

THE TRAILBLAZER

Collinsville Middle School's Newsletter



From the Principal's Desk

CMS Families,

What a difference one year makes. Even though we are wearing masks, it is great to have our students back in the building. Seeing students having lunch at school, carrying on conversations, and a full sports schedule are all something we love to see. I would like to thank all of the parents for encouraging your child to wear their mask while in the building. I don't like wearing one all day, but to be able to have students back in school makes it all worth it.

Here are a few reminders for the year: Make sure your child has a water bottle every day. We have refill stations and encourage students to use them between classes. Also, only pack materials in the backpacks that are used daily. The PE classes have started dressing out. If you have not purchased a PE uniform, you can do so at All Pro Tees.

I would like to thank everyone who drops off and picks up their child for your patience and help with the traffic lines. Moving as far forward is vital to the lines moving quickly. We are still having a number of students coming in after 8:35. If they do so, they are counted tardy for the advisory period. Make sure to check the sports calendar on our school website. Finally, we would love to see you come out and support our CMS athletes.

We hope to see everyone at the open house on Sep 14, 2021.

Sincerely,

Mr. Snow

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If you are new to the school, district, and/or state, please make sure to get appropriate medical forms turned in at the nurse's office. i.e. Physical w/up to date vaccinations, dental up to date as of 6th grade, and State of IL vision exam for students who have moved here from out of state. The deadline for form is 10/15/2021.

Thank you -CMS HEALTH OFFICE



Wednesday, September 15- Friday, October 15 is Hispanic Heritage Month! Hispanic Heritage Month, celebrates and promotes the history, culture, and contributions of Hispanic-Americans — specifically, those whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America.

IMPORTANT DATES!

September 6- Labor Day (No School)
September 17- In-service Day (1/2 Day Student Attendance)



Honor and celebrate NATIONAL CONSTITUTION WEEK, which occurs each year from Sept 17-23. This is a great chance to appreciate the work of the Founding Fathers and the history of our great country!



After-school band rehearsals start Thursday, September 2. The rehearsal will last from 3:30-5 pm. Students should have their lyres and flip books by this time.

JUST A REMINDER: If your student is a car rider in the AM or PM, you will need to use the front entrance. It is where the flagpole is. THANKS!

ITEMS TO NOTE AT CMS



The 2022 BLAZE, the CMS yearbook, is on sale at <https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/customer/1075534/Collinsville-Middle-School/> The link is on the school's website also. See Mrs. Juelfs in C123 if you have questions. A few 2021 books are still available from May, if you are interested. All are \$35.

Book Club

"I do believe something very magical can happen when you read a good book." - J.K. Rowling

Love to read and share your thoughts with others about the characters, plot, and more?

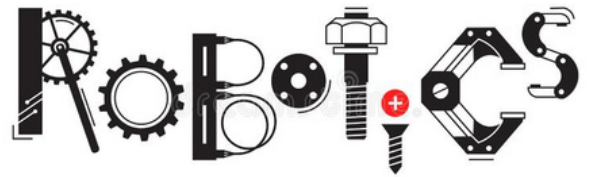
Love to read current and exciting novels?

If you answered yes to the questions above, then the CMS Book Club is the club for you!!! Book Club is open to 7th and 8th Graders and will meet once a month to discuss the book that is decided on by the club.

Meetings will be held on the FIRST Monday of each month: 3:45-4:45 in room C109. The first meeting will be on Monday, September 13 to choose our book. (The first Monday is a holiday.) Contact Ms. Grove for more information -

agrove@cusd.kahoks.org

Reading will be on your own time.



For any eighth grade student that would be interested in being on the competitive robotics team, there will be a meeting on 9-16-2021 at 6:30 pm at CMS in the commons area. This meeting is for the student and the parent and both are asked to come. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Bednara at cbednara@cusd.kahoks.org.



Do you collect coins or know a lot about different types of money? Do you like history? If so, join the CMS Coin and Currency Club! For more information, please join the Google Classroom using the code `ykrctdd`, or contact Mrs. Lacy. Hope to see you there!

Student Council Sign-Up

Do you want to:



- help others?
- raise money for your school?
- organize the *BLAZER BATTLES*?
- organize *APPRECIATION EVENTS*?
- support the community?

If you said yes to any of these questions, StuCo is the club for you!

There will be information about an informational meeting to be held during Advisory...coming soon!



Submit your entries now for the
**CMS YEARBOOK
 COVER DESIGN CONTEST**

**THIS YEAR'S THEME:
 INFLUENCERS 2022**

What is an INFLUENCER?

noun: influencer; plural noun: influencers

a person or thing that influences another.

"he was a champion of the arts and a huge influencer of taste"

a person with the ability to influence potential buyers of a product or service by promoting or recommending the items on social media.

"influencers can add serious credibility to your brand"

Entries may be submitted in any format (paper or online)
 to Mrs. Juelfs in C123
 Deadline: Friday, October 1, 2021

September Sports Snapshot

Collinsville Middle School September Athletic Events

Sport	Level	Date	Start Time	Home/Away	Opponent	Site	Dismiss	Depart
Baseball	Var.	9/1/21	4:00 PM	A	Millstadt Elementary School	Millstadt Elementary School	2:25 PM	2:35 PM
Softball	JV	9/1/21	4:00 PM	A	Fulton Jr High School	Fulton Jr High School	2:35 PM	2:45 PM
Baseball	JV	9/2/21	4:00 PM	A	Mascoutah Middle School	Mascoutah Middle School	2:35 PM	2:45 PM
Cross Country	Coed	9/2/21	4:00 PM	A	Triad Middle School	Triad Middle School	2:20 PM	2:30 PM
Baseball	Var.	9/2/21	4:15 PM	H	Mascoutah Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Softball	Var.	9/2/21	4:15 PM	H	Carriel Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Cross Country	Coed	9/3/21	4:00 PM	A	Coolidge Middle School	Coolidge Middle School	2:25 PM	2:35 PM
Baseball	Var.	9/7/21	4:00 PM	A	Highland Middle School	Highland Middle School	2:25 PM	2:35 PM
Baseball	JV	9/7/21	4:15 PM	H	Highland Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Softball	Var.	9/7/21	4:15 PM	H	Highland Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Cross Country	Coed	9/7/21	4:30 PM	H	GOOD SHEPPARD and 2 others	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Softball	JV	9/7/21	5:30 PM	H	Highland Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Baseball	Var.	9/8/21	4:00 PM	A	Coolidge Middle School	Wilson Park	2:35 PM	2:45 PM
Softball	Var.	9/8/21	4:00 PM	A	Coolidge Middle School	Wilson Park	2:35 PM	2:45 PM
Baseball	JV	9/8/21	4:15 PM	H	Columbia Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Softball	JV	9/8/21	4:15 PM	H	Columbia Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Baseball	JV	9/9/21	4:00 PM	A	Highland Middle School	Highland Middle School	2:25 PM	2:35 PM
Softball	Var.	9/9/21	4:00 PM	A	Fulton Jr High School	Fulton Jr High School	2:35 PM	2:45 PM
Baseball	Var.	9/9/21	4:15 PM	H	Highland Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Cross Country	Coed	9/9/21	4:15 PM	A	Alton Middle School	Gordon Moore Park	2:35 PM	2:45 PM
Softball	JV	9/9/21	4:15 PM	H	Fulton Jr High School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Baseball	Var.	9/11/21	10:00 AM	H	Glenwood Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Baseball	Var.	9/13/21	4:00 PM	A	Lincoln Middle School-Edwardsville	Edwardsville High School	2:35 PM	2:45 PM
Softball	Var.	9/13/21	4:00 PM	A	Millstadt Elementary School	Millstadt Elementary School	2:35 PM	2:45 PM
Baseball	JV	9/13/21	4:15 PM	H	Liberty Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Cross Country	Coed	9/13/21	4:30 PM	H	Mascoutah Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.	2:20 PM	
Baseball	Var.	9/14/21	4:00 PM	A	Triad Middle School	Triad Middle School	2:30 PM	2:40 PM
Softball	Var.	9/14/21	4:00 PM	A	Triad Middle School	Triad Middle School	2:30 PM	2:40 PM
Baseball	JV	9/14/21	4:15 PM	H	Triad Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Softball	JV	9/14/21	4:15 PM	H	Triad Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Cross Country	Coed	9/15/21	4:30 PM	A	Franklin Park Junior High	Franklin Park Junior High	1:30 PM	1:40 PM
Baseball	JV	9/16/21	4:00 PM	A	Triad Middle School	Triad Middle School	2:25 PM	2:35 PM
Softball	JV	9/16/21	4:00 PM	A	Mascoutah Middle School	Mascoutah Middle School	2:35 PM	2:45 PM
Baseball	Var.	9/16/21	4:15 PM	H	Triad Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Softball	Var.	9/16/21	4:15 PM	H	Mascoutah Middle School	Collinsville Middle Sch.		
Cross Country	Coed	9/18/21	10:30 AM	A	Lincoln Middle School-Edwardsville	SIU Edwardsville		9:00 AM
Cross Country	Coed	9/22/21	4:00 PM	A	Fulton Jr High School	O'Fallon Twp High School	2:25 PM	2:35 PM
Cross Country	Coed	9/25/21	9:00 AM	A	Du Quoin Middle School	DuQuoin State Fairgrounds		6:30 AM
Cross Country	Coed	9/27/21	4:00 PM	A	Mascoutah Middle School	Mascoutah Middle School	2:05 PM	2:15 PM
Girls Basketball		9/27/21	3:30 PM	H	Tryouts	CMS Gym		
Girls Basketball		9/28/21	3:30 PM	H	Tryouts	CMS Gym		
Girls Basketball		9/29/21	3:30 PM	H	Tryouts	CMS Gym		
Cross Country	Coed	9/30/21	4:00 PM	A	Highland Middle School	Highland High School	2:20 PM	2:30 PM

Tote Me Home

In collaboration with the Collinsville Food Pantry, CMS is happy to offer families with the Tote Me Home program. Tote Me Home provides families with additional grocery assistance over the weekend. Students involved in the program are given a bag of groceries to take home on Fridays.



For more information please contact our CMS social workers.

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