



## M-CHS DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Monday, February 21, 2022**

*It's a great day to be alive and to be a Panther!*

### **Today's Activities, February 21, 2022**

National FFA Week : Dress up day is Blue  
7:00am - Golf Net Golf Ball Practice in Aux Gym  
7:45am - SCYC Morning Movement Education  
4:30pm - SCYC Afternoon Movement Education  
5:00pm - Cortez Wrestling Club (PeeWee) in Wrestling Room

### **Friday, February 22, 2022**

National FFA Week - Dress up: Western  
7:00am - Golf Net Golf Ball Practice in Aux Gym  
7:45am - SCYC Morning Movement Education  
8:45am - FFA - Ag 1 Visits (Officers report to 1st and 3rd hour)  
12:00pm - Junior Prom Committee Meeting - Room 2211  
12:00pm - French and Spanish Club Meeting  
4:30pm - SCYC Afternoon Movement Education  
5:00pm - Cortez Wrestling Club in Wrestling Room  
6:00pm - Boys Basketball @ Bayfield for IML Pigtail Game (Departure: TBA)  
6:00pm - Girls Basketball Home vs. Bayfield for IML Pigtail Game

**\*\*\*PANTHER HIGHLIGHTS\*\*\***

### **New News:**

**All who are interested in participating in the spring sport season.... Baseball, Golf, Girls Soccer and Boys and Girls Track. All fees are \$60. And you must get your paperwork and physical completed and turned into the Activities office before February 24th. Practice for spring sports will start on Feb 28th.**

**Track Practice will start at 4:45pm at the High School Track Field.**

Remember, Tutoring is available in Math and Science during lunch. Bring your lunch and stay on top of your work; be proactive and don't wait to fall behind; Monday through Wednesday in Mrs. Curtis's room, 1103.

FYI Panthers: The French and Spanish Club will be having a Mardi Gras Party during lunch on March 1st! Come join in on the fun and make masks, take joker selfies, and bring cajun food you can earn some pesos or euros and get your free beads!

Native students and families. Have you heard of the Johnson O'Malley program? JOM pays for classroom and athletic fees up to \$160 for the school year. They are here to help! If you are a graduating senior, they will pay for your cap and gown to Pioneer Printing as well! For more information See Mrs. Elsie Walck in the Activities office or see the posted flyers! .

**Seniors: Are you wondering how you are going to meet the new Graduation Competency Requirements (if you have not already)? Introducing the ACT WorkKeys Assessments. By passing the WorkKeys assessments in English and math, you will meet your graduation requirements. Please speak with your school counselor if you have any questions about the assessment or the requirements. You may also obtain the signup form for the assessments from your counselor.**

**Opportunity of the day: BEYOND THE BOROUGH NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP ~ DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2022**

Never before has a college education been so important for success, and never before has a college education been so unaffordable to so many. The Beyond the Boroughs National Scholarship fund is committed to solving that problem. Funded by NFL veteran Tutan Reyes, whose life was transformed by the college scholarship he received. Beyond the Borough awards four-year scholarships worth \$20,000. See the counseling office on how to apply or apply at: [www.beyondtheboroughs.org](http://www.beyondtheboroughs.org)

To view all M-CHS calendar events, go to our website calendar at the link below:  
<https://www.cortez.k12.co.us/our-schools/mchs/calendar>

Also, visit our Montezuma-Cortez High School Facebook Page!

A promotional graphic for Spring Sports. The background is a collage of sports-related images: a red running track on the left, a baseball field in the center, a soccer ball on grass in the upper right, and a golf club with a ball on a tee in the lower right. The text is overlaid on the track and field images.

**1<sup>st</sup> Day of practice is Monday, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>**

# **SPRING SPORTS**

- ▣ **Baseball**
- ▣ **Golf-Girls**
- ▣ **Soccer-Girls**
- ▣ **Track & Field**  
(boys & girls)

**Get your Physical and paperwork in to the  
Panther Athletic Office before Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**(all fees are \$60)**



# Johnson O'Malley (JOM) Program FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2021-22

## JOM PROVIDES THE FOLLOWING:

- School supplies to K-5th grade students
- **MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS:** JOM pays for classroom and athletic fees up to \$160.00 this school year 2021-22. Please see Joni Anderson at M-CMS to turn in request for classroom and athletic fees. Contact: [janderson@cortez.k12.co.us](mailto:janderson@cortez.k12.co.us)
- **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:** JOM pays for classroom and athletics fees up to \$160.00 this school year 2021-22. Please see Elsie Walck at M-CHS with your request for classroom and athletic participation fees. Contact: 970-565-3722 ext. 2122 or email [ewalck@cortez.k12.co.us](mailto:ewalck@cortez.k12.co.us)



## ATTENTION SENIORS & SENIOR PARENTS:

JOM will pay for your graduating senior's cap & gown to Pioneer Printing (Cap & Gown Fees are in addition to the \$160 allotment)

Please submit the following required documents to M-CHS Activities Office:

1. Guardian/Parent completes the Pioneer Printing Cap & Gown order form (write JOM on top of the order form)
2. Attach copy of Tribal Blood quantum/C.I.B. (must be  $\frac{1}{4}$  Native American)
3. Letter or email from your school counselor to Mrs. Walck stating that student is on track to graduate
4. Completed the JOM Request Form with correct signatures
5. The Ute Mountain Ute Tribe who oversees the JOM Program, will pay Pioneer Printing directly. *JOM will not reimburse parents who pay for their students instead of going through the JOM process.*

## UTE MOUNTAIN UTE TRIBE

Alicia Whitehead,  
UMU Education Dept.  
Email:  
[awhitehead@utemountain.org](mailto:awhitehead@utemountain.org)



# SOUTHWEST COLORADO YOUTH BASEBALL / SOFTBALL

## 2022 Registration is OPEN



Tball: ages 4-6

Coach Pitch: ages 7-8

Kid Pitch: ages 9-10

Intermediate: 11U,  
12U, 13U, 14U

**Register Online:**

<https://swcll.leagueapps.com/leagues>

Or pick up packets locally at:

Hibbetts Sports or the Cortez Rec Center

**Registration Closes Feb 28<sup>th</sup>!**

COME JOIN IN THE FUN WITH THE FRENCH AND SPANISH CLUB!

MAKE MASKS, TAKE JOKER SELFIES, EAT CAJUN FOOD!

GET YOUR FREE BEADS! ALL ARE WELCOME!



**MARDI GRAS PARTY!**  
**MARCH 1ST!**  
**ROOM 2203 AT LUNCH!**  
**EARN EUROS/PESOS!**

BRING A HOMEMADE CAJUN DISH TO SHARE (5 EUROS/PESOS)

MAKE A MASK! (3 EUROS/PESOS)

ATTEND AND TAKE A JOKER SELFIE (2 EUROS/PESOS)



Colorado Workforce  
Development Council  
Colorado State Youth Council

Colorado Youth **connecting live** with professionals from all career clusters, backgrounds, and parts of Colorado.

# COLORADO YOUTH CAREER FAIR

**APRIL 18-21, 2022 (M-TH)**

**4:00-7:00PM ON ZOOM**

**WITH IN-PERSON**

Schedule, Registration,  
and Information @  
**[YOUTHCAREERFAIR.ORG](https://youthcareerfair.org)**  
++ **TWO \$200 CONTESTS**





Colorado Workforce  
Development Council  
Colorado State Youth Council

La Juventud de Colorado podrá **conectar en vivo** con profesionales de diversas profesiones, etnias, y contornos de Colorado.

# FERIA DE PROFESIONES PARA LA JUVENTUD DE COLORADO

**DEL 18 AL 21 DE ABRIL DEL 2022  
EN PERSONA POR ZOOM**


Para registrarse, el horario  
y más información vaya a  
**YOUTHCAREERFAIR.ORG**  
HABRÁ DOS CONCURSOS DE \$200



# 2022 GROWING UTE FUTURES



We are here to support  
student and families with  
school work help and  
technology guidance



School Work Help!

## Our Awesome Team:

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### SCOTT BAKER

Program Manager

### SARAH BEGAY

Secondary Transitions Coordinator

### SHERRELL LANG

Community Wrap Around  
Program Coordinator

### MYKYLE ETHELBAH

Information Technology  
Technical Specialist

### CANDIDA KETCHUM

Student Navigator

### CARA WALL

Student Navigator

### LELAND COLLINS JR.

Student Navigator

### LELANI MANNING

Student Navigator

### AARON HAMMOND

Student Navigator

### TRISTAN WATTS

Student Navigator

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## OFFICE LOCATION:

UTE MOUNTAIN LEARNING CENTER

## CONTACT US:

[growingutefutures@gmail.com](mailto:growingutefutures@gmail.com)

970-560-4212

970-238-0168

970-570-6143





# **HEY PANTHERS!** **THE M-CHS 2021-2022 YEARBOOK** **IS FOR SALE!!**



**Our theme is**  
**“Piece of the Panther Puzzle”**



**Preorder Here by April 8<sup>th</sup>:**

**<https://store.shopyearbook.com/m-chs-2021-2022-yearbook>**



**Hardcover: \$54.99**  
**eYearbook: \$9.99**



**Upload Photos Here!**

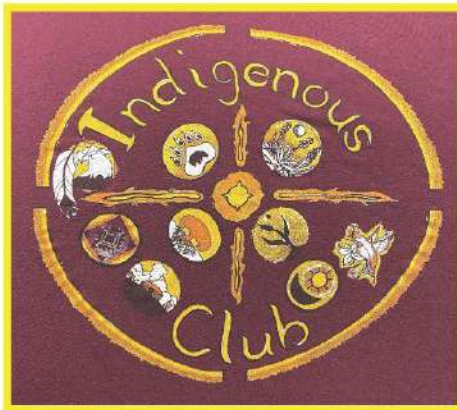


**Buy Here!!**





# MONTEZUMA-CORTEZ HIGH SCHOOL



## Indigenous Club Meetings

**When:** *Every Thursday After School*

**Where:** *Room 1106*

**Time:** *4:25 PM to 5:25 PM*

### ***FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES 2022:***

- Working with Fozzie Farm (Signs in English, Ute, and Navajo Language)
- FAMILY POTLUCK, FEB. 17, 2022
- WINTER GAMES/STORIES

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Services Provided at the SBHC:

- ◊ Sport Physicals - \$25 fee, Medicaid will cover
- ◊ Acute illness/Injury
- ◊ Reproductive Health
- ◊ Behavioral Health
- ◊ COVID Testing

Call to schedule an appointment:

970.564.4855  
418 S. Sligo St.

Monday-Thursday:  
8:30-4:30

Friday:  
Closed



Caring for students, parents, and RE-1 School District Faculty close to home



Catherine Trammell, LPC



Teresa Brown Sanchez, F-NPC

# PAID INTERNSHIP

Montezuma County Youth  
9th grade students and up  
February to May 2022



*Paint A Moral*

RAISE AWARENESS  
& BUILD SKILLS

Child Maltreatment Prevention  
Action Team

&

School Community Youth  
Collaborative



Contact: Angela Adams  
aadam@scyclistens.org  
602-505-0308

# Attention M-CHS PANTHERS!

Show off your artistic talent and win \$200!



## SUP2sack Poster Contest

- 1 High School Poster contest to reduce single use plastic (SUP) bags in Cortez
- 2 \$200 cash prize
- 3 Winning poster will be published on LOR Facebook and displayed throughout Cortez
- 4 Each contestant will receive a **FREE SUP2sack**
- 5 Deadline is **March 1st**
- 6 Complete the form on the back and return it with your poster submission



Entry form on back of poster

### SUP2sack High School Poster Contest Rules

- Deadline is **March 1st**
- Poster must be no larger than 11" x 17"
- Use the **SUP2sack** title
- Have an original slogan
- Use a computer graphic or drawing
- Include a current statistic referencing SUP sacks
- Entry form below **MUST** be completed, signed, and returned for submission to be considered.
- Email poster entry to: [SUP2sack@gmail.com](mailto:SUP2sack@gmail.com) with a photo of your poster or the computer generated poster.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

(gives permission to use child's name and/or photo)



**You can print the attached entry form  
or pick one up in the Front Office!**

# YOU ARE SCHOLARSHIP MATERIAL



If integrity, determination, and courage describe you – you have what it takes to be a Horatio Alger Scholar. Our scholarships reward students who possess the character to succeed in life. We help students overcome the financial barriers of pursuing higher education. To qualify, you must have at least a 2.0 GPA and require financial assistance to attend college. To learn more and apply, visit [scholars.horatioalger.org](http://scholars.horatioalger.org).

The eligibility criteria to be considered for Horatio Alger National and State Scholarships are as follows:

- Be enrolled full-time as a high school junior
- Exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a **bachelor's degree** at an accredited non-profit public or private institution in the United States (students may start their studies at a two-year institution and then transfer to a four-year institution)
- Demonstrate critical financial need (\$55,000 or lower adjusted gross family income is required)
- Be involved in co-curricular and community service activities
- Display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity
- Hold a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0
- Be a United States citizen

Awardees will receive  
financial aid counseling  
and college selection advising!

**Application Deadline: March 15**

Here is the link to the application to become an at-large member of  
DAC: <https://forms.gle/8gaLZJpOO1bm7Jn36>

# Attention M-CHS Parents/Guardians!

**M-CHS is providing sack lunches  
for our students for NO SCHOOL FRIDAY's**

Lunches for Fridays will be distributed to the student at the end of the day on Thursdays. If you would like a sack lunch for your student, each week parents/guardians will need to sign up through the school kitchen by the end of the day on Tuesday's that week.

Please call or email the M-CHS Kitchen Manager,  
Victoria Dennison at 970.565.3722 ext. 2135  
[vdennison@cortez.k12.co.us](mailto:vdennison@cortez.k12.co.us)





THE CHILD MALTREATMENT  
PREVENTION ACTION TEAM'S

# PAID INTERNSHIP

Bring your ideas to the table high  
school students!



**FEBURARY - MAY 2022**

Contact [aadams@scyclistens.org](mailto:aadams@scyclistens.org) to apply

## **AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM/BROADBAND DISCOUNT PROGRAM**

As of 12/13/21, eligible households are encouraged to apply to receive up to \$30 per month discount toward internet service up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands.

Households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price.

A household is eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program if a member of the household meets at least of the criteria below:

- ◆ Has an income that is at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines;
- ◆ Participates in certain assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC, or Lifeline;
- ◆ Participates in Tribal specific programs, such as Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Tribal TANF, or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations;
- ◆ Is approved to receive benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program or the school breakfast program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision in the 2019-2020, 2020-2021, or 2021-2022 school year;
- ◆ Received a Federal Pell Grant during the award year; or
- ◆ Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income program.

For more information about the Affordable Connectivity Program, please visit: <https://www.fcc.gov/ACP>

SCHOOL COMMUNITY YOUTH COLLABORATIVE &  
COMMUNITIES THAT CARE PRESENTS THE



# YOUTH ACTIVITY CALENDAR



Communities  
That Care  
*of*  
Montezuma County



MONTEZUMA COUNTY YOUTH ARE  
YOU INTERESTED IN DOING  
SOMETHING IN YOUR AREA?

IF YOU ARE LOOK NO FURTHER  
THAN THE YOUTH ACTIVITY  
CALENDAR

<https://www.scyclistens.org/youthactivitycalendar>



## TIMELINE

- Application Due: March 2, 2022
- Winner Announced: April 13, 2022

**\$1,500**  
**Scholarship**

## ABOUT THE COMPETITION

As an education company committed to preparing students for their future, CollegeDrive celebrates educational opportunities and recognizes the importance of higher education in helping individuals reach their greatest potential.

To demonstrate our commitment, we are pleased to announce this year's CollegeDrive Scholarship Competition. The winner receives a \$1,500 scholarship to be used to further their education.

## SUBMISSIONS

For a submission to be considered, it must include a completed application form and qualifying entry. Submissions must be received by 12:00 AM MST on Wednesday, March 2, 2022.

## RULES

For complete rules, application information and to submit entries, go to:

[CollegeDrive.com/scholarship](https://CollegeDrive.com/scholarship)

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a high school student or graduate with plans to further their education.
- For video submissions, you must include #CollegeDriveScholarship and a link to [CollegeDrive.com/scholarship](https://CollegeDrive.com/scholarship)



## 2021-2022 SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

### SCHOLARSHIP TOPIC

TELL US ABOUT A TIME WHEN YOUR  
BELIEFS WERE CHALLENGED.  
HOW DID THIS EXPERIENCE CHANGE YOU?

Students must complete the application and submit an essay (250-500 words in length) or video (4 minutes or less) that addresses the scholarship topic.



Questions? Call 720-496-2243 or email [CDScholarships@BaronEd.com](mailto:CDScholarships@BaronEd.com)



If you've ever said,  
*"I'm struggling. I want help,"*  
you are in the right place.

### **Introducing "I Matter" telehealth**

Youth and their parents can visit the I Matter platform to take a confidential online survey about their mental health and schedule sessions with a licensed behavioral health clinician, primarily online over telehealth.

All Colorado youth are eligible to receive free services. The purpose of I Matter is to promote youth emotional and mental health.

You will be eligible for 3 free counseling sessions.

Parents, if you feel your child is struggling and needs help, you are in the right place to talk to a mental health professional for free. Seeking support for your child is not a sign of failure—it's a sign of strength.

<https://imattercolorado.org/>

# Are you a Montezuma County High School Student?

**JOIN US  
IN PERSON  
OR  
VIRTUALLY**

*join*

## YOUTH LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

**SCYC**  
School Community Youth Collaborative

Thursdays  
6:00-8:30 pm  
Cortez  
Cultural  
Center

*Drop in  
Check it  
out*

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is providing **free** over-the-counter rapid tests for parents, guardians, and caregivers to administer to school-aged children at home.

Please visit

<https://covid19.colorado.gov/covid-19-testing-at-home>

to order test kits that are shipped directly to your home.

\*Each order includes four tests, which recipients can use to test themselves or their children.

If you are interested in receiving multiple kits, you will need to reorder tests.

Tests do not automatically ship on a recurring basis.

Households can place two orders per week\*

*Click on the link below*

<https://covid19.colorado.gov/covid-19-testing-at-home>

**COVID-19 Testing Sites for Montezuma and La Plata Counties**  
*Availability of results varies by testing site and type of test used*  
Request FREE Rapid home tests at <https://covid19.colorado.gov/covid-19-testing-at-home>

**MONTEZUMA COUNTY**

**Southwest School Based Health Center**

(970) 564-4855 @ 418 S. Sligo St. Cortez, CO 81321 (MCHS campus)

Monday - Thursday 8:30am-4:30pm (closed 12-1)

Friday 8:30am-4pm (closed 12:30-1) (through February 2022 only)

<https://www.swhealth.org/schoolzone/>

*Closures coincide with School District calendar/closures*

*Appointments Required*

**Drive-Thru Testing at SW Memorial Hospital Emergency Services Building**

(970)565-6666 (behind/North of the hospital campus)

Monday - Friday 10am to 2pm

<https://www.swhealth.org/covid-19info/>

*No Appointment Necessary*

**Walgreens Pharmacy**

(970)564-9165 @ 1671 E. Main Ave. Cortez, CO 81321

Monday-Friday 9am-7pm; Saturday 9am-6pm

<https://www.walgreens.com/findcare/covid19/testing>

*Make an appointment online for drive-thru testing*

**Walk-in Clinic 7 days a Week**

(970)564-1037 @ 1413 N. Mildred Rd. Cortez, CO 81321 (North of the hospital campus)

Monday - Friday 8am to 7pm; Saturday & Sunday 9am to 5pm

<https://www.swhealth.org/walkin/>

*Provider Visit Required; No appointment necessary*

**Cortez Integrated Health Care - AXIS Health Systems**

(970)565-7946 @ 691 E. Empire St. Cortez, CO 81321

Monday-Friday 8am-5pm (open Tuesdays 8am-6pm)

<https://www.axishealthsystem.org/locations/cortez/cortez-integrated-healthcare/>

*Available for current patients only - accepting new patients - complete form online*

**Ute Mountain Ute Health Center**

(970) 565-4441 @ 232 Rustling Willow Street Towaoc, CO 81334

Monday-Friday 7am-5pm (Closed Tuesdays 7am-12:30 only)

<https://www.ihs.gov/albuquerque/healthcarefacilities/utemountainute/>

*After Hours Triage Nurse: 1-970-565-4441 then press number 5 or 1-866-334-8431*

**LA PLATA COUNTY**

<https://sjbpublichealth.org/testing/> (970)247-5702 or <https://covidcheckcolorado.org/>

*Register online for free testing sites at <https://my.primary.health//cdphe>*

**La Plata County Fairgrounds**

(720)419-1087 @ 2500 Main Ave. Durango, CO 81301 Mon-Thur & Sat: 1pm – 5pm

**Fort Lewis College Stadium**

(720)419-1087 @ 1000 Rim Drive, Durango, CO 81301- parking lot near football field

Monday-Friday 7am-12pm; Saturdays 8am-12pm

Animas Urgent Care (970) 385-2388 450 S. Camino Del Rio (Hwy 550) Durango, CO 81301

Walgreens Pharmacy Durango (970) 385-1001 2701 Main Ave. Durango, CO 81301

# Leap into Drivers Education!

*Get your permit this Spring*



## Enroll Now!

### Online Drivers Education

Colorado DMV Certified Drivers Education Program

**New!**

**\$29**

### Unlimited Online Permit Test Practice to help you pass on your first try!

Build your confidence for passing the test.

**To Enroll:**

Call: (720) 576-0957

Email: DeborahH@BaronEd.com

### Self-Paced Online Courses

**\$55**

- Comprehensive 30 hour course for students under 16
- Colorado Express course for students 16 and over

**To Enroll:**

[mchs.bedrivingus.com/enroll](http://mchs.bedrivingus.com/enroll)

### Live - Online Zoom Classes

**\$99**

- 30 hour course in 8 sessions for teens under 15 1/2
- 4 hour Driver Awareness Course for students over 15 1/2

**To Enroll:**

Call: (720) 576-0957

Email: DeborahH@BaronEd.com



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