SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2016-2017

Friday, April 14 & Monday, April 17 ï Easter Break
Thursday, May 25 - Baccalaureate
Friday, Friday, May 26 - Graduation
Monday, May 29 - No School ï Memorial Day
Friday, June 9 - Last day for students
Monday, June 12 - Records Day
Friday, June 16 - Report cards posted

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – We have now completed three quarters of the school year and I continue to be amazed and proud of all that our students and staff have accomplished thus far. As you read through this quarter’s newsletter I am sure you will share in my pride for Calumet High School. In addition to the many accomplishments I am also extremely impressed with the abilities, passion towards school, and wonderful personalities of the students that fill the halls of CHS. It is a constant reminder that I have one of the greatest jobs to be a part of something so great. Now as we look ahead to spring and nicer weather (maybe), graduation, and the end of the school year I want to stress the importance of a strong finish. One key component to a strong finish is improved student attendance. Continuing to strive for excellence all the way through to the end will result in success and a great sense of accomplishment that will carry through summer and into the start of next year. Enjoy the warmer weather when spring decides to arrive and thank you for your continued support of Calumet High School.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES ï Spring parent/teacher conferences were held on Thursday and Friday, February 16th & 17th. A total of 373 conferences were held with 317 on Thursday, 49 on Friday, and 7 phone conferences. A total of 85 families were represented equaling 27% of our families. Thank you, parents, for participating.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY - The National Honor Society held their annual spring blood drive on Tuesday, February 14th. Fifteen pints of blood were collected, with 20 people attempting to donate. Thank you to all who participated.

ROBOTICS – At the First Robotics Competition held at Escanaba on March 17th & 18th the Robotics team placed 12th in qualifying (out of 40) and ended up making it into the semifinals losing in the tiebreaker.

The Robotics team competed at Sault Ste. Marie on March 31st and April 1st. The team finished in 11th place making it to the quarterfinals. The team is now waiting to see if they qualify for the state competition.

MICHIGAN HISTORY DAY - Congratulations to Loviisa Berg, Allison Spence, and Kendra Keranen on qualifying at the local Michigan History Day competition held at Michigan Tech on March 4th. Allison and Kendra qualified in the group documentary category with their documentary, “Martin Luther: The Man, The Monk, The Luther,” and Loviisa qualified with her website on, “Susan B. Anthony and the Fight Against Anti-Suffragists”. These students will move on to the state Michigan History Day competition being held this year at Bay City Central High School on April 29th.

HIGH SCHOOL BOWL ï The Quiz Bowl team lost to Houghton on Friday, February 3rd by a score of 360-80. The match will be televised on Saturday, March 25th at 8:00 p.m. and on Monday, March 27th at 12:00 noon.

Congratulations to the Quiz Bowl team on their third and sixth place finishes on Saturday, February 25th at the Blizzard Bowl Quiz Tournament at Michigan Tech.

FORENSICS TALENT SHOW – Congratulations to the all of the students who performed in the first Calumet Got Talent Show on March 21st:

1st place: Tajah Davies played piano and sang “His Daughter”
2nd place: Maggie Brotherton and Katy Rogan played the piano while she sang and Katy sang.
3rd place: Ilhan Onder played the turkish March on the piano.

DRIVER EDUCATION SEGMENT 1 ï The summer session of Segment 1 Driver Education will begin on June 12. Students must be 14 years 8 months of age by that date to enroll. The cost is $200 for CLK students. If you would like to enroll your child, contact Elsa at the HS office by calling 337-0311 ext. 2203.
FORENSICS – Congratulations to the following members of the Forensics team who placed at the Forensics meets held this spring:

Forensics Menominee Banana Belt Invitational on Saturday, March 4th:
Mikayla Newman - 1st place - Poetry
Curt Rogan - 1st place - Broadcasting
Tajah Davise - 2nd place - Impromptu Speaking
Bella Therrian - 2nd place - Informative Speaking

Forensics Negaunee Invitational on Saturday, March 11th:
Curt Rogan - 1st place - Broadcasting
Mikayla Newman - 2nd place - Poetry
Tajah Davise - 2nd place - Impromptu Speaking
Annette Giachino - 2nd place - Broadcasting

Congratulations to the following students who competed and placed at the Marquette Judas' Goat tournament:
Curt Rogan - 1st place - Broadcasting
Isabelle Therrian - 1st place - Informative
Annette Giachino - 2nd place - Broadcasting

WELDING - Congratulations to the following Calumet students who competed in the 2017 SKILLS USA Regional competition held at Bay College in Escanaba on 2/3/17.

The following students competed in the Wire feed division:
1. Robert Hill
2. Tom Berg
3. Jesse Berg
4. Garrett Ruonavaara
5. Sam Haapala
6. Randy Helminen
*All of these students finished their required welds within the time allotted for the task. *All students placed in the top twenty.

The following students competed in the Stick Welding division:
1. Alex Anderson
2. Nash Anderson
3. David Haapala
4. Darren Helminen
5. Joe LaCasse
6. Drew Bjorn
7. Hayden Kesti
8. Trevor Hendrickson
*All of these students finished their required welds within the time allotted for the task
* All students placed in the top twenty
*** Special congratulations to Alex Anderson for placing 2nd (and only missing first by 2 points).

The following students competed in the Over-all Division. The over-all division is the most difficult because students must complete welds in Wire/Stick/and TIG.

***Warren Torola was the only CHS competitor in this division and he did a great job with a 2nd place over-all. This is the best any Calumet welding student has ever done in this division.
A special thank you goes out to Corey Pieti (5th year GOISD welding student) and Stanley Helminen for coming down on the bus and assisting as needed.

BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS OF AMERICA – Congratulations to the following students who competed at the Business Professionals of America State Leadership Conference from March 16th-19th in Grand Rapids:
Kasey Kangas - 3rd - Fundamental Accounting
Small Business Management Team - 3rd (Abbigail Newman-Erickson, Jacob Mihelic, Trevor Salata, Courtney Kangas)
Financial Analyst Team - 5th (Mitchell DeLong, David Golus, Amber Johnson, Kasey Kangas)
Cella Peterson - 10th - Medical Office Procedures
Global Marketing Team - 11th (Jessica Erkkila, Macy Riutta, Allison Spence, Hailey Wickstrom)
Presentation Management Team - 13th (Gloria Hendrickson, Andrea Kariniemi, Molly Larson, Mikayla Newman)
Video Production Team - 16th (Danika Billeck, Olivia Hamlin, Bennett Newman, Ariana Rhoades)
Courtney Kangas - 20th - Database Applications
David Golus - 29th - Fundamental Accounting
Amber Johnson - 33rd - Fundamental Accounting
Mitch DeLong earned a silver medal in Financial Math & Analysis
Jessica Erkkila earned a bronze medal in Business Spelling.
Kasey now qualifies for the BPA National Leadership Conference to be held in Orlando, FL from May 10th-14th.
BAND & CHOIR -
Congratulations to Tajah Davise, Kaisa Nagel, Ilhan Onder, Leah Riutta, Curt Rogan, & Brooke Tienhaara for receiving a 1st division rating at MSBOA District Solo & Ensemble Festival at Hancock High School on Saturday, February 4th. In addition, Annette Giachino, Annastiina Kesti, Miranda Rich, & Curt Rogan received 2nd division ratings on their events as well. Great job everyone!

Band:
Leah Riutta flute solo - division 1 rating
Curt Rogan baritone solo - division 1 rating
Brooke Tienhaara flute solo - division 1 rating
Annette Giachino & Curt Rogan trumpet duet - division 2 rating
Kaisa Nagel & Tajah Davise saxophone duet - division 1 rating

Congratulations to Alexis Aho & Curt Rogan for receiving 1st division ratings on their solos & duet at the SSMA District Solo & Ensemble Festival at NMU on Friday, February 3rd.

Choir:
Curt Rogan vocal solo - division 1 rating
Alexis Aho vocal solo - division 1 rating
Curt Rogan & Alexis Aho vocal duet - division 1 rating

Congratulations to the Choir who received straight Division one ratings in their concert portion and a division 2 in sight singing at Choir Festival held at NMU on March 23rd. The final rating is a division 1.

This past Saturday, March 18th, Ilhan Onder performed his piano solo, major and minor scales, and sight reading for State Solo & Ensemble festival at NMU. Ilhan performed in the category of Proficiency 2 which means his skill level is judged on a higher level and includes more scales and harder sight reading exercises. He played quite well and received a division 1 rating! Congratulations Ilhan.

Congratulations to Mr. Watt and the CHS Band for an awesome performance at the Michigan School Band and Orchestra District 14 Band and Orchestra Festival held in Houghton on Friday, February 24th. The band received Division I ratings in their performance and also in Sight Reading - the highest scores possible!

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD - Congratulations to the CHS Science Olympiad team for placing 1st for the 4th time in the past 5 years at Regional tournament competition in Marquette on Saturday, March 18th at Northern Michigan University. Calumet High School garnered 18 medals in 23 events, placing 1st in 13 events.

The medals won by CHS students were:

Abbey Koskiniemi / Annastina Kesti - 1st - Anatomy/Physiology
Ilhan Onder / Genna Studebaker - 1st - Astronomy
Brooke Tienhaara / Bailey Hill - 1st - Disease Detectives
Ilhan Onder / Leah Riutta / Annastina Kesti - 1st - Experimental Design
Kira Billeck / Brooke Tienhaara - 1st - Forensics
Abbey Koskiniemi / Annastina Kesti - 1st - Invasive Species
Annastina Kesti / Nathan Bruchman - 1st - Material Science
Leah Riutta / Kira Billeck - 1st - Microbe Mission
Ilhan Onder / Kira Billeck - 1st - Optics
Ilhan Onder / Brooke Tienhaara - 1st - Remote Sensing
Ilhan Onder / Bailey Hill - 1st - Robot Arm
Genna Studebaker / Roslyn Laramore - 1st - Rocks/Minerals
Emilie Jacques / Nathan Bruchman - 1st - Towers
Kira Billeck / Abbey Koskiniemi - 2nd - Chemistry Lab
Leah Riutta / Emilie Jacques - 2nd - Dynamic Planet
Jenna Kivela-Heinz / Kiira Billeck - 3rd - Hovercraft
Nathan Bruchman / Jenna Kivela-Heinz - 3rd - Game On
Jenna Kivela-Heinz / Emilie Jacques - 3rd - Wind Power

The WMS Middle School Science Olympiad also placed first for the 12th consecutive year. The CHS High School student on the Middle School team that mediated:
Ada McDonald - 1st - Invasive Species
1st - Reach for the Stars
1st - Microbe Mission
1st - Crime Busters
2nd - Towers
DRAMA CLUB  The Calumet High School Drama club will be performing an adaptation of George Orwell's dystopian classic 1984 at the Calumet Theatre at 7:00pm on April 21 and 2:00pm and 7:00pm on April 22. Ticket prices are $5 for students and seniors and $8 for adults. This story has been brought into the limelight once again with the national and world events that surround us, and George Orwell said it best when he states, "I do not believe that the kind of society I describe necessarily will arrive, but I believe that something resembling it could arrive. The moral to be drawn from the dangerous nightmare situation is a simple one: Don’t let it happen. It depends on you.” Orwell depicts with great power the horrors of man’s fate in a society where Big Brother is always watching where everything that is not prohibited is compulsory. This is a powerful and disturbingly provocative adaptation that is more important now than ever before.

ATHLETICS:

Girls Basketball – Congratulations to the varsity girls basketball team on winning their third consecutive District Title. The team finished the regular season with a conference record of 6 wins and 2 losses and their final record was 16 wins and 6 losses. The team is coached by Jeff Twardzik.

In District Playoff Action the team defeated Ironwood 63-32 and Hancock defeated L'Anse to set up the district final. Calumet defeated Hancock 54-40 to win the title. In the regional playoffs Calumet defeated Negaunee by a score of 60-49. The team lost to St. Ignace for the 2nd year in a row, by a score of 50-47.

Congratulations to the following members of the girls basketball team on being named to the West PAC All Conference Team:

Hailey Wickstrom – West PAC Player of the Year
Niina Anderson – West PAC All Conference 2nd Team
Brooke Kariniemi – West PAC All Conference Honorable Mention

Congratulations to the following member of the girls basketball team on receiving ALL UP & All State Honors:

Hailey Wickstrom - Class ABC 1st Team & Class C All-State 1st Team (BCAM)
Niina Anderson - Class C All-State Honorable Mention (BCAM)

Congratulations to the entire team on being named Academic All-State Honorable Mention with a 3.754 GPA (which is 18th in Class C)

JV Girls Basketball – The JV girls basketball team finished the season with a conference record of 3 wins and 12 losses and an overall record of 3 wins and 14 losses. The team is coached by Amanda Willmert.

Varsity Hockey –  Congratulations to the varsity hockey team on being the State Runner Up. The team won the Region 17 hockey championship on March 4th defeating Houghton 4-0. In the regionals, Calumet defeated Hancock by a score of 2-1 and Jeffers by a score of 7-0 to earn a spot in the regional final. In the quarterfinal game, the team defeated Big Rapids by a score of 7-3. The team then played Flint Powers Catholic in the State Semi-Final Game at Plymouth and won 5-2. The team lost to Warren De La Salle on Saturday in the championship game by a score of 6-3. The team finished the season with a conference record of 11 wins and 1 loss, earning them the Great Lakes Hockey Conference Title, and an overall record of 23 wins, 7 losses and 1 tie. Another highlight of the season was winning the Miners Cup in the annual series with The University of Detroit Jesuit. The team defeated UDJ by scores of 7-2 and 2-1 to win the total goal series 9-3. The team is coached by Dan Giachino and assistant Josh Frantti. Congratulations on a great season!

Congratulations to the following members of the varsity hockey team on receiving All State Honors:

Division 3 All State Forwards
Rory Anderson - 1st Team
Brent Loukus - 1st Team
Ed Beiring - Honorable Mention

Division 3 All State Defense
Trevor Johnson - 1st Team
Jack Sturos - 2nd Team

Division 3 Goalies
Honorable Mention - Nick Voelker

Congratulations to the varsity hockey team on being named Academic All State with an overall team GPA of 3.22. Congratulations also to the following members of the team on receiving Individual Academic All-State Honors:

Jack Sturos 3.95
Brent Loukus 3.89
Trevor Salata 3.86
Nick Voelker 3.62
Russ Bjorn 3.57
Sam Erkkila 3.54
Josh VanDenburg 3.53
Congratulations to the following members of the varsity hockey team on being named to the Great Lakes Hockey Conference All Conference Teams:

- Rory Anderson - Player of the Year
- Dan Giachino - Coach of the Year
- Brent Loukus - GLHC All Conference 1st Team
- Trevor Johnson - GLHC All Conference 1st Team
- Jack Sturos - GLHC All Conference 1st Team
- Nick Voelker - GLHC All Conference 2nd Team
- Ed Beiring - GLHC All Conference Honorable Mention

Congratulations to Trevor Salata on receiving the Hobey Baker Character Award. The Hobey Baker High School Character Award was established in 2003 to honor high school hockey players who exemplify the Hobey Baker ideal that "Character Builds Excellence." Candidates for a High School Hobey Baker Award are selected by their coaches, based on the following criteria:

- Integrity and positive attitude
- Coachability
- Outstanding sportsmanship
- Community spirit

Each year, a single senior hockey player from each participating high school is selected by his or her coach to be honored by teammates and celebrated by the school and the community for outstanding individual performance on and off the ice.

**JV Hockey** – The JV hockey team finished the season with a record of 2 wins and 21 losses. The team is coached by Todd Lightfoot.

**Boys Basketball** – Congratulations to the varsity boys basketball team on winning the District Championship. The team defeated L'Anse 53-25 in round one and then defeated Hancock by a score of 54-46 to win the title. The team lost to Negaunee in the first round of the regional playoff by a score of 65-43. The team finished the season as Conference Champions with a conference record of 6 wins and 2 losses and an overall record of 16 wins and 7 losses. The team is coached by Mike Ojala.

Congratulations to the following members of the varsity boys basketball team on receiving West PAC All Conference Honors:
- Coach Mike Ojala - Coach of the Year
- Wyatt Loukus - All Conference 1st Team
- Matt Ojala - All Conference 1st Team
- Cooper Twardzik - All Conference 2nd Team

Congratulations to the following members of the boys basketball team on receiving ALL UP Honors:

- Matt Ojala - Special Mention
- Wyatt Loukus - Honorable Mention

**JV Boys Basketball** - The JV boys basketball team finished their season with an overall record of 6 wins and 13 losses and a conference record of 3 wins and 5 losses. The team is coached by Mike Steber.

**Bowling** – Congratulations to the boys bowling team on taking 3rd at UP Finals held on Saturday, February 18th at Menominee. The girls team placed 9th. Congratulations to Jordan Kesanen on taking 3rd in boys singles and being named to the UPHSBC Dream Team. The boys team finished the regular season with a record of 5 wins and 3 losses. The girls bowling team finished the regular season with a record of 2 wins and 6 losses. The teams are coached by Bill Bastion.

Congratulations to Jordan Kesanen on placing 3rd at the Regional Bowling Finals at Cheboygan. The girls in the team event placed 8th out of 11 schools with total pins knocked down 2681 pins. In the boys team event they placed 9th out of 14 schools they knocked down 3497 pins. In the singles event for the girls Eden Bedore took 38th place with 791 pins, Jade Duquette 44th hitting 759 pins, Gwen Pasich 48th with 718 pins and Kim Gronlund 54th hitting 680 pins. There were 68 girls total from 13 schools. In the boys individual event Jordan Kesanen finished 3rd hitting 1211 pins 15 pins from 1st place. Mark Musiel finished 12th hitting 1114 pins just 8 pins short of making the state finals and 111 short of 1st place. Alex Miller finished 65th hitting 875 pins.

At the State Bowling Championships, Jordan Kesanen finished 30th out of 60 with a 1046. Congratulations on a great season Jordan!

**Gymnastics** - This was the first year for our gymnastics co-op program with Lake Linden-Hubbell and Houghton High School. We had 8 team members from Calumet who participated in 8 meets. Brea Johnson qualified to participate in the regional competition held in Grand Rapids on Saturday, March 4. Although Brea did not qualify for the state tournament, it was a very positive experience for all the girls and they learned a lot being there for the first time. Team members include Alexis Aho, Amara Berg, Lovisa Berg, Brea Johnson, Amelia Klemett, Madelyn Klobuchar, Heidi Langley and Dacee Ranta.
Aspirus Keweenaw Midget B Hockey - The 2016-17 Calumet Hockey Association Midget BB team has completed another strong year of play. With an impressive overall record of 30W-0L-0T, they won the State Finals of the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association State Playoffs in St Ignace. They also won the UP District tournament in Iron River. The team also accomplished an exciting tournament win in a very competitive weekend in Marquette WI. The team consisted of 14 players. 13 of which are Calumet Alumni or CHS students and 1 from Houghton HS Travis Hughes, who has 2 state championships in the last 3 years. Playing from Calumet High School were Cameron Kauppinen, Nick Djerf, Trevor Kangas, Landon and Tyler Johnson. Calumet Alumni included Ian Carroll, Robert Erkkila, Chett Hillstrom, Dylan Boberg, CJ Peters, Graham Frantti, Tyler Rautio, and Josh Larson. Head Coach for the team is Glenn Johnson and he was assisted by Matt Djerf and Dalton Peters.

Ski Tigers - CHS students Ilhan Onder and Mitchell DeLong competed in the Michigan High School Cross Country Ski Championships February 18-19. In the pursuit, composed of a 5 Kilometer race of both skate and classic disciplines, DeLong defended his state title finishing first. This was DeLong's third consecutive victory in the event. Ilhan Onder was not far behind, finishing tenth, and helped the Copper Country Ski Tigers win the men's team title, as well as the overall team title. In the sprint races DeLong defended his title again, becoming the first to win consecutive sprint titles. Ilhan Onder also powered his way onto the podium with an impressive tenth place finish in the sprints.


Men's Individual U18 race results: 10k Freestyle distance race - 7th Classic Sprint races - 6th 10k Classic distance race - 25th

Men's U20 relays: Great Lakes Division Team - 5th (Best result for a GLD men's team)

CLK SPORTS BOOSTERS

If you would be interested in joining the CLK Sports Boosters, please email Mr. Don Bausano, president of the sports boosters, at djbausano@gmail.com. Parent participation is encouraged.

The All Sports Booster Club will be holding their spring fundraiser rCelebrate: Blue & Grey'don Saturday, April 29th at the Calumet Colosseum Ballroom. The cost is $30 and includes a dinner buffet and entry into the door prize drawing. Join us for dinner as well as raffles, auction items, 50/50 drawing and games. The Social will be from 5:30-6:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the Calumet Athletic Office, Calumet Public Library and Copper World.

TESTING

This year the state assessments will be starting on April 11th for high school students. Below is very important information you will need for the weeks of April 10th and April 17th:

Seniors:
Tuesday, April 11th: Seniors will not need to report to school on Tuesday, April 11th. This day should be used for Cohort 4 students to get some much needed time outside of school to work on their senior project.
If you would like more details about this project, that is required for graduation, please visit: http://www2.clkschools.org/CLK/CHS/Documents/CHSCulminatingProject.pdf

Some seniors that have Early College courses may be required to attend class on this day by their instructors. Instructors will make sure your student knows what time class will be.

Seniors enrolled in online classes should use this valuable time to work on those classes.

Seniors enrolled in Nurse Aide, Auto Tech or Health Careers will need to attend this class.

Juniors:
Tuesday, April 11th: SAT college entrance exam. Testing begins at 8AM. A special breakfast will be available before testing and snacks during; no lunch will be provided. Students will be dismissed when testing is complete; busses will not be making an early run, so students without transportation will have to wait for normal departure time.

Wednesday, April 12th: ACT WorkKeys (work placement assessment). Testing begins at 8 AM. Regular breakfast will be available before testing. Students will be released to classes following testing; lunch will be served. This is an Early Release day so students will be released at the regular Early Release time.

Wednesday, April 19th: M-STEP Science Assessment. This is an online assessment. It is only estimated to be a 50 minute test so students will test during their Chemistry class period. Students that do not have Chemistry and online students will be notified of the time they will be testing in room 209 in the Washington Middle School. Students will attend all other classes as scheduled.

Thursday, April 20th: M-STEP Social Studies Assessment. This is an online assessment. It is only estimated to be a 50 minute test so students will test during their US History class period. Students that do not have US History and online students will be notified of the time they will be testing in room 209 in the Washington Middle School. Students will attend all other classes as scheduled.
We should be back in the Memorial Day Parade. After the parade we meet at the Colosseum at 4:30 AM (zero dark thirty), travel to Mackinaw by charter bus, and participate in public. Please join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of our students.

Night in CLK Main Gym. Throughout the year cadets earn a variety of academic, military, and civic awards. Awards:

17 May: Awards Night
13 May: PSAT 10 (practice college entrance exam). Testing begins at 8AM. A special breakfast will be available before testing and snacks during; no lunch will be provided. Student will test in assigned classrooms on the first floor. Students will be dismissed when testing is complete; busses will not be making an early run, so students without transportation will have to wait for normal departure time. This test is a very good practice run and predictor for the SAT which will be taken when they are a junior. Your participation is required.

Wednesday, April 12th: Students will be back to attending classes as scheduled

Freshmen:
Tuesday, April 11th: PSAT 9 (practice college entrance exam). Testing begins at 8AM. A special breakfast will be available before testing and snacks during; no lunch will be provided. Student will test in assigned classrooms on the first floor. Students will be dismissed when testing is complete; busses will not be making an early run, so students without transportation will have to wait for normal departure time. This test is a very good practice run and predictor for the SAT which will be taken when they are a junior. Your participation is required.

Wednesday, April 12th: Students will be back to attending classes as scheduled.

Additional Notes for Testing:
Students will be provided a calculator for SAT testing. Students taking the PSAT should plan to bring a calculator if they have one. We should have enough for those that forget or have problems with their calculator on test day.

Please help your student to get a good night’s sleep before all testing days.

Attendance is mandatory for all juniors, sophomores, and freshmen. Any freshmen, sophomores or juniors that miss a testing day will be required to make-up the missed test on a designated make-up day.

Please help us make the 2017 state assessment a success for all students. If you have any questions about this year’s testing please contact Chris Davidson or Matt Verlin.

JROTC
Upper Midwest JROTC Challenge (UMJC) - On 3 February, 33 cadets along with instructors and chaperones, traveled to St. Paul Minnesota for the UMJC competition. Cadets competed in squad drill, physical fitness, color guard, knowledge bowl and individual knock out drill. Congratulations to the Color Guard for their 3rd place finish. Congrats also to Roxanne Oja for taking 3rd and Shayla Cornish for taking 7th place in Individual Regulation Drill.

Arctic Raider Challenge 2017 - On February 18th, JROTC hosted our third annual Arctic Raider Challenge. Six teams from four schools competed in the event. Congratulations to Calumet Raider Team One for their first place finish. Team One took first place in every competitive event. The competition was staged out of the ARNG Readiness Center and included an Ahkio Sled Race, Snow Shoe Biathlon, and Cross Country Rescue. Each participant earned an Arctic Raider Challenge Tab for their uniform.

MTU Day of Challenges - On February 25th, JROTC cadets traveled to Michigan Tech University to participate in the MTU ROTC Day of Challenges. Events included swimming, high dive, obstacle course, physical fitness test and a leadership reaction course. Trophies, T-Shirts and lunch were provided by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Calumet JROTC fielded four competitive teams.

6th Grade Orientation - Every March, JROTC hosts 6th Grade Orientation, a special event to show incoming freshmen what the North Star Battalion is all about. Cadets are assigned many different jobs, from escorting the 6th graders around to running a station. This year, we had several stations, including Rappelling, Marksmanship, One Rope Bridge, Raiders, Drill, Competitions/Trips, and Physical Training/Games.

Upcoming Events:
13-14 May: Raider Competition - The Raider Company is preparing for the upcoming Raider Challenge Competition at Rock Island Arsenal, Illinois on 13 May. We are the reigning champions so the pressure is on. Raiders will be put to the test physically with push-ups, sit-ups, a two mile run and 10K road march/run. Raiders will also be tested in a variety of Raider skills including map reading, compasses, first aid, one rope bridge, transporting a casualty and teamwork. Wish us luck!

17 May: Awards Night - Our annual Awards Night Program will be conducted on May 17th at 6:30 PM in the CLK Main Gym. Throughout the year cadets earn a variety of academic, military, and civic awards. Awards Night is our opportunity to recognize and commend these outstanding students. The event is open to the public. Please join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of our students.

27-28 May: Mackinaw - This year’s Mackinaw trip is scheduled for May 27-28. Cadets and instructors will meet at the Colosseum at 4:30 AM (zero dark thirty), travel to Mackinaw by charter bus, and participate in the Memorial Day Parade. After the parade we’ll take the ferry to Mackinaw Island and enjoy the sights. We should be back in Calumet by 3:00 PM Sunday.
29 May: Memorial Day Programs - CHS JROTC is planning to participate in the following Memorial Day Programs on Monday, May 29th: Ahmeek Memorial, 9:30 AM, and Lakeview Cemetery at 11:00 AM. Meet at the Colosseum at 8:00 AM to prepare for the day. Except for seniors, all cadets attending the Mackinaw trip are required to participate in Memorial Day Programs; band members will be with the band.

25-30 June: JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge Camp - 15-20 JROTC Cadets will be selected to attend the Army’s Leadership Challenge at Camp Dodge, Iowa from 25-30 June. The goal of the camp is to build self-confidence and teamwork as well as reinforce the JROTC Leadership curriculum. Transportation to and from JCLC as well as tuition, room and board are all covered by JROTC.