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Greetings Trojans!

Thursday, October 26, is the first Parent Teacher Conference of the school year. This is an extremely important date on the calendar. Our teaching staff is the greatest asset in the district, and I hope that you will take the time to come in and meet with them face to face.

During the Covid years, schools had to make adjustments to this time honored tradition. I am glad that parents kept in touch through phone calls, but I am hopeful that parents will find a way to come in person to meet with teaching staff.

There really is no better way to communicate than having a meeting face to face. I hope that you will come filled with interest on how well your child is doing relative to the grade level expectations. Our teachers will be ready to answer any question that you might have and provide clarification to any concerns.

Please set aside some time to visit this Thursday. I hope to see as many of you as possible!

Have a great week!

Principal Larry Rager

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Elementary Newsletters

Kindergarten, Miss McAvoy 1st Grade, Ms. Neiter 2nd Grade, Mrs. Buffman 3rd Grade, Ms. Stenbeck 4th Grade, Mr. VanderHart 5th Grade, Mrs. Perkins Elementary Title

MSHS Newsletters

6th Grade
7th Grade
8th Grade
9th Grade
10th Grade
11th Grade
12th Grade

Parent PowerSchool Information

Parents of students in grades 6-12 can login to PowerSchool to monitor their child's attendance and academics. If you need assistance with your PowerSchool account, please email Mrs. Rogers Parent PowerSchool Link

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Upcoming Bond Proposal Information

On November 7th, our community will vote on a comprehensive school bond proposal. If approved by voters, it will...

- Enhance student safety and school security
- Update and renovate instructional spaces for music, art, science, shop, and technology
- Finance athletic improvements, including renovating the restrooms and the concession stand at Herrick Sports Complex

Registered voters can vote on November 7th or after September 28th through Election Day by absentee ballot. For more information visit www.clps.k12.mi.us and click on *Bond Election info*. Your vote will help our school district now and well into the future. Thank you!



Dental Sealant Clinic

October 25th and October 26th, The Health Department of Northwest Michigan Oral Health Program, in partnership with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, is offering a FREE GRANT FUNDED Dental Sealant Clinic (Grades 6-12) at CLPS Middle/High School to help stop tooth decay in your child's teeth. Sealants seal out food and germs from the grooves of teeth, where a toothbrush cannot reach. Students in grades 6-12 wishing to participate need to complete the consent form and return to Mrs. Rogers.

Dental Sealant Consent Form (Grades 6-12)

Elementary clinics will be offered in November!

Immunization Clinic

Friday, October 27th, Central Lake Public Schools is hosting an Immunization Clinic from 3:00-5:00 in the Central Lake Middle High School Cafeteria.

Flu, all routine vaccinations, and all COVID-19 vaccines/boosters will be available. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Central Lake Immunization Clinic Flyer

Call to schedule your appointment: 1-800-432-4121

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Fall Blood Drive at Middle/High School: November 3, 2023

On Friday November 3rd, the National Honor Society will be hosting a Blood Drive in the MSHS gym from 10:00-4:00. Our goal is to register 30-42 donors. Please register at the link below and see the flier for more information: **Blood Drive Registration Link**Blood Drive Information



Elementary KID SAFE Fingerprinting Day: October 25, 2023

The Antrim County Sheriff's Office will be hosting their annual KID SAFE Fingerprinting day here at Central Lake. The purpose of this event is to provide parents with awareness, and the peace of mind knowing that they will have the appropriate information available if their child is lost or abducted. This information includes literature on Kids Safety, Fingerprints, and a personal photograph of the child participating in the event. This packet will then be returned to the parent/guardian for safekeeping. Permission slips were sent home in Friday Folders on 10/06/2023. The slips do have to be returned prior to the event for your student to participate.

PBIS School Climate & Culture Surveys

The PBIS School Climate Survey is a tool used by Central Lake Public Schools to measure student, staff, and family perceptions of school climate. Each survey is an anonymous, brief, valid, and reliable way to ask stakeholders how your school feels to them. Responses help provide the school with an overall picture of the PBIS implementation's impact on the learning, teaching, and participation in school. Students in grades 3-12, along with families, are invited to participate:

Elementary Parents

Opt-Out Form: Elementary

MSHS Parents

Opt-Out Form: Middle/High School



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Fall Parent Teacher Conferences: October 26, 2023

Thursday, October 26th 1:00-4:00 & 5:00-7:30

- Conference options include: in-person or phone call
 - Indicate preference when signing up

REMINDERS

- Conferences are fifteen minutes each.
 - Thursday, October 26 is half day
 - Middle/High School: 11:25 AM
 - Elementary: 11:30 AM

Contact Information

K-5: Amanda Teal

231-544-3141 ext. 54300, teal@clps.k12.mi.us

6-12: Cindy Rogers

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We look forward to speaking with you at Parent-Teacher Conferences!

Parent Teacher Conference Letter

How to Schedule Conferences

1. Please go to the following web address:

https://ptcfast.com/schools/Central Lake
Public Schools

- **2.** Complete the registration form and check your email for a link.
- **3.** Select the date and time.
- **4.** Write the students name, parent phone number and parent email address.

IMPORTANT: All conferences default to in-person unless otherwise noted.

- **5.** If you want a phone call:
- **6.** Click "Add special request", and write "Phone Call"
- 7. Phone: Expect a call from the school number at the selected time from the number listed on your registration.
- **8.** If the teacher is not available at the time requested, please contact them directly for a time outside of conferences to meet.
- **9.** Complete the registration and you can login at any time to modify your times.

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OK2Say Presentation

Central Lake Public Schools will be hosting a presentation on OK2SAY – Michigan's student safety program for students on Monday, October 30th for students in grades 4-12. The program is designed to inform students how they can help make their school and community safer by reporting dangerous and concerning behaviors to a trusted adult or OK2SAY.

If you wish that your child does not attend, please return the opt-out form below by Wednesday , October 18. Opt Out & Information Form



Michigan Post-Graduate Opportunities

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) has partnered with the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) to enhance the Michigan Career Pathfinder (mitalent.org) Resources page with organized resources that will help students and their families review college information, find financial aid information, get a job, serve their community or country, assess their skills if unsure of their path, and explore opportunities to earn college credit or receive training in high school. Please see the following resources below, or contact Mrs. Spyhalski: spyhalski@clps.k12.mi.us

Parent Check List

Pathfinder Link

Building Contact Information

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Amanda Teal, Secretary, <u>teal@clps.k12.mi.us</u>

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Middle/High School

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Early Childhood Program

Anne Thornton, Director, thornton@clps.k12.mi.us

231-544-3141 ext 54331

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Upcoming School & Athletic Events

Monday, October 23rd:

- MS Girls Basketball Practice begins, 3:00 5:00, in the elementary gym
- Check the website for the time and date of the Varsity Football playoff game! Congratulations Trojan Football!

Tuesday, October 24th:

• MS Boys Basketball Practice begins, 5:00 - 7:00, in the elementary gym

Wednesday, October 25th:

- Elementary Kid SAFE Fingerprinting (See Above)
- Dental Sealant Clinic (See Above)

Thursday, October 26th:

- JV & Varsity Girls Volleyball M-88 Tri @ Mancelona 5:30 PM
- Parent Teacher Conferences (See Above)
- Dental Sealant Clinic (See Above)

Friday, October 27th:

• Fourth Grade Students Dorothy Gerber Strings Program Fall Play-In @ Great Lakes Center for the Arts in Bay Harbor. The Fall Play-In requests that students arrive at 5:45 PM with the concert from 6:00 - 6:45 PM