

AROUND OUR SCHOOLS

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Virtual Instruction Begins

The Coatesville Area School District (CASD) launched virtual instruction on Tuesday, April 14, thanks to the hard work, dedication, and commitment of the entire school community.

The community came together to make virtual learning a reality. Teachers and staff devoted countless hours preparing for virtual instruction, and many parents and community members generously volunteered their time to assist. As online learning begins:

- Teachers will offer live instructional sessions and office hours, as well as posting activities online for students.
- 5,640 Chromebooks and Hot Spots are available for students to use for distance learning activities.
- Parent resource links are available on the District’s website.
- More than 50 families have received student desks and school supplies to establish at-home learning centers for their children.



Local investors from New Heritage Properties and Activated Capital of New York joined forces with support from CASD to provide students with the desks and supplies.



Dominick Macolino, a 2017 CASD graduate, facilitated the delivery of the desks and supplies to the families on April 7 and April 9. Dominick was inspired by his father, Christian Macolino, also a CASD graduate and co-owner of Heritage Properties. Dominick said his father gave him a desk and personal learning space when he was in second grade, and he felt other children should have this opportunity.

Dominick recruited his former elementary principal, Jason Palaia, and Mr. Palaia’s son Alexander, along with Darian Smith, Supervisor of Pupil Services, and Sergeant Ollis of the Coatesville Police Department to help assemble the school supplies and deliver the desks.

Like Mikey Jr. (pictured on left with his new desk), the School District is ready to go back to school!

HIGHLIGHTS

2 Honoring Grads



2 Thanking Athletes



5 Virtual Art Show



Stadium Lit Up to Honor the Class of 2020

In honor of the Class of 2020, a group of administrators lit up the Coatesville Area School District's Stadium at 8:20 p.m. (20:20 Military Time) on Thursday, April 9. The special tribute lasted for 20 minutes.

Administrators will light up the stadium again on April 20 and May 20 at 8:20 p.m. to honor the graduating class.



Intermediate High School; and Jason Palaia, Director of Elementary and Secondary Education.

The campus is closed to the public, so the group shared photos of the special event in the principals' weekly Monday Morning Messages to parents and on the District's Facebook page.

CASH also is working to plan graduation activities for the

Class of 2020 that are consistent with the provisions provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. Watch the District's website, Facebook page, and other communications for details.

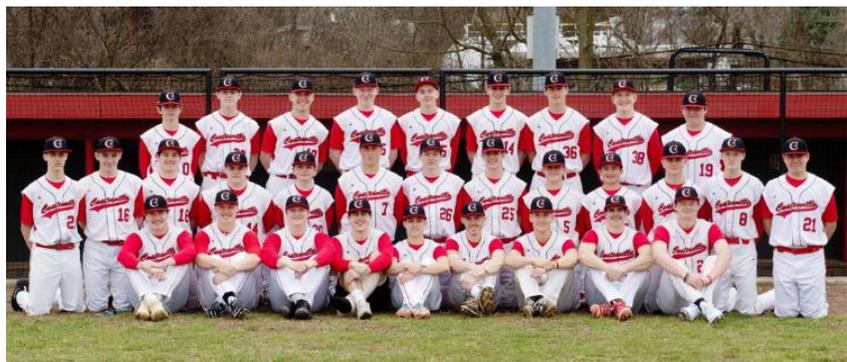
Attending the lighting ceremony were Michele Snyder, principal of Coatesville Area Senior High School (CASH); Brian Chenger, Athletic Director; Cliff Maloney, principal of Coatesville Area



Thank You to Coatesville's Student-Athletes

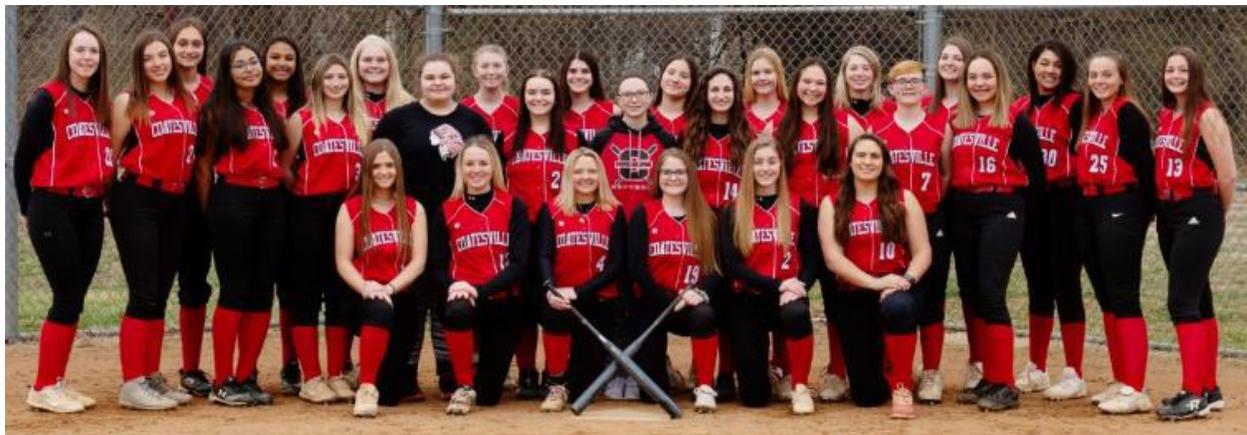
April 6 was National Student-Athlete Day. Although students couldn't be on campus to celebrate, the Coatesville Area School District made sure they were not forgotten.

The District prepared a special presentation to thank its student-athletes for all that



they do for the community. The tribute included spring student-athletes as well as winter Ches-Mont League Honorees. Pictured on pages 2 and 3 are a small sampling of CASD's many outstanding student-athletes.

The National Consortium for Academics and Sports (NCAS) founded National Student-Athlete Day in 1987 to honor high school and college student-athletes who have excelled in academics and athletics, and who have contributed to their communities and schools in a significant way.



Congratulations and thank you to all Coatesville student-athletes!

Students to Represent Region at History Competition

Congratulations to four Coatesville Area School District students who won first-place awards in the recent National History Day competition. All four students will go on to represent the Chester/Delaware County Region at the state competition.

The National History Day award-winners are:

- Group Exhibit – Julia Mattson and Dylan Misuraca for their project, "Medical Testing on Animals."
- Individual Website – Ryan Mendenhall for his project "Apollo 11."
- Individual Performance – Haley Roney for her one-woman play, "H.H. Holmes and the Murder Castle."

CASD Announcements

Food Distribution Continues

The Coatesville Area School District (CASD) is continuing to offer Grab-and-Go Breakfast and Lunch for Coatesville kids on Mondays and Wednesdays.

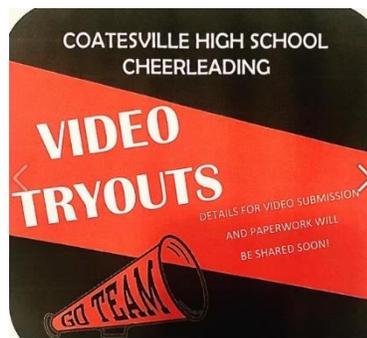
Meals are distributed from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the following locations: Coatesville Area Senior High School, Scott, Benner, Rainbow, Modena (at Veteran's Constructions), the West End (at Little Chef), and deliveries to Indian Run and Regency Park Apartments.

Cheerleading Tryouts

Does your student want to be a Coatesville high school cheerleader?

Video tryouts will be held soon. Watch

CASD's Facebook page for details.



Kindergarten Registration Underway

CASD has announced that Kindergarten registration for the 2020-2021 school



year is now available under Quick Links on the District's website. Please go to: <https://www.casdschools.org/Page/1>.

Sign Up to Receive District Emails

Many taxpayers have expressed interest in receiving email communications from the District. If you would like to keep up to date with communications that the District sends to students' families and staff members, you can sign up at the link.

If you already have a student enrolled in the District, you do not need to sign up again. This list is for taxpayers who live within the District who do not have any children currently enrolled in the District (retirees, business owners, etc.).

To enter your contact information, please click on this link: <https://forms.gle/E5qeqjmWEZjxi2zv8>.

District Art Show Is Ready for Viewing

Every year, art teachers in the Coatesville Area School District display their students' unique and creative works of art in the District's Administration Building, transforming conference rooms, hallways, and other spaces into a magical, colorful world. For one night, parents, students, staff, and the community are invited to attend the show and admire all the beautiful artwork.



This year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the District is unable to host an open house. Since you can't come to the show in person, we're bringing the show to you, virtually.

Now that you've finished this issue of "Around Our Schools," sit back, relax, grab some popcorn,

and enjoy the fabulous art from students in K-12. Here's the link: <https://youtu.be/AQaEhFxKL7Y>.

Learn More about CASD Programs

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