

March 2017



CASB OFFICE HOURS 7:30-5:15

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**OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY,
MARCH 25 10-1 PM**

Testing Dates

ISTAR Part 2 April 10-May 19, 2017

IISTEP+ Part 2 gr. 7, 8, & 10

April 17- May 5

ECA's (Spring) April 24-May 26

NWEA Spring May 22-June 2, 2017

HOME WORK HELPER

The Homework Hotline is ready to provide free help to students in math and science. Our tutors are trained Rose-Hulman students, available Sunday-Thursday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. (EST) to take student calls, chats and emails. We have many classroom resources available on our website, www.AskRose.org. for teachers and students.

Principal's Corner

As we begin to look forward to Spring and our break, there are many exciting things happening at CASB. The ISTEP testing has been completed and I would like to thank the students for trying their best and the teachers that prepared our students for this assessment. Great job everyone!!! Next round of testing will be the end of April.

The CASB Robotics Team won the St Joseph District competition on March 10-12. How exciting for our team. The long hours and dedication from all members really paid off and please take the time to congratulate the students and sponsors. The team's next competition will be held Perry Meridian HS in Indianapolis on March 24-26. Good luck to all!

It is hard to believe that we only have approximately 11 weeks left of this school year. How time flies when you are having fun! The staff is working with all seniors to make sure they are all prepared and ready for graduation. Go Seniors 2017! Parents make sure that your child attends school every day. One day missed causes the students to get behind in their work and especially in math. Our goal is 95% attendance rate for all students.

There are Open House dates set for March 25th and April 22nd from 10 -1 at both Career and Success Academy. Please share with your family and friends what is happening at CASB. I am sure the middle school will fill up quickly so share your child's school experiences with all. The website is being updated so check it out and if anyone you know would like a tour of CASB, they can schedule it on our website.

We strive to communicate with all what is happening on our campuses and our door is always open to hear from all of you.

Lydia C. Jagger

Assistant Principal

Lamb or Lion the climate is nice and friendly at CASB! Staff and students have worked extremely hard at preparing for the ISTEP, which wrapped up the first session of testing. Many students expressed they felt more prepared for this ISTEP then ever before along with being confident in their performance. The second session of ISTEP will be taken at the end of April. The confidence expressed reassures to the administration and staff that great things are taking place at CASB. It is a pleasure to work with your child on their educational journey. The doors are always open for communication and don't be shy to just stop by and say hello. Mr. Jim Cebra



PTO NEWS

Thank you to all the parents who helped with the Black History Museum. It was great to work with the students that day and see their vision realized! If you are able to help volunteer at the school to sell scrip, please email Jacki Bustos jbustos@careeracademysb.

Grades 7 & 8

7th graders will be researching a Country of their choice. They will be creating a poster and presenting to an audience at the end of March. Parents are more than welcome to join us. We will also be celebrating Pi day with various activities in each of our content areas. Pies are welcome on Pi day. Next Tuesday will be the end of ISTEP. We are extremely proud of our students and all of the hard work they have put forth in preparing for this past week. Next ISTEP testing will be at the end of April.

Grades 9 & 10

Students in Spanish classes are creating a clothing line to sell in a class store (Spanish 1), producing instructional cooking videos to teach others how to cook Latin American dishes (Spanish 2), and sewing their own stuffed animals to describe in the target language (Spanish 3). In Biology, students will be acting as a genetic counselor, advising community partners on genetic disorders that run in their family. Human Body Systems students will be studying how the body powers itself, and as part of their learning will be creating a model of the digestive system, and researching the respiratory, urinary, and cardiovascular system. In Algebra 1, students are finishing up the study of the properties of exponents, and will begin to delve into operations with polynomials. In Principles of Biomedical Science, students are studying Sickle Cell Anemia and the genetics of how it is passed from parent to offspring. Students in Health Science are completing their argumentative writings for their fourth module, and will begin a new career study in module five. In Health and Wellness, students are researching zoning laws as they are exploring possible healthy uses for the new land purchased by CASB. In Personal Financial Responsibility, students are continuing to learn about the costs of being a financially independent adult, in order to prepare for playing "The Game of Life." English 10 students are diving into rhetorical analyses, concentrating on the Aristotelian strategies of ethos, pathos, and logos. In addition, they will be analyzing magazines, commercials, and advertisements in preparation for the analysis of larger and more complicated texts. English 9 students are still diligently working on identifying various textual structures, and finishing up Walter Dean's *Monster*, while transitioning to the classic Danish myth *Beowulf*. In addition, all English students are exploring and acquiring new vocabulary for use across the curriculum.

Grade 11 & 12

As Spring approaches, the 11/12 team has started working on SAT/ACT preparation in their classrooms. Our Senior students should already have an idea of their plans for next year, and if they do not yet, they need to be discussing this with their parents and their teachers to help get an idea before graduation in June. Our Junior students should be signing up at this time to take the SAT or ACT, if they intend to attend a college or university upon graduation in June 2018. We, as a team, understand choosing a college or university can be difficult and would like our students to consider all options with smaller, more individualized schools. If any student has questions about the vast variety of colleges, please see someone from the 11/12 team and get those questions answered. Parents are welcomed to reach out to us as well, so please ask any and all questions regarding college and careers after high school.



Sports News

Congratulations to CASB Boys and Girls High School Basketball teams for representing CASB with pride in our first ever IHSAA Basketball State Tournament appearance. Plans are already being made for off-season development and improvement. If you're planning to participate in a spring sport, make sure to get the paperwork turned in to the athletic office as soon as possible. You will not be allowed to participate without it.

Mr. Poynter, Athletic Director



Guidance Counselor News

2017-18 Scheduling: Now that ISTEP is completed, next year scheduling is underway. Mrs. Solberg will be meeting with current juniors in the next couple weeks, followed by sophomores, freshman and middle school. Upon meeting with the students, class schedules will be sent home for parent reviews.

CASB High Ability (HA) Program will be fully implemented next year at Career Academy. Students for HA will be identified using the NWEA test and the CogAT -which will be administered to all students grades 5-10 during the next few weeks. Parents of qualified students will be contacted after testing. Scheduling or HA questions can be directed to Mrs. Solberg at lsolberg@careeracademysb.com

Mrs. Solberg, Guidance Counselor

