

Boosters meetings will be held monthly at 7pm on Zoom - get the meeting ID and passcode on the



August 11
September 8
October 13
November 10
December 8

January 12 February 9 March 9 April 6 May 11

We support the students, staff and community! Join us, join the fun!

Your December 2020 Boosters Newsletter

Let's ZOOM right out of 2020 and into 2021! We've continued to meet as a group monthly virtually. Here's hoping for in-person meetings sometime in 2021. Stay healthy all!



Yearly the Boosters Support:

- Freshman night
- Event hospitality
- · Cougars in Need
- Scholarships
- Post Prom
- Mini grants for athletics/activities/academics

Boosters Projects Include:

- Raising \$ for new marquee
- Spirit windscreens for stadium
- Recycling bins for school-wide program
- New sports banners in the gym
- 635 gallon fish tank for the media center

President's Letter

2020-2021 Parent Volunteer The gift card fundraiser was popular! We thank everyone who participated. Not only did we sell \$14,000 in gift cards but we got \$1,245-wroth of cards donated specifically to Cougars in Need. We have an amazing community and we are thankful to be a part of it!

Please remember you can continue to donate to Cougars in Need through our *Boosters website* anytime of year. The money is distributed by Conant to families in need of extra support. Your donation is tax deductible if you donate through our website.

Our next meeting is January 12, at 7pm on Zoom. This is the perfect time to check us out if you're interested in being a more active member in 2021. See the Boosters website for login information the week of the meeting.

Thanks,

Elizabeth Paveza Conant Boosters President



The Online Spirit Store is Always Open!

Remember to order your Conant spirit wear through the online *Spirit Store*. It's open 24/7!

You can find Conant Cougar facemasks and Cougar Crazies 2020-21 shirts online while supplies last. We also have a wide variety of sweats, t-shirts, hats, blankets, car magnets, yard signs and MORE! Get your SENIOR 2021 yard sign now.

The student-designed logos below are available to order - wear your Cougar pride in 2021!



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The Career Services Department Needs YOU!

Calling all parents! The Career Services Department is looking for creative ways to share your occupations with students during this strange time in our history. With career treks and career fairs off the table at this time, this department is looking for interesting and effective ways to share a wide variety of careers with our students.

If your company would be interested in hosting a virtual tour of your office and do a Q&A with students via Zoom the CSD would love to hear from you! OR if you have an idea that might make virtual career exploration spark an interest with our students please reach out.

Contact Kristen Fitzgerald-<u>kfitzgerald@d211.org</u> Conant Career Advisor SPIRIT STORE
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Spotlight on the Cultural Awareness Club



The goal of this organization is to celebrate the wide variety of cultures inside the Conant student body. It provides insight into all cultures while bridging any cultural gaps through a variety of student activities. PreCOVID, one of the biggest events was the annual spring semester International Fair. In 2019 it had 600 attendees!

More than 100 students signed up to participate in this club this school year, with up to 75 students participating in virtual events and meetings each month.

One of the faculty leaders, Amy Spizzirri, says she's very proud of the student involvement this year with a special project called, *Cultural Awareness Presents: An Immigrants Story*.

"Each month we spotlight a different student from a different country to share their experiences with their peers. The student shares their immigration story and then students and staff can participate in a Q & A with the student. The students Jaahnvi Patel and Aagi Nasanargal are the student leaders facilitating this event and they are doing an amazing job."

The group does a philanthropic project each year too. Past benefactors include Girl Forward and Freedom Firm. This year they are researching ways to record performances they can share with elderly in isolation.

Through all of their activities there's a link of acceptance and respect.

"In this day and age, I think cultural respect and understanding is imperative to create students who are global leaders and will help eradicate racism and make for a better future."

Joining Spizzirri as faculty sponsors are Song Kim, Patrick Malloy and Iris Marji.









Your Amazon Purchases Can = \$ for Conant Boosters!

Every time you shop at Amazon you can select a charity to get .05% of your purchase total.

Go to <u>www.smile.amazon.com</u> and select "Conants Cougar Booster Club Inc." as your charity. We received more than \$250 during the last school year - let's bring in more this year!

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