



Camp Road Middle School
January 3, 2022

Cougar News

Parler's Ponderings:

My random thoughts for the week:

1. We are "back to the books" on Tuesday, January 4, 2022, with nine days remaining in the second quarter and first semester. I expect that students will be very busy focusing on grades over the next two weeks.
2. Thank you parents and students for your generosity during the final week of school with our James Island Outreach food drive. We collected 2565 food items for the food bank. The grade level breakdowns were: 7th grade, 1400; 6th grade, 1100, and 8th grade, 65. Congratulations to the 7th grade team for again claiming the coveted cougar trophy and also being treated to kettle corn on the last day of school.
3. Please read the article in this newsletter, "*Board votes to reinstate face coverings policy based on COVID ratings.*" **All CCSD families should have received follow up communication from the district on December 31, clarifying that due to the latest DHEC COVID-19 ratings, all students and staff WILL be wearing masks when returning to school.** If you do not have mask, an administrator will provide a mask at the building entrances.

Welcome back

THANKS FOR YOUR HARD WORK WITH THE FOOD DRIVE



Board votes to reinstate face coverings policy based on COVID ratings

Covid-19 positive cases show a pattern of increasing following long holiday breaks. DHEC's current **"Medium"** rating led the CCSD Board of Trustees to reinstate the facemask requirements of Policy ADD beginning Monday, January 3 through Friday, January 14 ***unless the rates fall back into the LOW range by December 31***. The Board's action is an effort to keep students and staff safe.

A **"Low"** rating during the last two weeks of December would negate the reinstatement of the facemask requirement. Information on the facemask policy will be shared with all staff and parents nearer to January 3-4, 2022 when new DHEC ratings are available. ***If exemption waivers were granted to students or staff earlier this year, they will still be in place.***



A FRESH START WITH OUR SCHOOL DRESS CODE

As stated in our last newsletter, we will all be doing a better job of following the CCSD and CRMS dress code when we return on January 4. There are three simple rules we need to improve on this semester:

1. Wear your pajamas at home, not at school.
2. Keep your hoods off in the building. We want to be able to identify each student.
3. Cover your bare midriff



Congratulations to Camp Road Middle School's 2021-22 SC Junior Scholars!

Again, congratulations to the 27 students who scored a 550 or better on the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing section and/or a 530 or better on the Math section have earned the honor of being named South Carolina Junior Scholars. They will receive special recognition and certificates at the 8th grade promotion ceremony.



GUIDANCE UPDATES

Congratulations to the following 25 students, who were nominated by their teachers for the **November/December Student of the Month Award**:

Isaac Allen, Pedro Andrade, Gracie Sue Billings, Zion Choice, Alex Ciucci, Akeelah Fields, Na'Talya Frasier, Trinity Frasier, Laleke Garrett, Alexandra Gigis, Betty Henderson, Hannah Hughes, Lucy Krauk, Charles Lang, Chouaib Saadi, Yussif Samir, Xavier Santerre, Pierce Sucansky, Tiegan True, Jameson Weaver, Isaac Webb, Caleb Witte, De'Nas Wright, Benjamin Wohlfarth, Daniel Zheng

Thank you to the following 30 students who received recognitions from teachers and staff for performing **random acts of kindness** at school, throughout the months of November and December: Pedro Andrade, David Anthony, Frankey Coakley, Hayden Depinet, Alice Ducworth, Neal Frasier, Na'Talya Frasier, Rigoberto Garcia, Jasmine Gaston, Katero Gillyard, Jack Hamilton, Jalaya Howard, Olive Hutchinson, Sadie Kascak, Aiden Kulesia, Hung Le, Isaac Lorentz, Nevaeh Lowry, Quinlan Mathewes, Vincent Merrill, John Mizell, Caroline Osborn, Wyatt Pena-Faulkner, Lillyan Prochazka, Harper Rhodes, Dallyce Richardson, Thomas Smith, Tiegan True, Jonathan Vroon, Morris White

If your student was nominated for either of these awards, please ask to see their certificate!

NEWS FROM THE NURSE

Flu vaccines for students is scheduled for January 27, 2022. If you would like your child to get a flu vaccine or flu nasal spray at school:

1. Go to <http://www.scdhec.gov/slvccconsent> using your smartphone, computer or tablet and enter "11001118" as your validation code.
2. Paper copies available, just ask your child to pick one up from the school clinic.

Dental HPS Exams: These will be administered on Tuesday, January 4, for those families who signed up at the beginning of the school year. If you have any questions please reach out to Nurse Melissa D'Arcy.

PTO UPDATES FOR THE WEEK

Textile Recycling

The school and the PTO have teamed with *Lowcounty Textile Recycling, LLC*, to place the clothes bin at the exit of our campus. The goal is to keep clothing and textiles out of the landfills. In return the PTO will receive \$0.07 cents for every pound of textiles collected. The items are repurposed, recycled, or reused and kept out of the landfills.



Items that can be recycled:

Clothing: pants, jeans, skirts, dresses, suits shorts, shirts, tees, tanks,

Outerwear: coats, jackets, gloves, hats, scarves

Footwear: shoes, boots, heels, sneakers, sandals, socks, tights

Undergarments: bras, underwear, slippers, camisoles

Accessories: hats, belts, ties, scarves, headbands

Handbags: wallets, totes, luggage, backpacks, briefcases

Linens: towels, sheets, comforters, blankets, tablecloths

Spirit Wear Design Contest!

We are looking for a new design for our t-shirts, hoodies, beanies and other spirit wear!

If you have an idea, submit your drawing on a regular sized sheet of paper to Mr. Brown by Monday January 11th.

The image should be somewhat simple, not too detailed, and will be just one color once finalized and printed. Use our current designs as reference, those were designed by former Cougars too!

Have an idea but need a little help? Ask our talented resident artist Mr. Brown for some guidance.

Our Top 3 designers will receive a small prize and the chosen one will go down in history as a Cougar Super Fan!

Good luck and have fun!

YOUR FINAL CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL SPRING SPORTS

Here is the information middle schools received from the City of Charleston Department of Recreation this week about middle school spring sports.

It's that time again! Time to register for Middle Sports with the City! Soccer, Softball, and Baseball! Looking forward to having all schools participate this year! I know last year, with COVID, some teams did not participate, but this year hopefully everyone will be able to participate!

Attached is the flyer for this year and the register online [registration link](#). Please spread the word to your schools and everyone! **We all know the Middle School Season can be challenging due to the fact of how soon it starts and ends. I know a lot of kids and parents are focused on basketball, baseball etc. during the month of Dec and Jan.**

That is perfectly fine, but please let those kids and parents know to still sign up for MS Sports. Regardless of what they have going on now, please sign up so the recreation department knows how many teams are participating this year. Below is the following dates:

Registration started on Nov 1st – Dec 31st

Late registration Jan 1st – 8th

Coaches' meeting Jan 11th Via Zoom

Practices can start that week after coaches' meeting Jan 11th

Games start week of Feb 7th

Season end date March 12th

Dates are subject to change to due weather

**SPRING MIDDLE SCHOOL
SPORTS**

**6TH-8TH GRADE
SOFTBALL**

Aging date: May 1, 2022
Activity #: 25012

**6TH-8TH GRADE
BASEBALL**

Aging date: May 1, 2022
Activity #: 25011

**6TH-8TH GRADE
CO-ED SOCCER**

Aging date: May 1, 2022
Activity #: 25019

AGES: 11-14

REGISTRATION: NOVEMBER 1 - DECEMBER 31
ONLINE OR AT ANY CITY RECREATION FACILITY

COST: \$30/RESIDENT; \$\$\$/NON-RESIDENT

SCAN TO REGISTER

Games will primarily be played on Saturdays with some week nights mixed in. Practice locations and times will vary depending on school and coach availability. Practices will start in mid-November. Games start early February. Season should finish up by mid-March. We encourage kids to participate in 6th-8th grade sports and recreation sports as there is minimal overlap in seasons.

FOR MORE INFO, EMAIL LADSONB@CHARLESTON-SC.GOV

Tutor.com Available for All Students

[Tutor.com](https://www.tutor.com) is now being provided to all students through the SC State Library. It provides free tutoring for any grade or subject area along with test prep and other services and is accessible to students via Clever.

Calendar

January

- January 3 Teacher workday, no students
- January 4 Students return
- January 4 Dental HPS exams
- January 11 Winter reading MAP testing

January 11	Spirit wear designs due to Mr. Brown, art teacher
January 13	Winter math MAP testing
January 14	End of Quarter 2 & Semester 1
January 17	MLK Holiday, schools and offices closed
January 18	Teacher workday, no students
January 19	First day of Quarter 3, students return
January 19-21	Report cards will be issued, TBD
January 27	Flu vaccines

February

February 4	eLearning day, students work from home
February 18	Early release day at 1:30 PM
February 21	eLearning day, students work from home
February 22	Q 3 progress reports sent home
February 22	National School Bus Drivers' Appreciation Day

March

March 22	End of Quarter 3
March 23	Teacher workday
March 24	First day of Quarter 4, students return
March 28	Report cards will be issued this week, TBD