

Week 22: February 3, 2023

Congratulations to our NJHS Inductees! The CMMS National Junior Honor Society inducted 39 new members on Tuesday evening. To be selected for NJHS, inductees must have earned a 3.5 grade point average, which must be maintained to continue their membership. They also worked to complete at least 10 service hours within their community. **Congratulations on this accomplishment!**

Angulo, Giselle	8B	Deutsche, Jackson	7C	Godlewski, Caleb	7C	Mallory, Ralph	8B	Stewart, Cayden	8B
Bartling, Logan	8B	Dilworth, Shanelle	7C	Lear, London	8B	McClure, Isla	8A	Stolzenbach, Evelyn	8B
Blevins Jr., Terrence	8B	Douyon, Samone	7A	Guillermo, Leah	8A	Miller, Mackenzie	8C	Stua, Taylor	8A
Burge, Christopher	8C	Dunlavey, Marley	8C	Henderson Jr., Terrell	8C	Mosley, Caliel	8C	Stumbris, Rafe	8A
Castro-Macias, Brianna	8B	Dyson, Gabriel	7C	Henry, Zechariah	8B	Perozzi, Anastasia	7A	Watkins, Autry	7B
Cherry, DeAndre	8C	Evans, Jania	7B	Hudson, Aaliyah	8C	Reeves, Trinitee	8C	Watson, Natalia	8C
Cobb, Jalen	8B	Farquhar, Alexis	7C	Jenkins, Aniyah	7B	Ross, Zuri	7B	Wieczorek, Sophie	7B
Cuaresma, Katelyn	7C	Fernandez, Denisse	8C	Lawrence, Ethan	7C	Ruiz, Valerie	8A	Young, Lauren	7A
Davis, Mya	8B	Frazier, Louis	7A	Lockridge, Takyla	8C	Schmidt, Olivia	7B	Zaldarriaga, Cielo	8B
Decker, Cody	8B	Ghaben, Hala	8C	Lofton, Tymel	8A	Shores, Shavonne	7A		



Isla McClure, President



Caliel Mosely, Vice President



Logan Bartling, Treasurer



Mya Davis, Secretary



London Lear, Historian



Members inducted in 2022



2023 Induction Ceremony





Congratulations to all the Team Spelling Bee Winners! The winners participated in the Crete-Monee Middle School Building Spelling Bee on February 2th. Everyone did an outstanding job!!

Congratulations to our school representative **Quetera Blair** from 8C. Quetera will go on to represent CMMS in the Will County Regional Spelling Bee on March 24th at Joliet West High School. **Gerard Fleming**, from 8B, proved to be tough competition and was the CMMS runner-up. **Good Luck!**

<p>6A Winner: Leila Thoresen Alternate: Alyric Joiner</p>	<p>7A Winner: Damian Cerda Alternate: Gavin Jemilo</p>	<p>8A Winner: Jerusalem Milton Alternate: Gabe Rozak</p>
<p>6B Winner: Andrew Powell Alternate: Mason Williams</p>	<p>7B Winner: AL Hale Alternate: Kelsey Correa</p>	<p>8B Winner: Gerard Fleming Alternate: Kamron Harris</p>
<p>6C Winner: Savanna Koppers Alternate: Aria Jurek</p>	<p>7C Winner: Caleb Godlewski Alternate: Ethan Lawrence</p>	<p>8C Winner: Quetera Blair Alternate: Oliver Hanton</p>



Team Winners



CMMS Final Two Spellers



CMMS Spelling Bee Representative: Quetera Blair
Alternate Representative: Gerard Fleming



Please support our PTO Candy Gram Fundraiser by sending a sweet treat & message to a classmate, friend or staff member!!



11:30 a.m. Dismissal for Students on Monday, February 6, 2023
School Improvement Day

8th Grade Festivities & End of the Year Information

Please read through the attached letter very carefully. There is a lot of information pertaining to 8th grade events and activities that will take place from February through June. This information will also be posted to our 8th Grade Google Classroom, Website and Family & Student Access. [8th Grade Letter English](#) [8th Grade Letter Spanish](#)



ACHIEVE 3000 MONTHLY CONTEST: FEBRUARY 2023

STUDENTS WITH A FIRST SCORE OF 75% OR BETTER ON THREE (3) [SELF-SELECTED] ARTICLES WILL BE ENTERED INTO A DRAWING. STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE ONE (1) OR MORE ARTICLES PER WEEK. NOTE: STUDENTS WHO COMPLETE ALL ARTICLES IN TWO OR THREE WEEKS WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE. ONE WINNER FROM EACH GRADE LEVEL WILL WIN A \$10 AMAZON GIFT CARD. THE FIRST SET OF WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED MARCH 1ST OR 2ND. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE ASK YOUR READING TEACHER OR TAKE A LOOK AT THE ANNOUNCEMENT IN YOUR GRADE LEVEL CLASSROOM.

6TH, 7TH AND 8TH GRADES EXPLORE, EXAMINE AND CREATE ART!

ILLINOIS 5 ESSENTIALS SURVEY *Help us improve our schools!*

Crete-Monee School District 201-U schools will participate in the annual Illinois 5 Essentials Survey. The survey is designed to collect important information on school climate and learning conditions. This survey, developed by the University of Chicago Consortium on Chicago School Research, assesses performance on five indicators or “Essentials” for school improvement.

- *Effective Leaders*
- *Collaborative Teachers*
- *Involved Families*
- *Supportive Environment*
- *Ambitious Instruction*

The survey results are reported on the school report cards that are available to parents.

The parent survey is available from January 24, 2023, through March 31, 2023. All district parents are encouraged to take the survey. Your identity and your child’s survey responses will be kept completely confidential and will never be connected to you or your child.

The survey will be administered online and will take less than 20 minutes to complete. Please note that all survey information is confidential. Each school in the district must have 20% of eligible parents participate for a parent report to be generated. To take the survey, please click on the link below:

<http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/>



In February, We Are Knowledgeable!



Students who are KNOWLEDGEABLE have explored relevant and significant concepts and can remember what they have learned. They can draw on this knowledge and apply it in new situations.

How can parents help to develop students who are Knowledgeable at home?

- Encourage your child to read books at home that correspond with the topics being covered in school. In particular, books in their mother tongue will help your child make more meaningful, lasting connections to what is being taught in their classroom in English.
- Ask your child about what they are learning in school and engage them in conversations about it:
 - “Why do you think that is an important thing to know about?”
 - “Can you think of anything happening in the world today that might be similar to that aspect of History?”
 - “You’re learning about pulleys and gears at school? This reminds me of your simple machines unit in grade 2... have you noticed any similarities? How is what you’re learning different?”
- Foster any area that your child expresses an interest in with books and activities, but also be sure to encourage them to explore other areas.
- Encourage your child to become familiar with current events and to read the newspaper and watch the news when appropriate

Announcements: [CMMS Electronic Announcement Board](#)

Sports, Clubs & Activities: Good luck to our teams who are playing as follows this week:

- **Boys Basketball:** The boy's basketball season came to an end last week. Thank you to the coaches, players, and parents for a great season!
- **Girls Volleyball:** Our team travels to Parker on 2/7, plays @ home vs. Columbia on 2/8 and plays @ home Brookwood on 2/9.
- **Boys Volleyball:** Our team takes on Parker @ home on 2/7, plays @ Columbia on 2/8 and rounds out the week @ Brookwood on 2/9.
- **Chess:** Our Chess Team takes on Parker @ home on 2/7, plays @ Columbia on 2/8 and completes their week @ Brookwood on 2/9.
- **Track & Field:** Interested in participating in Track & Field this spring? There is an interest meeting on 2/7 after school. Click here for more information: [Track & Field](#)  [Athletic Information Flyer 2022-2023](#)  [IESA-PhysicalCard.pdf](#)
- **Math Club:** Interested in joining math club? Click here for more information: [Math Club](#)

CLICK HERE FOR [CMMS BLACK HISTORY MONTH CONTEST DETAILS](#)

CMMS & Amazon Black Employee Network



2023 Black History Month

Essay, Artwork & Poetry Contest

-Your essay or poem should be emailed to Mrs. Sandra D. Brookins at brookinss@cm201u.org.

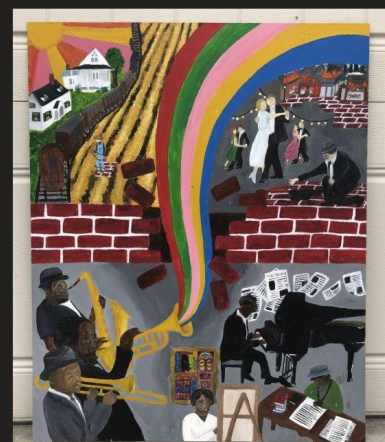
-The artwork should be hand delivered to Mrs. Brookins in the main office. Digital work can be emailed to Mrs. Brookins.

-All submissions are due on or before **DEADLINE EXTENDED TO 2/17!**

-Winners will be selected by the Amazon BEN Committee and announced on February 24, 2023.

-One winner & one runner up in each category.

-A student is allowed to submit entries in more than one category.



Prizes:

THREE FIRST PLACE winners will receive an Echo Show & a \$25 Amazon Gift Card

THREE RUNNER-UPS winners will receive an Echo Dot Smart Speaker & a \$10 Amazon Gift Card



CMMS Track & Field



Interested in joining the state-championship winning CMMS track & field program??

Come to the *optional* track & field informational meeting this Tuesday, February 7th, after school in the cafeteria!

Get all your questions answered, and decide if track & field is for you!

Choir is back!!!!



- Join Ms. DePriest, an internationally-recognized soloist and chorister, to bring vocal music back to CMMS.
- Group singing and solo opportunities!
- Discover the fun and endless possibilities of singing in a select ensemble.



Auditions: Tuesday 02/07 & Thursday 02/09 after school in the music room (213). Be ready to sing your favorite song!

Audition Form: [Link](#)

Any Questions? Email Ms. DePriest: depriestk@cm201u.org

Student Athlete Spotlight

Garrett Jemilo - 8th Boys Volleyball

Who is your favorite teacher?

Mr. Coppens (PE)

What is your favorite food?

Cheeseburger

What is your favorite hobby?

Sports

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Student Athlete Spotlight

Na'liyah Reyes-Yates

Who is your favorite teacher?

Mrs. Zirkle (Language Acquisition)

What is your favorite food?

Pasta

What is your favorite hobby?

Play sports & watch TikTok

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CMMSATHLETICS&ACTIVITIES

Student Athlete Spotlight

Gavin Jemilo - 7th Grade Boys Volleyball

Who is your favorite teacher?

Ms. VanBeek (Language Acquisition)

What is your favorite food?

Tacos

What is your favorite hobby?

Sports

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#CMMSATHLETICS&ACTIVITIES

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- Monday, February 6, 2023
 - **Early Release Day for Students** 11:30 a.m. Dismissal for Students
 - Staff School Improvement Day
- Thursday, February 9, 2023
 - **8th Grade Cap/Gown Measurements** (taken in school)
- Monday, February 13, 2023
 - **CMHS Scheduling Overview @ CMMS** (during the day)
- Wednesday, February 15, 2023
 - **CMHS Open House @ Crete-Monee High School** [CMHS Open House Flyer 2023.pdf](#)
- Friday, February 17, 2023
 - **Early Release Day for Students** 11:30 a.m. Dismissal for Students
 - Staff School Improvement Day
- Monday, February 20, 2023
 - **NO SCHOOL, Presidents' Day**
- Tuesday, February 21st, Wednesday, February 22nd and Thursday, February 23rd.
 - **CMHS Counselors onsite @ CMMS** to complete course requests with 8th Graders (during the day)
- Friday, March 3, 2023
 - **Early Release Day for Students** 11:30 a.m. Dismissal for Students
 - End of Trimester 2 & Staff Records Day
 - **3:00 p.m. CMMS March Madness, sponsored by CMMS PTO & CMMS Admin**
- Monday, March 6, 2023
 - **NO SCHOOL, Casimir Pulaski Day**
- Friday, March 17, 2023
 - **Early Release Day for Students** 11:30 a.m. Dismissal for Students
 - Staff School Improvement Day
- Thursday, March 23, 2023
 - **Spring Parent Teacher Conferences--ONSITE--5:00-8:00 p.m.**
- Friday, March 24, 2023
 - **NO SCHOOL, District Holiday**
- Monday, March 27, 2023-Friday, March 31, 2023
 - **NO SCHOOL, Spring Break**



Our school spiritwear shop is OPEN!
Show your CM201U Pride! Click here
for your [Crete-Monee Warriors Gear!](#)



CRETE-MONEE WARRIORS

- Easy & secure ordering process.
- Pick from a wide variety of styles, brands and colors.
- Items delivered to your home.

Order your gear today!!

Attention Students & Parents!
Join us for our CMMS PTO & ADMIN March Madness Event!

PTO March Madness Permission Form & money due by
2/24/23! All Teams: Each team member will require their

own
permission
form!

Parents, we
need your
help with
supervision,
refereeing
games and
concessions!

Sign up is
on the
permission
slip!



CMMS PTO & ADMINISTRATION
Presents

MARCH MADNESS

BASKETBALL & VOLLEYBALL CHALLENGE

FRIDAY, MARCH 3RD
3-8 P.M. @ CMMS

Permission form &
money due to the main
office by 2/24.

**COST: \$5 PER PERSON FOR
ALL PLAYERS & SPECTATORS
INCLUDES HOT DOG & DRINK**

Concessions will be available for sale at the event !



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 are required to use a clear backpack. Please make sure your child is following our: [CMMS Backpack Expectations](#).
- **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.
- **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.

Community Resources Click below for more information on these community events/opportunities.

Bilingual Parental Advisory Committee Brochure (English) Brochure (Spanish)	Catholic Charities
211 United Way of Will County	211 United Way of Will County (Espanol)
Rental Assistance	University Park Home Energy Assistance
Monee Township STEM Opportunity	LIHEAP Assistance
Mobile Food Pantry Calendar	Food Bank Flyer
SNAP Help	Meals on Wheels



GAME NIGHT



FEBRUARY 7, 2023
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM

BPAC FAMILY GAME NIGHT
CM 201-U Administration Center
1500 South Sangamon Street, Crete
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY
Light refreshments will be served.

 **RSVP BY FEBRUARY 3RD**
PLEASE EMAIL RITA SOTO,
ELL COORDINATOR AT
SOTOR@CM201U.ORG

Please include the name of your student(s)
and the number of people attending.

Supported in part
with Federal Title II Funds



GAME NIGHT



7 DE FEBRERO DE 2023
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM

**NOCHE DE JUEGOS
PARA FAMILIAS DE BPAC**
CM 201-U Administration Center
1500 South Sangamon Street, Crete
DIVERSIÓN PARA TODA LA FAMILIA
Se servirán refrigerios ligeros.

RSVP ANTES DEL 3 DE FEBRERO
LA COORDINADORA DE ELL, SRA. SOTO
SOTOR@CM201U.ORG

 Por favor, incluya el nombre
de su(s) estudiante(s) y
el número de personas que asistirán.

Este evento está apoyado
con fondos Federales del Título III.

ALUMINUM CAN RECYCLING CONTEST

CMMS has joined Belson Steel's SCORE Recycling Contest! Will you help us? It's as easy as 1, 2, 3:



1. COLLECT YOUR ALUMINUM CANS & BRING THEM TO BENSON STEEL IN BOURBONNAIS FOR RECYCLING. YOU GET PAID CASH FOR THE CANS!
2. MENTION CRETE-MONEE MIDDLE SCHOOL WHEN YOU GET PAID! BELSON'S WILL ADD ONE POINT TO OUR SCORE FOR EVERY POUND OF CANS THAT YOU ARE RECYCLING!
3. AT THE END OF THE CONTEST IN APRIL CMMS WILL RECEIVE \$\$ FOR EVERY POINT! PLUS...THE TOP SCHOOLS WILL WIN THOUSANDS IN EXTRA CASH & PRIZES!

CONTEST RUNS FROM OCTOBER 10, 2022 THROUGH APRIL 22, 2023



Belson Steel
1685 N. Route 50
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
815-932-7416

WE ARE IN SECOND PLACE as of January 3rd...in the BELSON STEEL SCORE RECYCLING CONTEST!!

Check out the standings by clicking on the blue link above!! Thank you to everyone who is recycling!! Keep up the great effort!!



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The NEW and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online.

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YOUR RECEIPT

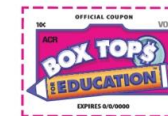
Use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



EARN
CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL

Box Tops earnings are identified and automatically updated at BTFE.com.

You do not need to clip or send Box Tops labels to school.



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Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store as packages transition to the new Box Tops labels. You can still clip these and send them to school. Please make sure each clip has a valid expiration date.



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YOUR BOX TOPS TO SCHOOL

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