

# Welcome to Central Middle School



**EDEN PRAIRIE SCHOOLS**

Inspiring each student every day

## **CMS is committed to inspiring EACH student every day**

This means helping your learner grow and reach his or her full potential in a safe, nurturing environment. Academic opportunities are available for each CMS student at every stage of their development. Together with our strong parent community, we lead our students to take ownership of their learning while exploring their interests and finding new passions.



## Why do families love Eden Prairie Schools?



### **Outstanding parent approval**

Our excellent teaching staff has a 99% approval rate among parents.



### **The most co-curricular opportunities**

We offer the largest variety of athletic, academic and musical options in the state.



### **Best college enrollment rates**

We have the highest percentage of graduates who enroll in college, compared to districts in our conference.\*

\*Lake Conference includes Eden Prairie, Edina, Hopkins, Minnetonka & Wayzata.

# The CMS Difference



## Be Safe. Be Responsible. Be Kind.

The Core Values of the Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports System (PBIS) focus on three character pillars – Be Safe, Be Responsible and Be Kind. All students work together with their classroom teachers and staff to embed these traits into our everyday learning at Central Middle School. Our commitment to PBIS helps develop our students into outstanding community members.



## What do parents have to say?

“CMS is not only an amazing school, it’s an energetic community of students and staff working together to bring out the best in each learner. The school environment allows students to discover their individual strengths and encourages them to grow and reach their goals. The kids leave CMS completely ready for the academic challenges that lie ahead for them. I couldn’t be happier with the experiences we have had there. #CMSway”

-Kelly Hopper, Parent



## CMS Academic Excellence

- Our test scores are consistently above the state average.
- Over 50% of our students enroll in one or more Enriched or Advanced course offerings.



## Co-Curricular Activities

From athletics and the arts to student clubs and organizations, there are exciting opportunities for each student. The clubs and activities offered reflect the voices and interests of our students. Learn more about the variety of activities available to your student at [www.edenpr.org/cms-activities](http://www.edenpr.org/cms-activities).

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## #CMSway

CMS is a wonderful place for students, staff and families. What makes us an excellent school?

- **EACH student is known at CMS:** Each student is assigned to a team with a common set of teachers and students to maximize relationship building. It's how we provide a small-school experience.
- **Safety is our priority:** Our supportive school culture among staff and students combined with our significant security measures provide a safe learning environment, which is why 98% of students surveyed report feeling safe at school.
- **Outstanding teachers:** Our teachers are loved by our parent community with a 99% approval rating among parents district-wide.
- **Personalized Learning:** At CMS, we believe each learner has unique talents and gifts. Through personalized learning, teachers work to understand, care for and nurture student strengths, while students are encouraged to take ownership of their learning and explore their interests and passions.
- **4Cs:** Our teaching practices emphasize the 4Cs: creativity, collaboration, critical thinking and communication. These are the skills essential for both career and citizenship.
- **Gifted Services:** Students have access to our comprehensive gifted programming options, including our rigorous continuation of the elementary MOSAIC program.
- **Orchestra, choir and band:** Students are invited to engage in one or more of our musical education opportunities.
- **Excellent course offerings:** Our variety of challenging courses allows students to consistently progress at a pace that is right for each individual, potentially earning high school credits.
- **Exceptional technology:** Teachers and students utilize a variety of technology tools to enhance each student's learning experience.

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## Parent Involvement

CMS and the PTO work collaboratively to enhance the educational environment for our students. The PTO helps fund personalized learning spaces, student field trips, as well as team and character building activities throughout our school. All families are invited to participate in our major fundraiser that takes place during the school year. We encourage our families to be involved in the CMS Community.

**1350**  
students

**Principal**  
**Nate Swenson**  
**Assoc. Principal**  
**Rich Larson**

**7-8**  
grades

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### Ready to register?

We're excited for you to join the Eden Prairie family! Visit us online at [www.edenpr.org/register](http://www.edenpr.org/register) or visit us in person at 8100 School Road in Eden Prairie (Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

**Registration questions? Contact our Welcome Center:**

952-975-7008 or email [Register4EP@edenpr.org](mailto:Register4EP@edenpr.org)

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