



SMALLTALK NEWSLETTER



October 2019
Fort Smallwood Elementary
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Pasadena, Maryland 21122
410-222-6450

Vision, Mission and Values Statement

Parents, please review our school's Vision, Mission and Values statement:

These are not just words to us. These are our beliefs. Everything that we do is based on them. Please read them and know we **do** have your child's best interest at heart.

What are we about?

Vision

In partnership with parents, teachers, and the community, Fort Smallwood students will be provided the opportunity to achieve and maintain a solid educational foundation that stimulates thought, celebrates diversity, and prepares students to have a positive impact on their community, country and world.

Mission

We are committed to fostering each child's full academic potential by providing instruction that is engaging, challenging, appropriately supported, and promotes life-long learning.

Values

We value a school supportive of:

- High expectations for learning and behavior
- Instruction that appeals to a variety of learning styles and experiences
- Maintaining a safe and orderly learning environment
- Fostering positive, open, and effective home/school communications
- Promoting parent involvement opportunities within the school
- Respecting all members of the Fort Smallwood School community.



Principal's Message

Greetings, Fort Smallwood Families and Community!

Believe it or not, we're already one month into the school year. Interims will be coming home on October 7th, and Parent Conferences are scheduled to take place all day on October 15th and 16th. Please be advised that we will be offering conferences to anyone who is interested; however, if you do not have any concerns at this time, you are not obligated to attend.

Also, stop by to visit tables at the front of the lobby area on October 15th for our first annual Wellness Fair. There will be representatives from various agencies to talk about health, fitness, and wellness options in and around the community.

October 2nd is our first Welcome Wednesday of the year. Please remember that in order to attend, you must sign in at the office and be identified on the student's emergency form. Photo ID is a requirement. We are also requiring that you refrain from bringing younger siblings and strollers as this creates a potentially dangerous situation in the cafeteria. Your cooperation in this effort is essential to our being able to continue having Welcome Wednesdays. Additionally, we ask that you pack your students' lunches, or have them purchase from the cafeteria.

Please be reminded that Race for Education is on Friday, October 11th. Only parent volunteers and/or people who have pre-registered to visit, on or before October 10th, will be allowed to participate as spectators. Information will be coming home, which will outline the times each respective grade level will race. **We will not be scanning and signing visitors in on the actual day of the race. Badges will be pre-printed for those who pre-registered.** Thank you for your efforts to help keep our event safe and orderly in the interest of our students.

Students are welcome to attend the Halloween Trunk or Treat activity on the evening of Friday, October 25th, which is being sponsored by our PTA. There will be decorated trunks and fun activities in which students can participate. All students must be accompanied by an adult; and the event is only open to Fort Smallwood families.

Remember to sign up for the parent directory to gain access to grade level parents so you can communicate with them about anything school and beyond.

As always, reach out to me with questions, concerns, or comments.

Thanks for your partnership and all you do to make Fort Smallwood Elementary a great place to grow and learn!

Respectfully,
Mr. David Sembly, Principal

Fort Smallwood Elementary School

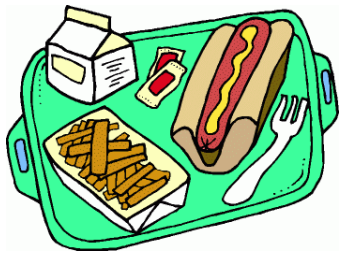
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*****PICK-UP REMINDER!*****
Please help our dismissal run smoothly by following this guideline:
If you need to pick up your child for early dismissal OR if you are calling to have your child be a car rider, please notify the office by 3:15 PM. After that time, children will be dismissed at 3:35 (our usual dismissal time) and intercom messages to the classroom will not be made.

WELCOME WEDNESDAYS
When you come to visit your child for Welcome Wednesdays it is for **lunch only and not for recess!** Please bring a bag lunch from home or you may buy a lunch from the cafeteria, **do not bring in lunches from fast food restaurants.**
You also cannot take pictures during lunch times.



The Anne Arundel County Public Schools System does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, natural origin, religion, age, disability, sexual orientation or familial status in matters affecting employment or in providing access to programs. Questions regarding nondiscrimination should be directed to Mr. Leslie N. Stanton, Specialist in Human Relations, AACPS, 2644 Riva Road, Annapolis, MD 21401, (410) 222-5318, TDD (410) 222-5500 or www.aacps.org



Fort Smallwood School is equipped with a video camera system. It covers selected interior and exteriors public portions of the building and grounds. It is NOT monitored constantly, but it is monitored during emergency situations. During certain events, when the safety or security of students may be in question, authorized personnel from local, state, federal police or fire emergency units may be given access to view images projected on the camera system. If you have any questions about the system, you should call the Supervisor of School Security at 410-222-5083.



Contentment October 2018



SAY IT:

Deciding to be happy with what you've got

KNOW IT:

ASK A KID:

- Think of a time when you really wanted something, but you had to wait for it. Were you able to be content with what you did have while you waited?
- Can you think of some people that you know who are content with what they have?

ASK A GROWN UP:

- When is the last time you were not happy with all that you have? How did you act? What were some thoughts that you had?
- Are there people that you have come across in your life who were content? What are characteristics of contented people?
- What are some things that you have done that have helped you be successful in remaining content?

SEE IT:

To be content is to be happy. There are several things that content people do regularly to remain happy with what they have. These include spending their money on experiences rather than things, spending more time outdoors, and exercising consistently. They also spend time with friends and family who are also happy and content. Sometime this month visit www.24hoursofhappy.com together as a family. This website is based on the song Happy by Pharrell Williams. It is an infectious 24 hour music video that shows people from all walks of life dancing and choosing to be happy.

BE IT:

Select a few days this month to venture out as a family and do things together. Examples might be: take a picnic to your local park, hike some trails, pitch a tent in the backyard and camp out together, or simply get outside and walk the dogs together. Taking time to slow down and spend time together will be time well spent and will allow you to be content with what you already have.

PHASE

Contentment
October 2018



Before you can lead someone where they need to go, you need to know where they are.

That's why it helps to understand what's changing...physically, mentally, relationally, culturally, emotionally, and morally.

The more you know them, the more they will...

- Know they matter.
- Believe they can win.
- Feel like they belong.
- Decide what they should do.

Remember, if you don't know who you are talking to, you can't really expect them to listen.

So don't miss it. The better you understand who your kids are now, the better they'll understand who they're meant to be.

SATISFACCION OCTUBRE 2018



DILO:

Decidiendo ser feliz con lo que tienes.

CONOCELO:

PREGUNTA A UN NIÑO:

- Piensa en un tiempo cuando realmente querías algo, pero tuviste que esperar para tenerlo. ¿Fuiste capaz de mantener contento con lo que tenías mientras esperabas para tenerlo?
- ¿Puedes pensar en algunas personas que conoces que estaban satisfechos con lo que tenían?

PREGUNTA A UN ADULTO:

- ¿Cuándo fue la última vez que no estabas contento con lo que tenías? ¿Qué hiciste? ¿Cuáles eran los pensamientos que tenías?
- ¿Hubieron personas que se cruzaron en tu camino que estaban satisfechos? ¿Cuáles son las características de personas satisfechas?
- ¿Cuáles son las cosas que has hecho que te ayudaron a ser exitoso en mantenerte satisfecho?

MIRALO:

Estar satisfecho es en cierta manera ser feliz. Hay cosas que personas satisfechas hacen regularmente para mantenerse felices con lo que tienen, como por ejemplo, gastar su dinero en experiencias más que en cosas. También, estas personas les gusta pasar tiempo afuera y hacer ejercicio consistentemente o estar con sus amigos y familia. En algún momento del mes, visiten www.24hoursohappy.com en familia. Esta página de internet está basada en la canción Happy de Pharrell Williams. Es un video musical muy contagioso que por 24 horas muestra gente de toda edad bailando y escogiendo ser feliz.

PRACTICALO:

Seleccionen unos días de este mes para aventurarse a hacer un par de cosas juntos. Por ejemplo: hagan un picnic en un parque local, caminen por unos senderos, pongan una carpa en el jardín y acampen juntos, o simplemente salgan afuera y saquen a pasear a los perros juntos. Tomar tiempo para relajarse y estar juntos en familia, será tiempo bien gastado y les permitirá sentirse satisfechos con lo que tienen.

PHASE

SATISFACCION
OCTUBRE 2018



Antes que puedas guiar a alguien a donde necesitan ir, tienes que saber donde están.

Por ello, realmente es bueno saber como están cambiando...físicamente, mentalmente, relacionalmente, culturalmente, emocionalmente y moralmente.

Cuanto más sepas de tus niños, más podrás:

- Saber lo que ellos significan.
- Creer que ellos pueden ganar.
- Sentir adonde ellos pertenecen.
- Decidir que deberían hacer.

Recuerda, si no sabes con quien hablas, entonces no puedes esperar que te escuchen.

Entonces, no te olvides: Cuanto mejor entiendas quienes son tus hijos ahora, mejor podrás saber a qué ellos están destinados a ser.

Kids Helping Kids Food Drive
Harvest for the Hungry
Fort Smallwood Elementary School will be collecting
non-perishable food items for the
Anne Arundel County Food and Resource Bank and the VFW.

Our goal is
20 boxes!!!

Monday, October 7th
To
Friday, October 18th

Our goal is
20 boxes!!!

The items most needed are:

Canned Fruits: syrup or its own juices



Grains: white rice, oatmeal, quinoa,
couscous, macaroni & cheese



Baking Goods: sugar, baking powder, baking
spices, boxed mixes

100% Juice: including juice boxes



Canned Vegetables: low sodium, no salt
added

Canned Proteins: Tuna, salmon, chicken,
peanut butter, beans



Hygiene Items: diapers, deodorants for men
& women, feminine products, toilet paper,
tissues, soap, toothpaste, shampoo. diapers

Condiments:

mustard, salad dressing, oils, tomato based
sauces, light soy sauce, ketchup



Multigrain Cereal: cheerios, corn flakes,
grape nuts, raisin bran

Soups: low sodium, beef stew, chili, chicken
noodle, turkey & rice



Paper Products & Household Items: paper
towels, napkins, cleaning supplies

Snacks: whole grain, low in added sugars,
individually packed snacks, crackers, trail
mix, dried fruit, granola/cereal bars, pretzels,
sandwich crackers



Consider a cash donation

Every dollar collected is equivalent to 8 pounds of food.
(Please make your checks payable to Anne Arundel County Public Schools
memo: Harvest for the Hungry)

**There will also be a box in the front lobby on the two conference days,
October 15th and October 16th, for you to drop off your donations.
Thank you in advance for all of your support!**

October is
National Breast Cancer Awareness Month
Please show your support by wearing



PINK



on Wednesdays during
the month of October
except for Unity Day (October 23rd).
Please wear Orange.

World Day of Bullying Prevention™
An initiative of STOMP Out Bullying™

SAVE THE DATE
10.7.19



This day signifies the importance of
National Bullying Prevention Awareness
Month each October.

Join FSES in wearing **BLUE** to show your
support in wiping out bullying.

RED RIBBON WEEK

A week of celebrating being drug free and healthy.

October 28th to November 1st



Monday, October 28



Show that we can work as a team to stay healthy at FSES.

Wear your favorite team clothes.



Tuesday, October 29

Being drug free and healthy is no sweat .

Wear your favorite sweatpants and/or sweatshirt



Wednesday, October 30



Be a hero everyday and support a cause.

Wear pink for breast cancer awareness month

Thursday, October 31

Superheroes and "Jean"iuses stay drug free and healthy.

Wear your favorite superhero t-shirt and/or jeans

Friday, November 1

We can all work together to be drug free and healthy.

Wear FSES spirit wear or RED



Thank you for showing your school spirit!

OVER





REFRESHER:

A BULLY IS...

- Someone who means to be mean and they do it on purpose.
- They are mean repeatedly.
- There is an imbalance of power– You are mean to me, and I am not mean back. If I am mean back, there is conflict and people being mean, NOT bullying.

For Unity Day, Fort Smallwood will unite to do a special activity to show kindness, acceptance, and inclusion.

***Each student will receive something orange on Unity Day.

Please do not feel obligated to buy anything new.

OVER



PTA NEWS

Race for Education (Fri., Oct. 11) Reminders

- If you intend to visit the Race for Education on Fri., Oct. 11, you must have your license scanned into the new security system prior to race day by the front office staff. We will NOT scan licenses on the date of the actual event due to high volumes of traffic. Please, please, please, have your and your loved ones' driver's licenses scanned so no one is turned away the day of the event.
- This year, our Race for Education proceeds will go toward a new playground for primary and AV equipment to improve our students' morning announcements experience, which is broadcast live, every day. So, be sure to encourage family and friends. No gift is too small.

Fort Smallwood 2019-2020 Directory



Don't miss out on the opportunity to be included in the Fort Smallwood 2019-2020 Directory. Follow this link to enter the information you wish to be included <https://forms.gle/YfZzUhkuxVkMZ6rj6>. The deadline is Friday, October 18.

Teacher Luncheon Help Needed



Our teachers cover all the bases, so we'll be treating them to a baseball-themed luncheon on Wednesday, October 16! We need help stocking the concession stand for the event, so add your name to the lineup to provide items requested in the SignUpGenius here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4DA9A722A2F85-teacher>. For more information, contact head coach of the party, Jaymie Hebb, at jaymie.hebb@gmail.com.

PTA NEWS

ISO Veterans, Active Duty Military, and Reserve Members



On Monday, November 11, the PTA is organizing a Veterans Day event for Fort Smallwood Elementary School. Students will be visited by service men and women from the various armed forces to learn about their experiences and the holiday. If you or someone you know is active duty, reserves, or a veteran and would be willing to speak to a class, please email ptafortsmallwood@gmail.com indicating your interest in this event and include your name, email, address, and phone number. Thank you for your service!!

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Fort Smallwood Elementary PTA

Join the FORT SMALLWOOD PTA 2019-20



MEMBERSHIP FORM

Include me in the FSE PTA Directory YES NO
 YES! I would like to help out with PTA Activities

Member 1 First Name _____ Member 1 Last Name _____

Member 2 First Name _____ Member 2 Last Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email 1 _____ Phone _____ Text? YES NO

Email 2 _____

- \$7 FSE School Teacher
- \$7 Single Caregiver
- \$15 Family
- Check payable to Ft. Smallwood PTA
- Cash
- PayPal via email ptaforftsmallwood@gmail.com

Student 1 Name

Teacher

Grade

Student 1 Name

Teacher

Grade

Student 1 Name

Teacher

Grade

List any additional students on the back.

For PTA Use:
 DATE: _____ CASH: _____ CHECK: _____ CHECK #: _____



The Fort Smallwood Elementary
 School PTA presents our
**2ND ANNUAL TRUNK-OR-TREAT &
 COSTUME PARADE**

DATE: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

TIME: 6:30 — 8:00 P.M.

PLACE : FORT SMALLWOOD PARKING LOT

The COSTUME PARADE will start promptly at 6:30 p.m.

TRUNK-OR-TREATING begins after the costume parade.

** This is a school event open to Fort Smallwood Elementary School students and their immediate family members. Please be sure all children are supervised at all times for their safety.**

PTA Trunk-or-Treat & Costume Parade RSVP

STUDENT(S) NAME(S): _____

OF STUDENTS _____

OF SIBLINGS _____

OF ADULTS _____



Optional:

Yes, I would like to decorate a trunk.

Yes, I would like to donate a bag(s) of candy. Total bags _____

Email address: _____ Cell #: _____

If you have multiple students at FSES, please send one RSVP to your oldest child's teacher.



Fort Smallwood Elementary
 Race for Education
 Pre-Registration Form
 October 11, 2019



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Fort Smallwood Elementary School welcomes our school community, family and friends to attend our 9th Annual Race for Education! Resulting from additional safety measures, if you will be attending this event you will need to pre-register at the school. In accordance with our new license scanning software, ALL visitors will be required to scan your license ahead of time in order to complete your registration. **You will not be able to register the day of the event, pre-registration is required.**

Registration for this event will be available September 3rd through October 8th, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00am-12:00pm and then again from 2:00-3:00pm only. Please bring your state-issued ID when you come to register and the day of the event. You may bring in each person’s license that will be attending. They do not need to be present at the time of pre-registration.

Please list all attendees for the event and return the bottom half to the school. If you have multiple children at Fort Smallwood, list only the oldest child and their teacher.

Child’s Name _____ **Teacher** _____

Legal First and Last Name _____ Date of Birth (D/M/Y)

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| 1. _____ | _____ |
| 2. _____ | _____ |
| 3. _____ | _____ |
| 4. _____ | _____ |
| 5. _____ | _____ |
| 6. _____ | _____ |

Children and younger siblings are welcome to attend this event, but we ask that you keep them with an adult at all times. Children who do not attend Fort Smallwood will not be allowed to participate in running or walking on the track, thank you for your understanding.



Dear Fort Smallwood Parents and Families,

Please make plans to visit the PTA's **Arctic Adventure Book Fair** and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits. Student reading for pleasure unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are.

Based on the success of our book fairs, our teachers will have the opportunity to select books and other classroom items from the Scholastic Book Fairs catalog. The PTA just placed a book order for \$17,000 that benefits the students at Fort Smallwood Elementary!

Important Book Fair Dates

- **Online Shopping Open:** Oct 13-26, 2019
- **Student Preview:** Oct 21-22, 2019
- **Student Shopping:** Oct 23-25, 2019
- **School Shopping Hours:** 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- **Family Night Shopping:** Wed., Oct 23, 2019, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Two NEW shopping options!

- **Book Fair eWallet** is a safe and convenient digital payment option for your student to shop the Book Fair cash-free.
- If you're not able to attend the Book Fair, try our new **Online Shopping**. We've partnered with the Scholastic Store to offer over 6,000 products that ship direct to home (with free shipping on book-only orders of \$25 or more)!
- **Visit our homepage to get started:**
<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/fortsmallwoodelemschool>

If you have questions, email ptafortsmallwood@gmail.com. We hope to see you and your family at our Book Fair! Remember, **all purchases benefit our school.**

Fort Smallwood Elementary School



Welcome new and returning families! My name is Jeannette Smith and I am the Box Tops for Education Coordinator for Fort Smallwood Elementary. Clipping Box Tops is an easy way for you to help our school earn cash.

Box Tops for Education program, a school earnings program, which has helped America's schools, earn over \$600 million since 1996. Each Box Top is worth 10¢ for the school.

Traditional Box Tops are being phased out of production. Don't stop clipping those Box Tops that are still on those packages. **They still count.** Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital only. Participating brands are changing their packaging from traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Top label.

Sign up at www.BTFE.com to scan your receipts. Here is how it works:

Buy Box Tops products

Use the app to scan your receipt within 14 days of purchase (after scanning, you will receive an email from Box Tops, confirming your submission.

Earn cash for your school

This fall the class that brings in the most Box Tops will win a popcorn party after all the Box Tops are submitted. If sending in clipped Box Tops, label the bag with your child's name and teacher. If submitting Box Tops digitally, forward the confirmation email to me. Please include your child's name and teacher, so everyone gets credit for their class.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at photo6555@aol.com. I am here to make our school's Box Tops for Education program a huge success this year. Thanks for your help!

Jeannette Smith



VETERANS, RESERVES, & ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS NEEDED



Fort Smallwood Elementary School's PTA will be holding a Veteran's Day Event on Monday, November 11, 2019 from approximately 9:15 - 11:15 a.m. The PTA is in need of veterans, reserve members, and active duty personnel to speak to students for 30-40 minutes about their experience in the military and the importance of the holiday. If you or someone you know is a veteran, reserve, or active duty service member and would be willing to participate in this event, please fill out the bottom of this form and return it by October 18, 2019 or email ptaforsmallwood@gmail.com. Thank you so much!

PTA VETERAN'S DAY EVENT AT FORT SMALLWOOD

Veteran/Reserve/Active Duty Service Member's Name: _____

Military Branch: _____

Email Address _____

Cell Phone Number _____

FSES Student and Relationship (if applicable): _____

FSES Student's Teacher OR preferred grade/age group: _____



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Magnet Information Nights — Fall 2019

AACPS Magnet Information Sessions!

Follow us on Twitter @AACPSMagnet

For more information about the Magnet Programs offered in AACPS and information about the online application process, attend one (or more!) of these information sessions, talk to your school counselor, or visit our website: www.aacps.org/magnet.

For questions about the information sessions, contact the Magnet Office at 410-533-4815 or 410-222-5435.

Specific Magnet Program Information Nights — all sessions 6:30–8:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted

Centers for Applied Technology (CAT)	Performing Visual Arts (PVA)	International Baccalaureate (IB)	Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math (STEM)
<p><i>High School</i> CAT North October 17</p> <p>CAT South October 2 6–8 p.m.</p> <p><i>CAT applications will be accepted until March 15, 2020</i></p>	<p><i>Middle School</i> Bates Middle October 21</p> <p>Brooklyn Park Middle November 4</p> <p><i>High School</i> Annapolis High School November 7</p> <p>Broadneck High School November 5</p>	<p><i>Middle School</i> IB MYP Annapolis Middle October 10</p> <p>MacArthur Middle (will be held at Meade HS) October 29 6–7:30pm</p> <p>Old Mill Middle North October 15</p> <p><i>High School</i> IB MYP/DP Annapolis High School October 22</p> <p>Meade High School October 22</p> <p>Old Mill High School October 16</p>	<p><i>Middle School</i> Central Middle October 23</p> <p>Lindale Middle October 14</p> <p>Old Mill Middle South October 28</p> <p><i>High School</i> North County High School October 23</p> <p>South River High School October 17</p> <p>STEM BioMedical Allied Health (BMAH)</p> <p><i>High School</i> Glen Burnie High School October 24</p>

Specific magnet information sessions provide an overview of the specific magnet programs offered at the host school, provide a tour of the school, and answer specific school-based magnet-related questions as well as overall AACPS magnet related inquiries. If the Information Night happens during the application window, computers may be available so that magnet applications may be filled out onsite!

When Can You Apply for the 2020–21 School Year?

The online magnet application process opens at noon on October 14, 2019, and closes at noon on November 26, 2019 (CAT Centers will accept applications through March 15, 2020).

For an overview of all of our magnet programs, look on the back.



AACPS Magnet Program Overview

Please note, Magnet programs are available only to students living in Anne Arundel County.

What is a Magnet Program?

Magnet Programs, part of Anne Arundel County's *Programs of Choice*, offer motivated students the opportunity to engage in a specialized course of study that differs from the traditional curriculum offered in AACPS. Eligible Magnet students will have the opportunity to gain rigorous and relevant learning experiences in subject areas in which they have great interest.

- A student's Magnet School is determined by their home school. (Exception: A student's PVA High School is determined by his or her Arts Major.)
- These are public school programs and are offered at no cost to students. (Some programs may have lab, field trip, or exam fees.)
- Transportation is provided from consolidated bus stops.

What Middle School Programs are available?

Students apply in the fall of Grade 5.



The **International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme** (IB MYP) provides a student-centered education that challenges students to make connections between education and the real-world as they consider their roles in both local and global communities.



The **Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math** Middle School (STEM) Magnet Program immerses students in an interdisciplinary, inquiry-based, and technology-rich curriculum where they will apply STEM content and values to the world around them.



The **Performing Visual Arts** Middle School (PVA) Magnet Program offers advanced arts instruction and performance opportunities through a strong academic curriculum interwoven with the arts.

What High School Programs are available?



The **STEM Biomedical and Allied Health** (BMAH) Magnet Program offers students hands-on experience to learn and discuss relevant 21st century biomedical and allied health issues.

Students apply to this program in the fall of Grade 8.



The **Performing Visual Arts High School** (PVA) Magnet Program immerses students in a cutting edge, arts infused college and career preparatory curriculum designed to foster effective communication and creative/critical thinking.

Students apply to this program in the fall of Grade 8.



The **Centers of Applied Technology** (CAT) Programs offer students the opportunity to apply theory and knowledge towards skills proficiency through hands-on technical experience similar to what they would receive in the commercial/ industrial workplace.

Students apply to this program in the fall of Grade 9, 10, or 11.



The **Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math** High School (STEM) Magnet Program uses problem/project-based learning and cutting-edge technology to expose students to the importance and relevance of STEM applications in the careers of tomorrow.

Students apply to this program in the fall of Grade 8.



The **International Baccalaureate Middle Years/ Diploma Programme** (IB MYP/DP) Magnet offers a broad and balanced curriculum designed to promote student centered inquiry, creative and independent thinking, and effective communication.

Students apply to this program in the fall of Grade 8 or 10.

October 2019

◀ Sep 2019

Nov 2019 ▶

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Welcome Wednesday Wear Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness PTA Meeting 6 PM	3	4 4 th & 5 th Grade Chorus Field Trip CBMS – Star Spangled Palooza Drop Everything & Read	5
6	7 Interims Go Home Harvest for the Hungry collection begins	8 2-hr Early Dismissal	9 Schools & Offices Closed – Yom Kippur	10	11 Race for Education	12
13	14	15 Schools Closed for Students – Parent/Teacher Conferences	16 Schools Closed for Students – Parent/Teacher Conferences	17	18 Harvest for the Hungry collection ends	19
20	21 Book Fair begins	22	23 Wear Orange for Unity	24 Individual Fall Pictures	25 PTA Trunk or Treat 6-7:30 PM	26
27	28 Wear team Colors for Red Ribbon Week	29 Wear Sewatpants and/or Sweatshirt for Red Ribbon Week	30 Wear Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness	31 PreK Field Trip – Clark’s elioak Farm Wear Superhero T-Shirt and/or Jeans for Red Ribbon Week		

ASK THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Do you have a question or concern regarding a school matter? This form is provided as a means of open communication with parents/guardians to keep informed of school-related topics. Simply, complete the form and send it back to school. I will respond via a phone call, letter, or e-mail.

Thank You,

Mr. Sembly
Principal

My question

is: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Child's Name _____

Grade _____

Teacher _____