

# CMMS Weekly Newsletter & Announcements

## Week 6: September 29, 2023

Lots of things affect a child’s chance of success in school – academics, like math and reading to be certain, but also non-academic things like classroom behavior, attitudes and approaches towards learning, and even how they get along with others.

Our school will be using a digital program, Ripple Effects, as a tool to build social emotional skills, connect students to the community, and improve academic success. Through the program, your child will be developing a core set of social-emotional abilities that have been shown to help students have a stronger, more positive sense of self. It helps them do better in school, respect others, and build skills that can help them make good choices about drugs, violence, and other life challenges. These key abilities are:

- *Knowing yourself*
- *Controlling yourself*
- *Being aware of others*
- *Connecting with others*
- *Decision-making*



We have chosen this program because:

- It’s based on rigorous research about what works in increasing young people’s chance of overall school success
- It’s personalized, adaptive design allows each student to privately leverage their strengths to work on areas that are challenging
- We’ve been able to customize the program based on our local district guidelines, needs, and constraints.

With the use of Ripple Effects we hope to develop a learning environment in which every student is inspired to become their personal best. Please ask your child about the survey they took on Ripple Effects today!

### **HALLOWEEN GHOSTLY GRAMS**



### **OCTOBER 2023**

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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29	30	31				



- **ORDER CANDY GRAMS FOR \$1 IN ADVISORY OCTOBER 2ND THROUGH THE 16TH**
- **CANDY GRAMS WILL BE DELIVERED FRIDAY THE 27TH.**

### **SEND A BOO TO YOUR BOO...**



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Monday, 10/2	Tuesday, 10/3	Wednesday, 10/4	Thursday, 10/5	Friday, 10/6
<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>
<b>After School</b> Math Club (Rm. 112) Design Club (Rm. 400) IMSA 6th Grade (Rm. 410) IMSA 7th Grade (Rm. 120) Drama Club Rehearsal Kickball Intramural Girls Basketball @ Hart (4:15 pm) Cross Country Practice	<b>After School</b> Gloria J. Taylor Mtg. (Rm. 99) Art Club (Rm. 404) Flag Football Intramural Kickball Intramural Cheerleading Practice Choir Rehearsal Cross Country Practice Girls Basketball Practice Drama Club Rehearsal IMSA 8th Grade (Rm. 120)	<b>After School</b> Cheerleading Practice Chess Club (Rm 120) Flag Football Intramural Design Club (Rm. 400) Cross Country Practice Kickball Intramural Girls Basketball @ Home v. CHMS (3:30 pm) w/Cheerleaders  <b>ON WEDNESDAYS (through October) WE WEAR PINK for Breast Cancer Awareness!</b>	<b>After School</b> <b><u>NO AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY BUSES</u></b>  Fall After Hours Event 2:45-5:00 p.m.  <b><u>No more tickets are available.</u></b> Only students who turned in their permission forms and \$5 by Friday, 9/29 are participating.  Students participating will need a ride home @ 5 p.m.	<b><i>Wear Hispanic Heritage Shirts or tops representing Notable Hispanic People or Spanish Speaking Countries</i></b>

This week we announced the following:

- **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.
- **ATHLETICS:** [Sports Physical](#) on file by the deadlines listed on our [2023-2024 CMMS Athletic Information Flyer](#).
- **Announcements:** [CMMS Electronic Announcement Board](#)

## IMPORTANT REMINDER!

- **Tuesday, October 10, 2023 is an attendance day ONLY FOR 8th GRADE STUDENTS.**
- **ALL of our 8th graders will be taking the PSAT 8/9 Test on that day.**
- **6th & 7th graders have NO SCHOOL on October 10th.**

**8th Grade Families, please review our PSAT 8/9 Information Letters:**

**[PSAT 8\\_9 Letter to Parents 2023-2024.pdf](#)**

**[PSAT 8\\_9 Letter to Parents\\_ Spanish 2023-2024.pdf](#)**



PSAT™ 8/9

# Attention 8th Graders!!

PSAT 8/9 Testing

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

**You will be taking the test digitally!**

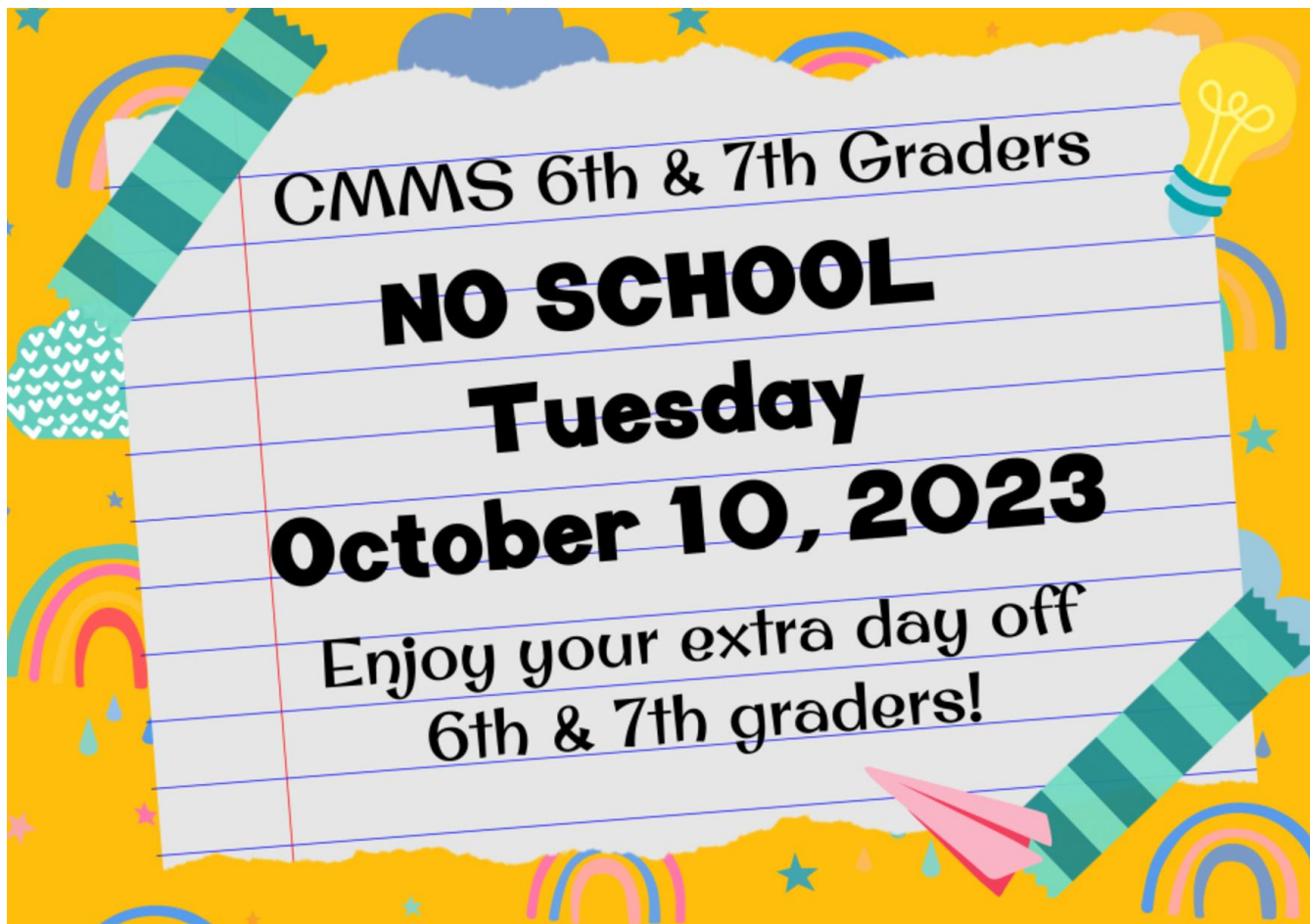
**You must have your charged CHROMEBOOK & calculator with you!**

*Bring your charger to school if your computer does not stay charged throughout the day!*

Hot breakfast will be served! Snacks are provided, & lunch will be served!

Check with your Advisory teacher regarding your testing location.

You are attending your specials classes & we are ending our day with an exciting staff vs. students game!



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CMMS is pairing up with GSU and Illinois State University to offer after school tutoring in reading and math for grades 6-8. There is no cost to families. If you are interested in participating in the tutoring program please complete [THIS FORM](#) by TODAY September 29, 2023.



### CMMS AFTER SCHOOL READING AND MATH GRADES 6, 7, and 8



**INTEREST FORM DUE BY  
SEPTEMBER 29, 2023  
SPACE IS LIMITED**

- **TWO DAYS A WEEK**  
**WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY**
- **2:45 PM TO 4:10 PM**
- **TRANSPORTATION HOME:**
  - **WALK**
  - **PARENT PICK UP**
  - **ACTIVITY BUS HOME AT 4:15 PM**
- **NO COST TO FAMILIES**
- **START DATE OCTOBER 18, 2023**

THE TUTORING PROGRAM IS A COLLABORATION BETWEEN CM 201-U, GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY, AND ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY.

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN YOUR STUDENT PARTICIPATING PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW BY SEPTEMBER 29, 2023.**

➔ **SPACE IS LIMITED AND SELECTED STUDENTS AND FAMILIES WILL BE NOTIFIED BY OCTOBER 3, 2023.**

**QUESTIONS? CONTACT OTL AT [OTL@CM201U.ORG](mailto:OTL@CM201U.ORG).**



**[AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING  
FORM LINK](#)**



Book It! will start for 6th grade students in October! We are implementing this program to encourage students to find joy in reading. The mission of the program is to turn “have to read” into “want to read” and the only way to get better at reading is to take the time to do it!

The monthly goal for our students is **300** minutes of reading in the month of October! We have passed out a tracking sheet and have also attached it [here](#) if you would like another copy. Students will turn in the tracking sheet by November 3rd to receive their coupon for a free personal pan pizza from Pizza Hut! Happy Reading!

## PAPER

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### What Paper Offers

1

#### Homework help

- Chat with a tutor 24/7
- Unlimited sessions
- Every academic subject

2

#### Writing feedback

- Grammar, structure & style review
- Submit any written work
- Unlimited submissions

3

#### Study support

- Understand tough concepts
- Prepare for exams
- Get study tips and skills



#### About Paper's Tutors

From elementary English to AP physics, Paper's tutors help every student in exactly the way they need. Tutors speak English, Spanish, Mandarin and French. Each exceptional specialist is a carefully selected, rigorously trained employee—not a contractor. Tutor managers are trained in SafeTalk and can identify at-risk students.

Our district uses PAPER! Paper, the world's first Educational Support System (ESS) where students can get one-on-one tutoring and essay review from trained professionals. Learn more about Paper by watching this [Info Video!](#)

Email [parents@paper.co](mailto:parents@paper.co) with questions or concerns

Log in at: [app.paper.co](http://app.paper.co)

### 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](#)

[Food Pantry List \(Spanish\)](#)

[Schoolhouse Counseling \(Spanish\)](#)

[Will County Center for Community Concerns](#)

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## 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.

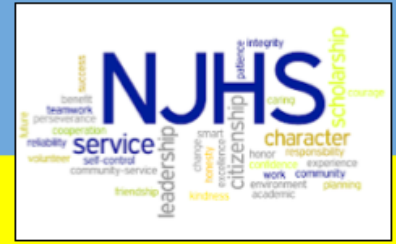
**CMMS Contact List:** Please take a moment to save this list for any future needs that you may have. This is contact information for our Administrative Team, Secretarial Staff, Grade Level Counselors, Pupil Personnel Services Staff and Instructional Facilitators. [CMMS Office Staff Directory & Contact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

## 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.
- 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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*Interested in the National Junior Honor Society?*



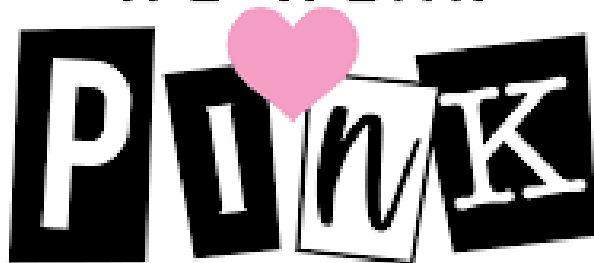
### **You must:**

- ★ be in 7th or 8th grade in the 2023/2024 school year
- ★ maintain a **3.5 GPA** or higher
- ★ have **no demerit points** on record with AP office after induction
- ★ submit the [National Junior Honor Society Application](#)
- ★ complete **10 hours of community service** and log them on the [NJHS Community Service Hours Report](#)

**\*\* Application and Service Hours Report are due November 1! \*\***

*Ask your advisor or contact Ms. Petro at [petron@cm201u.org](mailto:petron@cm201u.org) or Ms. Urbanczyk at [urbanczykd@cm201u.org](mailto:urbanczykd@cm201u.org) for more details!*

ON  
WEDNESDAYS  
WE WEAR



**Every Wednesday in  
October!**

**Show your support for  
Breast Cancer  
Awareness!**

## 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

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### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Grades 6-12

Attend a TRIO Served School

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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.