

# CMMS Weekly Newsletter & Announcements

## Week 19: January 19, 2024

Thank you to all who showed flexibility during this stretch of cold and snowy weather. We have been working hard to make sure that your child's bus ride to and from school is safe and on time. If you are experiencing any bus issues please contact our office during school hours at 708-367-2420, and outside of school hours at 708-367-8342.

For parents who are picking up or dropping off their child: PLEASE exercise caution along Olmstead and Blackhawk/Highland Road. Kindly drive up, facing east on Olmstead or facing north on Blackhawk/Highland to drop off your child. U-TURNS are not permitted on either of those streets. We need everyone to be safe, particularly during arrival and dismissal.

**DRESS CODE UPDATE:** Please take a moment to review our [REVISED STUDENT DRESS CODE](#) with your child.

**2024 Black History Month T-Shirts: [ORDER FORM](#) & money are due by 2/2/24.**

This month's IB Learner Profile Trait is THINKERS. **Students who are thinkers exercise initiative in applying thinking skills critically and creatively to recognize and approach complex problems, and make reasoned, ethical decisions.**

**8th Grade  
Students and  
Families:  
Please **SAVE**  
**THE DATE!!**  
**8th Grade**  
**OPEN**  
**HOUSE** is on  
**2/21!** See  
[OPEN](#)  
[HOUSE](#)  
[FLYER](#) for  
details!**



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DO YOU LIKE TO SING? DO YOU LIKE TO HAVE FUN? AUDITION FOR CMMS ENCORE CHOIR! THIS ENSEMBLE OFFERS A SUPPORTIVE SPACE TO BUILD FRIENDSHIPS, THE OPPORTUNITY TO SING DIFFERENT STYLES OF MUSIC, AND STRENGTHEN YOUR VOCAL ABILITY! AUDITIONS ARE MONDAY **JAN 22, 2024** AFTER SCHOOL IN ROOM 213. ONE DAY ONLY! FILL OUT THE [AUDITION FORM](#) AND SING YOUR FAVORITE SONG.



## Sing with CMMS Encore Choir

- Join Ms. DePriest to bring vocal music to CMMS.
- Sing in a group with your friends and optional solo opportunities.
- Learn more about music and improve your singing.
- Discover the fun and endless possibilities of finding your voice and performing *fun* music!



**Auditions:** Monday 01/22 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](mailto:depriestk@cm201u.org)

**CMMS ART  
SHOWCASE  
at the EDGE!**  
6th, 7th and  
8th grade ART  
will be on  
display!



Hope  
to see  
you  
soon.  
Thank  
you!



**Celebrate our 9th YEAR!**  
**“CMMS ARTWORK  
will be on display  
for the month of  
February!”**

**at the Edge Coffee House  
1366 Main St., Crete**

Thank you for your support!  
~Mrs. Johnson  
CMMS Art Instructor

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2023-2024 BOYS VOLLEYBALL TEAMS! HAVE A GREAT SEASON!**

**COACH S.COPPENS & COACH H. REUTTER**



**Introducing our 2024  
8th Grade Warrior Volleyball Team**

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|----------------------|---------------|
| Dominic Archie       | Tyler Burnett |
| Bentley Cano         | Damian Cerda  |
| Richard Cobbins      | Gabe Dyson    |
| David Guzman-Fonseca | Gavin Jemilo  |
| Ethan Lawrence       | Jacob Lopez   |
| Ryan Piepenbrink     | Xavier Walker |



**Manager: Leontae Mims**

**Introducing our 2024  
7th Grade Warrior Volleyball Team**

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| Seth Butler     | Elijah Codjoe      |
| Cannon Eggers   | Gentry Fleming     |
| Dylan Godlewski | Darnell James      |
| Landon Krohn    | Trevon Lockridge   |
| Izaiah Osborne  | Marc Parker        |
| Chris Platta    | Kyle Redmond       |
| Kaden Rogers    | Robert Williams    |
| Jarvis Willis   | Brayden Yarborough |



# CMMS IS EXCITED TO HOST OUR 2ND AFTER HOURS PARTY ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH!

## Crete-Monee Middle School Presents After Hours PARTY

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024  
2:45-5:00 P.M.

PERMISSION FORM AND \$5 ADMISSION FEE  
DUE BY FEBRUARY 2ND TO THE MAIN OFFICE

*Hang out with your friends!*

DANCING  
SINGING

Photos

Games

PIZZA

Concessions

CRAFTS

- Hard Copy ID Required
- Pre-purchased tickets only/no tickets at the door
- Students must have a ride home/no activity busses

CLICK HERE FOR A  
PERMISSION FORM!

 CMMS AFTER\_...

NO TICKETS @ THE  
DOOR

WE LOOK FORWARD  
TO SEEING YOU  
THERE!

# Please take a moment to review our Spectator & Guest Info!

## 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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## Mark your Calendars!!

- **Friday, January 26, 2024 11:30 am Dismissal for Students/ Staff School Improvement Day**
  - **Wednesday, January 31, 2024 PTO Meeting @ 6pm**
  - **Wednesday, February 7, 2024 11:30 am Dismissal for Students/ Staff School Improvement Day**
    - **National Junior Honor Society Induction @ CMMS 6pm (RESCHEDULED from 1/16)**
  - **Friday, February 16, 2024 11:30 am Dismissal for Students/ Staff School Improvement Day**
  - **Monday, February 19, 2024 NO SCHOOL in Observance of Presidents. Day**
  - **Wednesday, February 21, 2024 8th Grade OPEN HOUSE @ Crete-Monee High School 6–8 pm**
- 📄 [Open House Flyer 2024.pdf](#)

This week we announced the following:

- Announcements: [CMMS Electronic Announcement Board](#)

Monday, 1/22	Tuesday, 1/23	Wednesday, 1/24	Thursday, 1/25	Friday, 1/26
<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> E-Journalism Club (Rm 116) Math Club (Rm 112) Design Club (Rm 400) Guitar Club (Rm 100) IMSA 6th Grade (Rm 410) IMSA 7th Grade Drama Club Rehearsal Boys Basketball Practice Girls Volleyball @ Home vs. Memorial(4:15 pm) Boys Volleyball @ Memorial (4:15 pm) Scholastic Bowl @ Home vs. Memorial (4:15 p.m.) Chess Team @ Memorial (4:15 pm)	<b>After School</b> Book Club (Rm 304) ESports (Rm 400) Gaming/D&D (Rm 111) Yoga (Rm 402) Gloria J. Taylor (Rm 99) IMSA 8th Grade The Hive/Spelling Bee Club (Rm 106) Drama Club Rehearsal Boys Basketball Practice Cheerleading Practice Girls Volleyball Practice Boys Volleyball @ Home vs. Columbia (4:15 pm) Chess Team @ Home vs. Columbia (4:15 pm)	<b>After School</b> <b>HIGH IMPACT TUTORING</b> Design Club (Rm 400) Chess Club (Rm 120) Student Council Meeting (Rm 118) Cheerleading Practice Boys Basketball Practice Boys Volleyball @ Home vs. Parker (4:15 pm) Girls Volleyball @ Parker (4:15 pm) Scholastic Bowl @ Parker (3:30 pm) Chess Team @ Home vs. Parker (4:15 pm)	<b>After School</b> <b>HIGH IMPACT TUTORING</b> Battle of the Books Book Club (Rm 304) ESports (Rm 400) Gaming/D&D (Rm 111) Yoga (Rm 402) Drama Club Rehearsal Garden Club (Rm 113) Boys Volleyball Practice Boys Basketball Practice Girls Volleyball @ Home vs. CHms (3:30 pm)	<b>11:30 AM Dismissal for Students</b>  <b>STARRS CELEBRATION</b>  <i>School Improvement Day for Staff</i>  <b>NO After School Activities</b>

**BEST OF LUCK TO OUR BOYS BASKETBALL TEAMS WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN REGIONAL MATCHES OVER THE NEXT TWO WEEKENDS!**

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

<a href="#"><u>Home Weatherization ENG</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Home Weatherization SP</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>GSU Legal Clinic</u></a>
Community Closet <a href="#"><u>Richton Park</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Illinois Welcome Flier English &amp; Spanish</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Food Pantry List (Spanish)</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Schoolhouse Counseling (Spanish)</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Catholic Charities Rent &amp; Mortgage Assistance</u></a>	
<a href="#"><u>Will County Center for Community Concerns</u></a>	

## 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](#)
- **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.
- Join the PTO: [CMMS PTO Membership Form 8.2023.docx](#)

## 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  
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# 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!!**

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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.