I attended a professional development workshop last summer that focused on new ideas and projects for floral design classes. I knew there was a project I wanted to do for sure. It would be a cross-curricular project with the art department. I had a vision and an idea I just needed to collaborate with Ms. Roth to execute it. We met in August during our first Wednesday morning personal learning community and she was on board. In January we got our D period students together to start searching for famous works to complete for our projects. When the art students received approval from Ms. Roth on their selections they were ready to paint. Either working in pairs or individually they created 5 paintings. Master works included three Monet paintings, a van Gogh, and a work of Kandinsky. All master works were recreated by the Advanced Drawing and Painting 1 and 2 students: Axel Brambila, Frank Clark, Phoenix Jackson, Nick Loudermilk, Lena Magee, Liam Mullins, Bella Rossini, and Kyle Jackson.

Once the paintings were complete our floral students started pressing flowers and petals to use on the paintings. Waiting weeks for flowers to dehydrate and dry was the longest part of the whole project. When batches of petals were ready to be used floral students paired up to adhere them to the paintings. Using matte or polish adhesive, one by one, they started to cover the paintings with flowers. Each group selected which parts of the painting to cover. The Advanced Floral students included Desiree Alvarez, Kayla Armendariz, Gunnar Bertsch, Emily Cambra, Jolyssa Cerutti, Dalton Durossette, Lauren Gary, Arissa Jara, Mila Rawlins and Aaron Truxton.

Together, we framed them and will put them on display in the Kristi Phippen Art Gallery. It was such a great collaboration between the Art and Agriculture Departments and brought art to life!
April 3, 2020

Dear Catholic School Community:

As we head into Holy Week, it is without a doubt, this is a Lent we will never forget! Truly, this has been a challenging time for all of us. As we continue this journey, we need to remember that we are in this crisis together and Jesus is with us in the midst of it all. We need to believe this and we need to trust Him.

We wanted to brief you on our campus closures. We expect campuses to remain closed through the remainder of the school year; however, schools will return to their campuses earlier if public health officers deem it safe for them to do so. We will continue to work with public health authorities, and we will keep you updated as our country’s response to COVID-19 evolves.

Rest assured that as when we started this journey, our administrators, faculty and staff remain faithful to our Catholic identity, our academic standards, and our school communities, keeping our students engaged, learning, and connected. In the weeks to come, we will share details regarding reporting, instructional objectives, grading and assessments, summer opportunities, and plans for major events, including graduations and Baccalaureate Masses. In the meantime, we hope you take comfort in knowing the following:

- Teachers will continue to deliver curriculum, with a focus on readiness for the next grade level.
- Completion of student work will be required.
- Student learning will be assessed and recorded.
- Community connection will continue to be embedded into the lives of our students and families.
- Catholic identity will continue to be central to our work together.
- Directives from higher educational institutions are being monitored to create an alignment with diocesan remote learning plans.

We also understand that there have been some questions regarding tuition, and we want to take this opportunity to remind all families that although our campuses are closed, school is still in session and faculty and principals continue to work daily to ensure our students are receiving a quality, Catholic education. As a result, tuition will continue to be applied during this period. We would also like to remind all families that Catholic schools are critical to the evangelical mission of the Church in America. We must do everything we can to keep them strong for the next 200 years. Should you have any concerns regarding your tuition account, we ask that you contact your school administrator immediately.

We continue to keep you and yours in our prayers. We ask that you keep us in yours.

In the Peace of Christ,

Most Reverend Myron J. Cotta
Bishop of Stockton

Marian DeGroot Graham
Director for Catholic Schools

Read the article, Catholic Schools Trailblazing Distance Learning in California, here.
Lisa Carlson Short is doing her part during this COVID-19 crisis by offering a free workout for people who are 50 plus years and are sheltering in place, as a way to stay healthy.

After Lisa graduated from CCHS in 2004, she attended California State University, Stanislaus where she obtained a BA degree in Physical Education/Wellness. She has been a personal trainer since 2008 and started her business in 2012. She is currently the owner of Body Potential Fitness and recently participated in Central Catholic’s Career Day. WE invite you to check out her video here.

Tonee Cobb, from the Class of 2012, completed her undergraduate degree at the University of Oregon. She earned a Bachelors of Science in Human Physiology and minored in Chemistry and Business Administration. After graduation, she moved back to California and attended California State University, Stanislaus, to complete an accelerated second Bachelors of Science in Nursing. Tonee began her career as a nurse as a Clinical Nurse Resident in the Intensive Care Unit at Memorial Hospital in Modesto. She continues to work in the ICU and is humbled by the number of people she is able to support in their worst moments. In response to the Covid 19 outbreak, Tonee would like to remind everyone to take the “shelter in place” seriously and limit the number of individuals you come in contact with. Also, if anyone would like to donate protective equipment, please reach out to her in order to help support and protect hospital staff.

Julie Dykzeul-Early, Class of 1985, serves on our Central Catholic High School Alumni Association Board and is a current parent at Central Catholic High School. Julie is helping with this pandemic as a Registered Public Health Nurse, working in Public Health, at Emergency Services, and on case investigations. She is treating patients who have tested positive for Covid 19 and follows up on those who may have had contact with them.
You still have time to purchase Scrip for the 2019-2020 school year! During this time of uncertainty, the best way to purchase Scrip is through ShopWithScrip.

If you haven't already, please sign up for ShopWithScrip. CCHS requires all orders to be paid for online. You can use Visa, Mastercard or Discover at a 2.6% fee of your purchase. You can also set up online banking (Presto Pay which is similar to a PayPal account) at .15 per transaction. Please contact Carol Fields for the ShopWithScrip enrollment code.

You can reload your gas cards, purchase eGift Cards for stores like Safeway, Walmart, Target, CVS and many more. You can access them on your smartphone through www.myscripwallet.com and then log in to your ShopWithScrip account.

Please remember to purchase your Scrip before you make your purchases. All Scrip orders need to be pre-ordered and paid for in advance.

**Have you met your Scrip requirement?**
The end of the Scrip year is coming fast. Remember April 30, 2020 is the last day to purchase Scrip for the current year. All families are required to participate. If you have questions about this program, please contact Carol Fields at fields@cchsca.org.

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**Class of 2020 Parents:**
WE would love to share where our seniors are committing to go to college. Please send a picture (high-resolution if possible) of your student wearing apparel from their future college to info@cchsca.org.
First and foremost, at this time of great worry and uncertainty for us all, we sincerely hope that you and your loved ones are in good health.

WE are so grateful to all of you who either sponsored, donated, volunteered to help or purchased tickets to attend BASH 2020. As we have done with our classroom instruction, WE have to adjust how WE do things to continue to provide an exceptional and faith-filled education to our students. This includes BASH which is critical in funding the operations of our school.

To do this, WE will hold our auction online:

- The silent auction will be held over the course of a week (May 3 - May 8).
- WE will hold the live auction online on Friday, May 9 at 7:30pm.

Anyone will be able to tune in and participate. WE will begin sharing instructions on how to access both auctions throughout April through email, the Raiders Arrow, our website and social media.

WE would like to celebrate the Class of 2020 Seniors and our sponsors and supporters with dinner and the senior show if this quarantine is lifted before the end of the school year. WE are praying for the world and WE are praying that our students and families will be able to come back together before summer. WE will keep everyone posted.

WE understand that these changes and the impact of this worldwide pandemic have impacted all of us in different ways. Our request is this - when you get a chance, please bid on auction items. Please share the auction and our posts about the auction on Facebook and Instagram. If you planned to give at the event, please, still give. If you planned to give to the CC Fund this year, you can do this through the online auction as well by hitting the donate button which we will be sharing in the coming weeks.

WE believe that with your help, we can lessen the impact of coronavirus on our mission. Thank you for your support during this challenging time for our organization and our community as a whole. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Gratefully Yours,

Mitzi and Gina