

CHS Leadership Conference

2023



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Schedule

Open
7:19 - 7:55

Learning Commons:

College Panel
8:00 - 8:33

Financial Literacy Panel
8:40 - 9:13

STEM Panel
9:20 - 9:53

Career Center:

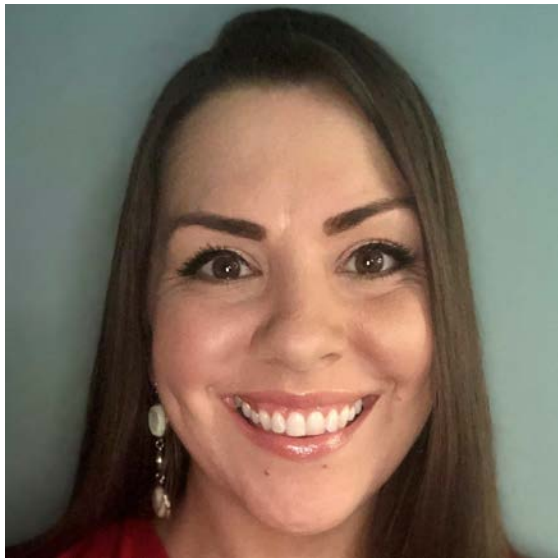
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Closing Ceremony
Learning Commons: 10:00 - 10:24

College Panel



Jennifer Orsini (She/Her/Hers):

Jennifer Orsini is a School Counselor at CHS, servicing students in Whittier House. She is also the Advisor to the Mentor Executive Board and a Co-Advisor both for Advanced Placement and to the Class of 2025. Mrs. Orsini attended Saint Anselm College (where she earned a Bachelor's degree in English and Certification in Communications), and Lesley University (at which she earned a Master's Degree in Counseling). Outside of CHS, Mrs. Orsini is a College Counselor and Essay Specialist for a local college consulting company.

Moderator



Drew Carter: Drew Carter is the Senior Associate Director of Admission at Holy Cross. He's worked in the Admission Office at Holy Cross for sixteen years now, and in his free time, he enjoys fighting crime, spreading world peace, singing duets, and searching for the best American-made doughnuts (not necessarily in that order).



Douglas Seed: Douglas Seed is the Senior Assistant Director of Admissions at UMass Lowell and this is his 11th year in the UMass Lowell admissions office. He is a 2004 graduate from UMass Lowell with a major of Business Administration: Marketing. He strives to help students discover how UMass Lowell can set them on the right path to achieving their goals. He loves golf, the Patriots and playing video games with his 10 year old son, Henry.



Gregg Cohen: Gregg Cohen is the Founder and President of Campus Bound, a company that supports hundreds of students each year with finding, applying, and paying for college. Gregg has appeared on multiple media outlets over the last 20 years to discuss elements of the college admissions and financial aid process. Campus Bound is pleased to partner with the CHS Guidance Department to educate and support families with college financial issues.

Business Panel



Andy Shupe (He/Him/His):

Andy Shupe has been a Business Education Teacher at CHS since 2001, teaching all disciplines of business. In addition to his teaching duties Mr. Shupe is a co-advisor to DECA, a club for business students that compete at a local, state, and national level each year. Outside of school Mr. Shupe has been the General Manager of Russell Mill Swim and Tennis Club in Chelmsford since 2005. Mr. Shupe is a graduate of CHS and currently lives in Chelmsford with his son Matthew.

Moderator

**Leanne Cote:**

Leanne's diverse audit experience spans multiple industries and company dynamics. She has extensive experience working with multi-national SEC-registrants, including integrated audits, as well as family-owned and private equity-backed enterprises. Leanne leverages her experience to provide a high quality and efficient audit process while also providing insights on a range of topics, including transition planning and recommendations on operational and financial process/control improvements. Leanne received her Bachelors in Corporate Finance and Accounting and her Master in Accountancy from Bentley University.

**Jeff Strassman:**

Jeff is a Partner at Grant Thornton, serving primarily in the Firm's audit practice while also providing advisory and consulting services. He serves on Grant Thornton's National Manufacturing Leadership Team. He previously held roles within the Firm's professional standards group as well as the Firm's national revenue recognition team. Jeff received his Master in Accountancy from Bentley University.

David Model:

As Chief Operating Officer of Triton Systems, Inc., David has over 40 years of business experience in energy, defense, biotech, and other high technology fields. David has served as CFO of two of Triton's public company spin-offs, CEO, CFO or COO of seven privately financed affiliate companies, and as a board member of several of these companies. David holds an MBA from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and a BA from Yale University. He is a member of his town's Select Board, having previously served on the School Committee and the Finance Committee.



Financial Literacy Panel



Alex Cunningham (She/Her/Hers):

Alex Cunningham is the Career & College Readiness Facilitator at Chelmsford High School; she works to support students plan a successful future. Alex has 5 years' experience in workforce development. Prior to her current position at CHS, she worked on state and federal funded grants to support inmates and help underprivileged youth obtain work readiness skills to become employable and successful. When she is not working, you can find her hanging out with friends and family, and, most importantly, her English Bulldog Luna!

Moderator



Tim Daley:

A CHS alum ('01), Tim Daley has been with Ameriprise Financial since 2006, starting off as an administrative assistant. He has been a licensed Financial Planner since 2008, where he work with individual clients and small companies. Tim manages client meetings, conducts client acquisition, develops financial analyses and advises on recommendations. He also reviews portfolios and assists with appropriate investment decisions. He is also a college hockey referee working in Hockey East, ECAC and local Division 3 leagues, as well as local high school. He has had the privilege to work 2 Division 1 National Championships and a total of 5 Frozen Fours.

Tim lives in Bedford, MA with his wife Ali, son Owen, and dog Winni. He enjoys spending time up in New Hampshire and Vermont boating, hiking, golfing, and skiing!



Jack Clancy:

Jack Clancy was appointed as the CEO of Enterprise Bank in 2007. He joined Enterprise Bank as the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer during its founding in 1988. Enterprise Bank is headquartered in Lowell, MA with 26 offices throughout the Merrimack Valley, Essex, and North Central regions of Massachusetts, and across Southern New Hampshire.

Jack has held numerous community board and advisory positions over the years and currently serves as a board trustee and chairperson of the finance committee at Lowell General Hospital, as a member of the Tufts Medicine finance committee, a member of the Lowell Plan board of directors and executive committee, as chairperson of the board of directors and a member of the finance and compensation committees at Massachusetts Housing Partnership, and as a board member and member of the compensation committee at the New Hampshire Bankers Association.

Leadership throughout Panel



Christine Lima (She/Her/Hers):

Christine Lima is a school counselor in Hawthorne House. She has been part of the Chelmsford Public School for the past 18 years. Her students are her top priority and make the job rewarding. She also has two boys at home, Josh and Nick, that keep her on her toes. They have attended many Chelmsford activities over the years with her and are welcomed into Lion town every time, even if they are from Billerica!

Moderator



Simon Cataldo:

Simon Cataldo (he/him) is the State Representative for the 14th Middlesex District, which includes parts of Acton, Concord, Chelmsford, and all of Carlisle. Representative Cataldo grew up in West Concord. He studied Environmental Science at Colorado College, then became a special education math teacher with Teach for America in Harlem, NYC. While in Harlem, he launched Harlem Lacrosse, which is now a national non-profit serving at-risk youth in 5 cities, including Boston. Representative Cataldo later went to law school at the University of Virginia, then became a federal prosecutor at the U.S. Justice Department's Public Integrity Section. He prosecuted numerous public officials for corruption related crimes, including a Sheriff, a Judge, and various elected officials. Running for State Representative was Rep. Cataldo's first campaign for political office.



Officer Steve Conklin and Officer Chris Chipchak:

We, the Chelmsford Police Department, in partnership with our community are committed to maintaining the peace, protecting life and property, and providing professional law enforcement and crime prevention services. We accept the challenge of reducing the fear of crime by the prevention of criminal activity. We shall provide these services with compassion, dignity, and a proficiency within the framework of the United States Constitution. To enhance the quality of life for all citizens we will cooperate with other agencies and groups to resolve community concerns. To fulfill our mission, the Chelmsford Police Department will provide a supportive work environment that fosters the professional development of its members. Service will be our commitment...Honor and integrity our mandate.

STEM Panel



David Steeves (He/Him/His):

Mr. Steeves holds an undergraduate degree in electrical engineering (B.S.E.E.), master's degree in manufacturing engineering (M.M.S.) and master's degree in science education (M.Ed.), all from the University of Massachusetts. He has been teaching Introduction to Engineering Design and Principles of Engineering (PLTW) and Robotics for the past six years at CHS. Prior to that he taught AP Physics at CHS for twenty years. Mr. Steeves is an avid technology enthusiast who enjoys flying drones, filming his mountain biking adventures with GoPro cameras and spending time outside with his family. He is also a F.A.A. Part 107 licensed drone pilot.

Moderator



Anna Urra:

Anna Urra-Mody is a Technical Leader at Google with 15+ years of experience in the software engineering field. She has built expertise in different areas including cloud and virtualization as well as network performance management, monitoring and assurance. Anna has a Ph.D. in Information Technology from University of Girona (Spain) and has published papers in top academic conferences and journals.



Tyler Peters:

Tyler Peters is a Scientist for Oxford Biomedica Solutions in Bedford MA. They are a Gene Therapy company focused on treating rare disease, and his area of expertise is on Drug Product and Formulation! He has his Bachelors in Biology from UMass Lowell.



Manogna (Manu) Sripathi:

After graduating from Chelmsford High in 2018, Manu Sripathi went on to study Biomedical engineering at Georgia Tech. Through coursework and internships at Alcon and Philips, she discovered her interests lay in the intersection of medical devices and computer science. After graduating from Georgia Tech in 2022, Manu has been working at Philips as a Medical Devices Software Tester working on patient health monitors.



Jeff Coco:

Jeff is a passionate team-oriented leader with 15+ years of experience in the networking/security industry. Over those 15+ years he has been focused on building a team of technical security professionals that provide world class support for their ever-expanding solutions and customer base. Jeff began his professional journey as a Technical Support Engineer, learning from the ground up about networking and the security industry in general.

Leadership in the Arts Panel



Moderator

Lauren Cochran (She/Her/Hers):

Mrs. Lauren Cochran has worked at Chelmsford High School for 25 years as a music, theatre and film teacher. She holds a Masters in Education from Cambridge College and a Bachelor in Music Education from UMass Lowell. In addition to teaching she is the Activities Director at Chelmsford High School and has been the Theatre Guild Advisor for 20 years. She also was the original advisor for the CHS Dance team. Currently she co-advises the new Civic Action Club at CHS. She is a member of the Chelmsford Telemedia Board and also a member of the town's Diversity, Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee. Most recently she has taken on the presidency of the Chelmsford Teachers' Union. She has been happily married for 40 years and has two grown adult children. Prior to returning to teaching after a long hiatus, Mrs. Cochran worked as a marketing communication manager for a software company.



Lexy Lattimore:

Lexy Lattimore (she/her) is an artist, director, and a social worker. She is the Executive Director of the Chelmsford Center for the Arts, a multi-venue performance and arts center. Lexy graduated from CHS in 2010 and is the first African American woman to serve in a Director-level role in Chelmsford.

She has produced her own work in NYC, Boston, Durham, and Cleveland.



Ben Rose:

Benjamin Rose is a freelance photographer and multidisciplinary artist currently based in Lowell, MA. The photographic genres he is most skilled in are headshots, portraiture, production photography, weddings, and events. He studied theatre in college, which is how he got his start in photography, and his experience as a director has especially influenced his work and processes. He most enjoys collaboration and being able to use his photography to promote the work and careers of other artists.



Becky Chiasson:

Becky Chiasson is a dancer, choreographer, and business owner. She is the owner/artistic director of Spotlight Dance Academy in Westford, MA. Becky graduated from CHS in 2003 and from Fitchburg State University in 2007. Becky started the CHS Dance Team in 2001 and she is celebrating her Dance studio's 15th year in business.

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