

Week 4: September 16, 2022

This week we kicked off **National Hispanic Heritage Month**! Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.

The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988, on the approval of Public Law 100-402. The day of September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18, respectively. Also, Columbus Day or Día de la Raza, which is October 12, falls within this 30 day period.



The 2022 theme is “**Unidos: Inclusivity for a Stronger Nation,**” to honor the cultures and contributions of both Hispanic and Latina/o/x Americans as we celebrate heritage rooted in all Latin American countries.

DID YOU KNOW...that C.M.M.S. uses the Second Step Program in Advisory?

Second Step Middle School is a research-based social-emotional learning (SEL) program designed to improve students’ social emotional skills, such as emotion management, impulse control, problem solving, and empathy. Studies show that these skills can help improve academic performance, reduce negative social behaviors like bullying, and create positive classroom and school climates. Second Step skills and concepts are designed to help students both in and out of the classroom. Topics that we cover include:



- Mindsets and Goals
 - Students learn how to develop a growth mindset and apply research based goal-setting strategies to their social and academic lives.
- Recognizing Bullying & Harassment
 - Students learn how to recognize bullying and harassment, stand up safely to bullying and respond appropriately to harassment.
- Thoughts, Emotions & Decisions
 - Students learn how to recognize strong emotions and unhelpful thoughts, and apply strategies to manage their emotions and reduce stress.
- Managing Relationships & Social Conflict
 - Students learn strategies for developing and maintaining healthy relationships, perspective-taking and dealing with conflict.

Students engage with Second Step content weekly in Advisory! Lessons take many different forms including videos, circle talks, class discussions and activities. Thank you for your support as we work to build a safe and supportive school community.

PBIS Check For Success Challenge!

Students should bring in their chromebook charged to at least 80%, have their planner, wear their ID, and have materials for their day.

This challenge runs from September 6th through October 7th in our advisory classes.

Reward: The advisory group from each team with the highest percentage of students prepared for their day will win a donut party.

Last Week's Standings:

Our Check for Success Challenge is off to a great start. Here are the leaders for Week ONE:

6A- Bartosh 97%
6B- Shouse 89%
6C- Carter/Powell 92%
7A- VanBeek 93%
7B- Woolsey 94%
7C- Pogrebetskaya 94%
8A- Moore 94%
8B- Hunter 98%
8C- Witt 98%
Calderone 88%
Heft 93%

Parental Involvement Information:

- REVIEW our [CMMS Title I Information](#), [CMMS Parent Student Staff Compact](#) and sign off on the [Parent, Student & Staff Compact Form](#)
- REVIEW our [Student & Family Handbook](#) with your child
- PTO: To join the PTO please complete: [CMMS PTO Sign-Up 2022-2023](#)
 - Fill out this form and send \$5. Membership Fee (per family) into the school in an envelope labeled CMMS PTO. Please include your name, and your student(s) name on the envelope.



Announcements: [CMMS Electronic Announcement Board](#) This week we announced the following:

Sports:

- **Girls Basketball:** The girls basketball season started with back-to-back games Wednesday and Thursday. The 7th grade team won both their games. Against Columbia Central, Laurel Glover led the team with 9 points. 6th grader, Ka'Miyah Reed, scored a tie-breaking 3-pointer in the final minute of the game to help the team pull ahead and win the game 24-22. The 7th grade team also won their game Thursday against Huth 32-26. 6th Grader, Jada Franklin, led the team with 11 points and 7th Graders, A'Laura King and Laurel Glover, helped with 10 points and 9 points respectively. The 8th grade team lost their first game to Columbia. In their game against Huth, the girls put forth a strong effort to come back from behind but fell short in the end losing 22-19. Sakai Jones had a team high of 11 points and Pauline Magnaye scored 6 in the Thursday game. Both teams continue their season with an away game against Brookwood on Monday.

Clubs & Activities:

- **IMSA Fusion: Do you love science or math or both?** Come join IMSA Fusion! This STEM program is for students who are talented, interested and motivated in mathematics and science. The program offers several engaging modules which include hands-on, minds-on science, technology, engineering and mathematics. If you are interested, check grade level google classrooms for the slide with the sign up form. You need to complete the form by Sept. 30th.
- **Spanish Club:** Hola! Do you want to explore the cultures of Spanish Speaking cultures? If yes, join the Spanish club! Our first meeting is Thursday, October 13th, in room 200. Get a permission slip from your Language Acquisition teacher!

SEPTEMBER IB Learner Profile Trait OPEN-MINDED

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As IB learners we strive to be



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We critically appreciate our own cultures and personal histories, and the values and traditions of others.

A decorative border of various sports balls including basketballs, soccer balls, baseballs, tennis balls, and American footballs, arranged in a circular pattern around the central text.

CMMS Athletics Spectator & Guest Info

- Sports matches @ CMMS do not begin prior to 4:15/4:30 p.m.
- Students who wish to come to matches as spectators will need to return to school after 4:15 p.m. accompanied by an adult who will supervise them for the duration of the match.
- A Hard Copy CMMS ID is required for CMMS student entry.
- Tickets are \$1 for CMMS Students & \$2 for all other guests.
- Students who are absent from school, on social or academic probation or suspended on the day of the match are not permitted to attend.

Interested in the National Junior Honor Society?



You must:

- ★ be in 7th or 8th grade
- ★ maintain a 3.5 GPA or higher
- ★ have no demerit points on record with AP office after induction
- ★ complete the [National Junior Honor Society Application](#) by November 1 2022

Ask your advisor or contact Ms. Petro at petron@cm201u.org or Ms. Urbanczyk at urbanczykd@cm201u.org for more details!

What is it? The National Junior Honor Society is a prestigious, invitation-only national organization. Being accepted into NJHS is a real accomplishment since being able to join means that a student has performed exceptionally well during their time in middle school. Students must qualify based on their personal attributes of character, scholarship, leadership, citizenship, and service.

How can I join? The Crete-Monee Middle School chapter of the National Junior Honor Society will hold its induction in the fall of 2022 after the first grading trimester ends. At that time, seventh and eighth grade students are eligible to be inducted. All interested students must:

1. have maintained a 3.5 GPA.
2. complete community service. Community service hours should be logged on the NJHS Community Service Hours Report form linked below.
3. be recommended by his/her teachers as a student of high character.
4. have no demerit points after acceptance into the organization.

**After induction, all members of NJHS must maintain the above standards to remain an eligible member in good-standing.

Interested sixth and seventh graders: Complete and submit the [CMMS National Junior Honor Society Application 2022/2023](#) Google form by November 1, 2022. Be sure to also complete at least 10 hours of community service, and record them on the [NJHS Community Service Hours Report 2022/2023](#).

Who should I contact with questions? If students have any questions, they may contact NJHS sponsors, Ms. Petro at petron@cm201u.org or Mrs. Urbanczyk at urbanczykd@cm201u.org.

Community Resources!

Please check the following links for community resources or events that may be of interest to your family:

Home Energy Assistance Program

[ENGLISH](#)

[SPANISH](#)

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- **ID's:** All students received a color coded ID and lanyard. It is the student's responsibility to wear both around their neck at all times during the school day and on our buses. Your account will automatically be charged \$5 every time a replacement ID/lanyard needs to be issued.
- **Clear Backpacks:** ALL students have received their school issued CLEAR Backpacks. [CMMS Backpack Expectations](#) were reviewed and all students received a physical copy as well.
- **Cell Phones:** All cell phones and non-school issued electronic devices need to be turned off and put away during the school day. Students who fail to adhere to this expectation will be subject to Board sanctioned consequences. . [cm201u-cell-policy-flyer.pdf](#)
- **Chromebooks:** Students are expected to bring their charged chromebook daily.
- **Health Office Forms:** **6th graders & new to district students are required** to submit a current state physical form at the start of the school year. If you took care of this over the summer, please send a copy of your documentation to Nurse Daniels. Need a form? Click here → [State Physical Form](#) Please understand that if your documentation is not turned in **by October 14th** your child will be excluded (not allowed to attend) school starting on October 15th and will remain as an unexcused absence until the appropriate documentation is turned in. This is part of the IL State Code.
- **Water Bottles:** Students are welcome to bring their own refillable water bottles. We have bottle fillers located throughout the building. Please make sure your child's name is clearly written on their bottle.
- **Food Items:** There are set times for students to eat breakfast & lunch. Students are not permitted to "order" lunch to be delivered to the school. Parents, if you are dropping off lunch for your child, it needs to be in our office prior to the student's assigned lunch time.
- **Activity Busses** (4:15 p.m) *will be available for students who are participating in any of our after school athletics, clubs or activities. Please note that your child will not be dropped off at their usual spot, but rather a close location in your neighborhood.*

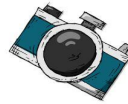
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

- Tuesday, September 27, 2022: **Fall Picture Day--see information below**
- Friday, September 30, 2022
 - **Early Release Day for Students** Students will be dismissed from school at 11:30 a.m.
- Monday, October 10, 2022
 - **NO SCHOOL, Indigenous Peoples Day**
- Friday, October 21, 2022
 - **Early Release Day for Students** Students will be dismissed from school at 11:30 a.m.
- Monday, October 31, 2022
 - **Early Release Day for Students** Students will be dismissed from school at 11:30 a.m.





CMMS PICTURE DAY!



SAVE THE DATE!

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2022

All students will sit for a school photo during their PE/Health class. Photo package information will be posted to Family Access and emailed to all families.

PICTURE DAY IS

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

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- [Application Packet Paper Packet](#)