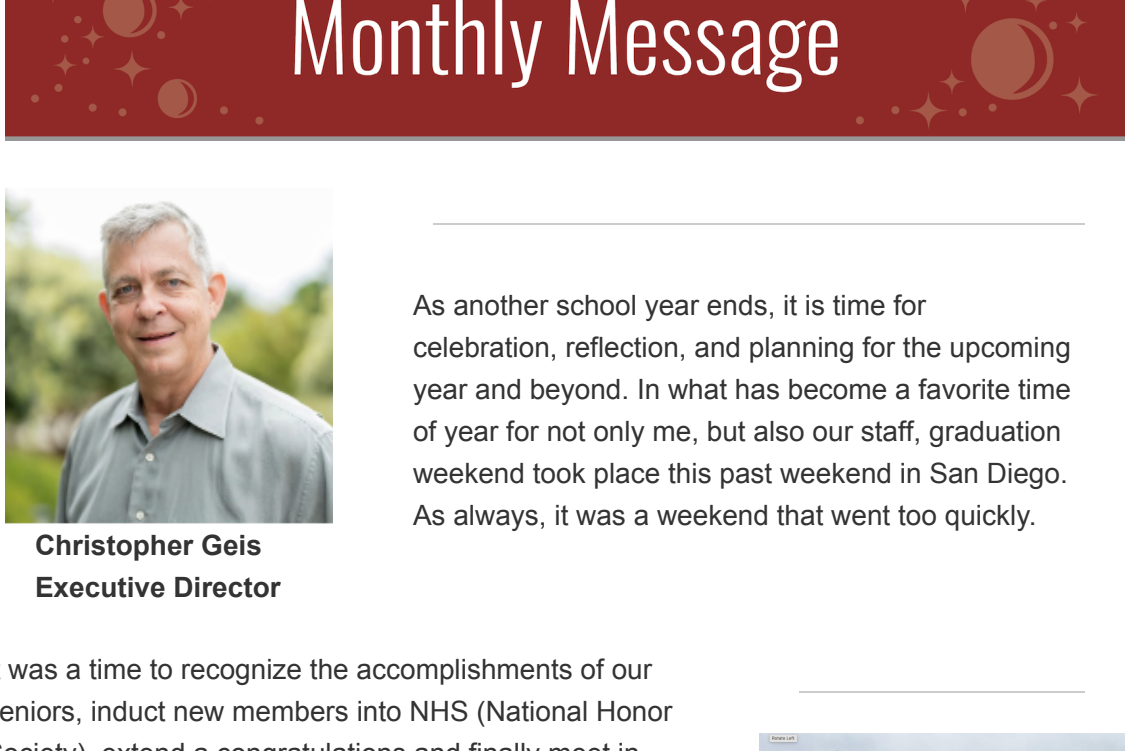
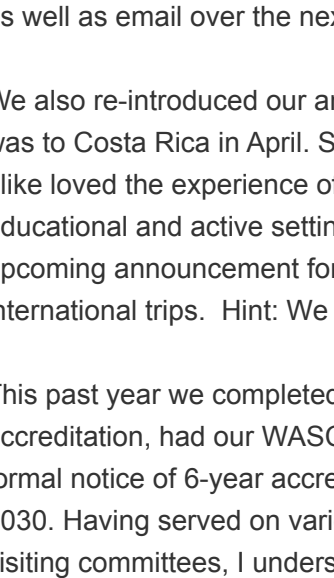


# Parent/Student MONTHLY NEWS NOTES



## Monthly Message



**Christopher Geis**  
Executive Director

It was a time to recognize the accomplishments of our seniors, induct new members into NHS (National Honor Society), extend a congratulations and finally meet in person parents and students that we've worked so closely with through the year and some who have been with CMASAS (Christa McAuliffe Academy School of Arts and Sciences) since the first grade. Seeing students finally meet in person and create lifelong friendships is what makes the weekend so special. Congratulations to all graduating seniors and new NHS members! We will be sharing photos and videos through our [social media](#) pages as well as email over the next month. Tune in!

We also re-introduced our annual international trip which was to Costa Rica in April. Students, parents, and staff alike loved the experience of traveling together in an educational and active setting. Be on the lookout for an upcoming announcement for our 2024 and 2025 international trips. Hint: We will be going to Europe!

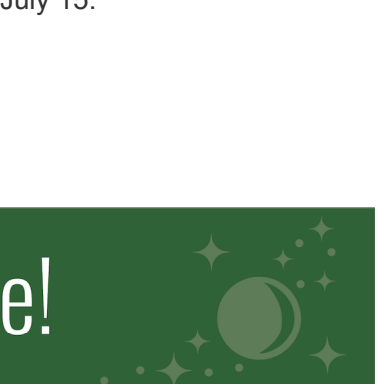
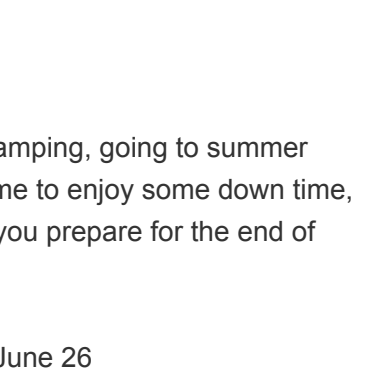
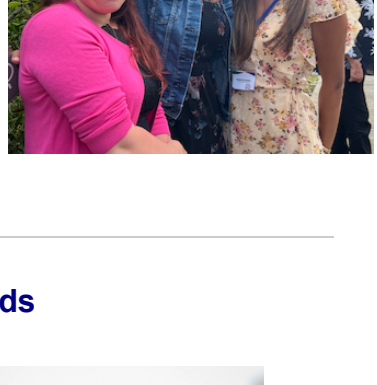
This past year we completed our self-study for accreditation, had our WASC Virtual Visit and received our formal notice of 6-year accreditation term through June 30, 2030. Having served on various WASC accreditation visiting committees, I understand what an accomplishment a full 6-year term is for an online school. I want to thank everyone who participated in providing the visiting committee with the tools, resources, and understanding of the many benefits a CMASAS Personalized Education provides. The self-study also provides a roadmap for the next 6 years for school improvement projects. We are excited to begin working toward implementing their recommendations and look to continually improve our offerings - one of those being the addition of School AI for our Course Instructors and students.

As many students are completing their final courses of the 2023-2024 school year, we all are looking forward to taking time in July to relax, rejuvenate, and spend time with family and friends - whether that be staying close to home or traveling this summer. Whatever your plans are, I would love to hear what plans you have for this summer.

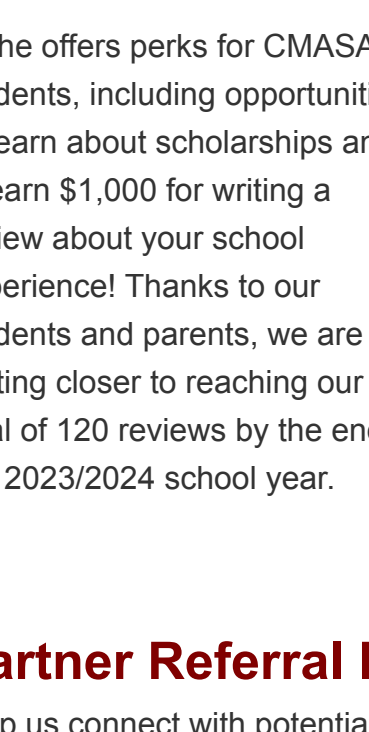
I also personally invite you to share your experiences with other families looking to move to an online school. Please continue to help us get the word out about CMASAS. Below my message, you will find links to write a Niche Review, share some of your contacts that we can potentially partner with through our new Partner Referral program, and receive discounts on your tuition by recommending CMASAS to your friends and family members. Thanks in advance for all of your support!

Looking forward to another amazing year working with some of the most dedicated, passionate educators I have had the privilege to work with over the past 15 plus years.

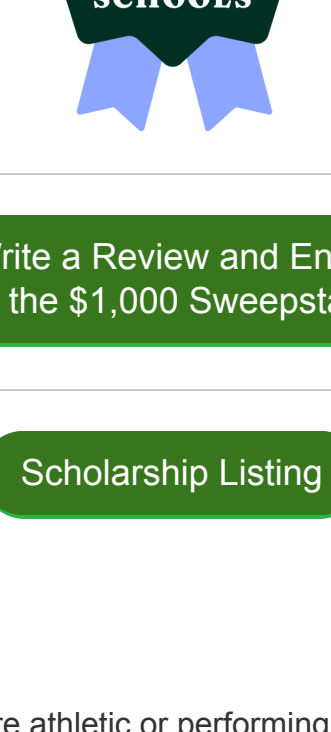
Have a happy and safe summer break!



### Message from CMASAS Leads



**Daisy Cheatham**



**Cierra Tredway**

Hi Everyone,

We hope you are all excited for summer! Whether you are camping, going to summer camp, vacationing with friends and family, or just staying home to enjoy some down time, we hope you are able to relax and enjoy a slower pace. As you prepare for the end of the school year, here are some dates and reminders:

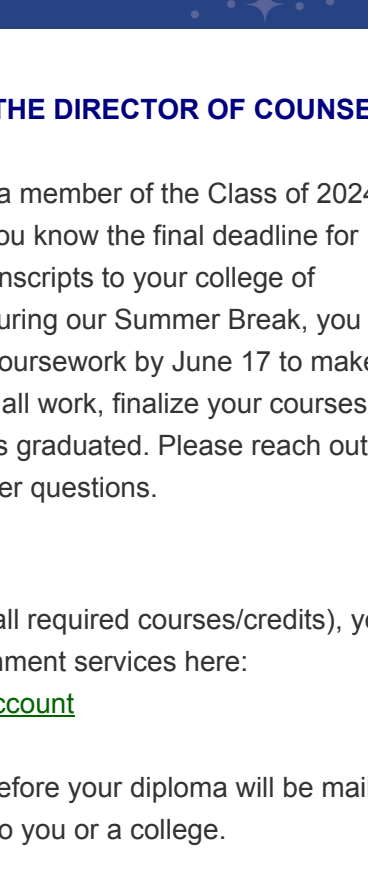
- The 2023/2024 school year officially ends on Wednesday, June 26
- The first day of the 2024/2025 school year will be Monday, July 15.
- From June-August there will be no clubs or homerooms.

Enjoy your break!

## Let's Celebrate!

### Thank You for the Reviews - We are almost at our goal!

Niche offers perks for CMASAS students, including opportunities to learn about scholarships and to earn \$1,000 for writing a review about your school experience! Thanks to our students and parents, we are getting closer to reaching our goal of 120 reviews by the end of the 2023/2024 school year.



Write a Review and Enter into the \$1,000 Sweepstakes

Scholarship Listing

### Partner Referral Program

Help us connect with potential partners who are athletic or performing arts organizations. Simply click the **Partner Referral** button below, fill out the referral form, and receive an entry to win a **\$250 Amazon Card** for every organization you refer to us. We will reach out to them to see if they would kindly promote our school.

Partner Referral Form

### Family & Friends Referral Program

Current families, when you **refer a friend**, you can be eligible for a family and friends discount of **up to 15% per year**. For each student (up to three) who you refer that enrolls at CMASAS, you will receive **5% off** your student's next year's tuition (up to 15% off for one student tuition)!

The family you refer will also be eligible for a family and friends discount of 10% off their student's tuition (after they have been enrolled for 90 days).

Alumni, graduating families or CMASAS staff who **refer a friend** will receive a **\$200 Amazon gift card** once the student completes their first 90 days. Click the Family & Friends Referral button to fill out the form!

Family & Friends Referral

## Counseling Updates



**Heidi Fox**

### MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF COUNSELING

**Seniors:** If you are a member of the Class of 2024, please make sure you know the final deadline for getting your final transcripts to your college of admissions. If it is during our Summer Break, you will need to finalize all coursework by June 17 to make sure your CI's can grade all work, finalize your courses, and I can process you as graduated. Please reach out to me if you have further questions.

If you are attending college this fall (after you finish all required courses/credits), you will need to order a final transcript through our Parchment services here: <https://www.parchment.com/u/registration/237844/account>

Remember, all tuition and fees must be paid in full before your diploma will be mailed to you and before your final transcripts can be sent to you or a college.

**Juniors:** Have you signed up to take the SAT or ACT yet? If not, please consider registering ASAP! You can go here to register for the SAT: <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat>  
Go here to register for the ACT: <https://www.act.org>  
If you want to prepare/study for either exam and you need ideas where to find resources, please reach out to me directly.

**Freshman & Sophomores:** If you plan to go to college, please make sure you are looking closely at our Graduation Requirements Chart: <https://www.cmasas.org/course-catalog/high-school/graduation-requirements>. This is a GREAT place to go to make sure you are not only taking courses needed to graduate, but courses needed to get into a 4-year college/university or into highly selective colleges, as well. Work closely with your PEC to plan out your courses for each year of high school. And, as always, if you have additional questions, reach out to me directly.

**Middle School Students:** It's almost the end of the school year and Summer Break! You will most likely be moving up to the next grade level. If you are in 8th grade, are you ready to tackle high school? Remember, your HS GPA starts as soon as you take a high school-level course. You want to make sure you are getting good grades starting right out of the gate in high school. Remember: if your GPA is low, it takes a lot of hard work to bring it up! So, take your courses very seriously and work hard! If you need any help in preparation for high school, please let me know. And, don't forget, it's not just the courses you take and the grades you get in middle school and high school, but also the activities and involvement that really can help you get into the college of your choice. GET INVOLVED! Join a club, run for an officer position, volunteer in your community—these things really count when it's time to apply to college in the late summer/early fall of your senior year!

**Elementary Students/Families:** Are you ready for your child to move on to the next grade level? Do you want a tangible way to see if they have improved in competencies and skills? One way you can do this is by discussing with your student's PEC about retaking the iReady assessments. If you do have any questions about this or whether your child is ready to move on to the next grade level, please discuss with your student's PEC or reach out to me directly. I hope it's been an amazing school year!

**All Families:** We hope the 2023-24 School Year has been good for you and your family! We are so thankful for you and your trust in our school with the education of your student. Parental involvement is of the utmost importance and we know you put in a lot of time and effort to help your student stay on track. We hope your student enjoys homerooms, clubs, and assemblies. We hope your student gets the multi-layered support of the PEC, the CI, and other staff, as well. If you ever feel as though things are not going the way you were hoping, please feel free to reach out to me. We want to make sure your child feels supported, cared for, mentored, validated, and accepted. We also want to make sure your student is being challenged to reach his/her academic potential! We welcome all suggestions and comments from parents—as you are the people who know your student the best. Here's to hoping your student/s are returning for the 2024-25 school year and another great year at CMASAS!

## Upcoming Events

**Juneteenth - Office Closed**

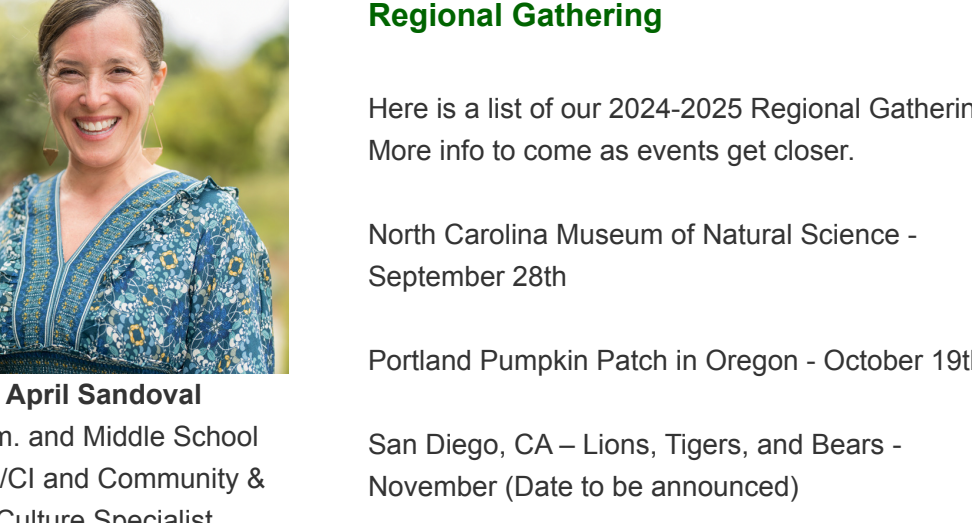
Wednesday, June 19, 2024

**Last Day of 2023-2024 School Year**

June 26, 2024

**Summer Break**

June 27 - July 18

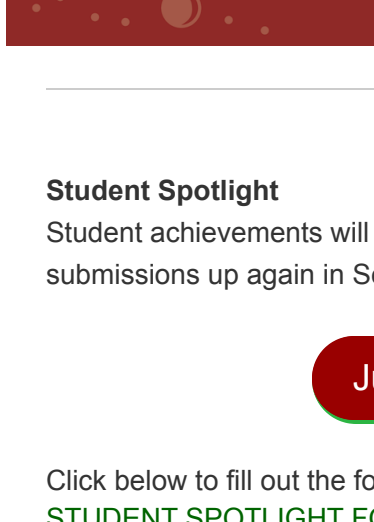


### Assemblies

Our **Spring assembly** on Wednesday, May 22, 2024 with Michelle Zetwo was a great success! Michelle has worked in border control focused on endangered animals that get smuggled into the country. She is a forensic officer and is now consulting in education. For fun, she volunteers at **Lions, Tigers, and Bears** (an animal sanctuary in San Diego), where we are hoping to have our San Diego Regional Gathering this upcoming school year!

Be on the lookout for info on our 2024 Back-to-School Assembly. This assembly will welcome back new and returning students and will happen in mid-September.

### Fun CMASAS Gatherings!



**April Sandoval**

Elem. and Middle School  
PEC/CI and Community &  
Culture Specialist

### Regional Gathering

Here is a list of our 2024-2025 Regional Gatherings. More info to come as events get closer.

North Carolina Museum of Natural Science -  
September 28th

Portland Pumpkin Patch in Oregon - October 19th

San Diego, CA - Lions, Tigers, and Bears -  
November (Date to be announced)

Salem Witch Museum in Salem, MA - May 23rd

## What's New?

### Navigating Our New CMASAS Website

Each month we will highlight some of the pages of our new website. This month, we would like to draw your attention to our world languages page, which resides in our Elementary, Middle School, and High School websites.



Click on the image above to see the page

## Student Spotlight

### Student Spotlight

Student achievements will be posted through June then break for summer with new submissions up again in September.

June Student Achievements

Click below to fill out the form and be featured in our next spotlights!  
[STUDENT SPOTLIGHT FORM](#)

### CMASAS RECENT BLOG

**Written by: Sophia Elahi**

Switching to CMASAS after having been in the same school curriculum for five years was easily one of the best highlights of my high school career. I was not quite sure what to expect when starting with a completely new school, but I was not disappointed.

(click here to read on...)

**"My time as a high school student at CMASAS is, sadly, coming to an end as I am part of the Class of 2024.**

CMASAS helped me reach my goal of graduating two years early, and allowed me to explore subjects that I would have never gotten a chance to learn about during my high school years. My overall experience with CMASAS has been amazing, and I will be forever grateful for all the support I received while learning here."

*Sophia Elahi*  
Class of 2024

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