

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS FOR CPC - 11/20/2025

GOOSEHILL PARENT TEACHER GROUP (GHPTG)

- **Event Recap:**

- o Our October Heroes initiative honored the custodial team. Ms. Adam's Kindergarten class created and signed a colorful poster board with the words "Thank You" and filled it with pictures and heartfelt messages such as "Thank you for cleaning up after us" and "We would be a mess without you!" The students presented each team member with a gift card to a local car wash, so they could have something of their own cleaned and cared for in return!
- o GH held an indoor Halloween and Pumpkin parade on 10/31. Mr. Aebly led a spooktacular "Skeleton Shake" dance and the students got a chance to show off both their creative costumes and their decorated pumpkins!
 - Special THANK YOU to Mrs. Cosme, Mr. Montastero & Ms. Antonison for their continued support! In addition, Mrs. Urso and Mr. Aebly for a well coordinated, indoor parade! We couldn't have pulled this off without them and the parent volunteers, and of course Mr. Joe and Ms. Ana who helped us carry MANY large pumpkins to our patch!
- o GH Kindergarteners, First Graders & district wide UPK students voted on a beautiful, festive yearbook cover. The Goosehill yearbook is a wonderful keepsake & also a GHPTG Fundraiser that we look forward to working on this winter!
- o Our students also learned about Election day and cast their ballots for Stuffy or Pajama day!
- o We just completed a SIT Kindness Spirit Week which was well supported by the community including kindness grams which were heartwarming surprise notes to the staff and faculty in our building.
- o GHxHHRM - Our Food Drive was a success, with a substantial delivery to Helping Hands Rescue Mission on November 17th!
- o Our GH students were invited to present school happenings at the most recent Board of Education meeting. Teachers nominated the students who came to school early in the morning under the direction of Mrs. Urso & Mrs. Schmid who prepared a fantastic presentation!

- **Upcoming Events:**

- o Each week the GHPTG or a family donates a small token of appreciation to the staff lounge. We had 6 families generously donate breakfasts, lunches and treats this month!
- o **Save the Date:** Our annual Parent's Night Out is **January 30th** to be held at the Tap Room.

- **Things to Know:**

- o Our **December PTG meeting** will be virtual, including story time with Mrs. Cosme and a fun craft to be backpacked home to each student, **12/10 @ 7pm**.

LLOYD HARBOR SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER GROUP (LHSPTG)

- **Past Events:**

- Ellis Island
 - ***Ellis Island did not disappoint.*** A huge thank you to **Jen Zuklie**, who brought the ***Statue of Liberty*** to life, and to our talented “ship builders” **Jamie Costa, Mandy Dalal**, and the incredible crew of creative parents and local artists **Sarah and Luke Norender** from CSH.
 - We are beyond grateful to the over **120 parent and grandparent volunteers** whose creativity and enthusiasm made the day unforgettable.
 - Thank you to our amazing **fifth-grade teachers** for jumping right in as stern guards that helped the students in order at all times. **Mrs. Shanahan** made a special appearance at customs.
 - Thank you to **Erica Pappas** and the **parents & staff at West Side** for showing us the way.
 - **Mrs. O'Donnell** thank you for your tireless tech support contributions. As well as the **custodial staff** who helped set up props and helped with packing everything away.
 - A special round of applause goes to our event chair **Mary Shawn Vorderis** and her team **Francesca Woll, Jamie Costa, Danielle Paduano, Nikki Bouloukos, Sarah Kashetta**, and **Monica Wells** for thinking of every detail, from vintage emergency kits to signage and art.
 - Lastly, thank you to **Erin Rechler, Tara Gannon** and **Ashley Masella** for beautifully capturing the day through photos and video.
- Fall Festival
 - Thank you to chairs Rae Ferraro and Yona Nirenberg and all of the parents who participated and made this school-wide event so great!
- Thanksgiving Food Drive - Thank you to the Student Council.

- **Upcoming Events:**

- Cinderella: November 21st and 22nd
- Turkey Trot and Adopt a Family: November 25th
- Sweets and Treats: December 17th
- Holiday Boutique: December 9th and 10th
- 5th and 6th Grade Winter Concert: December 11th
- Winter PTG Clubs: Begin in January

- **Things to Know:**

- School Apparel expected to arrive in 2-4 weeks

WEST SIDE SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER GROUP (WSSPTG)

- **Past Events:**
 - WIN Fundraiser
 - Fall Festival/ Halloween Parade - Thank you to Marina Murray!
 - Operation Sweet Tooth - collected candy for Helping Hands Mission
 - David's Cookie Fundraiser - Thank you to Nicole Spanos!
 - Thank you to Helen Grouzis for setting up a candy bar for all teachers and staff.
 - Book Fair - 11/5-11/7. Thank you Nicole Spanos and Elaine Spanos!
 - Thanksgiving Food Drive - Student Council paired with Kids Care to collect non-perishable food for Helping Hands Mission
 - Wrapping paper fundraiser
- **Upcoming/Ongoing Events:**
 - Turkey TROT: 11/25
 - Holiday Boutique: 12/11 & 12/12
 - 5th and 6th Grade Winter Concert: 12/16
 - Holiday Cookie Bake: 12/19

CSH JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER GROUP (CSHPTG)

- **Past Events**
 - **Homecoming 2025** was a brilliant success for the PTG with major thank you to Mr. Monastero and Mr. Danbusky for their courage and support with our **Dunk Tank** fundraising. We were financially successful and are now looking to purchase one that we could use & rent to our other district schools for a nominal fee.
 - We also kicked off our **Sweater Sales** effort and closed out at a whopping 98 sweaters. For those who supported, thank you and they will be in before the holidays. We will have many pick-up locations & times the week they arrive.
 - Yesterday's **PTG Meeting** we had our **CSH Athletics Director, Michael Bongino** speak about our massive athletics program. Our attendees, both newer and experienced parents of the high school, gained a gleened information on: general philosophy of moving 7th & 8th grade students to JV & Varsity teams; tryouts & cuts; scheduling challenges; coach communication; practices before school begins...and much more. We are looking to have him in our early fall meeting next year again!
- **Upcoming Events**
 - Dec 2: **Grade 11 College Planning Kick-off Parent/Student Workshop**
 - Dec 3 & Dec 18: **Jr & Sr High Winter Concert & Art Exhibition**
 - Dec 18: **Holiday Bake** - holiday treat to the high school teachers & staff
 - Jan 6, **Next PTG Meeting**
 - Alumni Invited to Speak to Parents
 - College Application & Selection Process
 - Club Affiliation
 - Athletics
 - Advice for Acclimating to their New Home

- April 23, **Literary Luncheon**: Our Chairs are well underway with plans; Huntington Country Club; ahead in our savings from 2025 luncheon; Alison Esplach NYTimes Best Selling author of The Wedding People.
- Winter Apparel Sale
- Shop & Support
- **Things to Know**
 - Stacy Mehloose joined our Board as Fundraising Chair
 - Beautification - looking for support to update our outdoor decor

CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE (CAC)

- **Upcoming Events**
 - **Lloyd Harbor School's** 4th, 5th, and 6th graders enjoyed a Music & Technology program on 11/13
 - **West Side School**
 - 4th graders participated in the annual **Native American Cultures of the Eastern Woodlands** program on 11/3
 - All students will enjoy a **Music & Technology program** on 11/21
 - All students will see **Mark Rust's Multi-Cultural Holiday Show** on 12/15
 - **Jr/Sr High School's** Music Theory & Music Studio students learned from **Academic Entertainment's Music & Technology** program on 11/13

FAMILIES OF THE COMMUNITY UNITED WITH SCHOOLS (FOCUS)

- **Event Recap**
 - Our Harvest Centerpiece Event on Wednesday was a huge success and everyone went home with something special for their Thanksgiving tablescape
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - Monday, **December 8th 6:00-9:00** we will be hosting the **Holiday Boutique** at Huntington Loft. Mark your calendars! More details to come!

SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION (SEPTO)

- **Event Recap:**
 - Supporting your child in a Competitive Environment
 - 30-40 people in a tendency for a lively conversation
 - Panelists invited to our March 3 resource fair
 - November 6th mahjong fundraiser raised over \$5,000
 - Thank you to Erin Rechler, Deb Robottom, Kandy Kane, Mary Peeler, Elisa Rossi, and other PTGs for helping us.
 - 60 attendees with a long waitlist

- **Upcoming Events:**
 - Next event January, sibling support
- **Things to Know:**
 - Wreath fundraiser is ongoing but later deliveries of still interested in supporting SEPTO

ARTS BOOSTER CLUB (ABC)

- **Event Recap:**
 - The HS Drama, “Clue” was a great success! It was well attended (had to open up additional seats). Arts Booster sold Theatergrams, flowers and snack packs.
 - The National Art Honor Society Induction ceremony was held on 11/13/25 for Juniors and Seniors. There were 58 inductees. Arts Booster provided donuts (donated by the Pelizzi family) and red carnations for each of the inductees.
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - Next ABC Meeting: December 1, 2025 at CSH Library.
 - Coffee House Jam: December 12, 2025 at 7pm at Jr/Sr high cafeteria. ABC will provide donuts, snacks and refreshments.
 - Jr. High School Concert: December 3, 2025 at 7pm in the PAC.
 - Sr. High School Concert: December 18, 2025 7pm in the PAC.
 - HS Musical - The Music Man: February 6th & 7th at 7 pm, 8th at 2pm in the PAC.
- **Things to Know:**
 - Still accepting sponsors!
 - Check out our website (cshartsbooster.com) and Instagram.

SEAHAWKS BOOSTER CLUB (SBC)

Keep following the booster club website for updates and people can purchase banners and membership on the website - <https://www.cshbooster.com/>

Save the date too for the **CSH Booster Club Golf Outing May 18, 2026.**

CSH EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

SPONSORSHIP UPDATE:

We are excited to announce that the Ed Foundation is the proud sponsor of this year’s **Winter Collegial Circles (hosted by CSHSD)** which will take place on December 18th and 19th, from 8:15am to 2:15pm. The event will be free for all attendees this year.

“These Collegial Circles bring together AP and Regents-level teachers from across Long Island to collaborate, share best practices, and refine instructional approaches. Each session will include opportunities for pacing and resource sharing, collaborative grading, and

discussions on assessment strategies, AP Classroom updates, and course-specific best practices.”

This year’s Collegial Circles include the following courses:

- AP Courses: Biology, Chemistry, Precalculus, European History, U.S. Government & Politics, Human Geography, French, Spanish, Literature, Research, and Seminar
- Regents Courses: Life Science (Biology), Earth & Space Science, and ELA

COMMUNITY UPDATE:

Please be on the lookout for the **Ed Foundation’s 2024–2025 Impact Report**, which will be mailed to all district community members. Inside, you’ll find highlights of funded grants, the curriculum areas they support, photos of grants in action, and a **Save the Date for our March fundraiser**.

YOUTH AMBASSADOR UPDATE:

The Youth Ambassadors met on November 12th, where guest speaker Jacqueline Trombino (Connect with JPT) led a discussion on the benefits of mindfulness and gratitude. The students learned about the science behind mindfulness and engaged in breathwork exercises. It was an incredible presentation. Thank you, Jackie, and thank you to the North Shore Holiday House hosting!

The **application for the 2026-2027 YA Program** will be finalized in the coming weeks. For those interested, please follow the YA instagram and the Ed Foundation website for more information.

For more about the Ed Foundation, please visit our website at www.cshedfoundation.com and follow us on Instagram at **@cshedfoundation**.

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