

March Parent Newsletter

Collinsville Middle School

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Dear CMS Families,

This is the monthly newsletter to communicate all of the important and exciting information at Collinsville Middle School! Within these monthly newsletters you will find information about clubs, extra-curricular activities, upcoming dates, community events, academics, and other announcements concerning our school. We look forward to working with all of you and creating a positive experience for you and your child! Happy New Year!

Important Announcements



- Yearbook online sales continue through MARCH. Don't miss out on an epic edition of the BLAZE! \$35.00. You can order these online at www.jostens.com
- ELL tutoring every Wednesday Ms. Alexander's room from 3:00-5:45 pm. Please notify Ms. Alexander of any students that should take advantage of this opportunity!
- Family Reading Night at CMS will take place on March 19 from 6:00-7:30 pm. Mark your calendars for this awesome event!
- **NO SCHOOL on March 4 to observe Casimir Pulaski Day.**
- The mid-term for 3rd quarter will end on Friday, March 8.



Upcoming Dates

March 4

NO SCHOOL- Casimir Pulaski Day Observed

March 6

Core Group PLC

March 8

Quarter 3 Ends

March 11

Choir Parent Meeting @ 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
CMS Choir Room

March 13

District Social Studies Vertical Team

Core Group PLC

March 14

CMS Pop 'N Chips Concert @ CHS

Grades due in the office

March 18-April 17

Illinois Assessment of Readiness (Formerly PARCC)

March 19

Family Reading Night @ CMS

March 22

SPRING PICTURE DAY



Dear Families,

I cannot believe that it is already March and the 4th quarter is almost here. With that in mind, it is important that we encourage our students to stay the course and finish strong! The school year can be very long for some of our young people; it is difficult for many of them to stay focused for such an extended period and maintain with consistency in giving their best effort. Helping students find renewal and their 'second wind' to ensure the end grades and results match the whole picture of their effort is critical not just for the sake of their grades but also for building the life skills of perseverance and determination. This is one of the first experiences that many of our students have had where the possibility of retention is actual real. With this in mind and time still available before the year has ended, this would be a great time to refer to our handbook and our Summer School/Retention Policy. **Be reminded that students must pass ALL CORE CLASSES to move forward to the next grade without issue. Students who do not meet this criteria will be subject to attending summer school or even retention.** It is critical that we ensure that students are aware of these standards of expectation. We have been and will continue to encourage each and every student to do their best at all times and we solicit your support and voice in continuing to do the same. Please take a minute to go over these policies within our handbook which can be found online at the district website to ensure there are no surprises in the end. Let's make sure all of our students end the year to the best of their ability.

Respectfully,

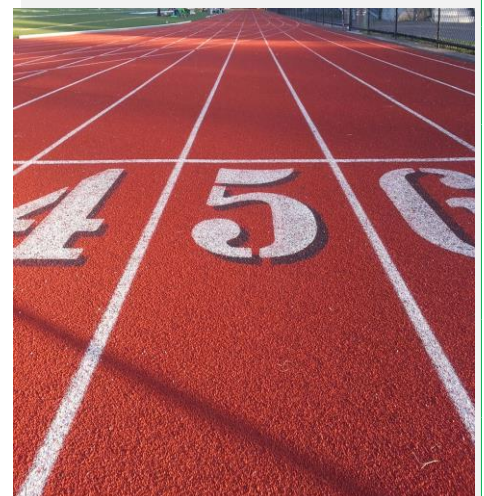
Dr. Jackson



CMS Sports Zone

Track & Field

March 27	@ Franklin Park MS
March 28	Home v. Carriel
April 2	@ Highland MS
April 4	@ Edw. Lincoln
April 9	@ Mascoutah
April 11	@ Triad
April 24	Girls @ Alton Invite
April 25	Boys @ Alton Invite



RAFFLE

**ATTENDANCE
PRIZES**

Please join us for the
6th Annual CMS Family Reading Night

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

**CMS Commons
6:00 – 7:30 pm**

GAMES

**BOOK
FAIR**



**CONCESSION
STAND**

CRAFTS

**Students earn
extra credit in
English class!**

**LOCAL
LIBRARIES**

**I ♥
BOOKS
T-SHIRTS**



STATE BOUND!

REGIONAL FINISHES

Owen Niemeier – 1 st place	85 lb. wt. class
Michael Cates – 3 rd place	95 lb. wt. class
Hayden Truax – 4 th place	100 lb. wt. class
Elijah Schlessinger– 3 rd place	112 lb. wt. class
Jacob Gregory – 1 st place	126 lb. wt. class
Seth Sorenson – 1 st place	167 lb. wt. class
Izaac Bailey – 3 rd place	135 lb. wt. class
Jerry Richardson– 4 th place	145 lb. wt. class
Zachary Blaha – 3 rd place	155 lb. wt. class

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**STATE COMPETITION WILL TAKE PLACE ON
MARCH 8-9 IN DEKALB, IL.**



Congratulations CMS Wrestling



STATE BOUND!

VEX Robotics Team heading to state!

Jenna Feldman, Peyton Beeles, and Ryland Tanner will be competing in the state competition in Chicago for robotics March 2 at McHenry County College. They have earned this distinction as a result of competing all school year in the high school competitions that have been held at a variety of places. This was accomplished by their written work, their interview process, and both the skills competition and the head to head competitions. **BEST OF LUCK ROBOTICS TEAM!**



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TRACK & FIELD

2019 CMS Track & Field Schedule

Practices end @ 5:10ish Activity Bus Leaves CMS at 5:45
Parents will need to pick athletes up after ALL Meets at CHS or CMS

Published 2.6.19 (All dates are subject to change. All changes will be communicated)

- 2/6 Try-outs @CMS 3:00-4:00
- 2/13 Try-outs @CMS 3:00-4:00
- 2/20 Try-outs @CMS 3:00-4:00
- 2/25 Try-outs @CMS 3:00-5:00
- 2/26 Try-outs @CMS 3:30-5:00
- 2/27 Try-outs @CMS 3:00-5:00
- 2/28 Try-outs @CMS 3:30-4:45 (Parent Meeting @ 5:00)
- 3/1
- 3/4 (No School)
- 3/5 Practice @ CMS
- 3/6 Meet @ CHS(Intersquad) @ 3:00
Pick-up at CHS
- 3/7 Practice @ CMS
- 3/8
- 3/11 Practice @ CMS
- 3/12 Practice @ CMS
- 3/13 Meet @ CHS (Intersquad)@3:00
Pick-up at CHS
- 3/14 Practice @ CMS
- 3/15
- 3/18 Practice @ CMS
- 3/19 Practice @ CMS
- 3/20 Meet @ CHS (Intersquad) @3:00
Pick-up at CHS
- 3/21 Practice @ CMS
- 3/22
- 3/25 Practice @ CMS
- 3/26 Practice @ CMS
- 3/27 @Salem 4:00
Pick-up upon returning at CMS
- 3/28 Meet @ CHS(O'Fallon) 4:00
Pick-up at CHS
- 3/29 No Practice
- 4/1 Practice @ CMS
- 4/2 @Highland 4:00
Pick-up upon returning at CMS
- 4/3 Meet @ CHS(Intersquad) 3:00
Pick-up at CHS
- 4/4 @ Edwardsville Lincoln 3:30
Pick-up upon returning at CMS
- 4/5 No Practice
- 4/8 Practice @ CMS
- 4/9 Meet @ Mascoutah Quad @4:00
Pick-up upon returning at CMS
- 4/10 Meet @ CHS (Intersquad) @ 3:00
Pick-up at CHS
- 4/11 vs.Triad & Aviston
Pick-up upon returning at CMS
- 4/12 No Practice
- 4/15 Practice @ CMS
- 4/16 Practice @ CMS
- 4/17
- 4/18 No School
- 4/19 No School
- 4/22 No School
- 4/23 Practice @ CMS
- 4/24 @Alton 3:00 Girls Relays
Pick-up upon returning at CMS
- 4/25 @ Alton 3:00 Boys Relays
Pick-up upon returning at CMS
- 4/26 No Practice
- 4/29 Regionals or Practice @ CMS?
- 4/30 Regionals or Practice @CMS?
- 5/1 Meet @ CHS (Intersquad) 3:00
Pick-up at CHS
- 5/2 Regionals or Practice @ CMS?
- 5/3 Regionals or Practice @CMS?
- 5/6
- 5/7 Track - Tri-County Conference
Pick-up upon returning at CMS
- 5/8
- 5/9 Team Picture during Study Hall
(Non-State athletes turn in Uniforms)
- 5/10
- 5/11 Track - SJHSAA State Track Meet
Information TBA and will be posted when received.

#Student Life



NJHS

March 7

NJHS Meeting 7:30-8:30 am.

March 18

NJHS Quarter 3 Grade Check

March 21

Study Hall Meeting



March 8

Meeting @ 7:00 am in the gym

March 28

Meeting @ 6:30 pm in the gym.

1,000,000

Students that have achieved 1 million words read will have the opportunity to attend Edison's on May 10th for a celebratory field trip. Students will have access to bowling, laser tag, arcade games, pizza, and unlimited soda! Permission slips for these students will be sent home in April. The deadline for the 1,000,000 words read achievement is March 29 in order to be eligible for the field trip.

1 million word readers by the end of February

Karla Neri	Aracely Diaz-Villasenor	Robert Molina
Karley-Jo Jackson	Aidan Gimple	Jack O'Hara
Adam Doebber		



2 million word readers!

Erin Van Middendorp	Hayden Truax
Lessly Rodriguez-Garcia	Madeline Mueller

3 000 000

3 million word readers!

Hayden Myers	Isabel Perez
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4,000,000

4 million word reader!

Elliot Schusky



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<https://classroom.google.com/c/MTE50Dc2NjI20Dla>

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March Group Service: Video Production

Work is now underway/working towards completion for your CMS orientation video segment. Here are some important reminders for this project:

- Listen carefully to constructive criticism about your video and work to improve it!
- **Visit the Media Center to work during study hall.**
- Be quiet and courteous when filming throughout the school.
- Keep segments moving and interesting. Include music that students respond to!
- Be sure to speak loud and clear in the video. If you cannot be heard or understood, redo it!
- Upload pictures and video to "We Video" for editing.

Segments due to Mr. Hayman - ASAP

Important Dates & Upcoming Events:

- **March 4:** Casimir Pulaski Day
No School
- **March 8:** End of Quarter 3
- **April 2-12:** IAR Testing
- **April 12:** **All** service hours are due!
- **April 12:** NJHS Field Trip to DIS
Save the Date!
- **May 16:** Induction Ceremony
Attendance is Required



Quote of the Month

"Education is an admirable thing, but it is well to remember from time to time that nothing that is worth knowing can be taught."

~Oscar Wilde, Write

Contact Information

Please feel free to contact Mrs. Goeken or Petroff with questions.
cpetroff@cusd.kahoks.org
jgoeken@cusd.kahoks.org

Next Morning Meeting

Thursday, March 7, 2019 @ 7:30 a.m.

Next NJHS Study Hall Meeting

March 21, 2019 @ 2:55

Character Trait of the Month:

Be Positive!

What can I do to stay positive, even when I might be having a bad day?

- Laugh, sing, or dance!
- Surround yourself with positive people 😊
- Watch a funny movie or listen to inspiring music.
- Keep fit and stay active ⇄

Coming up for NJHS this Spring..

The end of this month will get very busy for NJHS members as we plan our visit to DIS. That is why it is SO VERY important that you meet your video deadlines. At DIS We will be breaking into presentation partners for a small classroom presentation, and another for the entire 6th grade class at once!

You will receive your permission slip for our DIS Trip at the next morning meeting. We will be taking a slight detour on our way home to relax after all of our hard work getting the 6th graders ready for middle school.

Be sure to check the front of the newsletter and be sure that all of the important dates are in your calendar and you have shared them with your parents!

Individual Service Hour Deadlines

April 12, 2019 -5 Service Hours Due

TOTAL ABOVE DOES NOT INCLUDE EXTRA HOURS YOU MAY HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED!

*Students who have not met this requirement by the due date will be officially dismissed from NJHS.

NJHS for the 2019-2020 School Year

Towards the end of this month, letters will be sent out to 7th grade students that qualify as candidates for NJHS for the next school year. These letters will be sent out electronically (through email). These students may approach you with questions about the candidate process or NJHS in general. Please help them out however you can.

Tips for IAR Success

- Be sure you know your schedule for IAR testing. It will be a little confusing at first, but you will catch on quickly!
- The test is all on the computer this year - don't get frustrated if the computer messes up or moves really slowly on you.
- Listen carefully and participate in activities in class that help you prepare for the test!
- Get a good night's sleep during the week of the test.
- Wear comfortable clothes to school.
- Have a good breakfast before going to school or buy breakfast at school each day.
- Be prepared with a couple of sharpened pencils with erasers
- If you are not sure of an answer, go back to it later to get a fresh perspective on the problem.
- If you are still not sure of an answer, make an educated guess by eliminating answers you know are wrong.
- Go back and check over your work before finishing the test. Be sure you answered each question and followed all directions.
- Use all of the time given wisely.
- Do your best and take testing seriously.



TIME FOR SOMETHING NEW!

This year CMS will be hosting the first annual 8th grade celebration dance! The purpose of the dance is to celebrate students and their achievement of passing on to high school. The dance will be open to all 8th grade students. Students wanting to attend must be passing all four of their core classes; English, math, social studies, and science. The dance will take place during the month of May and tickets will go on sale in April. If you have any questions feel free to contact Ms. Beaty via email at rbeaty@cusd.kahoks.org



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

AUGUST



Cole McClusky

Tonanzi Montoya

SEPTEMBER



Payton Plummer

Lindsay O'Connor

OCTOBER



Brianna Rodriguez

Dylan Hollman

NOVEMBER



Mattea Vest

Ryan Kremer

DECEMBER



Cody Lutz

Kennedy Staggs

JANUARY



Kynn Rak

Kolby Anderson

BLAHOKS

BLAHOKS will be starting "**No One Eats Alone**" during breakfast and lunch at CMS. BLAHOK members will be starting an initiative to encourage students to eat with students who may not have someone to eat with during breakfast and lunch. The BLAHOKS goal is for no one to eat alone at CMS! Please help the BLAHOKS with this by asking someone who normally doesn't eat with you to eat with you or if you see someone eating alone go sit with them and introduce yourself. Remember...BLAHOKS changing the world one small act of kindness at a time.



"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted. For beautiful eyes, look for the good in others; for beautiful lips, speak only words of kindness; and for poise, walk with the knowledge that you are never alone. Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see."

What would you do?

If you needed additional help
learning to read?

Reading
Success
Center



Would You Be Willing to Give Back?

BOARD MEMBERS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

CONTACT US NOW.

CREATING
EDGE
REALLY LEARNING

FREE READING HELP

Fairmont City Library
Wednesdays

Helpers there 4-5 and 5-6

Please call to register

Dr. Dorothy Young

618-407-8055

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- ✓ Student-Athletes planning to try out for CMS Sports Teams must have an updated sports physical. Physicals are good for 395 days.
- ✓ There will be NO SCHOOL on February 18th, 2019, as President's Day will be observed.
- ✓ Please remember that before and after school student drop-off/pick-up must be at the front of the building. In order to keep our students safe, please do not use the side parking lots. These are for school buses and students only.
- ✓ Every Wednesday, students will be dismissed at 3:00 pm due to teacher PLC meetings.
- ✓ Please be prompt when picking up any students involved in extra-curricular activities and clubs! An activity bus will run at 5:30 pm to help with transportation for those students who need a ride home.
- ✓ NO cell phones/electronic devices are allowed at Collinsville Middle School. Students must have them turned off and stored away in their lockers. Please remind your child each day to be responsible with their cell phones and make sure they follow the policy!
- ✓ If your child will not be in school, please call the office in the morning. You may reach us at 618-343-2100. The building secretary and/or an automated call will contact you if we are not aware of your child's absence. If your child is late, please ensure they go directly to the main office so accurate attendance is recorded.
- ✓ We welcome you to our school; however, all parents, volunteers, and visitors must sign in at the Main Office through our security system (**please have your driver's license with you**) and have the administration's permission **BEFORE** accessing any part of the school building. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** The safety of our students and staff is our first priority!

COLLINSVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL COMPACT

CMS Faculty and Staff promise to:

Create a partnership with every student and family.
Monitor and communicate student progress to parents /guardians.
Ensure that all students get help as soon as it is needed.
Assign work that is high interest and relevant.

CMS Students promise to:

Read daily to increase their level of understanding.
Be responsible for their own learning by completing all assignments.
Advocate for themselves by letting their teachers know when they need help.
Demonstrate good behaviors that establish a quality learning environment for all students.

CMS Parents promise to:

Help their child see the importance of education to pursue his/her interest and goals.
Partner with their child and his/her teachers to establish a learning team.
Establish a routine that ensures homework completion.
Discuss their child's challenges or misunderstandings with his/her teacher.

CUSD 10 MISSION, VISION, VALUES

Mission

In collaboration with all stakeholders, the Unit 10 School District will provide appropriate learning opportunities within a safe and caring environment. Unit 10 will develop lifelong learners who are productive and successful members of a diverse society.

Vision

Unit 10 is committed to world-class excellence through a culture of acceptance, collaboration and achievement.

Values

Respect, Caring, Openness, Diversity, Honesty, Integrity, Trust, Compassion, Patriotism, Welcoming, Citizenship, Character



Happy

March