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December, 2018

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Office Hours
8:00 am - 4:30 pm

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**Parent
Communication**
Our **CMSE Website**
will have the most
up to date
information on
latest news and
events happening in
our school. **Watch
for monthly East
Points newsletter!**

Attendance
To see
our **Attendance
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School Counselors
[Bridget Borner](#)
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News From Principal Holm

November has been a very busy and exciting month at CMSE! A HUGE thank you to all of the volunteers and families who attended the BINGO Bash - it was a great event. We also have a lot of people to thank for our successful fundraiser. You will see below who the winners of our prizes are. We had some very excited students thanks to great parents who collected prizes and those businesses who donated.

A reminder to families, with our school not starting until 8:40 am we do not have staff in the building until 8:00 am to supervise, so please avoid dropping students off prior to this time.

December is already underway and will be a very busy month. Our 6th graders are ready for their Deep Portage trip. We look forward to listening to all of the work of our band, choir, and orchestra students at the concerts this month.

We hope that you all enjoy the winter break with your families!

Fundraiser Prize Winners

We have wrapped up our fundraiser prize drawings and here are the results:

Advisory Party Winners

Mr. Engle - 6th grade
Mr. VanHauen - 7th grade
Mr. Potter - 8th grade

Top Boy/Girl Runners

6th - Frank Sankovitz, Alekhya Gottemukkla
7th - Luke Parsons tied with Bode DeLoach,
Marissa Long
8th - Trevor Storm, Sadie Holman
These students won \$20 each

Isaac Meyer - Chaska golf passes
Nate Barstad - Chaska Com. Ctr. passes
Kayleen Cho - Chaska foot golf passes
Carolina Dean - Burrows mini golf passes
Katie Barden - Ninja warrior passes

7th Grade
6th Grade A - K

Katie Sheehan

952-556-7632
8th Grade
6th Grade L-Z

Registrar/Scheduler

Laura Thom

952-556-7631

Food Service

Julia Zieman

952-556-7604

Transportation

**Positive
Connections**

952-361-0899

Koch Bus Shakopee

952-445-8129

Koch Bus Waconia

952-442-3370

**District
Transportation
Department**

952-556-6163

**SEAC
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Committee
2018-19 Flyer**

PRIZE WINNERS



Alekhya

Cassidy Carlson - Scheels gift card
Ava Busse - Nike gift card
Frank Sankovitz - Revive Nutrition gift card
Charlie Oster - Amazon gift card
James Gladden - Amazon gift card
Johnathan Monarski - Grand Prize Winner
of the Mountain Bike

AP Scoop Assistant Principal Gilbert

November - Clubs during WIN Time

WIN time (What I Need) has been mentioned a number of times in the "scoop" as a flexible time for students to get additional academic support during the school day. Another purpose for this time is for students to access various enrichment opportunities or to gravitate towards a consistent club activity that allows them to connect with others who have similar interests. East has a number of clubs or groups that meet at least monthly that students can choose to be a part of during WIN time. Here is a sampling of some of the clubs offered during WIN - Book Club, Native American Club, Kindness Project, Raspberry Pi (computer programming), Knitting Club, Equity Alliance, Button Making Club, Maker Space Bit Box, Wellness Club, and Big Brother/Big Sister group. A few of these groups are completely led by students under the supervision of a staff member. Ask your son or daughter at home if they are part of a group/club during WIN time. Also, if students are interested in starting a club have them stop into the main office and talk with me (Mr. Gilbert). Research has shown that students who are more involved in school groups and find connections during the school day enjoy school more which correlates to higher academic achievement.



District News

Task force looks to district's future, including 2019 referendum

Beginning in October, a task force began reviewing information from facility and enrollment studies conducted by the district in early 2018. The group will prioritize needs for essential school maintenance and new construction required to match projected enrollment growth. In early 2019, the task force will make recommendations to the school board. In the spring, the board will go through the process to decide



Katie



Marissa



Isaac



Bode

what to ask of the public in a referendum in November 2019. [Learn more HERE.](#)

Upcoming school year calendar coming early next year

Calendars for the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years are currently in development. When they are ready, we will provide a link in our school newsletter and at www.district112.org/calendar.

IMPORTANT DATES

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Dec. 4	Choir Concert	7:30 PM @ East
Dec. 6	Band Concert	5:30 PM @ East
Dec. 7	PTO/Partnering with Parents Mtg.	2:00 PM
Dec. 10-14	Deep Portage 6th Grade	
Dec. 12	Vision Hearing Screening	8:30 AM @ East
Dec. 13	Two Hour Late Start	
Dec. 18	Orchestra Concert	7:30 @ CHS
Dec. 24-Jan 1	Winter Break	
Jan 2	School Resumes	
Jan 11	PTO/Partnering with Parents Mtg.	2:00 PM
Jan 21	No School Students Workshop Day	
Jan 25	Ellis Island Day	
Jan 31	MS Transition Night	6:00 - 7:30 PM @ East

Nurse Notes

[Click here for information from our School Nurse.](#)

East Music Concerts in December

December is here, and so is the line-up for our musical concerts. Come join us!

Choir concert will take place on Tuesday, December 4th here in East commons.

5:30 - 6th grade
6:30 7th & 8th grade

Band concert is happening on Thursday, December 6th here at East in the commons.

5:30 - 7th grade
6:30 - 6th grade

7:30 - 8th grade



Kayleen



Nate



James



The orchestra concert is on **Tuesday, December 18th, at 7:00 pm at Chaska High School.** Students need to wear concert black, meaning head-to-toe black clothing. Accessories can be black or metallic and must not interfere with performance. Please dress as nicely as possible. Students will need to bring their own instrument (including cellists and bassists), music, and other materials such as shoulder rest, rock stop, and tuner. Extra instruments, music, and materials **WILL NOT** be available at the concert.

Students are asked to come early to warm up and practice as we combine the orchestras from all three middle schools. Arrival times will be emailed out at a later date.

PTO Meeting This Friday

Please join us for the December PTO/Partnering with Parents meeting on Friday, December 7th at 2:00 pm. [Click here for the agenda.](#)

Holiday Giving Project sponsored by Student Council

This year, our student council presented CMSE with the opportunity to do a toy/donation drive for Children's Minnesota.

[Click here for more information](#) on this organization's in-kind giving.

Students and families can donate toys, clothes, snacks and other items from the wish list provided by Children's. We will collect donations starting **Monday, December 3rd - December 14th.** Donations can be brought to school with students or be dropped off at the office.

See below for toy and snack donation lists.

[Toy Donation List](#)
[Snack Donation List](#)

As always, thanks from your student council for helping spread the word, and let's get into that **holiday giving spirit!**

Ellis Island Experience

Volunteer Opportunity for the Ellis Island Experience!

On **January 25, 2019** Pioneer Ridge Middle School will be transformed into Ellis Island. On that day 6th grade students from East and throughout the district will travel to Ellis Island and experience the challenges of entering through the busiest immigration center of the United States at the turn of the century. To make this simulation a great learning experience **we need around 200 volunteers.** As a volunteer your

Ava



Frank



Johnathan

commitment on that day would be from about 8:45am - 11:40am. If you are interested in volunteering please click on the link below for more information and to sign up.

[Ellis Island Information and Volunteer Sign Up](#)

Ski Club

Interested in hitting the slopes of Afton Alps with your friends from East this Winter? If yes, this Ski Club is for you! This club is for beginner or experienced skiers and snow boarders.

There are four ski/snowboard trips to Afton Alps scheduled for the 6th - 8th graders at East: **December 20, January 10, January 31 and February 21.** Students who are registered to go on a trip will leave for Afton Alps at 2:20 from CMSE and will return to CMSE by 9:15 p.m.

Rental equipment is available at Afton Alps and lessons from the pros at Afton are free! Contact Mr. Tornquist for more information. Sign-up sheets are in the office and Mr. T's room.

Sheridan Story

We want to remind families that here at CMSE we offer this opportunity to help those in need. The Sheridan Story provides nutritious food to be discreetly given to students the Friday before each weekend. The program is free, confidential, and there are no requirements necessary except to fill out the form and return it to the office.

[Application - English](#)
[Application - Spanish](#)

Lost and Found

With winter underway, our lost and found table is growing. Please remind your child to check for items they may have been looking for. Parents are welcome to stop in and check in the office for smaller items, eye glasses, watches, etc...

PTO News

For November meeting minutes, [click here](#).

Don't forget about Shoparoo receipt program and Coca-Cola products rewards that run all year long. [click here](#) for ways to support CMSE.

[Welcome from PTO](#)

Yearbook

It is never too early to order a yearbook for your child. They are all hardcover books available for \$20. [Click here](#) for **details on how to order online.**



Nutrition Services

For news from Nutrition Services, [click here](#). Get pricing for lunches, how to access your student's lunch account to make payments, and online free and reduced forms. [Unpaid Meal Charge Procedure](#)