

SCHOOL CALENDAR

NHS Blood Drive
November 21

CAB Board Meeting
November 21

Thanksgiving Break
NO SCHOOL
November 23, 24 & 25

ORFF Concert
December 6

Progress Reports
December 9

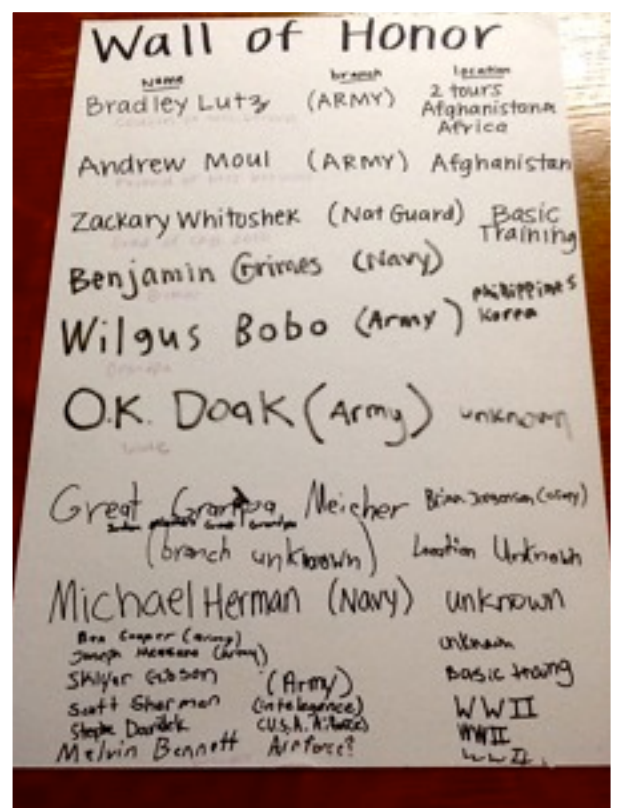
Choir/Band Concert
December 15



Remember/Honor

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A day we should remember but some of us often forget. In class last week we REMEMBERED and HONORED our veterans. We honored service men and women who have fought in previous wars, who are fighting in current wars, and those preparing to go to war. This hit home for a lot of students this year as we have one of our own Concord graduates just completing basic training now. Zackary Woiteshek is currently at Fort Benning in Georgia. He has joined the National Guard and is planning for his January deployment. Students recalled people they knew who had served our country by placing them on our "Wall of Honor". History classes at CAB would like to thank those who have given up their lives so that we can have freedom here in America. Thank you to all the Veterans!



NAME	BRANCH	LOCATION
Bradley Lutz	(ARMY)	2 TOURS Afghanistan Africa
Andrew Moul	(ARMY)	Afghanistan
Zackary Whitoshak	(Nat Guard)	BASIC Training
Benjamin Grimes	(NAVY)	PHILIPPINES Korea
Wilgus Bobo	(ARMY)	UNKNOWN
O.K. Doak	(ARMY)	UNKNOWN
Great Grandpa Meicher	(branch unknown)	Basic Training (Army) Location Unknown
Michael Herman	(NAVY)	UNKNOWN
Ben Cooper (Army)		UNKNOWN
Joseph McCreary (Army)		UNKNOWN
Skylar Gibson	(ARMY)	BASIC TRAINING
Scott Sherman	(Intelligence)	W/WII
Steph Darrick	U.S.A. Marines	WWII
Melvin Bennett	Airforce?	WWII



REMINDER: Red Cross Blood Drive
Monday, November 21, 2011

Special Thanksgiving Promotion

CAB's National Honor Society is once again sponsoring a blood drive for the American Red Cross. The Red Cross needs blood donors over the Thanksgiving holiday to give a special 'thank you' that lasts a lifetime.

In an effort to maintain a healthy blood supply and recruit blood donors to blood drives in our area, the Great Lakes Region of the Red Cross is offering a special incentive for all individuals who come out to donate blood November 21 – November 27.

They will be giving away \$100 Visa gift cards to five (5) lucky donors in our 65-county area. One winner will be selected from each of the five territories the Great Lakes covers (Central, Eastern, Northern, Southwestern & Western). That means the chances are better that someone in our local community will win.

In addition, everyone who comes out to donate this month has a chance to win a \$250 Meijer gift card. Please help CAB's National Honor Society beat its collection goal of 27 pints on Monday and give the perfect gift this holiday season – the gift of life.



You may sign up for a time slot by contacting Mrs. Mohr, visiting <https://www.givelife.org/index.cfm?group=op&step=2&opid=912784> or calling 1-800-RED CROSS.



It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year...

It's that time of year again. Time for kids (and some parents) to start waking up early so they can watch the news and listen to the radio in the hopes that they will hear their school's name among those on the list of School Closings. In the event that we do not have school, we will notify the following TV and Radio Stations:

- Radio:** 1270 AM 106 FM 92.1 FM
1340 AM 96.3 FM 90.5 FM
- TV:** 9 & 10 News
7 & 4 News

Muffins for Moms, Grandmas and Aunts, oh my!



The Young Fives and the Kindergartners will be hosting our annual “Muffins for Moms, Grandmas and Aunts....oh my!” celebration on Tuesday, November 22nd from 9:00 am until 10:00 am in the library.

The children will be performing poems and songs they have learned, as we all enjoy muffins and fruit.

The two classrooms are sponsoring four local families that have expressed a need for holiday assistance. Their requests have been written on paper mittens and are available during our celebration. This is our fourth year of providing support for local families and each year our generosity has grown. The mitten gifts can be purchased and brought back to the classrooms unwrapped with the paper mitten attached. On December 21st, the first official day of winter, the two classes combine once more for a wrapping party where they will enjoy hot chocolate and cookies and learn how to wrap. We hope that each child is represented by a family member for this special event.



Thanksgiving Feast

On Tuesday, November 22, the first and second graders will be having their 12th annual “Thanksgiving Feast”. The first graders will be dressed as pilgrims and the second graders will be dressed as Native Americans as they enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving feast.



CAB's Elementary Winter Concert

Tuesday, December 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

Join our Y5-4th grade students as we welcome in winter with songs, dances and poems.

Students performing in the concert must report to their homeroom at 6:10 p.m.





Notes from the Nurse...

Dear CAB Parents:

It is certainly no secret that school systems across the country face serious and continuing challenges in terms of ongoing funding for nearly all areas of their operations. In particular, one casualty of these challenges has been the school nurse - an endangered species on the verge of extinction. **Charlevoix Area Hospital** would like to proudly announce the implementation of its **School Nurse Program** within the Charlevoix County Schools. We believe that healthy children are successful learners.

We are happy to introduce to your school Chris Signs-Warstler RN, who will have a multi-faceted role, one that supports the physical, mental, emotional and social health of students and their success in the learning process. She will provide leadership and direction on the Coordinated Wellness Plan for staff and students. This will include committee work on health education and healthy food choices using the *Michigan Model* and the *Michigan Health Education Standards*.

Chris will be dividing her time between four Charlevoix County Schools. **The general schedule will have her at CAB on Tuesdays.** We at Charlevoix Area Hospital are very excited to provide this service. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kathy Jacobsen RN, MPA
Director of Community Health Education
Charlevoix Area Hospital
(231) 547-8906 [kjacobson@cah.org](mailto:kjacobsen@cah.org)





Concord Academy Boyne

HOCKEY NEWS!

From: Barry Cole, Commissioner of Lunchtime Hockey
Re: 2012 Flat Stanley Cup, The Big Stick



November 17, 2011

If you are a student or staff member at Concord Academy Boyne who loves to play hockey, then your hero today is Kindergartner Keaton Matelski! He is the brave young soul who, under prodding from Mrs. Shumaker (who will be admonished to employ greater discretion in the future), this morning accosted me in my office and performed the annual ritual, enabling the official start of Concord hockey. He was followed closely by fellow classmate Mason Balch, performing the same ritual. So, I got double-whammied before my day even started.

Hockey at CAB is steeped in tradition, and no tradition is more revered than the one to launch the season. For this reason, League officials in 2007 created an award to recognize such bravery and the resultant state of euphoria it creates. We call it, The Big Stick, presented annually to that youngster who is cunning enough to learn the unwritten custom and daring enough to carry it out [or subservient enough to follow the prodding of an indiscreet staff member].

The trophy, a vintage Lovell hockey stick on display at league headquarters, will be emblazoned with the name of this year's recipient, adding to the list of previous winners. The Big Stick will also receive special recognition at the Hockey Awards Banquet.

As a reminder, players are permitted to bring their own hockey sticks to school, but not their own pucks. No play is permitted before or after school. All games must be supervised by the Commissioner or his designee.

The race to the Cup is begun! See you at the rink.

You Gotta Have Art...

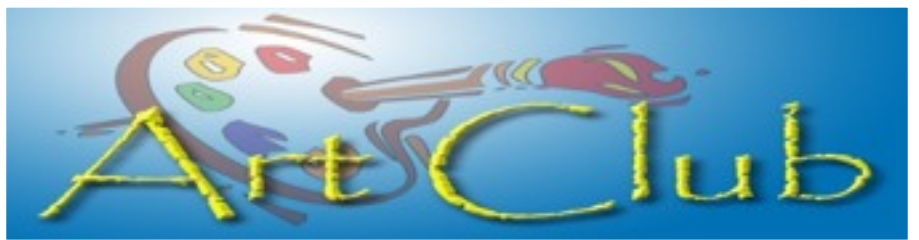


Youth Art Exhibit at Boyne Arts Collective

Select K-12 CAB student artwork will be on display at the Boyne Arts Collective's youth art exhibit entitled "ART - It's Elementary." There will be a reception with refreshments on Saturday,

December 3 from 10 am - 6 pm. The show is currently up and may be viewed during the winter hours of the Boyne Arts Collective (located at 210 S. Lake St., Boyne City), which are Friday 1-5, Saturday 10-6, and Sunday 12-4. The show will be up through December 31. Stop in and support our talented young artists.

ART CLUB - SCHEDULE CHANGE



Students in grades 3-12 once again have the opportunity to express their creativity in Art Club, which will now be meeting

on **Wednesdays from 3:20-5:00 p.m.** This open art studio time can be used to catch up on Art projects we are working on in class or to just put that extra time and effort into your artwork! It's also a chance to develop your own art activities, explore different art media, and just have fun making art! No need to commit to attending every week - just sign up on the sheet posted outside the art room on weeks when you want to come or need to in order to get caught up in Art. You don't need to be a current Art student to attend. Make sure you have a reliable ride you can depend on to be at school to pick you up by 5 pm. Contact Mr. Rosteck with questions: mrosteck@concordacademyboyne.org. See you in Art Club!



Attention Young Filmmakers!

Are you a movie lover? An aspiring actor or director? An animator? Maybe you are interested in using your new iPad to try your hand at movie making. Well, the Northern Michigan Youth Film Festival is a new film festival that will be held on February 24, 2012 at Concord Academy Petoskey, and anyone ages 8-25 may enter their own film by January 10, 2012. The festival will be juried, and the winner will receive entry into the Chicago Film Festival. If you are interested or have questions, contact Mr. Rosteck. mrosteck@concordacademyboyne.org





Helping Hands!

The "Helping Hands" fundraiser deadline has been extended. Please continue to collect pledges until the end of November. If you need additional pledge sheets, they will be located in the office or you may contact Violet Holm. Remember, ALL pledge money will be spent to purchase books for the library. Money/pledge sheets should be turned in by Monday, November 28. Thank you ☺.



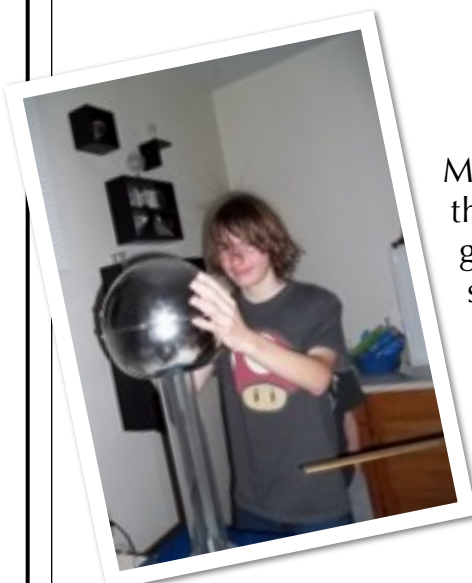
NANOWRIMO TAKES OVER CAB!

While most people see November as a turning point toward winter, or the month to give thanks, writers all over the world view it as a race to the finish--literally. For writers of all ages, November is National Novel Writing Month, and the finish line is November 30th, precisely at midnight. The challenge? To complete a novel of 50,000 words in a month--no excuses. "When I decided to challenge myself and sign up," says Mrs. Leist, "I thought I would see if any students were interested. But I honestly didn't think I'd have this good of a response!"

So, how many signed up? There are 22 students in grades 7-12 who have committed to participating, and the word goals range from 25,000 to the full 50,000. For the Young Writer's Program, students get to choose their word count goal, but if students sign up as an "adult" they are locked in to the 50,000 word count. As November starts to quickly fly by, writers are feeling the pressure, but with the hard work and dedication they've shown so far, they should be just fine. Besides, as one Writer magazine writer puts it, "There's no greater motivation for a writer than a deadline."

Weird Science

Mr. Luce generously repaired the school's Van de Graaff generator and the students seem happy with the results. Pictured here are Michael Balch (*left*) and Josiah Schmidt with Mr. Luce (*right*). It should be even more fun when drier weather comes around!



Math and Technology

Websites at Concord Academy Boyne

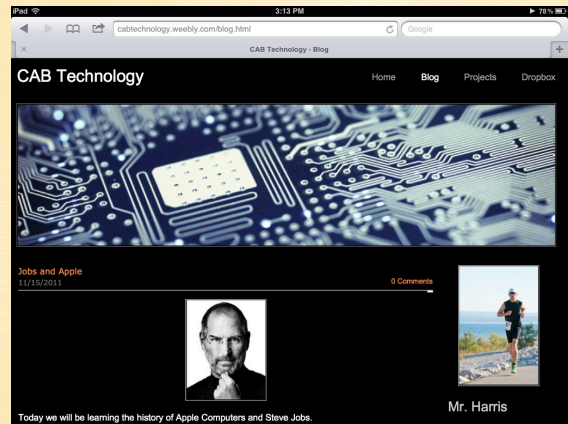
<http://cabalgebra1.weebly.com/>

<http://cabalgebra2.weebly.com/>

<http://cabtechnology.weebly.com/>

We now have websites for every Math and Technology course at Concord Academy Boyne. On the sites you will find:

- Student projects, videos and pictures.
- Daily updates of homework and notes via Dropbox.
- Writing, quizzes and links.

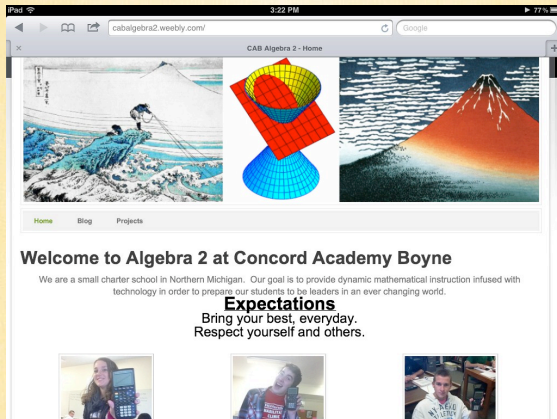


Please be aware, we will still offer options for people who may not have the resources to be fully online. Our job as educators is to be inclusive. This is simply a tool to help prepare your children for a very technological world.

Please contact Mr. Harris if you need any help, have any input or any ideas to make this thing better!

Mr. Harris

rharris@concordacademyboyne.org



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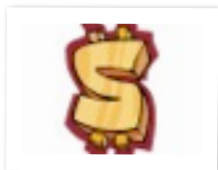
Respect • Responsibility • Self-Discipline • Honesty • Giving •
Friendship • Compassion • Perseverance



PENNY WAR!

Just a reminder, the Service Learning Club is holding a penny war to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. The battle ends Tuesday, November 22. Elementary students take their pennies to their classrooms. Middle School and High School students take their pennies to their class advisors. Remember that silver coins counteract pennies and that you can bomb other classrooms! Have fun and join the fight against cancer.

P.S. There is a collection jar in the office for the adults!



We accept ALL children!



Fun with iPads!



New Dance Opportunity!

Attention 3rd through 6th grade parents!!!! Our dance instructor, Mr. Thomson, is offering dance classes to students in grades 3-6. Classes are held on Thursdays after school from 3:30 to 4:30 pm, unless otherwise noted, for \$10 per session. Money is due at the time of the session.....NO CHARGES!!!! Also, please be sure that you pick your child up promptly at 4:30 pm! If they are not picked up they will be sent down to the after school Kids Club and you will be charged \$5 for after school care. A sign-up sheet is located in the office for anyone interested in taking advantage of this great opportunity.



Exchange Students ~ A Cultural Experience Awaits!

A Host Family Point of View...

Knowing what your family can expect when deciding to host can really help with the questions that arise when you consider becoming a host family. First, a little about me. My name is Chris Wacholz and I am the Local Representative for Nacel Open Door Student Exchange. Some of you I have met at different school functions or at one of the International Education Week Presentations. I have hosted 11 full time and one temporary student. My children have come from Algeria, Germany, Chile, Ukraine, and I have represented many more. You will find that I am very involved in overseeing their stay and helping them as well as your family to have the best experience possible. Exchange students come in as many different “varieties” as host families however they usually either come for five or ten months. Ten month students arrive in August and five month students arrive in January. Solveig and Andrea are ten month students and Antonia (2011) was a five month student.

Why do Host Families Host?

There are a variety of reasons people choose to host exchange students – they want additions to their families, they wish to experience a new culture, they wish to learn more about their own background (especially true for Americans), they just want something new. Host families also come in many different “varieties”. They are single moms and dads (some with kids, some without), they are traditional mom and dad and kid(s), or they are just the mom and dad whose kids are gone, or who never had kids at all. A few families are wealthy the majority are just plain middle class. But, regardless of the reason, the economic level or the make-up host families all have one thing in common – they have a desire to open up their hearts and homes!

Have I peeked your interest...well, here is how it works...

“Choosing” your new family member...

Once your family has met with me, filled out the application and your family has been approved...your adventure will kick into high gear! The selection process for your new family member begins. During the application process I would have been asking your family many questions regarding your interests, likes and dislikes, activities and the like. With this information, I begin the process of narrowing down the search to exchange students that have expressed similar interests to those of your family. Before the students actually arrive in your home they complete a very detailed application, even more than the one you will do, that will help you get a feel for the young person that they are and how they might fit into your family. The application that they fill out is helpful, but the letter they write is even more important. This letter will help your family get to know the student. We stress to the students that it's really important to tell the truth and to present themselves as accurately as possible.

Once your family has chosen a student, the “Match Abroad” is completed and the real fun begins. When the “Match Abroad” is given to your family, you will have the contact information to start corresponding with your new family member. Usually an introductory email works great, but sometimes you are so excited you can search them on Facebook! In a lot of cases, due to the time differences, your email will be how your student first learns that they have a family.

Meeting your family continues after this. Their organization notifies them that they have a family. What a fun day and what a relief, their dream is becoming a reality! Get acquainted! You have the Internet, e-mail, phones, chatting! Use them to learn about your new student to find out about them and to tell them about you! Send them pictures. Tell them about your school. Hate broccoli? Love cats? Tell them that too!

Finally, the big day is almost here.

A Welcome Sign is the most important thing at the airport! Expect some butterflies, and greet them with a hug, they are just as excited and as scared as you are. This will really help your new family member know who you are and that you are just as excited for this adventure as they are.

Are you ready for the adventure? Have Questions? Want to learn More?

Chris Wacholz
Nacel Open Door Student Exchange
Area Representative
231-675-2465
hostmom11@gmail.com



Great Holiday Gift Idea

These are VERY nice, expensive, and large Petoskey stone wine, olive oil, dish soap (if you put it in a glass bottle) bottle toppers. They'll add a bit of charm and local flair to your countertop!!! They were donated by Mr. Petersen and the cost is \$40/per stopper. We only have 4, so first come first serve. We are using the money to purchase a Kindle for the third grade room! Funds raised will allow us to purchase one right away! THANKS! and THANKS to Mr. Petersen!

Box Tops for Education

This year, CAB is once again collecting Box Top coupons to raise money for our school. Did you know that some local schools raise thousands of dollars for their schools each year, just from clipping and submitting Box Tops?



Clip Box Top coupons from hundreds of participating products and send them to school. Box Tops coupons are worth **10¢ each** when our school redeems them from Box Tops for Education. All you need to do is cut them off of the box they are on and attach them to the handy collection sheet (available in the office or on our school website) with glue or double stick tape.

We will be collecting Box Tops all year long, but our next submission deadline is **December 16**. Each completed sheet of 25 Box Tops coupons will give your child one entry into the drawing for prizes. The first drawing was held on October 31 for free pizzas, movie passes and many other prizes. Other drawings will be held December 16, February 17, and April 20. Turn your completed sheet into your child's teacher. Be sure to fill in your child's name and their grade for the drawings. Additional sheets are available in the office, or you may visit the school's website to print one.

Thank you for choosing to support CAB by collecting Box Tops!