

NEWSLETTER



JAMES B. CONANT HIGH SCHOOL

TIMOTHY W. CANNON PRINCIPAL

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From the Principal:

Teaching is the one profession that creates all other professions.

..... Author Unknown



That quote lets us know that our students will go on to become something in life, something of their choosing, and our teachers have worked hard this year helping to prepare them to make these life decisions. It is difficult to believe another school year is winding down. Please encourage your sons and daughters to finish strongly. Many of our seasons will come to a close, as well as many musical performances. Enjoy the end of the year and once again, thank you for all your support!

The Prairie State Achievement Exam is over and I would like to thank all of the students for their participation as well as the parents who encouraged their students to do their very best during these testing days.

Academic Scholars Honored

The 2011-2012 school year is rapidly coming to an end. This time of the year tends to be extremely busy with many tasks still to be completed. However, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our Academic Scholars: Rana Alcheikh, James Blonde, Ashley Bryeans, Francis Candre IV, Stephanie Cash, Zachary Conrad, Nicholas Crance, Ryan Glatzhofer, Ryan Golden, Sophie Huang, Tulsi Joshi, Kritika Kulkarni, Connie Liou, Jessica Mattick, Adam Miller, Dawid Minorczyk, Sachin Modak, Rebecca Moore, Weronika Moskal, Nicolette Natalino, Alexandra Palasz, Thomas Palm, Anandbhai Patel, Julie Patel, Christopher Pillay, Christina Rentner, Athena Saldanha, Gary Szeto, Serena Taj, Vidit Talati, Lauren Terzinski, Yuan Hao Tian, Alan Wojciechowski, Joseph Wolff, Emily Yau, and Joshua Yoo.

These talented students were honored at the Academic Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, April 25th. During that ceremony, these students were presented with the Richard C. Kolze Award. This prestigious distinction goes to the top students in the Class of 2012. In addition to being honored at this event, these students will also be honored at both our Honors Convocation and Graduation. This title replaces the previous valedictorian and salutatorian designations. Congratulations to this year's Academic Scholars on a job well done!

We are well along with the fourth quarter and rushing quickly to final exams. These exams are scheduled June 6, 7, and 8. The review days will be June 4 and 5. It is important for you to remind your student to finish off the year with a strong showing on final exams.

We wish all Cougars the best of luck as finals approach. To our seniors, I know your senior activities and graduation will be as memorable for you as they always are for me. For everyone, we wish you a happy and successful end to the 2011-2012 school year.

Sincerely,

Timothy W. Cannon
Principal

Prom & Post Prom plans proceed

Junior Class Council is proud to present this year's prom, "Somewhere Only We Know" on Friday, June 1st. The prom will be held at the Hyatt O'Hare and doors will open at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$75/person and will be available for purchase Saturday, May 5th at the Prom Fair held in the Conant cafeteria from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm for juniors and seniors. At the Prom Fair you will be able to purchase Post-Prom tickets, bus tickets, and visit various local vendors' booths to pick up discount coupons for a variety of Prom related items.

If you are unable to attend the Prom Fair, you may also purchase tickets during lunch hours Wednesday, May 9th at the concession stand. Table reservations and menu selections will take place Wednesday and Thursday, May 16th and 17th at the concession stand. Any questions relating to Prom should be directed to the Junior Class Sponsors, Ms. Jodie Friedman, Ms. Josie Garcia, or Mr. Peter Goss at 847 755-3600.

In addition, the Booster Club has organized and funded the Post Prom Cruise. This year's Post Prom event will be back on the Odyssey from Navy Pier in downtown Chicago. The Post Prom event is a fun, safe, drug and alcohol-free celebration chaperoned by Conant parents and staff. All students attending will require a parent signed permission form when purchasing tickets (\$60/Couple, \$30/person).

Post Prom attendees and chaperones will be chauffeured by motor coach buses from the Hyatt Regency in Rosemont immediately following Prom to Navy Pier where they will board the boat and participate in dancing, gaming and socializing. This two hour party (1:00 am to 3:00 am) will include a buffet table, sodas, game card, DJ and dancing. At the end of the event, students will board the awaiting buses and return to Conant High School.

As a drug and alcohol free event, parents are asked to support the efforts of the Booster Club and encourage their sons and daughters to attend the Post Prom event. Students not attending this event are urged to use good judgment. Parents should know the whereabouts of your sons and daughters and encourage responsible behavior. We look forward to another Prom celebration free from serious accidents and filled with great memories!

Class of 2013 parking sign-up

Members of the class of 2013 who wish to drive to school next year will receive a parking application on May 1st via their student email accounts. Completed applications are due in Office 105, Mr. Plaza's office, no later than Friday, May 18th at 4:00 p.m. Late applications and students who *owe obligations* will not be included in the first lottery, which will be drawn and posted outside Office 105 on May 29th.

The parking fee is \$130 per year. Payment will be accepted in Office 101 beginning May 30th. Payment must be received by Conant High School before 3:30 p.m. on September 4th. Students can pick up their parking permits by bringing their paid receipt to Office 105.



If you require assistance while visiting our school, please contact the assistant principal's office at (847) 755-3612.

