



Cherry Tree Chatter

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Upcoming Events at CTE:

October 15th & 16th

Fall Break

Oct. 23rd-Nov 8th

Ghost & Goblins Go!

October 30th

Fall Parties (No Parent Volunteers)

November 2nd

Vision Screening (1st, 3rd & 5th)

November 3rd--NEW DATE

Picture Retake Day

November 3rd

Spirit Day

November 4th & 5th

Rackz BBQ Dine Out Days

November 4th

Late Start-8:35 Tardy Bell

November 4th & 5th

Rackz BBQ Dine Out

November 11th

Veteran's Day Virtual Program

November 18th

Late Start-8:35 Tardy Bell

November 19th & 23rd

Scholastic Book Fair

November 25th-27th

Thanksgiving Break

~NEW~

Picture Retake

Date Changed

11/3/20



NEW DATE: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd

Picture retake day has changed to Tuesday, November 3rd.
Please look for picture packages to come home the week of October 19th.

Please Note: Emailed proofs that were sent out may have been full body pictures of your student. Please be aware that the pictures you receive will be the normal school pictures from the chest up. Interstate wanted to get the proofs out to families as soon as possible and did not have time to crop the shots.

If you would like for your student to have a picture retake on November 3rd. Please complete the form linked here by Friday, October 23, 2020:

<https://forms.gle/ta8NjQsYJItVhPq8A>

Virtual Families:

If your student did not get their picture taken or would like a retake, please complete the link to sign up for a picture time. <https://forms.gle/Bj5NeAsNot9xyMRQ6> Please complete form by Friday, 10/23/20.

~NEW~
Message from
our Social
Worker



During the week of October 5th, our School Resource Officer Matthew Broadnax and I held Safety Talks for each class here at Cherry Tree. During those talks, we discussed the importance of school safety drills (like our fire and intruder drills) and having a plan in case of any kind of emergency should occur – at school or at home. Officer Broadnax did a great job of making sure our students know that being prepared is not meant to make anyone feel scared; rather, it is the best way to feel empowered to confidently handle whatever might happen in our lives, whether an adult is present or not. He relayed an important saying: “Your body won’t go where your mind hasn’t been” – if you haven’t thought of a plan for how to handle emergencies, your body won’t know what to do in the moment! Our students were excellent listeners and asked insightful questions about their safety at school.

We also discussed bullying: what it is and what to do about it. We talked about the difference between being a bystander (knowing about bullying happening and doing nothing about it) and an upstander (knowing about bullying happening and doing something – telling the bully to stop, being a kind friend to the student being treated poorly, and always telling a trusted adult about what is happening). It is important to me that ALL students feel safe and welcomed at school! If you are concerned about a student’s safety for any reason, you can use the StopIt app (<https://appweb.stopitsolutions.com/login> - password “ctecares”) to report it directly to the school at any time.

~NEW~
Ghosts &
Goblins Go!
10/23-11/8



Registration is open for **Ghosts and Goblins Go!**, the 2020 spin on Carmel Education Foundation’s (CEF) annual Ghosts and Goblins 5k/2k race. With this new format, participants can **GO** enjoy an activity they enjoy, while honoring **CCS Superhero’s** who have used their amazing “super-powers” so that Carmel Clay Schools kids can **GO** to school despite obstacles from the pandemic. An added adventure encourages people to **GO** on a virtual or “Around Town” Scavenger Hunt! **Ghosts and Goblins GO!** will run from October 23 through November 8, 2020.

All proceeds from **Ghosts and Goblins GO!** benefit the Carmel Education Foundation’s mission of supporting Carmel Clay students in academic achievement and lifelong learning.

Learn more, see GO ideas, and register at www.ghostsandgoblinsgo.com!

~NEW~
please check
Lost
&
Found



Our lost and found is overflowing with sweatshirts, jackets, water bottles, masks and other lost items. If your student is missing anything please have them check the lost and found table located in the cafeteria. All unclaimed items will be donated at the end of first

semester.

~NEW~
**Textbook
Rental Fee**



Due 10/30/20

In an effort to reduce time, money, and paper, parents can now pay their children's textbook rental through a secure website, QuickPay™. With a few simple mouse clicks, parents can view assessed fees, any outstanding balances, and pay for multiple children at Carmel Clay Schools (CCS) in a single transaction. Parents will no longer have to send payments with their children.

How do I use Student QuickPay?

1. Log in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal
2. Click on **Resources (on the left-hand side) and then Textbook Payment**

You can pay online via electronic check, debit card, or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express.) The school's office will still accept cash, check, or money order payable to **Carmel Clay Schools Book Rental**. *Payments are due by October 30, 2020.*

~ 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](#)

**National Boss
Day**



October 16th is National Boss Day! Please give a big **CHEESY** thank you to Mr. Atkinson and Mrs. Billman.

**Wednesday
Bakers**

Do you like to bake? If you are looking for a socially distant way to get involved with PTO, here's a great option: Wednesday Bakers! [Sign-Up](#) to bring 2-dozen individually wrapped homemade or store-bought goodies to support CTE Staff.



~ NEW ~
Wellness Week



Check out the ALL NEW Wellness Week & get your student entered to win a \$25 Kroger gift card! [ENTER HERE!](#)

School Bus Safety Week



October 19th-23rd is National School Bus Safety Week. Please take a moment to thank our superb bus drivers for keeping our precious cargo safe.

**Fall is here!
 It's time for cold-weather gear!**



It's Fall Y'all!

Check out www.ctespiritshop.com for long-sleeve shirts, sweatshirt and even adult styles!

~ NEW ~
POPs Wants YOU!

POPS is an energetic group of male parents/guardians that plan, support and volunteer at various CTE and PTO events throughout the year. It's flexible and fun - all are welcome and no cost to join!

Email David Glenn with questions or to sign up at dglenniu@gmail.com.

Don't forget: you must have a criminal history check (CHC) on file. A link to the online CHC application and more information can be found on the CTE PTO website at <https://www.ccs.k12.in.us/pto-cte/volunteer>.

GRAND-persons Update

Due to COVID 19, we will not be able to hold our traditional GRAND-Person's breakfast. However, the committee is working hard on something special students can do to still honor and recognize the grand people in their lives! Stay tuned for more details!atter!

~ INFO~ Media Center Volunteers Needed



Hello all parents of Patriots!! Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity at school this year? The media center is looking for volunteers to help the kids and Mrs Lima. Volunteer hours for the morning are either 8 -10am or 9 -11am. Our greatest need will be in the afternoon from 11:40-1:40pm when the kindergartners and first graders will be in the Media Center.

For more info you can email Melissa Putts at melissaputts@yahoo.com, Megan Droste at medroste@gmail.com or simply [click](#) on the google form to submit your request to volunteer. Thank you!

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](#)

~ INFO~ Stopit App

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

~ INFO~ Carpool

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

[Morning](#)

[Afternoon](#)

~ INFO ~
CCS Covid



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Find all CCS Covid information [HERE](#)

CHERRY TREE ELEMENTARY PTO



Easy Ways to Support Cherry Tree!

Box Tops for Education

Cut out labels or scan receipts to earn

2020-2021 Collection Week is
Happening NOW!

September 28 - October 2

Box Tops are moving away from
clipped Box Tops. Please download
the app and scan grocery receipts
to earn money for CTE!

TWO WAYS TO COLLECT!



Did you know there are
Special Offers available to
earn **even more points**?
Here are a few!



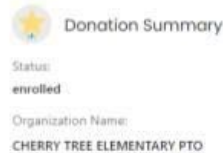
*Check the Box Tops app or website frequently
for new bonus offers like these!*

FREE Shipping on Spirit Wear
when you spend \$15 or more
Now through Oct. 11th - no code needed!



*It's Fall Y'all!
Time for Long Sleeves!*

Don't forget to add
Cherry Tree Elementary
to your
Kroger and Amazon accounts.



Kroger Community Rewards
Login in to your Kroger
account and choose
Community Rewards



Amazon Smile
Login in to your Amazon
account > Under Accounts &
Lists > Choose Your
AmazonSmile

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