will all find success in our lives to come. To our teachers and administrators who got us here, thank you. Your positive attitude towards life and learning instills a passion in each and every one of us. Thank you for supporting us through our dire crises (AKA college applications), staying after to help us, never letting us down with life advice, and always letting us find an occasion to throw together a classroom party. Our grade has not always been the easiest to handle at times, but I don't think we have pushed any of you to retirement this year! And finally, to our families, congratulations for dealing with us for so long. Thank you for supporting us in ways that we may not even understand, and for helping us to grow into responsible, smart, and compassionate young adults. We strive to make you proud and are so appreciative of you nudging us along on this journey.

I'm sure this graduation ceremony will add a few more hours to those 4,680, especially while we have to sit through the reading of the long list of 328 (?) names. Yet, these are the last hours that, after 4 years, we will be spending together in our home. All 328 of us will be turning the page to our next exciting chapter, whether it be work, the military, or college. And that makes today a great day to celebrate us! It's a day to hug and rejoice and be proud of all that we have done and all that we are about to do. Congrats Class of 2018!!!

by

Sean Roach



Good Afternoon, peers, teachers, administrators, friends, family, and fellow graduates.

We all sit here together, at the last event in our high school careers, at the end of our childhood, and on the cusp of our future. We are in a giant slingshot pulled all the way back, ready to be released into the adult world. It's weird to think how different we are now from just four years ago.

We were all short little freshmen walking through this big asbestos filled school with our freshman backpacks full of every single binder that we owned. At our time here we experienced everything from rap battles to underwater hallways. And with everything we experienced we were pulled a little further back in our slingshots. On our sports teams we competed in championship games and learned the value of hard work and teamwork. In our school musicals we worked hard to put on amazing productions to entertain the audience and make them both laugh and cry. We danced the night away at prom and had fun screaming along to "Apple Bottom Jeans" and watching professor's and Magistra Oparowski choreographed dance. We went on school trips to museums and debate conferences meeting new people and having new experiences. We went to the football games in the freezing cold to cheer on our school while waving the super fan flag. We went to six flags and lake compounce for fun days of "learning". We got to leave school early because of everything from power outages to flooded hallways to a funny smell in the school. But when we actually were in school, in each of our classes we made connections with our teachers and peers while learning something that interested us, or at least suffering through a subject that we hated together.

We all developed so much as people and learned so much through every experience we had. And With every experience we had we got pulled back a little further in our slingshot, to the point where we are now. The rubber band stretched as far as it can.

Now it's time to go out in the world. It's time to take all that we have learned, and release the slingshot, shooting us into the world. Every single person is going in a different direction, all spreading across the earth. Some of us venturing into the military to fight for our country, Others going into the workforce, directly applying everything they have learned. Others of us going on to college across the country and across the globe. Some going all the way to Canada or Ireland, while others are staying in Connecticut, like the 40 of us going to UConn.

But from this moment forth, we are all spreading out and choosing our own path, choosing where our slingshot is going to send us. But no matter where we are sent, we are sent forward into the future. We are sent into an unfamiliar place. Where will we be and what will we be doing in five years, in ten years? Will we be driven around by self driving ubers or by our own flying drones? Will someone graduating here today be part of the first colony on Mars or make breakthroughs in gene therapy. Will it be the norm to pick the hair color and the sex of our children. Will vacations simply be putting on VR glasses. Will our children laugh at us when we tell them about smartphones? But most importantly, will Netflix ever bring Mean Girls back? The opportunity for the future and where we can go is endless.

But no matter where we go, no matter how far our slingshot sends us from CHS it's important to take every single thing we have learned here, every single experience that pulled us back in our slingshot, both the good and bad ones, and wholeheartedly fly into our next stage in life.

Quotable Quotes

What will you miss about CHS?



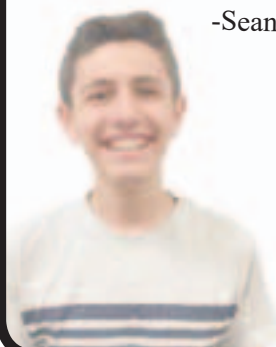
"I'll miss my squad"
-Mia Pulisciano
2018



"I have been a senior for
over 50 years and I keep
coming back for more."
~The Ram
1957



"Probably the acquaintances
I'm never gonna see
again"
-Sean Roach
2018



"I'm going to miss the
sporting events and being
able to play with my friends"
-Sam Oris
2018



"The science
department, who
showed me what I
want to do in life"
~Ian McNamee
2018



"I'm going to miss
seeing the people I
grew up with every
day"
~Elizabeth Boyer
2018



"All my theater
memories"
-Donnie
Therkildsen III
2018



"Cheshire sports and the
support among student
athletes"
-Matt Brough
2018



"The
friendships
we've made"
-Lizzy Cahill
2018



"Nothing"
~ Nelson Mai
2018



"You"
-Charlie Pettit
2018



"I will miss the
football games"
~ Megan Kroqi
2018



"All of the good
athletes"
~ Lauren Noonan
2018



"I'm going
to miss the
good food,
the good
friends, and
the good
times, so let's
eat"
Christophe
Gessman
2018



"Athletics"
Matt Engels
2018

