



Proud to be a Trojan!

There are so many students, families, events and community members that make CLPS an amazing place to live and learn.

- Our staff members are highly qualified, hard-working and dedicated to the success of each and every student.
- We have the ONLY Early Childhood Education Program of its kind – anywhere – with the support of the CLEO Consortium we are continuing to grow and improve our services to our young children and their families.
- Our graduation rate is significantly above the state standard – averaging 93% over the last 4 years.
- We have an amazing student to adult ratio at ALL grade levels – 17:1 at K/1, 16:1 at 2nd – 5th, and 19:1 at the secondary level. These numbers are unheard of in most school districts across the state.
- We offer a comprehensive selection of athletic and extracurricular activities including-
 - Athletics: football, soccer, volleyball, basketball, skiing, softball, baseball, equestrian, track, cross-country, weight lifting, and elementary intramural competitions in basketball and volleyball.
 - Extracurricular: Robotics, Quiz Bowl, Genealogy Club, Art Club, Dance, Marching Band, Student Council, and NHS.
- We are a GREAT place to live and go to school – We are PROUD to be Trojans!

TROJAN FOOTBALL UPDATE:



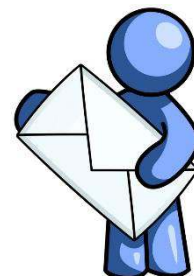
As we begin to see spring, summer, and the beginning of a new football season in our near future, we are excited to update you on the things happening around Central Lake/Ellsworth Football. Recently, administration and representatives from Central Lake attended a meeting in Cadillac to request and discuss the possibility of joining the Central Michigan 8 Player League. We are extremely grateful for all the teams that attended this meeting, and couldn't have been more excited as we left the meeting not only a member of the Central Michigan 8 Player League, but also with a full Varsity, Junior Varsity, and Middle School schedule. While more details are to come, we are happy to say that our transition to 8 player football is going very well and we are very excited about what the future holds for Central Lake/Ellsworth Football.

GO TROJANS!



PowerSchool Parent emails

As we work to improve our communication with families we are asking that all families update their information in PowerSchool to include email addresses. Email addresses allow teachers, administration, and office staff to send out information quickly and efficiently. We promise we will not inundate your IN box! If you email us directly we will then have your email address and we are happy to update PowerSchool for you. Elementary families can email Mrs. Kelly kelly@clps.k12.mi.us and MS.HS can email Mrs. Rogers rogers@clps.k12.mi.us.



SENIOR CORNER

Graduating Seniors' Last Day – Thursday, May 25, 2017.

Senior Luncheon –Friday, May 26, 2017 at 12:15 in the H.S. cafeteria.

Graduation Practice –Friday, May 26, 2017 at 1:00.

Graduation - Sunday, June 4, 2017 at 2:00pm in the High School Gymnasium.

**Class of
2017**



“Body Building” Trojans

This committee of 4th and 5th graders are bringing healthy new food to the elementary lunch for students to try. Spinach Salad Day was a huge success and everyone is looking forward to Squash Day on Friday, February 10. Keep up the good work “Body Building” Trojans!

Yearbook Countdown!

This year’s yearbook construction is in full swing and the yearbook staff is working very hard, every day, to make sure it’s ready for the publishers by spring break.

This year’s theme is **Countdown**. You can pre-order your yearbook now. Pre-ordering allows the staff to keep costs at a minimum and will guarantee delivery of your yearbook this May. The staff does not order many extras.

Order forms are available in the main offices of both the high school and elementary. Payment of \$30.00 can be made with your pre-order or upon receiving your yearbook.

Orders are Due March 23 - Order yours today!

WEATHER WATCH

School closings due to inclement weather will be announced on all local radio stations and TV stations. You will also receive an automated phone call – please be sure your contact information is up to date in PowerSchool.

Per the State of Michigan Pupil Accounting manual, schools are required to provide 180 days and 1098 hours of instruction per school year. 6 days and the equivalent in hours can be forgiven due to circumstances outside the school district’s control. As of January 31, 2017, CLPS has had 7 snow days – and as winter is not yet over, it looks like we may have to make up some days. Our last day of school right now is Tuesday June 13. It is likely this will change – please consider this as you begin to make your summer plans.

Elementary students go outside for recess every day that weather permits. They stay inside when it’s raining, snowing heavily or when it’s too cold (wind chill zero degrees or colder). Please assist us in making sure your students dress appropriately.



SPELLING BEE WINNERS!!!!



**C-O-N-G-R-
A-T-U-L-A-
T-I-O-N-S**



1st -Dallas Brown
2nd - Spencer Thomas
3rd -Desiree Herrst
4th -Sydney Fernandez
5th -Alexis Cain
6th -Vance Vincent
Alternate-Emma Woodard

MHSAA Scholar Athlete Finalist– Elijah Newton, class of 2017



A special congratulations goes out to Elijah Newton, a senior at CLPS for being selected as a finalist for the MHSAA Scholar Athlete Award in Division D. The Michigan High School Athletic Association announced its list of 120 finalists for its 28th annual Scholar-Athlete Awards. Presented by Farm Bureau Insurance, 32 individuals from Class A-D schools will be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship. Winners will be announced at the end of February. This is a very competitive award and it is a huge honor to have a student from CLPS selected. We are proud to call you our own, Elijah!

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We love sharing all of the fun and cool things our students and staff are doing at CLPS – stay in touch and be up to date with our daily activities. Like us on fb and you won't miss any of the great stuff going on in Trojan Country! Search for us @CentralLakePublicSchools and LIKE our page.

PTO

Central Lake Elementary PTO would love to have you join the group! The next meeting is 3/7/17 at 6pm in the elementary office. All elementary parents are welcome! Upcoming events include Movie Night on March 3 and the annual carnival on May 12. Visit the website www.CLElemPTO.weebly.com for more information.

Varsity Cheer Team

The Central Lake Varsity Cheer Team held their annual Cheer Clinic for students 1st- 5th graders. The girls meet for a one practice, learn 9 cheers to perform at an upcoming home game, and get a shirt to sport for the occasion. They cheered at the Girls Varsity Home Game against Forest Area on Friday, February 20. Nice job girls!





Trojan Traffic Team

The Trojan Traffic Team is at it again this year, bringing safe driving awareness to the Central Lake students and community. Members plan and organize 3 events with grant money received from the Office of Highway Safety. Look for signs throughout town promoting this groups mission to drive safe and save lives.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

FEB.

- Feb. 6-11 Snowcoming Activities @ MS.HS
- Feb. 8 Count Day
- Feb. 13 School Board meeting
- Feb. 14 Cherry Cobbler Day!
- Feb. 16 T.E.A. w/FSU @ CLMS – all 7th & 8th grade girls and their parent/mentor
- Feb. 17 Half Day – 11:00 dismissal
- Feb. 21 Networking Night – Family Literacy: Growing Young Readers, 6:00 – 7:30

MARCH

- March 13 School Board Meeting
- March 21 Parent/Teacher Conferences, 5:00 – 8:00
- March 22 Half Day – 11:00 dismissal
- March 22 Parent/Teacher Conferences, 12:15 – 3:15 & 5:00 – 8:00
- March 23 Half Day – SPRING BREAK STARTS – 11:00 dismissal

APRIL

- April 4 Back in School
- April 10 M-Step Testing begins in Grades 5, 8, & 11
- April 10 School Board meeting
- April 14 Half Day – 11:00 dismissal
- April 18 Networking Night - Teaching Children About Appropriate Touch, 6:00 – 7:30

MAY

- May 1 M-Step Testing begins in Grades 3, 4, 6, & 7
- May 8 School Board meeting
- May 25 Seniors Last Day
- May 26 No School
- May 26 Senior Luncheon & Graduation Practice
- May 29 No School

JUNE

- June 4 Graduation
- June 13 Last Day of School (as of right now) – Half Day – 11:00 dismissal

