

Central Junior High School



Paw Prints September 2011

Labor Day- No School

Monday, Sept. 5th

Blue & Gold Parent's Club

The first meeting of the CJHS Parents' Club will be held on Tuesday, September 6th, at 6:30 p.m. in the new gym. All parents are encouraged to attend to learn about the opportunities to become involved with their child's school. Our officers are as follows:

Tori Barth-President

Candace Emert-Vice President

Kristina O'Donohue-Secretary

Diane Lauterbach-Treasurer

Brandi Hogan-Fundraising

Tracy Ellis-School Store

Dawn Ingold-School Store

MEET THE TEACHER

On **Tuesday, September 6th**, we would like to invite all parents and guardians to our Meet the Teacher Night. We will begin at 7 p.m. in the new gym. At this time, Mr. Mair will introduce all staff according to their learning teams. After the introduction, teams of teachers will be set up in our Commons area where they will share information about their classes. Parents are welcome to speak with the members of the different teams and ask questions. Refreshments will be served. Please try to make every effort to attend our Meet the Teacher Night!



Family/Emergency Matters

Families differ in many ways. Some families have had experiences that have resulted in a court order. To help maintain a safe environment and to communicate correctly with all parties, we need your help. If there is a current court order (divorce, order of protection, etc.), please permit us to make a copy of the portion that applies to custody or protection. The copy must include the stamp and signature of the court. We also need to be updated as family situations change. Please keep us informed. In regards to emergency contacts, we must have at least one contact, other than a parent, who we may call in an emergency. If you have any questions, please contact the office. Thank you for your cooperation.

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WELCOME

FUNDRAISER:Magazines

Central's yearly fundraiser is a magazine sale. Parents and neighbors have come to look forward to this yearly opportunity to purchase magazines and C.D.'s. The sale starts on Tuesday, Sept. 6th. The **last turn-in date for orders is Wednesday, September 21st**. If you are interested in helping the Parents' Club process orders, please contact Brandi Hogan @ 699-5960.

PICTURE DAY

Wednesday, September 7th

Lifetouch Photography will be here for picture day. All students will have their pictures taken for the year book. Picture packets will be sent home in advance. This is a pre-pay program and payment must be made at the time the picture is taken. Parent volunteers are needed, so please contact the office if you are interested.

Teen Reach Program

The Tazewell County Health Department in conjunction with CJHS & District #86, is once again offering the after school program TEEN Reach starting Tuesday, September 6th. This is a safe and positive environment for teens to grow academically, physically, socially, and mentally.

Monday-Thursday Cost: \$3 a night

Tutoring & Homework help daily 2:40-4 PM

Life Skills, Service Learning, and other fun activities daily 4-5:30 PM

Fun Fridays: \$5 a night

Activities include movies, ice cream socials, pizza parties, bowling, fitness fun, swimming, and more.

Applications are available outside the school main office.



School Telephone

All junior high teachers have voice mail message service. This is just one way the teachers will be more accessible to parents. Feel free to call the office and request voice mail for any teacher. The school number is 427-5200. The answering machine is on from 3:30 p.m.-7:00 a.m. for your convenience in reporting absences.

RECYCLING

TONER – INK CARTRIDGES

Central is collecting and recycling ink and toner cartridges. These can be from computer printers, copiers and fax machines. We have a container in our foyer for these cartridges.

Early Childhood Screening

The district will be conducting a screening for 3-5 year olds on Wednesday, September 7th @ the Professional Development Learning Center at CJHS. The screening is designed to assess your child's development and the potential need for special education in the following areas: speech/language and motor skills, social readiness skills, behavior, vision and hearing. An appointment is necessary and can be scheduled by calling Rose Couri-Holcomb at 427-5187 before August 31st. If your child is younger than 3 years old and you have concerns, please call Karen at Child & Family Connections (CFC) 999-7030 to make an appointment. The screening appointment would then be held on a future date at the CFC office at 2016 N. Knoxville Ave. in Peoria.

SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATION

In accordance with the Sex Offender Community Notification Law, Dist. 86 is required to provide information regarding the Statewide Sex Offenders Database. This database is accessible at www.isp.state.il.us/sor/

Board of Education

The monthly meeting of the District #86 Board of Education will be held September 15th at 7:00 p.m., in the boardroom at CJHS.

ONE CALL NOW COMMUNICATION SERVICE

District #86 has a partnership with One Call Now which is an automated messaging service that allows the school to contact you within minutes. This will help to improve ongoing communication with you. The partnership shows our commitment to you, and to your child's education and safety. Look for a link on our website to add or change contact information.

Music News

The monthly meeting of the District #86 Music Boosters Club for all parents of chorus and band members will be held on Monday, September 26th at 6:30 p.m. in the band room at CJHS. All parents are invited to participate. Rental night will be Wed. Sept. 7th from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. Please feel free to visit Mr. Newgard's website at epd.86.org/cjhs/band.

Marching Band

Our band will be participating in several activities this year. Support the band! Come see us march at the:

Pekin Marigold Festival on Saturday, September 10th.

EPCHS Football Game on Friday, September 16th.

EP Homecoming Parade on Friday, September 30th.



School Store

The Blue & Gold Parents' Club sponsors a school store in our cafeteria on Wednesday's from 11:00-12:30. Below are the prices for all the clothing. If you are interested in purchasing any clothing you may come into the school during this time or call the office to order items for Christmas/Birthday presents.

Long Sleeve T-Shirt	14.75	T-Shirt	12.50
Hooded Sweatshirts	19.50	Sweatpants	15.50

Daily Announcement/District Web Site

The school website, epd86.org, has a posting of our daily announcements. These announcements list tryout dates, extracurricular activity meeting times, sports rosters, and athletic scores. Parents can access this information by logging on the website, click district schools, CJHS & daily announcements. The web site also offers a direct link to calendars, menus, teacher's email, school information and the district's board policy book.

Groups and Activities

CJHS has a wide variety of groups and after school activities that students may join.

Student Council Consists of representatives from each homeroom who are selected by their peers. They provide services to the community, maintain our concession stands for all home basketball games, and host school dances. Contact Miss DePaula with any questions.

Elections will be held Sept. 6th-8th

First Meeting will be held on Wed., Sept. 14th.

Speech Team Individual, duet, and groups practice and perform speeches for competition. See Mrs. Vance or Mrs. Ortman.

Yearbook Staff An informational meeting will be held on Thurs., September 8th at 7 a.m. Anyone interested should plan on attending. Contact Mrs. Bartolomucci with any questions.

Chess Club Anyone who is interested should meet in the Cheetah Lab after school on Mon., September 12th. Meetings will be every Monday when school is in session until 4 p.m. Contact Mrs. Messmore in Room 311 with any questions.

Newspaper Committee Be involved in the writing, editing, and publishing of the Wildcat Times. See Mrs. Meger in Room 322.

Lunch/Breakfast ID Cards

We will be using the lunch card debit system in our cafeteria again this year. Please pay in advance for your child's lunches. Lunches are \$1.75 each. Lost cards may be replaced for \$5. Reminder-there is a limit of three charges. Breakfast will be offered daily for \$1. The menu will change daily. These cards will also be used as library cards and identification cards. Lunch money can now be applied to the cards on the internet.

Student Safety



East Peoria Elementary District #86 has a plan for emergency and disaster management. Each school has a site-based safety plan and a crisis management team. Emergency responses will depend on the circumstances and may include evacuation or lockdown. In the event your child's school is evacuated, all students at Central Junior High will go to First Baptist Church. The school will attempt to notify parents as soon as possible and will also place information on its website and notify news media. Complete copies of our safe plan are available in the school office and on our website. If you have any questions, please see the building principal.

Transportation Reimbursement

Parents/Guardians who must provide transportation to and from school **because free transportation is not available for their children** may be eligible to receive money from the state to help offset some of the cost, for example, bus fare or mileage reimbursement for private automobiles. If you can answer **yes** to the following questions for the 2011-12 school year, you may be eligible to receive reimbursement for providing such transportation.

Will the pupil be under the age of 21 at the close of the school year?
 Is the pupil a full-time student in grades K through 12?

Does the pupil either live 1 1/2 miles or more from school or live less than 1 1/2 miles from school but must be transported due to a serious safety hazard approved by the IL. Dept. of Transportation?

Does the pupil attend a school within Illinois which meets Illinois compulsory attendance laws?

Did the parent/guardian incur transportation expenses resulting from transporting the pupil to and from school?

Did the pupil not have access to transportation to and from school provided entirely at public expense?

Did the parent/guardian reside within Illinois during the time period expenses were incurred?

If you answered yes to the above questions, lived in Illinois and wish to file a claim, you must go to the school where each of your children are enrolled to submit claim information by June 30, 2012.



CJHS has a clothing closet of free clothes for our students. Many nice items have been donated. If your child needs clothes or shoes, please encourage him or her to see Dr. Spencer. However, our supply of tennis shoes has dwindled, and we would be grateful for donations of outgrown tennis shoes in good condition.

ATHLETIC SCHEDULES

GIRLS SOFTBALL

9/1 Thurs.	Dunlap	4:00
9/2 Fri.	@ Georgetown	4:30
9/3 Sat.	@ Olympia	10:00
9/6 Tues.	@ Canton	4:15
9/7-12	Regionals	TBA
9/17	Sectionals	TBA

BOYS BASEBALL A-TEAM

9/1 Thurs.	Dunlap D/H	4:00
9/3 Sat.	@ Normal Kingsley	10/12
9/7 Wed.	@ Canton	4:15
9/9 Fri.	Washington Central	4:00
9/10 Sat.	@ Bloomington D/H	10:00
9/13-9/19	Regionals	TBA
9/24 Sat.	Sectionals	TBA
9/30 & 10/1	State @ Eastside	TBA

BOYS BASEBALL B-TEAM

9/1 Thurs.	Dunlap	4:00
9/2 Fri..	@ Georgetowne	4:30
9/10 Sat.	Athens/Meridian	10/12/2

GIRLS BASKETBALL

9/26 Mon.	@ Normal Chiddix	4:30
9/29 Thurs.	@ Normal Kingsley	4:30

CROSS COUNTRY

9/3 Sat.	Wildcat Invite	10:00
9/10 Sat.	Parkside Invite @ Normal	9:30
9/13 Tues.	@ Brimfield	4:15
9/17 Sat.	Troy Invite @ Shorewood	9:00
9/20 Tues.	Churchill/Elmwood/Evans	4:30
9/23 Fri.	Dunlap Invite @ Detweiller Park	4:30
9/27 Tues.	Glenwood Middle	4:30
9/30 Fri.	Kingsley Invite @ Fairview Dr	4:30

Softball Roster

- Caitlin
- Hannah
- Cara
- Michaela
- Ellea
- Hailey
- Sydney
- Ashley
- Allie
- Remi
- Kaitlin
- Madison
- Kayla
- Alyssa



Baseball Roster

A Team:	B Team:
Brendan	John
Colin	Nathan
Mason	Tanner
Zach	Hunter
Jake	Jerrod
Max	Anthony
Tanner	Jake
Jordan	Hayden
Ian	Josh
Adam	Grant
Carter	Noah
David	Brandon
Brendan	Nate
Mike	Griffin
Josh	Jacob

7th & 8th Grade Girls Basketball Tryouts

- Sept. 7th 6:30-7:30 AM
- Sept. 8th 5:30-7:00 PM

*Please have a current physical on file in the nurse's office. Please wear athletic attire. See Miss VanOppen with questions.

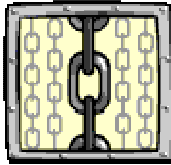
Midterm Reports

The first midterm grading period ends on September 16th. Grades will be sent home on September 21st. Teachers will note comments and make requests for parent conferences.

CHAIN OF COMMAND

Should a question, concern, or problem arise during the course of the school year, it is the policy of District #86 to follow the chain of command in order to effect the proper solution. The following is a list designed to direct you in this procedure.

Homework/Grades	Conduct/Behavior Detentions	Athletics
Teacher ↓	Assistant Principal	Coach
Principal ↓	Principal	AD/Asst. Principal
Superintendent	Superintendent	Principal Superintendent



BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION

CJHS collects General Mills BOXTOPS for Education. These coupons can be used to purchase items for the students, teachers, and school. A big thank you to everyone who submitted BOXTOPS last year. We received \$500.00, which was used to purchase 25 new novels. Please keep sending them in to the library. For every 40 BOXTOPS that a student brings in they receive a king size candy. BOXTOPS & Barnes & Noble have teamed up to bring you the BOXTOPS READING ROOM, where you can earn cash for our school by simply making purchases from Barnes & Noble.com. Go to www.btfe.com and sign-up to support our school. Then log on to btfe.com/readingroom and click the "Shop Now" button to go to Barnes & Noble.com. Our school automatically earns a donation of 6% on new book purchases and 3% on all other Barnes & Noble purchases.

Mrs. Watts, Librarian