

# COLLEGIATE ACADEMY DAILY NEWS

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2025

### A DAY

## Happy Wednesday, Everyone!

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Art Club in room 10 after school  
Feminist Student Union in room 103 at 3:50  
Current Events Club in 109 from 3:50-4:15  
JROTC Color Guard/Drill Team practice 3:50 - 5:00 in East Gym  
FBLA in rm 24 from 3:50-4:30  
NHS meeting in the Dining Hall at 3:50  
Current Events Club in rm 109 from 3:50-4:15  
Into the Woods Rehearsal in Auditorium after school  
Activity Bus #52 arrival for Collegiate/VETS is 4:07-4:09

Erie has a lot of snowy weather this time of year. To be on the safe side, you should take home your chromebook and charger each day in the remote chance we have a virtual day.

The new Valentine's Day drink special in The Gallery is the STRAWBERRY KISS! It's a strawberry French vanilla cappuccino with strawberries and drizzled with chocolate sauce. Supplies are limited, so come get yours before it's all sold out!

On Wednesday, **February 12th**, the World Culture Club is sponsoring a speaker from Algeria to speak to us about her country and language. Feel free to come for this enriching experience in Ms. Lumley's room, room 113, after school.

Valentine's Day is coming up, and what better way to express your love, friendship, or situation-ship than with a Candy Gram? Whether it's for your bestie, your boo, or that person you keep making awkward eye contact with in the hallway—send them a sweet treat and make their day! HOSA is selling Candy Grams this week, from Monday to Thursday during all 3 lunches, and they will be passed out on Friday. They are also raffling off a giant teddy bear. Tickets are one dollar, so make sure to enter by Thursday.

Join GSA in supporting a local nonprofit organization, Compton's Tables, through a hygiene drive! We are asking for donations of Hygiene products like deodorant, face wash, and toothpaste; grab and go items like fruit snacks and pop tarts; and weather appropriate clothing like hoodies and socks. Items can be dropped off outside room 112 or the main office from **Monday the 10th to Friday the 14<sup>th</sup>**. All donations are welcome and appreciated.

HEAR YE HEAR YE!!!! Do you need to supply your loved one with even more chocolate this Valentine's Day? Well, the PBIS team has got you covered! Starting Monday, the 10th, chocolate roses will be available to purchase from the PBIS store. The sale ends the 13th and will be delivered during A4 on Friday. It's 30 points for one rose. Buy one, or buy them all! Come support your PBIS team this Valentine's Day and remember to keep showing Pride Honor and Respect.

DIE CAST MADNESS! DIE CAST MADNESS! DIE CAST MADNESS!

Congratulate Ben Burling on being the proud new owner of not 1, not 2, not 4, but 3 trucks! Ben is truly one of life's great winners. The next Die Cast Madness raffle is "Cobra CraziNESS!". Enter to win 2 Shelby Cobras in your choice of yellow. The drawing is **Friday, February 14th!** DIE CAST MADNESS!

Enter this week's PBIS raffle to win the privilege of using door dash during your lunch for you and a friend; plus one free week in the PBIS room. You will pick the day you want to order & make arrangements to pick up their lunch from the office. Students are responsible for ordering and paying for their special lunch. Enter by noon on Friday, 2/14. Winners will be announced on Tuesday, 2/18. Good luck everyone!

Here's your chance to win one of Ms. Shannon's artworks for Valentine's Day from PBIS. Bid on your favorite to gift or keep for yourself!

A representative from Gannon University will be outside the dining hall on **February 19** during lunches. Stop by to learn about the college and their programs. Remember, all students must apply to at least one four-year college as a graduation requirement.

Attention Juniors & Seniors! If you would like to join this year's Prom Committee, please attend the first meeting on **Wed., 2/19 at 3:55 - 4:15 PM in room 104**. Contact Ms. Ulmer or Mrs. Imler with questions.

Juniors: The next SAT is **March 8** at Collegiate Academy. You can register for the test on the College Board website (registration is due February 21). The next ACT is April 5. You can register on the ACT website (**registration is due February 28**). All students are eligible for two (2) fee waivers for the SAT and the ACT. We suggest that you take the test in the spring of your junior year and again in the fall of your senior year, if desired. Email Mrs. Shaut or Ms. Gutierrez for a fee waiver code when you are ready to register.

We are thrilled to announce the Empower Her Summit, a dynamic and empowering summit explicitly designed for high school girls from 9th to 12th grade. The summit will take place at Penn State Behrend University on **Friday, March 14th**, and we cordially invite you to participate in this transformative experience. We are thrilled to announce the Empower Her Summit, a dynamic and empowering summit explicitly designed for high school girls from 9th to 12th grade. The summit will take place at Penn State Behrend University on Friday, March 14th, and we cordially invite you to participate in this transformative experience.

JA's Empower Her Summit - Northwest is an interactive and impactful leadership and life development workshop developed exclusively for high school girls. The summit introduces participants to northwest PA's diverse economy and emerging job opportunities in education, medicine, manufacturing, tourism, and more. To register for this event, please **see Mr. Watson in room 205** to sign up and obtain a field trip permission form. **The field trip forms must be returned by Thursday, February 20th**, to ensure all students can participate fully. We encourage you to register as soon as possible, as space is very limited. Together, we can empower the next generation of female leaders.

Congratulations to all PBIS Winners this week! PBIS high point room winners from last week: Freshman: Kaylee Carmen; Sophomore: Kennen Pagan; Junior: Lucas Dipko-Abata and Senior: Marian Graffius. Finally, the Lion's Den Raffle and Room winner is - Nathaniel Woodring! Winners received an email and are posted on the PBIS door. Bring a friend with you to the PBIS room during your scheduled lunch! Thanks for always showing Pride, Honor, and Respect!

Only 74 students have paid for their Cap and Gown from [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com) and the price is going up soon. There will be a price increase of \$5.99 starting on February 1st.

Get ready for another edition of The Pride News, created by our Pride Magazine Representative, Lola Valenti!

Are you looking to improve your grades? Are you having trouble keeping up or understanding the material in one of your classes? Do you need help with a specific assignment? Trying to catch up after missing a few days of school? Come to Peer Tutoring! Peer tutoring has moved locations and is now located in **Room 119 after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:40 to 4:40**. No appointment necessary! Come give it a try.

Activity Bus #52 arrival for Collegiate/VETS Stadium (26th Street Horseshoe) is 4:07pm. It will depart at 4:09pm.

Looking for a book to read during the winter? Stop by the Little Lion Library, outside the cafeteria. You can keep the book if you'd like, or return it for someone else to enjoy. Donations are also accepted.

Please email Mrs. Dahl if you are interested in being part of medical club this year so that you can receive the 2024-2025 schedule of meetings. All are welcome!!

The N.A.C.L.O (North American Computational Linguistics Open) is back! With upcoming competitions, we will hold practice sessions every **Monday morning** during homeroom in Mr. Freed's classroom, room **112**. For any additional questions contact Mr. Freed, Silvia Kang, or Ayush Bharath. All are welcome!

E-Sports will be held in room **200 from 4-5:30pm every Monday**. See Mr. Olszewski with questions.

The Black History Assembly planners are still meeting on **Mondays** after school. If you are interested in presenting or participating, please see Ms. Parthenakis in room **216** or come to the next meeting.

Collegiate's Gay-Straight Alliance will be meeting in **Room 112** this year, on **Mondays from 3:50-4:20**. Everyone is welcomed and appreciated, no matter where they are on the rainbow. Hope to see you there!

Attention students who love to make crafts and customize personal items! Mrs. Smith & Ms. Ulmer are starting a Cricut Club! We will be meeting after school on **Mondays in room 104**.

Attention Collegiate Academy, interested in healthcare? Want to go into the Medical Field? Please plan on attending the Informational meeting for HOSA or Healthcare Occupation Students of America. It will be in **Room 115 at 8:10 am on Tuesdays**. For any further questions please contact Asheen Ud giri @ [544589@eriesd.org](mailto:544589@eriesd.org).

It is time to start preparing for this year's Women's History Assembly! The planning meeting will be held on **Tuesdays at 8:00AM** in Ms. Balsiger's room. Anyone one interested in helping to plan the assembly is asked to attend. The Women's History Month Assembly planning committee has already come up with some great ideas for this year's assembly, but we would still love to hear from you! If you have any ideas or would like to help plan and volunteer at the assembly on March 14, please attend our weekly meeting in Ms. Balsiger's room every Tuesday at 8AM. Email Ms. Balsiger at [cbalsiger@eriesd.org](mailto:cbalsiger@eriesd.org) or stop by room 103 if you have any questions.

Are you interested in learning how to create websites and apps from scratch? Join the new Coding Club! Whether you're a beginner or have some experience, this club will guide you step-by-step in web development, covering everything you need to know. **Tuesdays, from 4:00-4:45 pm in Room 200** (Mr. Olszewski's room). All students are welcome! If you have any questions, please email Lueth Dau at [374454@eriesd.org](mailto:374454@eriesd.org) for more details. Don't miss this opportunity to gain valuable skills and work on real-world projects. We look forward to seeing you there!

Are you creative? Do you like to try new things? If so, then we have the club for you. Join us after school in room **10** on **Wednesdays** for Art Club.

"If you are interested in helping to make our school a more welcoming place for female students or learning more about feminism, you should check out the Feminist Student Union! FSU will meet every **Wednesday after school** in Ms. Balsiger's room, **103 at 3:50PM**. If you have any questions, contact Ms. Balsiger or Penelope King at [580981@eriesd.org](mailto:580981@eriesd.org)."

Want to get more involved within Collegiate? Join Current Event Club! Current Event Club brings awareness to events happening in today's society. By joining this club, you can help in the small ways you can from within our school. There will be meetings on **Wednesdays in room 109 from 3:50-4:15**.

Collegiate Academy's Student Investment Club is here! Students will learn investment strategies, work together, and even compete in national competitions. Financial literacy is essential for everyone, no matter your career! Don't miss future meetings on **Thursdays at 3:45 in Mr. Woj.'s room 203**! The Student Investment Club is where YOUR financial future begins!

"Future Business Leaders of America" is welcoming new and returning members for their first meeting **Thursday in room 22 from 3:50 to 4:20 pm**. They'll be discussing sign-ups and competitive events, so make sure to stop by if interested! If you have any questions, make sure to contact Mr. Wright, Kiara Saldanha, or Nandi Pedro. We can't wait for another amazing year!

Thursday Model UN Club Morning Meeting: The Collegiate Academy Model United Nations (UN) Club will be holding their weekly club meeting in **room 105** (Mr. Hood's room) from **8 am - 8:30 am**. The club's meetings will take place every Thursday morning school is in session, starting on **Thursday: September 12th, 2024 - Thursday: May 29th, 2025**. Come join the Model UN club and see what all the excitement is about!

If you are interested in poetry or writing in general, come down to Mr. Pham's room **109** for poetry club! Meetings will be held every **Thursday** morning from **8:00-8:30!**

The Dungeons & Dragons Club will be meeting on Fridays in room 108, from the end of school until 5:00.

Weight Lifting Club will be on Fridays in the Weight Room after school.

## Coming Soon

- \*2/13-2/14--PMEA District Jazz
  - \*2/14-Singing Valentines
  - \*2/14-2/25-ASL Regionals
    - \*2/17- ACT 80 Day
- \*Prom Committee Meeting in rm 104 after school
- \*2/20-2/22--PMEA Western Region State Orchestra
  - \*2/21-Black History Assembly
- \*2/26-Sophomore Class Ring Meeting in Audi at 3:15
  - \*2/28-Sophomore Lockdown