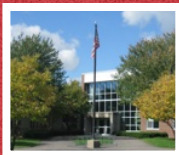


# CHITTENANGO MIDDLE SCHOOL COURIER



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## Student Pick Up/Parking Lot

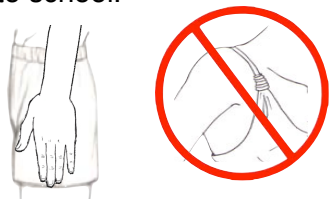
Please be aware that there should be no parking in the bus loop in the back parking lot while picking up your student. It is illegal to park in the no parking area. Parking in the bus loop area also blocks our buses from loading the students and leaving the school.

Please be considerate of others while picking up your child and park in the designated student pick up area in the back parking lot. Students should use the crosswalk to get to your vehicle.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## Principals' Message

May is here and hopefully the nice weather will continue. Please remember that as nice weather returns spring time attire needs to be appropriate for school. Shorts need to be mid-thigh in length and tube tops or shirts that have spaghetti straps are not worn to school.



Please mark your calendars for May 11th. This is our District Wide School Fair. It will be held at the High School from 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM. All of our students will have their work displayed. There will be performances from our music department and wonderful exhibits from our art department. You will also be able to purchase and eat dinner in the cafeteria if you would like. The school budget vote is on May 15th at the Middle School from 12:00 - 9:00 PM.

## May 2018

5/1	Board of Education Meeting	
	Budget Hearing @ CMS	6:30 PM
5/1	NYS Math Testing Grades 5-8	
5/2	NYS Math Testing Grades 5-8	
5/3	Mentor Program Zoo Field Trip	
5/3	French Club - Room 110	2:20 PM
5/8	Faculty Meeting - No 10th Period	
5/8	SEPTSA Meeting - LMC	2:20 PM
5/10	Spanish Club - Room 109	2:20 PM
5/10	Chess & Graphic Novels Club - Room 217	2:20 PM
5/10	Mentor Program	2:20 PM
5/11	Early Dismissal	12:30 PM
5/11	School Fair @ CHS	5:30 - 8:00 PM
5/15	Student Council Meeting - Room 109	2:20 PM
5/15	Health Fair @ CMS	3:00 - 5:00 PM
5/15	Budget Vote @ CHS	12:00 - 9:00 PM
5/15	PTA Meeting - LMC	5:30 PM
5/15	Board of Education Meeting @ CMS	7:30 PM
5/17	Mentor Program	2:20 PM
5/18	35 Week Progress Reports Issued	
5/18	Half Day of School - Early Dismissal	10:15 AM
5/19	Teen Book Festival	6:45 AM
5/21	Maker Monday	2:20 PM
5/22	F.O.R. Club - Room 204	2:20 PM
5/23	Science Performance Test Grade 8	
5/23	Mentor Program Field Trip - American Legion	
5/24	Science Performance Test Grade 8	
5/24	Chess & Graphics Novel Club - Room 217	2:20 PM
5/25	Select Ensemble Darien Lake Field Trip	
5/28	Memorial Day - No School	
5/29	5th Grade Madison County Landfill/Windmills Field Trip	
5/30	5th Grade Madison County Landfill/Windmills Field Trip	
5/31	5th Grade Madison County Landfill/Windmills Field Trip	

## IMPORTANT DATES

### Test Dates for 8th Grade

May 23-24	8th Grade Science Performance Test
June 4	8th Grade Science Written
June 12 (PM)	Algebra 1 Regents
June 14 (AM)	Earth Science Regents



### "Mobile Manners"

When that 2:12 P.M. bell rings, each student knows that it not only signifies that they are allowed to go home, but also that they are finally allowed to take out their phone and

look at the many push notifications that have accumulated over the course of the day. Your child finally comes home, and you want to chat with them to see how school went. Their eyes are glued to the last Snapchat they received and their answers to your questions are delayed. This challenge becomes very difficult for parents to address; therefore, here are some helpful tips to teach your child about having "mobile manners".

- When someone is talking with you make sure that they have your undivided attention (eye contact and attention). A text message is typically never urgent, personal contact is.
- Depending on the setting, place your phone on silent instead of vibrate. The vibrating sound can be just as distracting as the sound being on.
- All text messages are traceable, be careful of what you say and send.
- Last but not least there is no substitute for face-to-face interactions. Keep talking and keep lines of communication open. Children need our attention as much as we need theirs.

### Important Upcoming Dates/Events

6/1	Student Council Field Trip	
6/1	Board Games Friday - LMC	2:20 PM
6/1	5th & 6th Grade PTA Activity Night- Gym/Cafe	6:00 - 7:30 PM
6/4	NYS Science 8th Grade Written Test	
6/5	5th Grade Great Swamp Conservancy Field Trip	
6/5	Faculty Meeting - No 10th Period	
6/6	5th Grade Great Swamp Conservancy Field Trip	
6/6	CMS Spring Concert #1 @ CHS	6:30 PM
6/7	8th Grade Science Day at Darien Lake	
6/7	5th Grade Great Swamp Conservancy Field Trip	
6/7	Mentor Program Celebration	2:20 PM
6/7	4th Grade Family Orientation	6:00 PM
6/8	8th Grade Darien Field Trip	
6/8	Library Squad Field Trip	
6/11	CMS Spring Concert #2 @ CHS	6:30 PM
6/12	Algebra Regents (PM)	
6/12	Gold and Silver Awards Night @ CHS	6:00 PM
6/12	Board of Education Meeting	6:30 PM
6/14	Earth Science Regents (AM)	
6/15	4th Marking Period Ends	
6/19	5th Grade Awards Ceremony - Cafeteria	8:30 AM
6/19	Farewell to Middle School 8th Grade Dance	6:00 - 8:00 PM
6/20	5-8 Early Dismissal	10:15 AM
6/21	Report Cards Issued (5th Grade)	
6/21	Last Day of School Early Dismissal	9:30 AM
6/22	Superintendent's Conference Day - No School for Students	
6/22	CHS Graduation - Civic Center	7:00 PM

### Nurse Notes

The nurse's office is closed during the summer. If copies of physicals or shot records are needed for camps or etc., please contact the nurse at this time.

Tdap immunization is now required by New York State in order to enter the 6th grade. Letters will go out May 2018 from the nurse's office specifically to the students who are lacking the required immunization. If you have any questions, please call Debra Gronau, R.N. (315) 687-2810.

May is Teacher Appreciation Month.

The CMS PTA would like to thank all of the teachers and staff that work so hard each day to educate and support our children!

Mark your calendars with these upcoming dates:

May 15th PTA Meeting 5:30 PM  
CMS Library

June 1st 5th & 6th Grade Activity Night  
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM at CMS

June 12th 6th-8th Grade Gold and Silver  
Night

June 19th 5th Grade Awards Ceremony

Keep an eye out for information coming on our summertime Cornhole Tournament!!

### **Changes to NYS Health Examination Requirements Effective July 2018**

Starting July 2018, mandates in Education Law with regards to physical exams will change. Health examinations will be required for each student in kindergarten, first, third, fifth, seventh, ninth, and eleventh. All students who are entering the school district for the first time, students receiving certain special education services, and all students involved in interscholastic athletics.

Health examinations may be performed at school by the School Medical Director or performed by the student's primary medical provider. They must be dated no more than twelve months prior to the start of the school year in which they are required or the date of entrance to the school for new entrants.