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## Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Tuesday, October 25th & Thursday, October 27th from 4:00-7:30pm. Listed below are the times for each grade level.



6th grade - 10 minute appointments with any teacher in your students core  
7th & 8th grade - 10 minute appointments with any teacher in your students core  
Encore - 10 minute appointments with any encore teacher

We are going to start taking appointments on Tuesday, October 11th. You may call our main office to make those appointments @ (815)626-3300 between 9:00am - 3:30 pm.

## IMPORTANT DATES



- 10/10 Columbus Day - NO SCHOOL
- 10/11 "Parent Café" - 5:30-7:30pm
- 10/14 Picture Re-takes
- 10/18 "Parent Café" @ CMS - 5:30-7:30pm
- 10/19 Early Dismissal - 11:25am
- 10/21 End of 1st Quarter
- 10/21 1st Quarter PBIS Celebration
- 10/24 PBIS Coffee Day
- 10/24-28 Red Ribbon Week
- 10/25 "Parent Café" - 5:30-7:30pm
- 10/25 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:30pm
- 10/27 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:30pm
- 11/11 Veterans Day - NO SCHOOL
- 11/16 Early Dismissal - 11:25am
- 11/17 2nd quarter mid-term
- 11/17 PTO Mtg @ CMS - 6:30pm
- 11/23-25 Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL

## Asset of the Month 2011-2012

<b>March</b>	<b>Achievement Motivation</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>Personal Power</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>Other Adult Relationships</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>Equality and Social Justice</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>Time at Home</b>
<b>August</b>	<b>School Engagement</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>Cultural Competence</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>Community Values Youth</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>Family Support</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>Religious Community</b>
<b>January</b>	<b>School Boundaries</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>Peaceful Conflict Resolution</b>
<b>March</b>	<b>Self Esteem</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>Caring Neighborhood</b>

## PICTURE RE-TAKES



Picture re-takes will be Friday, October 14th. If your student had their picture taken in August and would like a re-take done, they need to bring the pictures with them to hand in to the photographer. If they did not get their picture taken, there are picture forms in the office for them to pick up and bring the day of re-takes to hand in to the photographer.

**STUDENT OF THE MONTH**  
**For September**

**WINNERS**

Core 6-1 Emily Castillo  
Core 6-2 Erin Long  
Core 6-3 Brooklynn Freas  
Core 7-1 Brittany Feary  
Core 7-2 Chloe Bittorf  
Core 8-1 Alex Gallardo  
Core 8-2 Maura Scanlon



**NOMINEES**

Core 6-1 Marcus Shetter & Chris Brouillette  
Core 6-2 Brayden Reyes & Chase Clark  
Core 6-3 Kaylin Lewandowski & Dunston Kindle  
Core 7-1 Connor Crossley & Carly Hansen  
Core 7-2 Abigail Gunderson & Edgar Rodriguez  
Core 8-1 Bryana Johnson  
Core 8-2 Kayla Miller & Brayden Garza

Congratulations to all our winners and nominees. Great Job!!!!



**Donate an instrument!**

It's fall cleaning time! Check your garages, attics, basements, and closets. The CMS band program is always accepting musical instrument donations. Our need is great, and your contribution can help keep our students playing. Help make a student's musical wishes come true.

**CMS CHOIR**

On Friday, September 9th, the CMS Choir visited Avonlea Cottages, Good Neighbor Care Center and Heritage Woods and gave choral presentations in memory of 9/11.



**“RTi FALL SCREENER”**



All students were screened in Reading and Math. Reports are being mailed home to show how your child is performing as compared to AIMSweb National Norms for their grade level. Please refer to our web-site to view the power point titled “AIMSweb Student Report Explanation for Parents.”

## "PARENT CAFÉ"

Being a parent is hard work! Please come and experience a PARENT CAFÉ! Meet new friends, share experiences and gain the support you need to keep your family strong. Parents can gain strength from other parents. Enjoy a wonderful meal with your family and make friends together. Child care will be provided for all your children while you attend the café. The child care staff will work with your child to enrich their social and emotional wellness.

So come enjoy a FREE meal and get some information and ideas that helps us take care of ourselves, raise strong children and build strong relationships with our kids.

Our FIRST PARENT CAFÉ will be Tuesday October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.. The Parent Café will meet at Challand Middle School in the cafeteria. Got questions? Call Tammie Wolf (815) 625-0013.

## BLAST NEWS!!!

October 4th - Granny Rose Fieldtrip. The following students have had their names drawn to attend Granny Rose:

Megan Loos	Adam Oelrichs
Maura Scanlan	Andrew Rodriguez
Felicia Aldrich	Gage Trujillo
Reganne Adams	Alicia Montanez
Arlene Reyes	Akira Tanton
Morgan Luebke	Emma Boze

October 18th - Red Ribbon Week discussion  
from 3:00-4:30 in cafeteria

## CMS STUDENT TEACHERS



Challand Middle School is excited to have 6 student teachers with us the 1st semester of this school year. Listed below are their names and the teacher they are working with. We welcome them and hope their experience at Challand is a positive one.

- Ryan Bradshaw is working with our counselors (Mark Morris, Jenny Dykeman and Alecia Weigle)
- Amber Dimmig is with Kim Reiley (6th grade)
- Aaron Fassler is with Karen Lubbers (6th grade)
- Joe Lellman is with Brian Cebula (Health)
- Lindsey Muur is with Jill Price (7th grade)
- Laura Wilson is with Mary Kay Bohms (7th Grade)

## CMS Orchestra News



Symphonic Orchestra Members will be auditioning soon for the annual Illinois Music Educators Association (IMEA) Festival! Auditions are Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at Geneseo Middle School. The bus will leave at 10:00am and be back about 5:00pm. The IMEA Festival will be Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at Augustana College in Rock Island.

Mrs. Lauff will be returning to school on Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Lessons for all orchestra students will resume the week of October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Students are to remember to bring their instruments to school at this time. Contact Mrs. Lauff at Challand for any questions regarding the orchestra program.

## CMS BOOK FAIR



The annual CMS Book Fair will be here soon!!

Dates: October 24th through October 28th

Where: The CMS wrestling room

Times: Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
(7:30am-4:00pm)

Tuesday (25th) and Thursday (27th)  
(7:30am-7:30pm)

## CMS Cross-Country



The CMS XC team has been off and running since early August! We have competed in meets and done really well! The best part is that every runner is setting a goal to improve throughout the season, and we are having fun and success with our goal-setting! This year, Challand is hosting IESA Sectionals! Sectionals will be held on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00pm at Woodlawn. Everyone is invited to come and cheer on our CMS Warrior runners!! Good luck to our CMS XC team in Sectionals and getting to State!

