



# NEWSLETTER

**August 26-30, 2024**

**NEW BELL SCHEDULE**

**1<sup>st</sup> – 7:15 – 8:40    2<sup>nd</sup> 8:47 – 10:12    3<sup>rd</sup> 10:19 – 11:44    4<sup>th</sup> 12:21 – 1:46**

**Please don't forget to take care of your student dues if you haven't already done so.**

1. Scan/Click the QR code.
2. Choose Chain of Lakes Collegiate High
3. School Fund from the drop-down menu. Enter the amount of your donation.
4. Complete the donor information.
5. If this is NOT a corporate gift, enter "N/A" in the Corporate Gift Company Name box.
6. Enter payment information and complete the transaction.



- **Please note the new bell schedule at the top of this page which will go into effect on Wednesday, 8/28/24.** This will allow students an additional 10 minutes for lunch and 2 minutes between classes. We expect to see a reduction in tardies with this change.
- Polk County Public Schools is hosting a **college fair** tonight at Florida Southern College. Details are available on Facebook and Canvas. Please try to attend to speak to admissions representatives from Florida's colleges and universities.
- There will be a Zoom meeting tonight at 6:30 pm for those families interested in the upcoming **student travel opportunities**.
  - Zoom link:  
<https://efedu.zoom.us/j/86537909330?pwd=FWzFad5atsBhPh2RxdJZOddEyYhsz.1>
  - Meeting ID: 865 3790 9330
  - Passcode: Travel!

- **No school on Monday, 9/2/24** in observance Labor Day. COL and Polk State College will be closed.
- COL's **homecoming dance** will be on Saturday, 10/26/24 in the Polk State College gym. Start making plans; more details to follow.
- Families, **please return all beginning of year entry forms and the student performance contract to the COL office by 9/13/24.** After that date, students with unreturned forms will not be permitted to attend any extra-curricular activities, including club meetings and the homecoming dance. This is vitally important! <http://www.polk.edu/wp-content/uploads/Performance-Contract-COL-2024-2025Sign.pdf>
- The next **Senior Meeting/Countdown to Graduation is Friday, 9/6 at 9:00 a.m. in WST.** Senior meetings are MANDATORY! Arrange your schedules now!
- Parents, **THANK YOU** for your adherence to the new protocols for student drop-off and pick up AND for being sure you have your IDs with you when you visit the office. This has been a huge help!

**“You’re never as good as everyone tells you when you win, and you’re never as bad as they say when you lose.” Lou Holtz**