

# Cougar News

## Principal Address

Hello CTF Families,

We have enjoyed a great start to the 2018-2019 school year! During the opening 7 days of school we worked as a building to create relationships between staff and students. We have focused on the idea of creating a familial environment and our CTF Motto. CTF stands for 'Corcoran The Family.' We firmly believe it takes a community to get a student across the stage and we want students to realize the community and family they have in our building. Our opening days included assemblies, field days, and an academic pep rally. We will continue to foster a strong culture and climate in which students, staff, parents and the community can take pride in Corcoran High School.

Another additional focus we will continue is providing engaging classrooms where we empower students to take ownership of their education. In promoting engaging classrooms, teachers are attending professional development on how to develop personalized learning lessons for their classrooms, and are implementing daily engagement strategies in their classrooms. The different strategies around personalized learning allow teachers to meet students where they are academically to personalize instruction which helps students find success in the classroom at their own pace; All of these strategies help towards our goal of building engaging classrooms.

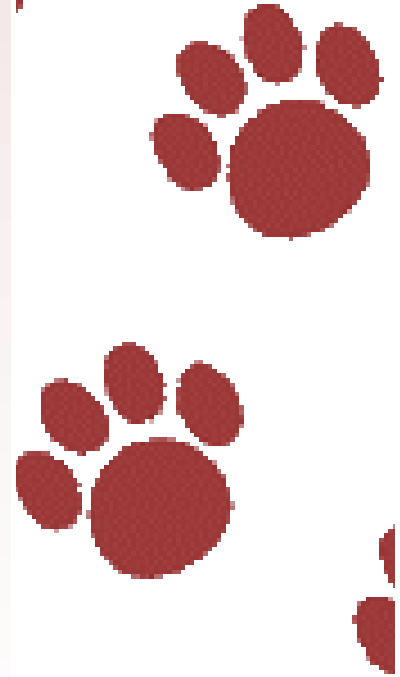
On Curriculum Night we focused on informational sessions around e-school, extra-curricular activities, and PTSO. We also provided grade level sessions where families were informed on the different curriculums at each grade level and how many credits/Regents are required at the end of every year. In addition, to support the families of Seniors, we have held informational Senior meetings this year to inform students and parents how many credits and Regents exams are needed for graduation. We will also have quarterly meetings throughout the year with students to inform them of how many credits they are on track to earn and to discuss their grades for the school year. This will help us celebrate the positive work our students are doing, and find areas in which we can support our students in reaching their academic achievements.

The first week of October was our spirit week. It was great watching so many students and staff participate! The CTF Spirit was in full effect, with the help of PTSO, as we dressed in our best Corcoran attire. The fall sports teams have been working hard this season and many students have come out to support each other. This support truly exemplifies CTF!

I am looking forward to a great school year with the amazing students and staff at Corcoran. I also look forward to working with parents, guardians, and the community as we continue to support our students in achieving all of their goals!

Thank you for your continued support. Go CTF!

Principal Jennings



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### Administrators

- Mrs. Jennings—Principal
- Mr. Straub— Vice Principal
- Mr. Hogle— Vice Principal
- Mr. Perez— Vice Principal
- Ms. Snell— Admin. Intern
- Ms. White—Instructional Coach

# School Counselors

Attention Seniors: Please mark your calendars with the following dates:

## COLLEGE VISITS FOR CTF SENIORS

September 24 1:45pm Alfred State University	September 26 9:30am Utica	September 26 10:30am US Marines Commons Area
October 1 9:00am Albany College of Pharmacy & Health Services	October 2 9:00am Oneonta College	October 2 10:30am Herkimer College
October 2 11:30am Allegheny College	October 2 12:00pm Genesee College	October 2 1:00pm Monroe Community College
October 3 10:30am US Air Force ROTC Commons Area	October 9 10:30am US Army Commons Area	October 10 9:30am University of Pittsburgh
October 11 11:00am College of St. Rose	October 12 9:00am Cayuga Community College	October 12 10:30am Sienna College
October 22 12:10pm Colgate College	October 23 11:45am Keuka College	October 24 11:30am Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT)
October 25 10:30am SUNY ESF	October 26 9:00am SUNY Potsdam	October 29 10:30am SUNY Canton

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Contact school counselors with any questions:

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## Senior Meeting Dates:

Thursday, October 11th @ 4:30 pm  
 Monday, November 5th @ 5:00 pm  
 Wednesday, November 7th @ 5:00 pm  
 Thursday, November 15th @ 5:00 pm

\*These senior meetings are **mandatory** and **must be attended** with a parent or guardian.

\*\* YOU WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR SENIOR ACTIVITIES WITHOUT ATTENDING A SENIOR MEETING

## Important Senior Dates & News:

\*OCC Open House—October 12th

\*Register for HBCU College tour information online.

[www.syracusecityschools.com](http://www.syracusecityschools.com)

Parent University— Family Fall Conference at ITC—mandatory conference for juniors and seniors who are interested.

\*Schedule your senior certification with your school counselor.

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# Academic Alerts

## New York State Graduation Requirements

### Upcoming Events

**October 4:** Curriculum Night  
6:00– 8:00PM

**October 8:** No School—  
Columbus Day

**October 10th**—PSAT practice  
test

**November 6:** Superinten-  
dent’s Conference Day— No  
School for Students

**November 7:** FASFA Night—  
Seniors ONLY @ 5:00 pm

**November 12:** Veteran’s Day  
– No School

**November 21– 23:** Thanks-  
giving Recess—No School

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Regents Diploma		Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation	
Content Area	Credits	Content Area	Credits
English	4	English	4
Social Studies	4	Social Studies	4
Math	3	Math	3
Science	3	Science	3
Foreign Language	1	Foreign Language	3
Art/Music	1	Art/Music	1
Health	.5	Health	.5
Physical Educa- tion	2	Physical Educa- tion	2
Electives	3.5	Electives	1.5
Total:	22	Total:	22

\*\*\*You need to earn **5 ½ credits per year** in order to graduate on time within four years!

That means **pass** your classes to earn your **credits**\*\*\*

\*\*\*To **graduate** from high school students must earn a total minimum of  
**22 credits** and pass at least **5 Regents Exams**\*\*\*

### Required Regents Exams

All exams require a passing grade of at least 65%

Regents Diploma 5 exams	Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation 9 exams
English Language Arts	English Language Arts
Algebra CC or Geometry CC	Algebra CC, Geometry CC, Algebra II CC
Global History and Geography	Global History and Geography
United States History	United States History
<b>1</b> Science (Living Environment, Earth Science, Chemistry, or Physics)	<b>2</b> Science (Living Environment, Earth Science, Chemistry, or Physics)
	Foreign Language- LOTE B Exam

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