

Cherry Tree Chatter

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Upcoming Events at CTE:

April 15th- TONIGHT!

Spring Trivia Night Fundraiser-6:30pm

April 17th

**Drive-A-Bus Event 10am-1pm
@ CHS Football Stadium**

April 19th-May 14th

ILearn Testing Window (Grades 3-5)

April 21st

**Late Start~School Begins at 8:30 am
EC Family Support Day**

April 23rd-25th

35th Annual CEF Musical Showcase (Virtual)

April 26th

Virtual PTO General Meeting- 7:00pm

April 28th-30th

PTO Kendra Scott Fundraiser

May 3rd

National School Nurse Day

May 3rd-7th

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 4th

Spirit Day

May 5th

**Late Start~School Begins at 8:30 am
Bike to School Day**



Tonight is THE night!

**Register for the Virtual Trivia Night Silent Auction and Prize Giveaways
by texting CHERRY to 72727.**

Bid on an array of auction items, school excitement packages and enter for your chance to win one of our prize giveaway packages (\$20 per entry!) such as a \$500 gift card to Moyer Fine Jewelers, a signature Ruth's Chris wine and gift card basket, a twosome at The Bridgewater Championship Course, and a personalized yard greeting from the Yard Card Queen!

You do not have to be on a trivia team to register and participate in the auction or prize giveaway!

Text: CHERRY to 72727

To REGISTER for the Auction OR to make a Donation



Happy Bidding!

**~ NEW ~
Complete Intent
to Return for
2021-22**



To help with planning for the 2021-22 school year we are asking all CTE families complete an Intent to Return form for each student in their household by Friday, April 16, 2021. This form will help determine staffing for the next school year. We understand that your status may change in the future but we ask you to complete the form to the best of your knowledge at this current time.

*Attention parents of 5th graders: Please indicate which Middle School your student(s) will be attending in the fall.

Please click on the link to complete the form: <https://forms.gle/wHqMEBZRYcNnkpec6>

**~ NEW ~
5th Grade End of
Year Activities**



Attention 5th Grade Parents:

Please make sure to read the email sent April 12th regarding end of year activities for your student(s).

~ NEW ~
35th Annual CEF
Musical Showcase

Click Here for more
Information:
[35th Annual CEF](#)
[Showcase](#)



35th Annual
CEF Musical
SHOWCASE

Streaming April 23rd– 25th

Featuring performances from Carmel Clay Schools elementary & middle school choirs and ensembles.

Presented virtually by the Carmel Education Foundation with support from the City of Carmel and Fanning Howey



Scan for Schedule



~ NEW ~
Cub Scouts Free
Day of Fishing
May 2nd

Join the Cub Scouts for a Day of Fishing! Click on the link for more details.

[Free Fishing Day with the Cub Scouts](#)

~ INFO ~
Food & Nutrition
Services is hiring



Food & Nutrition Services has full-time and substitute food service positions available. Recruitment is going on now for these existing open positions and for positions that will become available at the start of the 2021-2022 school year.

[Click here for more information](#)

~ INFO ~
CCS Drive-A-Bus
Event
April 17, 2021



CURIOUS ABOUT A FLEXIBLE JOB WITH EXCELLENT PAY AND SUMMERS OFF?
 HOP IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT AND SEE WHAT IT'S ABOUT AT OUR

DRIVE-A-BUS EVENT

SATURDAY, APRIL 17TH, 10AM – 1PM
 AT THE CHS FOOTBALL STADIUM

ASK QUESTIONS, LEARN ABOUT OUR FREE TRAINING
 + HAVE A HOTDOG ON US!

(MUST BE 21+ WITH A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE TO PARTICIPATE)



~ INFO ~
**Summer Break
Chromebook
Information**

GRADES K-8 TAKE CHROMEBOOKS HOME FOR THE SUMMER



*Students grades K-8
may use Chromebooks
for educational review, if
appropriate for your family.*

*Only those students not returning to CCS should return Chromebooks. All others, grades K-8, regardless of change in schools or grade levels within the district should keep your Chromebook.

Or unplug for the summer!



***Choose a safe place to store device and charger and
bring it back in August when we return to school.***



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Carpool



Spring Reminders:

As the weather gets warmer please recognize our “no idle zone” and turn off your vehicles while waiting for your student(s).

Thank you for your work in making the carpool efficient and safe! You can reference the procedures here:

[Morning](#)
[Afternoon](#)

~ INFO ~



**Late Start
Calendar**

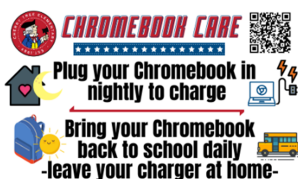
Click on the link below to see calendar dates for late starts. On late start days school will begin at 8:35 am. Bus routes will arrive 40 minutes later. Please log on to your [Parent Powerschool Portal](#) for exact pick up times.

[Late Start Calendar Dates](#)

ESE (Carmel Parks & Recreation Student Enrichment Program) will offer a Late Start Program for all CTE Students. Pre-registration is required. Click on the link for registration instructions.

[ESE Late Start Program](#)

Chromebook Care



Make sure you charge your chromebook each evening and don't forget to bring your chromebook to school each day!!

Please be advised that students will begin bringing home their Chromebooks each night, starting Monday, November 16th. Chargers should remain at home. A video will be sent out for students and families to review best practices on handling their Chromebooks. We suggest families choose a specific 'home' for their student's Chromebook, where it can be charged and brought back ready for use the next school day.

Please visit the [Canvas Parent FAQ Page](#) or [Virtual Learning Support](#) websites for additional support.

Please review the below Chromebook FAQ's for more information on how to care for your Chromebook.

[Chromebook FAQ's](#)

**~ NEW ~
Teacher
Appreciation
Week is
Coming up May
3rd - 7th**



Let's show the CTE teachers how much we appreciate them!

The PTO plans to show appreciation on your behalf by presenting each teacher with a small gift and hosting a staff luncheon on Tuesday, May 4th.

If you can contribute to the luncheon please use this sign up genius and drop your items off in the office before 9am on 5/4. We greatly appreciate all your covid friendly food donations!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70Ao448A5A72FA5FF2-cteteacher>

Click [here](#) for some other ideas of things that you can do during this special week to show your appreciation to our wonderful teachers.

**~ NEW ~
CTE POPS**



We ♥ Teachers!

HELP WANTED!

On **Wednesday, May 5** the CTE POPs will be hosting our incredible teachers for a Teacher Appreciation Breakfast - and they need our help! Entails cooking, serving, hosting and thanking our teachers before they start their day.

Email David Glenn at dglenniu@gmail.com to flip some flapjacks for our teachers!

Reminder - you must have a valid background check to participate.

5th Grade Recognition!

CALLING ALL
5th grade
PARENTS

SLIDESHOW
PHOTOS NEEDED!

Attention 5th Grade Parents!

~LAST CALL~

We are still missing several submissions for the 5th Grade Recognition Slide Show!

Please submit a Kindergarten + Current Picture to

CherryTreeGraduation@yahoo.com if you have not already.

Questions??? Please email CherryTreeGraduation@yahoo.com

~ NEW ~ PTO General Meeting



Calling all parents and guardians of CTE students - you're invited to the April PTO meeting, scheduled for **Monday, April 26th at 7:00 pm, via Zoom***.

We will share the PTO slate for 2021-2022 and have it voted upon. We will also hear end of the year updates from Mr. A and the PTO committee.

"See" you there! (*Zoom link will be emailed at a later date.)

~ NEW ~ KENDRA SCOTT FUNDRAISER

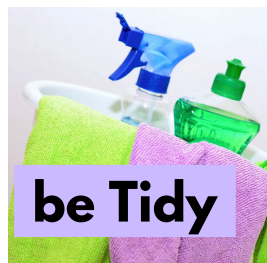


Save the date for this exciting Kendra Scott fundraiser: **APRIL 28-30th**

This is both an [online](#) and in-store event. More details on the in-person event coming SOON!

Check the PTO's fundraising [webpage](#) for more information.

Wellness Week



Get your student entered to win a \$25 gift card to **Target!**

[ENTER HERE!](#)

LEGO Club April Winner!



Congratulations, Madeleine F. in Mrs. Edwards' 2nd grade class! You have won the March LEGO Club \$25 gift card to the LEGO Store!

We've enjoyed seeing the creativity through these LEGO challenges and thank all of the students who participated (and the grown-ups who sent them in)!

Spring Has Sprung!



Don't forget

Limited Sale Items going on NOW!

Stock up before inventory runs out on these great items at great prices.

Check out www.ctespiritshop.com for current inventory!

Small Business Owner?



We'd love to hear from our Cherry Tree families who own businesses so we can connect with you about opportunities with the Parents Night Out Event and more!

Complete this form to share with us about your local business.

<https://forms.gle/Pnjbxq6xY5zR6ubX6orms.gle>

Easy Ways to Support Cherry Tree



Make sure you link your Amazon account to Cherry Tree Elementary! Login to your Amazon account > Under Accounts & Lists > Choose Your AmazonSmile. For every purchase you make Amazon donates a percentage to Cherry Tree!

Kroger has a community rewards program as well! Login in to your Kroger account and choose Community Rewards to add Cherry Tree from the list of organizations. Kroger donates a percentage of your spending to our school.

In October of this school year we received another check for **\$783.26!** Linking your cards only takes minutes and the rewards are great!!

Box Tops



Thank you to those that sent in Box Tops! Remember, Box Tops is moving away from the old clipped Box Tops so if you haven't, please download the Box Tops for Education app and scan your grocery receipts after you shop!

The app identifies eligible products and automatically adds Box Tops to our school's earnings online. Even if you're shopping online or doing grocery pickup, you can still submit your e-receipts and earn Box Tops. If you are struggling to remember to scan your receipts, go to the communication settings under your account and set up scan reminders, you can customize them to match your shopping routine!

You can view a list of participating products here:

<https://www.boxtops4education.com/Participating-Products-Page>

We received \$342 from Box Tops from the first semester. We would love to exceed that amount for the second semester so please download the app and scan those receipts. It's an incredibly easy way to help support our Cherry Tree teachers and students!



Treasurer's Report

Learn more about how your PTO dollars were used last month to enhance the student experience at CTE by visiting the PTO's budget documents on our website. The monthly report can be found [HERE](#) under the Treasury Summaries.



We continue our great efforts at Cherry Tree to raise productive and safe digital citizens! Please see the linked family resource from Common Sense Media. These are great resources!

[Control Your Phone. Don't Let It Control You](#)

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**CCS Covid
Page**



Find all CCS Covid information [HERE](#)



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Please ask yourself these 4 screener questions:

- 1) In the last 24 hours have you had a fever or chills and/or taken medication for a fever? (If you are unsure, please utilize a thermometer for an accurate reading. A temperature of 100.4 or higher constitutes a fever according to medical professionals)
- 2) Do you have COVID-19 symptoms such as new, uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing, sore throat, diarrhea/vomiting, or loss of taste or smell?
- 3) In the past 14 days have you been in close contact (was within 6 feet for longer than 15 minutes without protective equipment) with a person known/suspected to have COVID-19 and/or have you been diagnosed with COVID-19?
- 4) Have you or anyone in your household been tested for COVID-19 and are still awaiting test results?

If the answer to question #4 is YES---Please do not send your student(s) to school.
If you or anyone in your household is being tested or waiting on results, your student
MUST quarantine until results are received.

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Stopit App

Click on the [link](#) for the newest "Stopit App" information. The code to use is **CTECARES**