

CSMS Parent Newsletter

Redhawk Tales



December 2021

Message from the CSMS Team!

With the holidays approaching we wanted to express a thank you for all of the support and hard work that our students, staff and community members have demonstrated so far this year!

With the new year approaching we wanted to take this opportunity to touch base on some of the schoolwide expectations that we follow here at CSMS. All electronic devices should be off and away during the day. This includes (airpods, bluetooth headphones, cell phones and tablets). All students should be contacting their parents from the office and should not be using any electronic devices throughout the day. We have spaced students out for lunches to cut down on quarantines in the cafeteria- it is important that students stay seated during lunch and put their mask on when they are done eating.

It is also important that students are dressed appropriately for school every day. All garments should be safe, appropriate and not disrupt or interfere with the educational process. – this includes:

- Recognize appropriateness of garments, such as strapless tops, halter tops, net tops, revealing shorts/skirts, plunging necklines (front and/or back), see-through garments are not acceptable.
- Ensure that undergarments are completely covered with outer clothing.
- Include footwear at all times. Footwear that is a safety hazard will not be allowed.
- Not include the wearing of head coverings that are distracting or cover the face, except for a medical or religious purpose.
- Not include items that may be considered vulgar, obscene, offensive, depict weapons or denigrate others on account of race, color, religion, creed, national origin, gender (identity or expression), or sex, sexual orientation or disability.
- Not promote and/or endorse the use of alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs and/or encourage other illegal or violent activities.

More information can be found in the CSSD Code of Conduct [CSSD District Code of Conduct](#)

We hope that everyone has a safe and happy holiday season!

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Canned Food Drive



The CSMS Community and Student Leadership are participating in a canned/ non perishable food drive from December 3 until December 17th. Students will bring in donations and turn them into their team Science/ social Studies teachers for counting purposes. CSMS will be having a competition between teams (adjusted for number of students on team) at CSMS, and the district overall is challenging East Syracuse Minoa Schools to see who can donate the most items. All CSSD contributions will go to our local food pantries.

Feel free to check out this [promotional video](#) from our district!

Winter Concert

We are very excited to be able to offer in person concerts for our student performances this year, it has been so very long since we have been able to do so.

Due to the need to distance performers and audience, concerts will be held at CSMS, in the Middle School Gymnasium. Additional information regarding seating/ family attendance information:

- Seating for approximately 120 people will be available in the gymnasium (allowing for band set up on the gym floor, and chorus in ½ of the bleachers),
- Overflow seating for concert viewing via livestream on the big screen will be provided in the cafeteria, as well, or can be viewed through the links provided above.
- Seating is on a first come first served basis.

All concert attendees must:

- Be masked, regardless of vaccination status;
- Maintain 3' of distance between themselves and non household members.



While we realize the viewing arrangements are not ideal, we are still excited to be able to have performances in person, and will do what we can to ensure a positive experience for all who attend. We look forward to seeing you!

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Principal Mr. King - Last names beginning A-M

Assistant Principal Miss Nugent - Last names beginning N-Z

School Counselors

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Grade 7: Mrs. Evans

Grade 8: Mrs. Winchek

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HOLIDAY SPIRIT WEEK!

Monday December 20th: Wear your best holiday outfit!

Tuesday December 21st: Ugly Sweater Day

Wednesday December 22nd: Wear your favorite holiday hat/headgear

Thursday December 23rd: Pajama Day



Important Upcoming Dates:

December 7th-Grade 6 Concert 7-8pm

December 9th- CSMS PTO Meeting 5:30pm

December 13th-Grade 8 Concert 7-8pm

December 14th-Grade 7 Concert 7-8pm

December 20th-23rd Spirit Week

December 24th- December 31st- Holiday Break!

January 12th 2022- NYS Assessment Simulation

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