



Chesapeake Terrace Elementary School



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Greetings, Chesapeake Terrace Families!

It's hard to believe that Fall is here and we are mid-way through the first Marking Period! Interim reports and MAP/PARCC Score Sheets will be sent home 10/11 with a tear-off for you to sign and return. Please continue to reinforce what is taught at school by asking your child questions and encouraging her or him to read each day. Remember to sign off on the monthly Homework Calendar, ensuring your child is reading and practicing math facts

nightly.

We welcome you to join us for American Education Week. Please see p. 2 for the visitation schedule. Please remember to bring a picture id with you, as the safety of our students is a top priority! To expedite the check-in process, we will be sending home an RSVP letter so we can pre-print badges. Thank you for your continued support!

With kind regards,
Shandra K. Patrick, Principal

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Student Success

CTES teachers & staff are committed on a daily basis to facilitate growth and success of every student.

As many of you know, our test scores dropped last school year. Teachers are dedicated to planning rigorous, standards-based lessons that include differentiation to meet every child's needs, which is the focus of our School Progress Plan. Additionally, we have and will continue to find ways to reduce class sizes across all grade levels. For 4th and 5th grade, students are re-grouped into three classes for ELA and four classes for Math. Resource personnel are pushing into each grade level to provide support.

Phonics classes for our primary grades have reduced sizes to ensure increased small group and individual attention. We are dedicated to ensuring the growth of every child. We appreciate the support you provide: getting your child to school every day on time, planning appointments and vacations for non-school days, reading daily for at least 20 minutes, practicing math facts for quick recall and fluency, reminding your child to try his/her best each and every day. Working as a team will continue to be in the best interests of our students. Thank you for your partnership!

Attend to Achieve!

Please have your student attend school each day, on time and for the full day. Rich discussions and modelling that take place in classrooms cannot be made up. Late arrivals and early dismissals not only affect the individual student, but can be a distraction to the entire class. November is Attendance Awareness Month. We look forward to seeing which classrooms will have 100% attendance and how many days we can have 100% attendance for the entire school!

Thanks for your partnership!

DISMISSAL CHANGES

The safety of each of our students is a top priority. Dismissal changes must be in writing before 2:00. Bus changes cannot take place to accommodate play dates, as students must ride their assigned buses.

CAR RIDER DISMISSAL

Please note that car rider dismissal starts at 3:15 each day. If your child requires assistance with buckling, please move to the end of the street so you can assist and the line can continue to flow. Teachers are off-duty at 3:25, at which time, remaining students will report to the office and parents will need to come in to the office and sign students out.

Thanks for your partnership with a safe and civil dismissal each day!

A Look Ahead

- **Oct. 11: Interims and MAP/PARCC Student Score Sheets sent home**
- **Oct. 19: No School for Students; MSEA Conference for Teachers**
- **Oct. 22-26: Bully Prevention Week**
- **Oct. 23-31: Red Ribbon Week**
- **Oct. 31: Halloween Parade, 9AM Full day of school**
- **Nov: American Indian Heritage Month; Attendance Awareness Month**
- **Nov. 5: PTA Meeting at 6PM**
- **Nov. 8: Lifetouch Picture Make-ups**
- **Nov. 9: 3 Hours Early for students; End 1st Marking Period**
- **Nov. 12 - 16: American Ed. Week; Book Fair in Library**
- **Nov. 16: Trashy Fashion Show at SPHS**
- **Nov. 22-23: No School, Thanksgiving**
- **Nov. 26: Report Cards Home**
- **Nov. 29: No PK Students, PK Conference Day**
- **Nov. 30: No Students, Conference Day**

American Education Week, 11/12 -11/16

Please mark your calendars! We would enjoy having parents and guardians visit during American Education Week! If younger siblings cannot be left with another caretaker, they must be with the parent/guardian at all times and cannot cause a distraction to the class. Because of space limitations, visitors cannot join students for lunch. The Scholastic Book Fair will be open this week with proceeds funding classroom and library literacy materials. Visitation Schedule:

Nov. 12: Grades K & 2. K until 11:00 & 12:00 - 3:00; Gr 2 until 11:15 & 12:15 - 3:00.

Nov. 13: Grades PK & 3. PK until 11:10; Gr 3 until 10:30 & 11:30 - 3:00.

Nov. 14: Grades 5. Gr 5 until 12:05 & 12:45 -3:00.

Nov. 15: Grades 1 & 4. Gr 1 until 11:20 & 12:20 - 3:00; Gr 4 until 12:10 & 12:50 - 3:00.

Nov. 16: Grandparents' Day; all day except lunch.

Lifetouch photographers will be at CTES 11/16 to take student pictures with their grandparents and/or other family members for those who choose to purchase.

If you are unable to attend during the assigned day, please contact your child's teacher for another date.