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We would like to be able to offer every junior or senior in good academic standing either a paid or unpaid internship. If you are a business owner or the head of an agency and are interested in offering internships to Chariho juniors and seniors, please contact Director Gerry Auth at Gerald.Auth@chariho.k12.ri.us.

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the first step students must take to get free grants, scholarships, and financial aid for college. Yet, every year, available dollars are left on the table because the FAFSA is not completed. Information is available from a school counselor or visit https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa.

With the use of federal funds, we are in the initial stages of developing and implementing a student mentor program. Our thinking right now is that we will be ready to implement in the fall. If you have an interest in program development, serving on an advisory board, or in being a mentor, please send an email to me at barry.ricci@chariho.k12.ri.us.

Chariho will be hosting a Chinese exchange teacher for the upcoming school year. We need a temporary host family to help the exchange teacher adjust to life in our community. Ideally, the host family would provide a complimentary bedroom, meals and basic transportation for the exchange teacher for up to two weeks upon their arrival in August. Interested parties may contact john.pecoraro@chariho.k12.ri.us for information.

Congratulations!

Avery Moody  
Recipient of Lt. Governor’s Leadership Award

Noah Liguori-Bills  
Selected to Represent RI at the 2019 National Youth Science Camp

Drew DeNoncour & Kaitlin Wojcik  
Middle School Scholar Leaders

Lindsay Bliven & Courtney Moffitt  
1st place winners - 12th annual Susan B. Wilson Civic Education Merit Award

IMPORTANT JUNE DATES!

June 7: Graduation  
June 14: Last Day of School

Thank you!

Dr. Ron Aregrlado  
Donation of Computer Monitor, Keyboard and Mouse

Peter Barlow  
Donation of $175 to Chariho Theatre Company

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