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Past, Present, Future

On The Cover: (2013) Columbus High School students work in the chemistry lab during a class in 2013. **(2022)** A Columbus Middle School student stars as Willy Wonka, the infamous chocolatier, in their production of "Charlie And Chocolate Factory Jr." in December.

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Owning The Bracket



Above: Adrian Bice is a state champion. The 126-pound senior took home the title and bracket February 19th in Omaha. Bice faced Lincoln East's Brandon Baustert in a rematch from earlier in the season, which Bice won. **Right:** 2008 CHS Grad Evan Bohnet (left) led his South Sioux City girls team to a state title, the first-ever girls championship in Nebraska.

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This rendering shows the Discoverers of Distinction sign hanging above the new Academic Hall of Fame at Columbus High School.

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VISION FOR COLUMBUS PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC HALL OF FAME COMES TOGETHER

We are excited to reveal the renderings for the proposed NEW Academic Hall of Fame located at Columbus High School.

This area will showcase Discoverers who have gone on to do great things following graduation as well as community partners who invest in our current and future students.

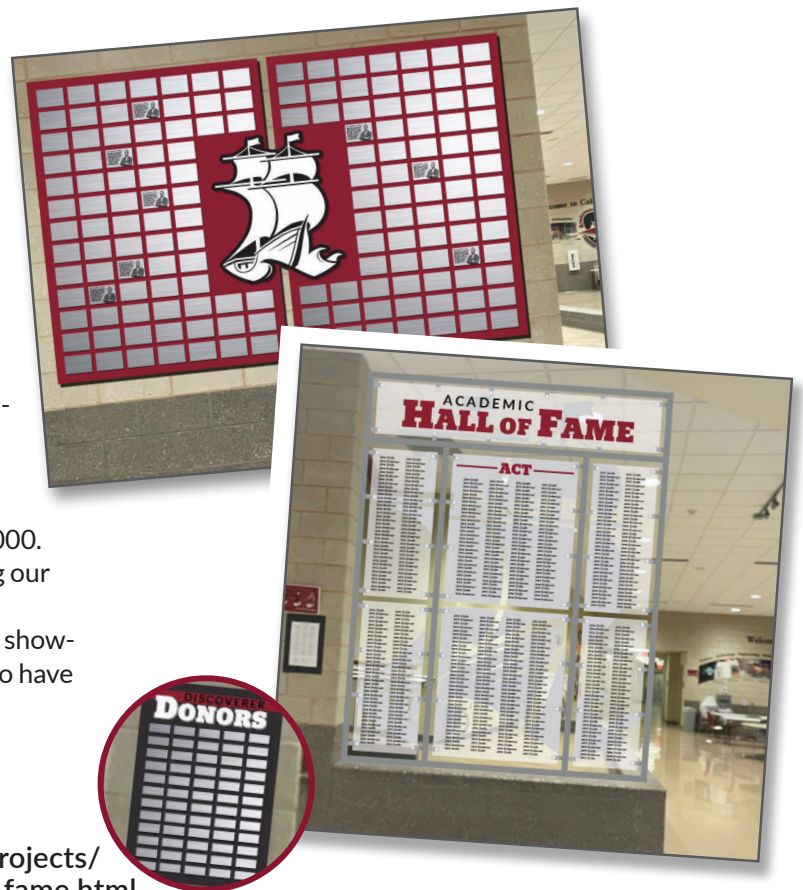
It will also showcase the names of our students who have been recognized for their academic work, such as high ACT scores, HOSA competitions, JAG competitions and Skills USA just to name a few.

DID YOU NOTICE THE BEAM HOLDING THE SIGN?

That is an original beam from the Kramer High School Building. We're bringing our past together with the present. We are hoping to complete the build out this summer after we meet our goal to raise \$26,000.

Thank you to the Raimondo Family making our first donation in memory of Jeanne Raimondo.

Please consider a donation to the CPS Foundation and help showcase the academic talent of our students as well as alumni who have gone on to do amazing things.



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Did you know? Schools, community continue to see growth

Columbus has grown in population by 2,000 from 2010-2020 making our community the 4th fastest growing community in Nebraska. Since 2016 Columbus has issued over 700 building permits.

Can you imagine if we would fill a third of the current 2,000 job openings, there would be a need for nearly 670 more units.

With those stats available to the public, local stakeholders have been asking what does this mean for the school district?

403

Columbus Public Schools' enrollment has increased by 403 students since 2014 and is currently 4,159

How has the student population grown?

Since 2014 Columbus Public Schools (CPS) total enrollment has increased by 403 students from 3,756 students to now 4,159 students.

We are currently just five students away from surpassing the projected enrollment for the year 2029.

At the elementary level we surpassed the 2027 projection of 1,566 students as our current enrollment is 1,613. With the opening of the Kramer Education Center and pre-K classrooms moving to this facility we will be able to open up a classroom at each of the following schools: Centennial, Emerson, Lost Creek and West Park.

During the month of December, Dr. Troy Loeffelholz held two in-person town hall meetings to gather ideas from our community members as well as hosted a facebook live event.

He is currently working with the CPS Board of Education to compile a summary of the gathered information which he will present to the community soon.

In addition to the Kramer Education Center, another project that is on the horizon for CPS that will be built using ESSER funding is the new Cassette House. This new facility will replace the current space located on Pershing road.

The Cassette program is a transition program built to equip special education students with life skills such as banking, buying a house and holding a job. This program is focused on students 18-21 years old.

In addition to job skills, students are taught ways to maintain their own home, cleaning, grocery shopping, meal preparation, and keeping a budget.

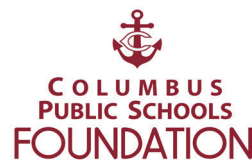
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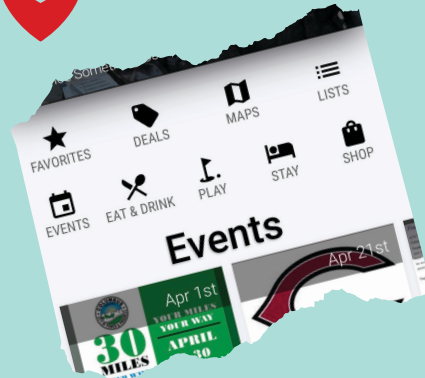
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The greatest network Columbus Public Schools can use to assist us in locating highly qualified and dedicated teaching professionals is our alumni network.

CPS remains committed to providing a great education to its diverse population of students and your role as an alumnus can assist us in doing so.

While recently attending a National Teacher Shortage Summit, we reviewed a study that showed most educators return to an area within 35 miles of where they graduated high school.



Kay

In many ways, Columbus Public Schools has seen that benefit with many of our teachers growing up within that radius. The data went on to show the retention rates of those teachers.

We already know that when a Discoverer returns to teach they show a greater pride, higher level of involvement, and long-term commitment to our school, students, and community.

As alumni, if you are or know of any quality teachers who may be interested in returning home to Columbus or would be

interested in contributing to the “Discoverer Way” we want to know!

We offer a great package for both new and experienced educators.

Please feel free to reach out or have them reach out through e-mail to kayc@discoverers.org.

We are proud of our alumni and I greatly appreciate your continued support of Columbus Public Schools!

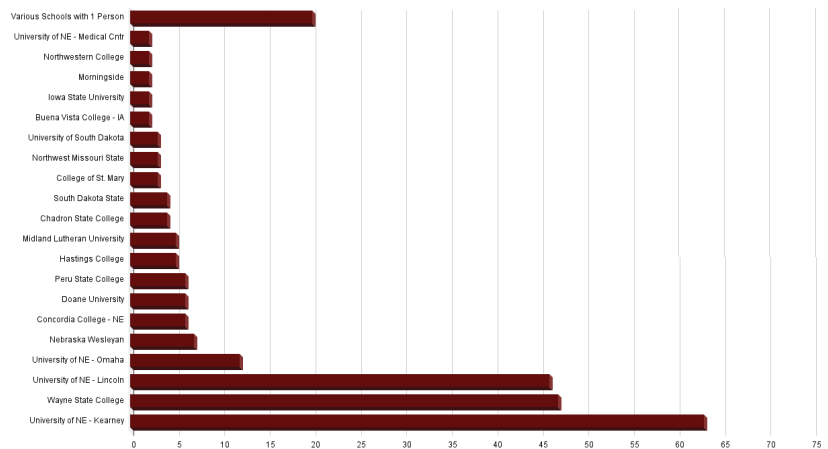
Best Wishes,
Chip Kay

Director of Finance and Human Resources

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- Up to 7 years of verified experience accepted for placement.
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Progress continues at Kramer Education Center



Concrete pillars are casted in molds outside the south entrance of the new Kramer Education Center. The building will be located at 2400 16th St., the former site of Kramer High School, and more recently, Columbus Middle School.

Over the past several months, significant changes to the Kramer Education Center (former Columbus Middle School) site can be seen. Outside progress was delayed as materials such as steel and roofing supplies were backordered.

However, what could not be seen was the demolition and rebuilding of the interior portions of the building that was kept.

What you couldn't see was the demolition and rebuilding of the interior.

Since September, the remainder of the building that was left standing was gutted completely.

Many walls, doorways, HVAC were either created, demolished, or redone.

The old cafeteria is now framed out for future use of the preschool, many doorways were created and opened up, and all electrical and plumbing was taken out and rebuilt.

The exterior progress has been easier to see.

By using Insulated Concrete Framing we were able to get exterior walls put up in a hurry.

Those walls will have a brick exterior. Right now they are putting in the steel interior structure to support the ceiling in the new addition. The target for completion is December of 2022 if everything stays on schedule.

Our maintenance and facility guys have been doing a lot of demolition both inside and outside as well as

pouring the concrete pillars.

One ongoing question remains for many of our alumni.

What sections of the building were actually torn down? What portions of the building were kept? Why couldn't more of the original building be saved? The portions that were demolished were the original Kramer High School building, the 1965 and 1989 additions. CPS was able to keep the cafeteria, the gym and the northwest classrooms of the former Columbus Middle School.

The removal of the two additions were necessary because the walls were all intertwined together. Bricks were entwined and the walls could not be saved.

A crane looms over an interior room of the new Kramer Education Center. The building will be home to an early childhood education program and the administration offices.



Steel beams are secured over the future cafeteria space in the southeast corner of the facility and preschool areas.



Passion for space leads 2013 graduate to NASA and career in the aerospace industry

Jon MacArthur's love of space started young.

The Columbus High School graduate was around 8 or 9 years old when he took a 4-H rocketry class where he was able to assemble, paint and launch rockets at Ag Park.

That class – plus a fondness for Star Trek – inspired MacArthur to pursue a career in the aerospace industry.

After he graduated from Columbus High School in 2013, MacArthur attended Iowa State University where he majored in aerospace engineering with a minor in astrophysics and physics. Following his sophomore year at Iowa State, MacArthur was selected to be an intern at NASA through the Iowa Space Grant Consortium. MacArthur went on to participate in five internships with NASA in Alabama, Texas, California and Florida.

Each of these internships focused on rocket and spacecraft propulsion research. After MacArthur graduated from Iowa State University in 2017, he

became a full-time NASA engineer at the Johnson Space Center in Houston. He worked on spacecraft propulsion and was part of a small research group that did warp drive physics projects.

In fall 2018, MacArthur was accepted to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) to study astronautical engineering in their space propulsion lab.

During his graduate studies, MacArthur went on extended leave with NASA to maintain his engineer status.

When MacArthur learned that the head of his former research team in Houston had left NASA to start a new nonprofit called Limitless Space Institute (LSI), MacArthur left NASA to join him.

MacArthur finished his master's degree in 2020 and was accepted into a doctorate program in the same lab at MIT. He is currently wrapping up his Ph.D. program, while continuing to work with LSI.

He expects to complete

his doctorate this year. MacArthur then plans to take the technology he developed during his Ph.D. program to start a space tech company in Nashville. He expects the company to focus on developing nanotechnology hardware for space applications, mostly for spacecraft propulsion and space-based biomedical research.

In his free time, MacArthur enjoys playing guitar with his band at local venues around Boston, hiking, mountain biking and snowboarding.

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MacArthur, right, as Mr. Mushnik in "Little Shop of Horrors." (2012)



MacArthur, plays with his band at a Boston venue.

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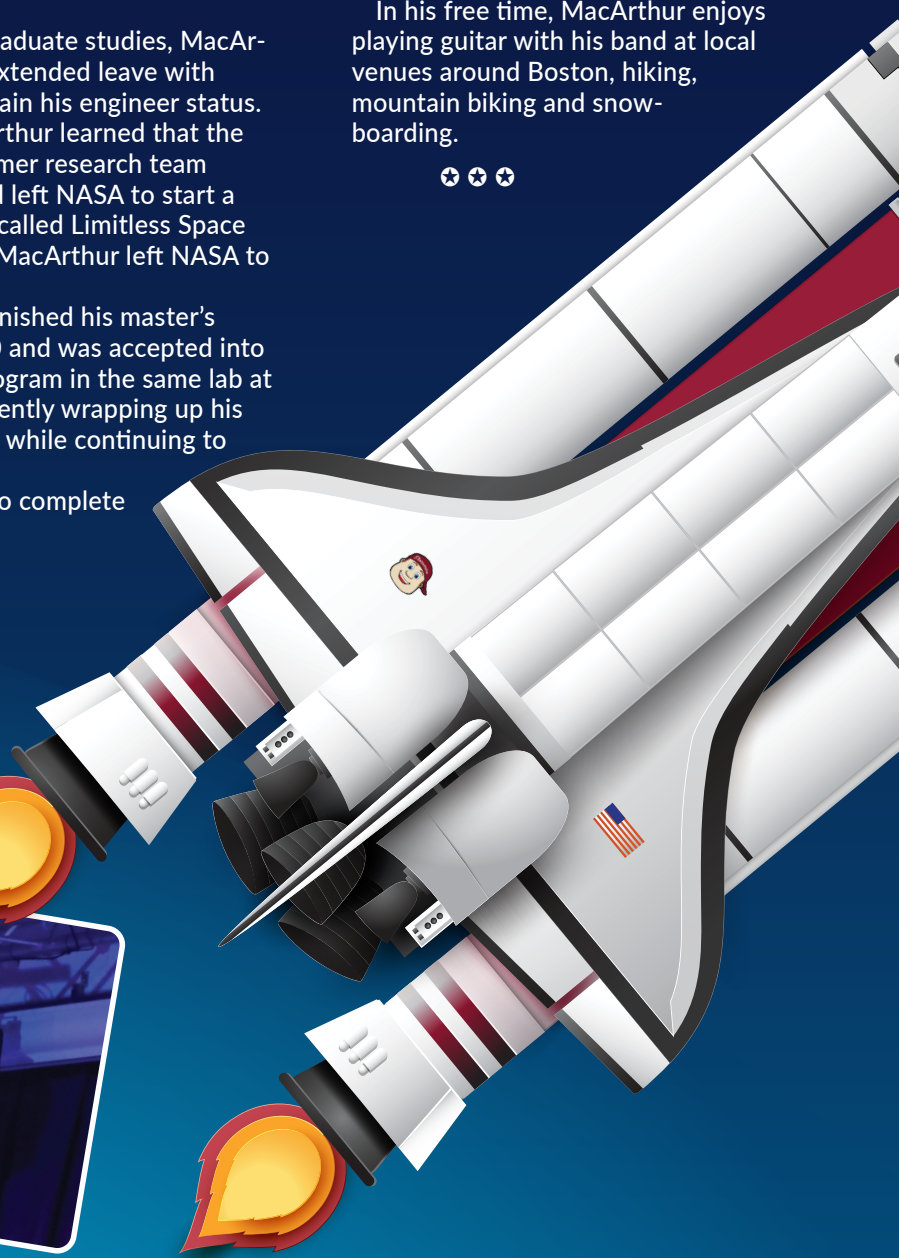
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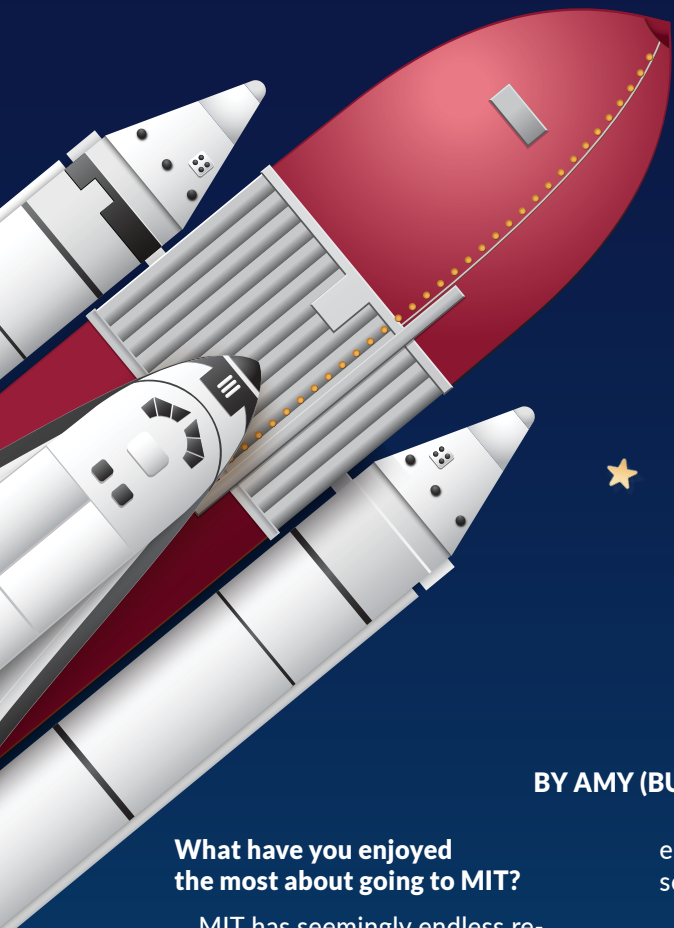
All this space talk has us thinking, if an alum were to go to some of Earth's celestial neighbors, how far would they be away from Columbus High School? Short answer: A LONG ways!

MARS: 0.52 AU

1 AU

JUPITER: 4.2 AU





Jon MacArthur, foreground, participates in a zero-gravity flight.

MAP TO THE STARS



Jon MacArthur
Class of 2013

BY AMY (BUSTEED) BLASER CHS Class of 1988

What have you enjoyed the most about going to MIT?

MIT has seemingly endless resources for ambitious entrepreneurs and scientists. I think the environment of “build it yourself if it doesn’t exist” really fosters some great creativity.

I have had the ability to network with a wide variety of well-seasoned scientists, engineers and company founders, which has given me some great perspectives I don’t think I could find elsewhere easily.

That, and the fact that I was given the opportunity to fly my research on a zero-gravity research flight. I never thought I would get to experi-

ence true weightlessness; it’s really something to behold.

Oh, and meeting Apollo astronauts who actually walked on the moon would have to make this list.



What did you like the most about your work with NASA and LSI?

The NASA mission was always appealing to me. At least when I first started working there, there was a heavy push for getting people back beyond the space station to the moon and eventually Mars. Being a part of that in any capacity was exhilarating. The history that surrounded me at every NASA center was

also very neat.

Getting to see original Mercury rocket hardware at the test areas I worked in in Huntsville and mission control in Houston were pretty big highlights in that regard. LSI has taken that mission and quadrupled it in magnitude. While the work is still very much in its infancy, who wouldn’t want to work towards making humanity an interstellar species?

LSI also has some fantastic folks who also tenured at NASA who have worked across the spectrum of human spaceflight and mission operations.

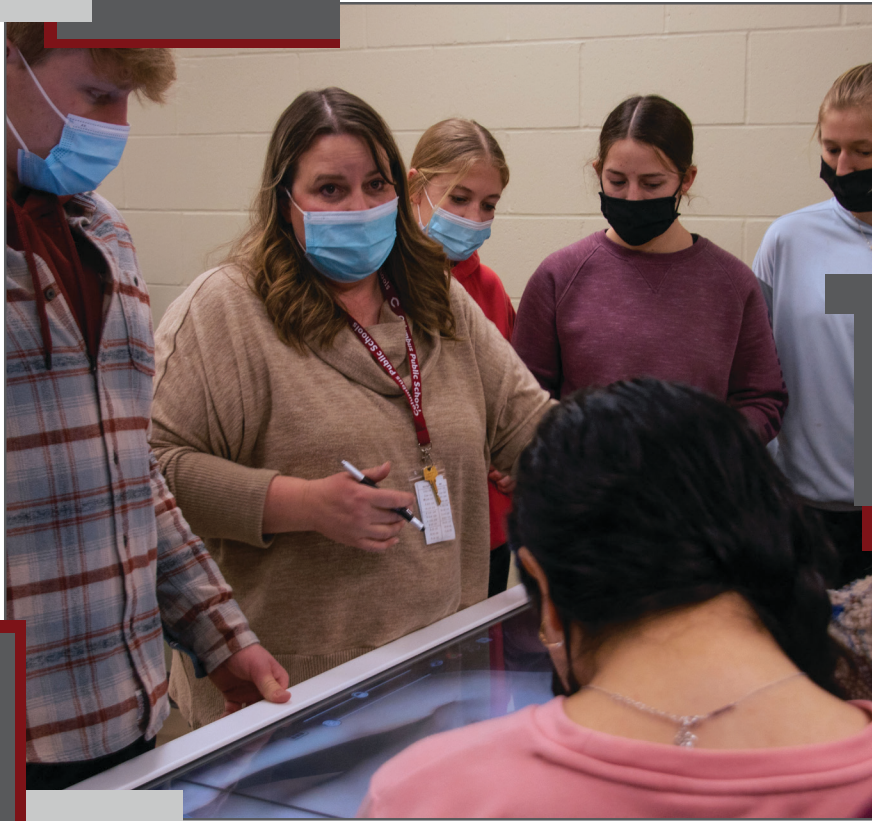
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Columbus High School instructor Wendy Kalloff (RN, BSN) discusses the anatomy of the brain while using an Anatomage table. The table provides a 3D rendering of the entire body, including interior systems, and imagery from X-Rays and MRI.

Right: A simulation dummy is prepared at Columbus Community Hospital.



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Partnership brings pathway to CHS students

Isaiah May

Columbus Public Schools

It takes a strong partnership to provide students an experience with impact. Groups must set a shared vision, collaborate on strategies, and plan for future needs.

When it comes together, the benefit is multiplied.

A recent partnership with Columbus Community Hospital (CCH) and Columbus Public Schools (CPS) aims to provide career opportunities for Columbus High School students and fill an employment need at CCH.

The creation of a healthcare pathway at CHS gives students a chance to experience first-hand what skills and knowledge they'll need to pursue a career in that industry.

"That's the power of our pathways"

CPS Superintendent Dr. Troy Loefellholz said.

Pathways are a set of courses that prepare students for future careers, especially those found in the Columbus-area.

"For our students to work in our community, we have to have that active engagement. The partnership with CCH will benefit our students immensely,

"It's exciting," Loefellholz said. "It's exciting for our kids to be involved in an industry. It's

exciting for a school district to provide the students what they want to learn and consider as an occupation in the future."

Collaborations with stakeholders is critical in maintaining high-quality healthcare in Columbus, Columbus Community Hospital President and CEO

Mike Hansen said, calling them "extremely important."

"As a local, community hospital, it's important for us to engage our community and try and keep our kids in town. Workforce is probably going to be the biggest issue for the next three to five years.

"To be able to continue to partner with other organizations and agencies is critical in developing the future of our workforce," Hansen said.

The need in healthcare workers coincided with a desire to help.

A recent survey conducted with CHS students revealed that more than 30 percent of respondents had an interest in pursuing a career in healthcare.

"We had large numbers that wanted to be in the healthcare field. At that point it behooves us to take a look at what that means for us," CHS principal Dave Hiebner said.

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MAP TO THE STARS

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Why did you decide to start a new space tech company and what do you want people to know about this new venture?

I love and continue to love NASA, but I wanted to have more say in the direction of my own work. I wanted to see my interests and research efforts make their way into the marketplace and make an impact in my lifetime.

This venture essentially seeks to marry aerospace and pharmaceutical development. With a new physics toolbox, there are untold numbers of new chemical compounds and reactions to be studied and discovered in space as opposed to Earth.



How did your education and experience with Columbus Public Schools help prepare you for your career? Was one class or teacher particularly helpful or inspirational?

CHS did a great job of offering me both left and right brain education. I was very active in the vocal music and theater programs while also being on the Destination Imagination competitive engineering team.

I would have to tip my hat to three teachers in particular. On the right brain side, was Fred Ritter and Amanda Berg. They ran the choral music program and theater program, respectively.



“STEM IS GREAT, BUT DON’T DISCOUNT THE ARTS.”

“Try being in a musical. Try joining band. I would highly recommend trying something that seems way out of your wheelhouse. You’re young. Be willing to fail and fail often. Life gets more fun when you step off the trail a bit.”

JON MACARTHUR (13)

Limitless Space Institute

To this day, I think it really gave me a creative outlet that didn’t involve math. On the other side, my left brain was heavily inspired by Brian Townsend, the CHS physics teacher and Destination Imagination team leader.

Over the course of four years, our DI team made it to the global finals twice and we competed against high school teams from around the world in Knoxville, Tennessee.

The late-night build-break-rebuild sessions will forever be ingrained in my brain and a recurring theme in my engineering career thus far.



What’s your favorite memory of Columbus High School?

I think one memory in particular that always sticks out to me was during a dress rehearsal for the Little Shop of Horrors musical my senior year.

I played the floral store owner Mr. Mushnik who was unfortunately eaten by an alien plant. That giant foam-covered

plant was held securely to the stage by two small storm door latches which didn’t stand a chance of supporting Mr. Mushnik while he was being ingested.

Both myself and the plant toppled over mid-chomp, creating a pretty hilarious scene for the handful who were lucky enough to watch that night. That really taught me how to roll with the punches.



What advice do you have for current CPS students who may be interested in a similar career path?

STEM is great, but don’t discount the arts. I would highly recommend trying something that seems way out of your wheelhouse. Try being in a musical. Try joining band. I’ve taken my love of music with me everywhere I go and it has always brought balance to my otherwise very science-oriented work life.

Also take risks. You’re young. Be willing to fail and fail often. Life gets more fun when you step off the trail a bit.



Is there anything else you’d like to let people know about your education, career or experience?

For a small town in Nebraska, we have a great school system.

I think we are well-equipped to do anything anyone from the coasts can do and then some, plus we have Runza.



Cory Schlesinger
Class Of 1990

Laura Pilakowski Buttermore
Class Of 1999

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Conversations with Columbus Alumni
The CPS student-led journalism group recently caught up with notable alumni and Husker athletes to discuss how their time at Columbus Public Schools transformed their future.

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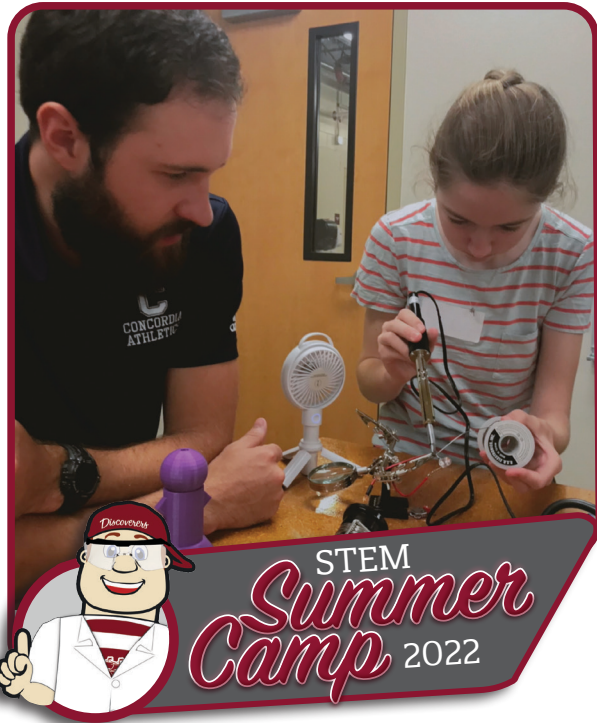
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Foundation readies STEM Summer Camp

Columbus Public Schools Foundation's STEM Summer Camp returns! The camp, open to ALL youth first through ninth grade, is scheduled for June 13-15 and 20-23.

Scheduled lessons provide opportunities for all students to engage with the STEM concepts; science, technology, engineering and math.

A new program engages the youngest learners. Early Engineers, added this year, is for first and second graders in community. The single-day camp will help students "unlock their creativity to tackle age appropriate engineering challenges that will spark curiosity and help develop cognitive, social, and motor skills," K-12 Career Coordinator, Danita Wickens said.

Third- through sixth-graders will explore a wide range of topics including engineering prototype rockets (4th Grade); designing and improving acoustic devices (3rd Grade); and developing a process for making ice cream. (6th Grade). High schoolers will have a chance to expand skills and share new experiences with Tinker Academy. Camp lessons feature engineering modern vehicles; constructing small-scale windmills and challenges accomplished using coding and web design. Robotics (June 13-15) is also available to fifth-ninth graders.

The STEM Summer Camp is an extension CPS Foundation's STEM On The Go program.

Have a student to register?

Scan the QR code or visit the site below.



<https://www.cpsanchor.com/what-we-do/projects/stem-on-the-go/stem-on-the-go-summer-camp.html>

CEO Hansen: 'I would have really loved to have a program like this'

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The pathway, Hiebner said, "is a fantastic opportunity" that will provide an unique experience for CHS students.

"It's going to look different than it does at other buildings because it's going to be suited specifically to what the Columbus community needs as well as Columbus High School."

Students will begin the class learning CPR and by the end of the first year be a certified nursing assistant (CNA). With that license, students are able to get employment in healthcare.

"There's a huge need in the community. This is a great way for those kids to fill that need and get the experience that when they go to apply to a college they already have I worked at Columbus Com-

munity Hospital. Across the board it really helps," instructor Wendy Kalloff (RN, BSN) said.

Beyond licensing and employment, students have the opportunity to gain hands-on experiences necessary for their future.

"It's one thing to learn things from a book, it's another thing to have hands-on learning experiences and actually see what you're going to be getting into," Hansen said.

"I didn't quite have the base of information or the skills these kids will get in this pathway. I had to kind of muddle my way through the path to where I am today," he continued. "I would have really loved to have a program like this, when I was in high school."

To learn more about the program, contact Nicole Anderson at andersonn@discoverers.org or 402-564-7000 ext. 12847.

CHS instructor Wendy Kalloff (RN, BSN) demonstrates the tools of an Anatomage table. The table provides students a detailed look at human anatomy and allows for situational training.



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Columbus has second state champion in as many years of bowling program

Columbus high sophomore Ryland Prokopec squeaked his way into the finals of Monday's boys state bowling championship then made the most of it.

Prokopec defeated three opponents as the No. 8 seed and earned Columbus High its first-ever boys state title. He rolled totals of 434, 351 and 434 to become the second Discoverer to ever win a state bowling title and just the second boy ever in state bowling history.

Madison Henderson won the girls state title last season in the first year of sanctioned NSAA

bowling. Prokopec added to the trophy case Monday when he put together a four-game series total of 891 in the preliminary round. That was five pins better than Brayden Lee of Grand Island for the final qualifying spot into the championship bracket.

He defeated Cooper Nichols of Lincoln Pius X 434-382, Nathaniel Centineo of Bellevue West 351-347 then Blake Paulhamus, of Papillion-La Vista South 434-408 for the championship.



Ryland Prokopec won the Class A - Boys State Bowling Championships in February. Ryland was the No. 8 seed defeated No. 1 seed Cooper Nichols of Lincoln Pius X. He rolled totals of 434, 351 and 434.

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Athletic Hall of Fame group in search of contact information

The Discoverer Athletic Hall of Fame would like to make contact with family members from the listed alumni athletes.

If you are a relation to any of these alumni please contact Nicole Anderson at andersonn@discoverers.org or 402-563-7000 ext. 12847

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- Elmer Hall, 1930
- Richard Davis, 1935
- Kenneth Johnson, 1939
- Ted Kenfield, 1942
- Clarence Gates, 1944

The Discoverer Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet

will take place in the fall of 2022. The date will be announced once the Fall 2022 football schedule is complete.

Charitable IRA rollover just one of many ways to give

A charitable IRA rollover is a gift option that enables donors age 70½ or older to transfer up to \$100,000 directly from the donor's IRA (or IRAs) to a qualified charity each year.

The donor does not recognize the transfer as taxable income on his or her tax return.

By the same token, this transfer may not be claimed as a charitable income tax deduction.

BENEFITS

When you make a gift through a charitable IRA rollover, you can:

- Count the amount of your rollover toward your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year.
- Avoid additional taxable income, which may allow you to avoid taxation at a higher tax bracket.
- Satisfy multi-year pledges to the Annual Fund or your reunion gift to Columbus Public Schools.
- Create or add to a permanent endowment in your name or in memory of a loved one.

FACTORS TO CONSIDER

- The charitable IRA rollover is available only for gifts from a traditional IRA and not from any other type

of retirement plan (401(k), 403(b), 457, Keogh, ESOP, etc.).

■ The rollover is allowed only for outright gifts to a qualified public charity like the CPS Foundation for which the donor receives no benefits.

■ The donor must be at least 70 years of age on the date of the gift.

■ The donor can give up to \$100,000 each year from his or her IRA(s). A couple with separate IRAs can donate up to \$100,000 each from their respective IRAs.

■ There is no federal income realized and no income tax deduction for the donor (unless made from documented after-tax contributions to the IRA).

■ The gift should be transferred from the IRA directly to the charity. The donor should not accept any distribution of funds intended for a charitable IRA rollover.

■ Some states treat the charitable IRA rollover like a withdrawal for state tax purposes, but this varies from state to state.

■ Please check with your financial advisor to determine how a charitable IRA rollover gift will impact you.

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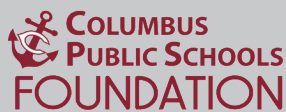


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Time to mark you calendars!
Upcoming
CHS Reunions

Class of 1982 - CHS 40th Reunion

You're invited to the 1982, 40th Columbus High School Reunion! Friday and Saturday June 10 and 11, 2022.
 Friday, June 10; 4:30 p.m. at Columbus High School
 Saturday, June 11; 10-11 a.m. Class of 82 CHS 3-Mile Donation Walk (at Pawnee Park).
 Saturday, June 11; 5 p.m. at Wunderlich's

Who's ready to party like it's 2002?!?!?

Class of 2002 20 year class reunion. Join us at 6 p.m., June 18, 2022 at The Oak Room at the Friedhof for live music, cash bar, food, laughs and a great night of fun! \$30 per person by May 1st. Venmo @Ted-Cemper Paypal @cempted.
 Please RSVP by May 1st to:
 call or text Ted Cemper (817) 600-0574
 or ted.cemper@doane.edu
 Facebook or Messenger Co-host: Stacy Birkel

1987 - CHS 35th Reunion, August 12-14

Our reunion is the same weekend as Columbus Days Celebration. Hotel blocks and weekend activities to be shared later. Have questions, contact:
 Kerry Hicks Calverley at kscalverley@msn.com or
 Joan Hembd Dorr at maddied_home@outlook.com.
 Please provide your updated contact information using the alumni association update online form <https://www.cpsanchor.com/alumni/update-contact-information.html>.

Class of 1977 - 45 Class Reunion

Saturday, August 20, 2022; 3 p.m. - 1 a.m. at Maximus Restaurant . RSVP by July 1, 2022. Call or Text Steve Abegglen - 402-276-7328; Time Cave - 402-942-1979; Scott Harsh - 402-910-5626; Rick Haney - 402- 910-1811; Gina (Milburn) Mickek - 402-943-8759. Please share with other classmates. Can follow on Facebook: Columbus High 1977 40th Reunion.

1972 - 50 Year Reunion

September 22-24, 2022. For more information, contact Larry Kobus at larrykobus@gmail.com

1962 - 60 Year Class Reunion - Save The Date!

Class of 1962 will host a 60 year class reunion on Sept. 25, 2022, in Columbus. More details will be published as the date nears, however, if you have questions please contact
 Josette Kluck
 by email at blmjkluck@yahoo.com.

Reunion Information

1956 - Meets at 10 a.m. the first Wed. of every month at Stack & Steak for morning coffee. All classmates welcome.
1958 - Class lunch the first Wednesday of every month at noon at Maximus. All classmates and spouses welcome.
1959 - Meets the second Thursday quarterly (January, April, July and October) at Stack n' Steak at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and conversation. Classmates and spouses are welcome.
1960 - Meets the first Tuesday of each month at Maximus at 11:30 a.m.

Let us help you plan your reunion

Find out what we can do for you, today!
Contact: Jen Augustin
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