

CMMS Weekly Newsletter & Announcements

Week 3: September 15, 2023

Today 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 2023 recognition theme, **“Latinos: Driving Prosperity, Power, and Progress in America”** pays tribute to the immense economic and political strides Latinos have made in the U.S. Please join us in celebrating the accomplishments of Latinos both past and present.



Parental Involvement Information:

- REVIEW and SIGN OFF on the [Parent, Student & Staff Compact Form](#)
- REVIEW our [Student & Family Handbook](#) with your child
- CHECK Family Access WEEKLY! Grades are updated every week!
- In an effort to keep our lines of communication clear we will heavily utilize email and phone contact throughout the school year. If your contact information changes at any time, please let us know by reaching out to our office at 708-367-2400.
- **PTO will be kicking off soon!** To join the PTO please 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.





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Monday, 9/18	Tuesday, 9/19	Wednesday, 9/20	Thursday, 9/21	Friday, 9/22
<i>Day 2-Blue</i>	<i>Day 3-Green</i>	<i>Day 4-Yellow</i>	<i>Day 5-Orange</i>	<i>Day 1-Red</i>
After School Math Club (Rm. 112) Cheerleading Practice Drama Club Rehearsal Kickball Intramural Girls Basketball @ HOME v. Brookwood (4:15 pm) Cross Country @ Chicago Heights MS v. CHMS & Memorial (4:15 pm)	After School Gloria J. Taylor Mtg. (Rm. 99) Art Club (Rm. 404) Flag Football Intramural Cheerleading Practice Cross Country Practice Girls Basketball Practice Drama Club Rehearsal	After School Cheerleading Practice Kickball Intramural Chess Team Informational Meeting (Rm. 120) Girls Basketball @ Colin Powell (4:15 pm) Cross Country @ Home v. Colin Powell (4:15 pm) Cheer Parent Meeting @ 4:15	After School Flag Football Intramural Drama Club Rehearsal Cross CoChess Club Info untry Practice Girls Basketball Practice	NO ACTIVITY BUSESSES Wear Hispanic Heritage Shirts or tops representing Notable Hispanic People or Spanish Speaking Countries

This week we announced the following:

- **DESIGN CLUB:** Join Design Club with Ms. Van Beek to discover the world of Graphic Design and learn what it takes to capture an audience, share a memorable message, and make eye-catching designs. Applications are due to our MAIN OFFICE by September 27. [Permission Form](#) [Advisory Slide](#)
- **SPANISH CLUB:** Spanish Club starts soon. If you are interested, please fill out the google form on your grade level google classroom. Space is limited. [Advisory Slide](#)
- **Double Dutch Club:** Students interested in Double Dutch need to complete their permission form and turn it in to Dr. Brookins in the main office. Permission slips are on the grade level google classrooms.
- **Chess Team:** Join the team! Interest meeting is on 9/20! [Chess Team Info](#)
- **ATHLETICS:** [Sports Physical](#) on file by the deadlines listed on our [2023-2024 CMMS Athletic Information Flyer](#).
- **Announcements:** [CMMS Electronic Announcement Board](#)

Congratulations to our CMMS Cheer Squad Coach: Ms. Shania Jolly					
Ariel Brown	6	Kamryn Greene	7	Dalilah Porter	7
Bria Alexander	6	Kennedy Burge	6	Gabrielle Kee	7
Brookelyn Whittler	6	Lyriq Johnson	6	McKenzie Woods	6
Cassidy Sales	7	Mariah Henson	8	Mylaya Stewart	7
Jadell Climmons	8	Justice Roudez	7	Peyton Bussell	7

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Congratulations to the following students who are representing
CMMS as our GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAMS

7th Grade Team	8th Grade Team
Head Coach: Candice Irons Assistant Coach: Jose Villegas	Head Coach: Harold Triche Assistant Coach: Arriyon Phillips
Brown, Taniya	Franklin, Jada
Cole, A'Meria	Glover, Laurel
Dillon, London	King, A'Laura
Dixon, Micai	Martinez, Valentina
Fernandez, Bella	Mclaren, Anayah
Franklin, Jasmine	Myers, Madison
Frazier, Erielle	Sanchez, Sofia
Lewis, Jozarra	Terrazas, Scarlett
Martinez, Valentina	Wilson, Kennedy
Myers, Madison	
Oliver, N'Dia	
Reed, Ka'Miah	
Sadiku, Elliana	
Simmons, Tamiyah	
Terrazas, Scarlett	
Washington, Ka'Riya	

Mark Your Calendars!

- Friday, September 15, 2023
 - **Hispanic Heritage Month Begins**
 - **Early Release Day for Students** Students will be dismissed from school at 11:30
- Tuesday, September 26, 2023
 - **Fall Picture Day** Photo package information from Lifetouch will be emailed out to families
- Wednesday, September 27, 2023
 - **PTO Meeting** @ 6:00 p.m. CMMS Library
- Friday, September 29, 2023
 - **Early Release Day for Students** Students will be dismissed from school at 11:30 a.m.



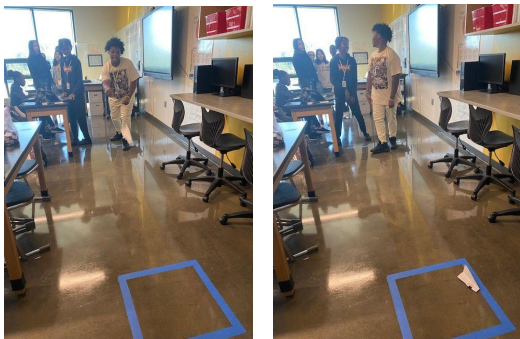
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Experiencing the IB Design Cycle

6th grade Design Tech students created paper towers for the first Design Challenge. Students worked in pairs to create the tallest tower possible using only ten sheets of paper, scissors, and one foot of tape. The tallest towers were created by Caleb Wilson and Erielle Frazier. Excellent work!



7th grade Design Tech students created paper gliders for the first Design Challenge. The gliders were designed by the students. Students were allowed to use weights (paper clips and binder clips) so that the glider would land on the runway.



Jordan Flowers

8th grade Design Tech students created an apparatus to lift cups for the first Design Challenge. Students were given a rubber band and three feet of string. They had to lift the cups using the apparatus to create a pyramid. Students could not touch the cups with their hands.



Jai Darnell and Dominic Archie

Lesley Salas and Kailyn Schubbe



CRETE-MONEE MIDDLE SCHOOL ORCHESTRA



In partnership with Suburban Youth Symphony Orchestra, CMMS is hosting a BEFORE school orchestra program.

TWO SESSIONS BASED ON EXPERIENCE

BEGINNER - MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY

No previous string instrument experience.

ADVANCED - TUESDAY AND THURSDAY

Played a string instrument for at least one year.

START DATE OCTOBER 10, 2023

TIME 7:15 AM TO 8:00 AM

- Spaces are limited in each session.
- Program provided at no cost with the exception of instrument rental if needed (pricing below).

TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

- Walker
- Before School Band Bus
- Parent Drop Off

INSTRUMENT RENTAL (QUINLAN AND FABISH)

Instrument, Bow, Case, Rosin, and Sponge Shoulder Rest

Instrument	Introductory Cost Total for 3 Months	Ongoing Monthly Cost
Violin	\$69.00	\$25.00

Instrument sizing and pick date pending.

[CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION FORM BY SEPTEMBER 22](#)

[REGISTRATION LINK](#)

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CMMS Athletics Spectator & Guest Info

- Sports games/matches @ CMMS do not generally begin prior to 4:15 p.m. ANY CMMS or DISTRICT STUDENTS who wish to attend as spectators will need to return to school at game time (check our weekly newsletter) accompanied by an adult who will supervise them for the duration of the game/match.
- A Hard Copy CMMS ID is required for CMMS student entry.
- Tickets are \$1 for CMMS Students, Senior Citizens & Veterans & \$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.
- GOODNIGHT Policy is in effect @ ALL Games & Matches. Once a spectator exits the building they are not permitted back in for the same event.



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Community Resources!

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

[Community Closet](#)
[South Holland](#) [Richton Park](#)

[Illinois Welcome Flier](#)
[English & Spanish](#)

[Will County Center for Community Concerns](#)

KEY 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. Every student has the same backpack, so to help with any confusion, we welcome your child individualizing their bag by adding a distinctive sticker or name tag to their backpack.
- **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. If your child has LOST their charger, please purchase a replacement on Amazon. Click on the appropriate grade level to go straight to the website.
 - [6th Grade Charger](#)
 - [7th & 8th Grade Charger](#)
- **6th Grade & New Student Physicals:** An updated physical and vaccination record needs to be submitted at the start of 6th Grade. Please take care of completing this requirement prior to the start of school. Please understand that if your documentation is not turned in **by Friday, October 13th** your child will be excluded (not allowed to attend) school **starting on Monday, October 16th** and will remain as an unexcused absence until the appropriate documentation is turned in. This is part of the IL State Code.
 - [Health Requirements](#)
 - [IL Physical Health Exam Form](#)
 - [Dental Exam Proof](#)
- **Water Bottles:** We have bottle fillers located throughout the building. It is up to your child to bring in a filled OR refillable water bottle from home, particularly on hot days. Please make sure your child's name is clearly written on their bottle.

CMMS Contact List: Please take a moment to save this list for any future needs that you may have. This is contact information for our Administrative Team, Secretarial Staff, Grade Level Counselors, Pupil Personnel Services Staff and Instructional Facilitators. [CMMS Office Staff Directory & Contact Information](#)

Your Child Deserves An Educational Edge

You and your student are being invited to participate in a nation-wide college preparatory Program. When it comes to encouraging the nation's eligible students to complete high school and attend a 4-year university/college, there

are no better people for the task than THE GLORIA J. TAYLOR FOUNDATION (GJTF).

Our TRIO Programs are essential educational opportunity programs that are vital in promoting educational successes, retention, college access and graduation pathways for the nation's eligible students. Thus, working for a more educated and skilled America!



The Gloria J. Taylor Foundation



"Preparing Our Future For The Future"



Visit WWW.gjtf.org or call 708-960-0859

JOIN Today!

Now Accepting Applications

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Grades 6-12

Attend a TRIO Served School

U.S. Citizen/Permanent Resident

Schools We Serve

Collin Powell Middle School

Michelle Obama School Of Technology and the Arts

Rich Township 227 **Crete Monee 201U**

WHAT WE OFFER:

College Tours
Career Exploration
Access To Tutoring

SAT/ACT Test Prep
College Preparation
Academic Advising

All services provided are at **NO** Cost to program participants. Yes!! All Services are

Free!!

The GJTF TRIO Education Talent Search Program is funded 100% through the US Department Of Education



Click here to access our [Application Packet](#)

Gloria J. Taylor Foundation meetings are held at CMMS Room 99 on Tuesdays from 2:45-4:10 p.m.

CRETE-MONEE EDUCATION FOUNDATION PRESENTS



2023

FUND RUN

Come support our teachers and students by participating in our first annual **FUND RUN!**

SEPTEMBER 16

8:00 REGISTRATION OPENS

9:00 RUN BEGINS

Run will begin at **Crete-Monee Middle School**.
Email cm201ufoundation@gmail.com for more information.

Register at bit.ly/fundrun2023

Sponsorships Available

\$1,000 – \$500 – \$250 – \$100

**SEPT.
16**


**ADULTS
\$35**

**KIDS
\$15**

*Hope to see you all there in support of our CM Education Foundation!
Signup on our website www.cm201u.org*

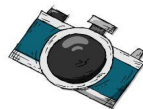
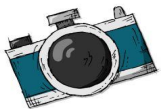
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ALL students will sit for a portrait. Purchase is NOT required.

Students received order forms this week in Advisory. All packages can be purchased online using this info  OR, you can send in your order on picture day. Photo packages will be delivered to our school and sent home to you. Retake day is scheduled for Monday, November 6th.



CMMS PICTURE DAY!



SAVE THE DATE!

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

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 26, 2023

Order today on
mylifetouch.com

using your Picture Day ID:

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