

August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

# Charles H. Flowers H.S.

**Welcome to the  
“Mecca of  
Excellence”**

**SY 2019- Volume 1**



## Important Dates

**August 20<sup>th</sup>  
and 21<sup>st</sup>** 9<sup>th</sup> grade/ new student  
ID pictures 8:30am-3pm

**August 31st** 9<sup>th</sup> grade Orientation  
7:45am-2:25pm

**September  
4th** 1<sup>st</sup> day of school- all  
students

**September  
13th** Back to school Night  
6:30pm-9:00pm



## Message from Dr. Brown

I greet you in the spirit of excellence and welcome you to another successful school year!

Charles Herbert Flowers High School has a rich history of preparing young people to graduate college and career ready through our commitment to culture, collaboration and critical thinking. With the recent accomplishments of our robotics and debate teams, a nationally recognized culinary program and improved performance on the Advanced Placement exams we are proud to be recognized as a “Mecca of Excellence”. We will continue to work towards ensuring that every child is provided every opportunity to be successful and that they are inspired to work towards living their dreams daily. We understand that student success is a collaborative effort and look forward to working closely with you to motivate your young people to work towards their passion and potential. Together, we can accomplish amazing things on behalf of our young people!

Looking forward to partnering with you,

Dr. Gorman E. Brown, Principal

## Have questions?

Please feel free to check our website at [www.pgcps.org/charleshflowers/](http://www.pgcps.org/charleshflowers/), identify the appropriate school leader on the back page of this newsletter and send them an email or contact the school at 301-636-8000.

# A commitment to STEM

*We know that the 21<sup>st</sup> century offers a plethora of opportunities for those that are prepared to engage in Science, technology, Engineering and Mathematics. Through these disciplines and a commitment to inquiry based learning all students have the opportunity to be successful. If you would like your child to be involved in our Science and Technology magnet, Project "Lead the Way" Architectural Engineering, Fire Science, or Computer Science programs, please contact the coordinators listed on page four of this newsletter.*

## Uniforms- Special Referendum

There was a special referendum on the Mandatory Uniform Policy during July. Over 400 votes were cast with the following outcome:

Number of votes **FOR CONTINUING THE MANDATORY UNIFORM POLICY: 356 (79.2%)**

Number of votes **AGAINST CONTINUING THE MANDATORY UNIFORM POLICY: 93 (20.8%)**

CHF will therefore continue to be a Mandatory Uniform School for sy 2018-2019. For more information regarding the background on the referendum, process and outcome, please see our website.

## Uniforms- Requirements

### Shirts

**9th grade- White**

**10th and 11th grade- Forest Green**

**12th grade- Forest (dark) Green or Black**

### Pants

Black slacks, black khakis, black cargos, black jeans, black shorts (knee length)

PER THE PGCPs DRESS CODE, LEGGINGS ARE PROHIBITED

Sweat pants are prohibited

### Skirts

All skirts must pass the finger tip test and cannot be made of spandex material

### Shoes

Closed toe shoes of any color are acceptable

### Outerwear

Green, white, black sweaters without hoods, light jackets with CHFHS or CHF Program logo

### Prohibited items will be disciplined per the PGCPs Dress Code

Pants which allow sagging (showing of underwear)

Shirts which allow mid-section to be shown

Skirts made of spandex and/ or failing "finger tip" test

Muscle shirts or tank tops or other shirts exposing shoulders or chest.

## Uniforms- Endorsed Vendor

Citywide promotions will be providing online access to CHF and CHF/ Science and Technology uniform shirts and outerwear. The address for the CHF online store is as follows:

[https://www.tshirtdesignonline.com/ch\\_flowers\\_uniform\\_store/shop/home](https://www.tshirtdesignonline.com/ch_flowers_uniform_store/shop/home)

CHF will also have the Science and Technology patches for sale at the school for \$7. These patches can be sewn or ironed on to any shirt of your choice

## Identification cards

I.D. Badges must be worn at all times while on campus. Lifetouch will be taking I.D. School pictures on August 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> between the hours of 8:00am- 3:00pm for all new students. If your child does not have an I.D. please plan on have them attend on one of the two dates above. Replacement ID's will cost \$5.00.



**Our "Mecca" is committed to serving the community!**



Though we recognize that cell phones and other electronic devices have become an integral part of our daily live, they often become a barrier to teaching and learning. They are only to be used in classroom at the discretion of the teacher. Please help to reiterate that cell phone usage in the school setting is a privilege.



## College and Career Readiness

This is a new designation for all students graduating from Maryland State Department of Education Accredited schools. In order to gain this designation you must have a qualifying score in BOTH reading and math on one of the following exams:

	Math	Reading
SAT	500	500
Accuplacer	45	79
ACT	21	21
PARCC	>4	
Algebra II		
PARCC		>4
English 11		
AP	>3	>3

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### Book Bags

If it is your desire to have your child carry a book bag during the school day, please make sure that it is made of a clear or mesh material.

### Outside Food

Please refrain from bringing your young adult fast food during the school day. Additionally, as many students have food allergies providing students with baked goods is prohibited. Students found to be selling food items, have them delivered to the school, or are found to have left school to get food will have the items confiscated and destroyed.

### Closed Campus

CHF has a closed campus. Students may not exit the school prior 2:25pm unless being signed out by a parent/ guardian or attending dual enrollment courses.

### Arrivals and Departures

Please use the St. Joseph's Drive for student drop offs in the morning. The Prince George's County Police will be monitoring to ensure that cars are not entering the bus lot during this time. Pick ups may occur in this area as well.

### Half-day Requests

Seniors may request "half day" status if they have met all of their graduation requirements (including HSA and community service hours) and can document that they have a job that requires that they work during school hours. Juniors and Seniors who have qualified for dual enrollment and are registered for

college courses during the school day may request "half-day" status as well. All students on "half-day" status must leave the campus no later than 11am daily or endanger having their status revoked.

### Graduation requirements

English- 4 credits

Math- 3 credits (including Algebra and Geometry)

Science- 3 credits (including Biology)

Social Studies- 3 credits

Health- 0.5 credits

Personal Fitness- 0.5 credits

Technology Education- 1.0 credits

Fine Arts- 1.0 credit

Completer or Electives- 2 credits of consecutive world languages courses OR 2 credits of advanced technology OR 4-9 credits of a MSDE approved sequence of courses

Twenty-four approved independent service learning hours approved by the **School-Based Service-Learning Coordinator**. Most sites are non-profit, tax-exempt community-based organizations; however, for-profit nursing homes, hospitals, and licensed day-care facilities are also acceptable service sites.

Assessment requirements in Math (Algebra 1), English 10, Biology and LSN Government are detailed for each of the graduating classes on the attached documents.

### Compulsory Attendance

The school day begins at 7:45am and students are required to be in classes by no later than 7:50am. They are also required to be on time to all classes throughout the day. Teachers are not required to provide students with work when





Intelligence plus character- that  
is the goal of true education  
~Martin Luther King Jr.

The key to future success is not just to ensure that our young people are engaging with rigorous curriculum embedded with relevant learning opportunities, but that they also understand that they are citizens of a global society. What we prioritize will make a difference! Through our mentoring programs and service organizations we can ensure that our young people know that creating a better world is our priority!

*If you want to make a difference...*

**Volunteer!**

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