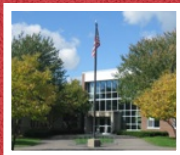


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Student Pick Up/Parking Lot

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 10th. 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. The school budget vote is on May 21st at the Middle School from 12:00 - 9:00 PM.

IMPORTANT DATES

Test Dates for 5th - 8th Grade

May 1-2	5-8th Grade Math
May 22-23	8th Grade Science Performance
June 3	8th Grade Science Written
June 19 (PM)	Algebra 1 Regents
June 20 (PM)	Earth Science Regents

May 2019

5/1	NYS Math Testing Grades 5-8	
5/2	NYS Math Testing Grades 5-8	
5/2	Mentor Program	2:20 PM
5/7	Faculty Meeting - No 10th Period	
5/7	Board of Education Meeting	
	Budget Hearing @ CMS	6:30 PM
5/9	Mentor Program	2:20 PM
5/9	Chess & Graphics Novel Club - Rm 217	2:20 PM
5/10	Early Dismissal	12:30 PM
5/10	School Fair @ CHS	5:30 - 8:00 PM
5/14	F.O.R./Chain Reaction Club - Room 204	2:20 PM
5/14	Yoga Club - Small Gym	2:20 PM
5/15	7/8 Mandatory Chorus Rehearsal	2:20 PM
5/16	Mentor Program	2:20 PM
5/16	Spanish Club - Room 109	2:20 PM
5/16	7th Grade Farmer's Museum Field Trip	
5/17	8th Grade Choices & Consequences Conference	
5/17	35 Week Progress Reports Issued	
5/17	Half Day of School - Early Dismissal	10:15 AM
5/21	Yoga Club - Small Gym	2:20 PM
5/21	Student Council - Room 109	2:20 PM
5/21	Health Fair @ CMS	3:00 - 5:00 PM
5/21	Budget Vote @ CHS	12:00 - 9:00 PM
5/21	PTA Meeting - LMC	5:30 PM
5/21	Board of Education Meeting @ CMS	7:30 PM
5/22	Science Performance Test Grade 8	
5/22	Mentor Program Field Trip - American Legion	
5/22	Spring Concert #1 @ CHS	6:30 PM
5/23	Science Performance Test Grade 8	
5/23	Special Olympics Field Trip	
5/24	Chess & Graphics Novel Club - Room 217	2:20 PM
5/27	Memorial Day - No School	
5/28	5th Grade Madison County Landfill/Windmills Field Trip	
5/28	Yoga Club - Small Gym	2:20 PM
5/29	5th Grade Madison County Landfill/Windmills Field Trip	
5/29	Spring Concert #2 @ CHS	6:30 PM
5/30	5th Grade Madison County Landfill/Windmills Field Trip	
5/30	Building Planning Team Meeting	3:00 PM
5/31	Student Council Field Trip	



"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	2019 Rocket Challenge - Skytop S.U.	7:30 AM
6/3	NYS Science 8th Grade Written Test	
6/4	5th Grade Great Swamp Conservancy Field Trip	
6/4	Faculty Meeting - No 10th Period	
6/5	5th Grade Great Swamp Conservancy Field Trip	
6/6	5th Grade Great Swamp Conservancy Field Trip	
6/6	Mentor Program Celebration	2:20 PM
6/6	4th Grade Family Orientation	6:00 PM
6/6	8th Grade Darien Field Trip	
6/7	Board Games - LMC	2:20 - 5:00 PM
6/7	Talent Show	6:00 PM
6/11	Board of Education Meeting	6:30 PM
6/12	Gold and Silver Awards Night @ CHS	6:00 PM
6/13	8th Grade Awards/Orientation Night	
6/14	4th Marking Period Ends	
6/19	Algebra Regents (PM)	
6/20	Earth Science Regents (PM)	
6/20	6th Grade Green Lakes Field Trip	
6/21	7th Grade Green Lakes Field Trip	
6/24	Farewell to Middle School 8th Grade Dance	6:00 - 8:00 PM
6/26	Superintendent's Conference Day - No School for Students	
6/28	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 2019 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 21st PTA Meeting 5:30 PM
CMS Library

June 12th 5th-7th Grade Gold and Silver
Night

June 13th 8th Grade Awards/Orientation
Night

Changes to NYS Health Examination Requirements Effective July 2018

Starting July 2018, mandates in Education Law with regards to physical exams have changed. 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.