Dear Editor,

Teacher Appreciation Day started in many countries in the 20th century. In India, September 5 is the day to recognize the special contributions made by teachers. Throughout Latin America, September 11 is Teacher's Day. In America, the first week of May is when we all celebrate the importance of our teachers. The Tuesday of that week is National Teacher Appreciation Day. In 1944 an Arkansas teacher corresponded with political and education leaders about the need for a national day to honor teachers. The teacher wrote to Eleanor Roosevelt who in 1953 persuaded the 81st Congress to proclaim a National Teacher Day. It wasn't until 1985 that the National PTA established Teacher Appreciation Week as the first full week of May. The NEA along with its Kansas and Indiana state affiliates pushed Congress to create a national day for teachers.

Teachers are very important and helpful in many people’s lives. There are about 3,232,813 teachers in K-12 public schools. They dedicate their time to children, young adults, and sometimes adults. There are a lot of great teachers at CHHS. They encourage students, help them, and listen to the students when they are in need. What makes CHHS teachers different than other teachers around is that they actually care about us. Not only do they teach us about science, art, history, math, and other subjects on the campus, they also teach us about the importance of life and how we should go about it. The teachers here at CHHS still help former students with college work. Although a week is set aside to appreciate the teachers we have, we should always appreciate and respect our teachers every day.

Sincerely,

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