

Costello Cardinal Newsletter



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Our Mission: Costello Elementary is a place where thinking is valued, visible and actively promoted.



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June 2019

- June 5:** Student Council Pizza Celebration
- June 7:** 2nd Grade Field Trip
- June 10:** PTO Meeting 7:00 PM
- June 10:** Last Full Day of School
- June 11,12,13:** Half-days, 12:59 Dismissal
- June 13:** 9:30 AM 5th Grade Celebration
(only parents attend. Please do NOT arrive before 9:15 AM)
- June 12:** Movie Mile
- June 13:** Last Day of School
- June 14:** Summer Break
- June 25:** Report Cards Available on Power Schools
- August 27:** First Day of 2019/2020 School Year. Half -Day.



Behind you, all your memories, Before you, all your dreams,
Around you, all who love you, Within you, all you need.

Congratulation 5th Graders!!!



Dear 5th Grade Class of 2019!

On behalf of all of us here at Costello, we thank you! We are grateful for your individual efforts and for the positive impact you've all had collectively. Following are a few examples of how you made a positive impact at Costello:

- ▶ As safeties you greeted our younger students every day with a friendly smile while helping them get to class safely
- ▶ Helping tutor kindergartners during your lunch recess.
- ▶ Planning and leading the school's holiday caroling and sing-along. Many of you sacrificed your lunch recess to work with Mrs. Pyzick helping to choose music and rehearse.
- ▶ Sharing your Costello stories with our incoming kindergarten families at Kindergarten Round-Up.
- ▶ Participating in the LINKS program by supporting and advocating for inclusion for ALL students.
- ▶ Costello Developers Academy!
- ▶ Costello's Girls on the Run— finishing a 5K run!
- ▶ Sacrificing warmth & dry clothes to get drenched in the Dunk tank!!!!

Be proud and confident in your words. Use your voice to influence others in positive and encouraging ways. Display integrity, perseverance, respect and responsibility. Live your lives with empathy and show kindness towards all. Remember, we are more alike than we are different.

We wish you much success in middle school and in life! Enjoy the ups and learn from the downs. You WILL be missed!

Dr. DiPonio



Thank you to Mr. Tennes and Mr. Myrick, and all of our fabulous PTO parent volunteers for organizing special events!

Mrs. Allen, the t-shirts were a big hit!!

THANK YOU

Troy Community Foundation
for your generous donation to
upgrade our @Costello Tweets
baseball fields.

Dave Henderson - THANK YOU
for leading this effort.

What a great example you are
for our students!





Pick Up Your Students Meds!!!

Pick Up Students' Medicine, Inhalers, Epi-Pens, etc.

Parents you MUST personally come to the office to pick up student meds-before 4:30 on Monday, June 10. June 11, 12 & 13 are half days.

Medicine left at school after June 13, 2019 will be disposed of.

Remember, prior to the start of the next school year (*Tuesday, August 27*), your child's physician needs to complete an AM ("Authorization for Medication") form (available on the Costello website under Forms). This form must accompany any medication to be distributed during school hours. All medicine MUST be brought (**in its original bottle/box/container**) to the office by the parent. If a parent prefers, students grades 3rd-5th, may keep inhalers used for asthma with them, providing appropriate forms are completed in advance. Children may not bring any medication to school, including over-the-counter cough medicine, etc., without an "Authorization for Medication" form on file in the school office.

Preliminary 2019/2020 Classroom Assignments

The district is closely monitoring enrollment. Though subject to change, right now we will have the following number of sections next school year.

3 - Kindergarten Classes – Sharon Callas, Stephanie Fragomeni, Kristen Marcaccio

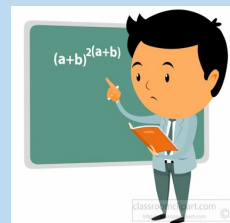
2 - First Grade Classes – Elizabeth Bosio, Julie Dagenais

3 - Second Grade Classes – Lindsey Ballard, Emily Homrich, (open)

3 - Third Grade Classes – Jaclyn Botsford, Michelle Tesso, (open)

3 - Fourth Grade Classes – Laura Ferriss, Amanda Oliver, Zachary Rondot

2 - Fifth Grade Classes – Julie Eldridge, Grayson McKinney



Classroom assignment letters will be sent home just before school starts.

END OF YEAR CLASSROOM PARTIES

****Please check with your classroom's teacher to confirm date & time.***

◆Kindergarten: Mon., June 10 ~ 11:30—12:45

◆1st Grade: Mon., June 10 ~ 11:00-12:15

◆2nd Grade: Mon., June 10 ~ 2:10—3:45

◆3rd Grade: Mon., June 10 ~ 2:45—3:45

◆4th Grade: Mon., June 10 ~ 2:45-3:45

◆5th Grade: *Thur., June 13 ~ 9:30—12:30 (5th Grade Parents Only Attend. Doors open at 9:15)☺
Parents, please do not arrive before 9:15 AM



2019/2020 TEACHERS FOR NEXT YEAR

GRADE PLACEMENT PROCEDURES

With the end of the school year fast approaching, parents may have questions regarding our "Grade Placement Procedures" for moving students to their next grade level teacher for the following school year. Please do not approach your child's current teacher asking for a specific teacher placement. The following systematic procedures are used district wide to appropriately place students.

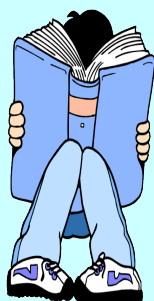
Current teachers complete a student profile form for each student in his/her class. The profile sheet allows teachers to identify individual student strengths and needs.

A team consisting of the current grade level teachers, principal, and other pertinent staff such as the reading specialist, special education personnel, and/or ELL teacher will meet to place students into classes based on information from the profile sheets and additional insights provided from a variety of sources. The class lists will be constructed so that each class is relatively equal with regard to gender, ethnicity, academic abilities, and social-emotional developmental levels.

A team consisting of pertinent staff will meet a second time to review the class lists and make any necessary changes to reflect any changes in enrollment, personnel, etc. that take place during the summer.

Requests for a specific teacher cannot be considered; however, concerned parents may send a letter (before June 10, 2019) to the principal describing information regarding their child's learning style.

Parents will be informed (via email-message) of teacher placement the week before school starts—Tuesday, August 27 (half-day).



Costello's Summer Library Schedule

Wednesday, June 26 from 10:00-12:00

Wednesday, July 17 from 10:00-12:00

Wednesday, August 14 from 10:00-12:00



SAFETY PATROL & SERVICE SQUAD

We would like to thank Costello's hardworking Safety Patrol and Service Squad for a job well done! These students have been faithfully providing service since September, in all weather conditions. Thanks to them, Costello community feels safer with their presence each morning and afternoon.

Report Cards

Final report cards for the 2018/2019 school year will be posted on PowerSchools after June 24.



Classroom Supply List

Visit Costello's Website to view the 2019/2020 classroom supply list.

<http://costello.troy.k12.mi.us/>



- ◆ Oregon Trail Skype Activity
- ◆ SheepShank Sam
- ◆ Baseball Field Repairs
- ◆ Safeties Squad Orange Bowl
- ◆ Teacher Appreciation

More examples of Your PTO dollars (parent event support) at work. The list on the left features some of the recent programs that PTO funds have made possible. Thank You Parents!

Monday, June 10 @ 7:00 PM is this year's last PTO meeting. We will be voting on the 2019/2020 budget and electing officers. Athens High School National Honor Society students will provide childcare for school age kids. Please Join Us!

LOST and FOUND

PLEASE check the "lost & found" before the end of School.

Check the table by the front, and the hooks across from the cafeteria. Small treasures are kept in the office.

All items will be donated after 6/13/19.

Costello Office Summer

Hours: The Office will be closed from June 20 through August 20. Families with registration questions should call the district office 248/823.4002. Or contact Costello after August 21 at 248/823.3700.

2019/2020 Teacher Assignments will be sent via e-mail just before school starts.

Thank You !!!! Costello's

Awesome 2018/2019 PTO Board

President – Debbie Ballios

Vice-President – Gail Kobal

Treasurer – Chris Tallman

Secretary – Laura Saleski

Teacher Representative – Julie Eldridge

Room Parent Chair – Katie Monhaut

Spirit Wear – Allison Allen

Ways and Means – Jennifer Ford & Dawn Leonard

Fair - Lauren Henderson

Fun Run - Paul Tennies

Auction Committee

Community Service – Angela Gnyp-Whitmore

Green Schools – Amy Miller

Publicity—Kristin Cermak



New to Costello?



If you hear of someone who is not currently registered but wishes to start school in August as a new student please tell them to call the Troy School District's Enrollment Office at 248/823.4000.

All new students must first enroll at the TSD's (Troy School District) Enrollment Office.



From the Media Center...

At this point, ALL library books should be returned to the library. **If you have any school library books, PLEASE return them to the school library immediately.**

If you receive an overdue notice in error, please contact Costello's Librarian via email at wgustin@troy.k12.mi.us

Once again, because of Costello's wonderful families and awesome volunteers, our spring book fair was a great success! Many thanks to all of the parent volunteers who so generously donated their time to make the book fair possible.

Thanks also to all of those who purchased books! Our school media center receives 25% of the total sales which will be used to purchase needed media materials for our students and staff.

Mrs. Gustin, Media Specialist



It is **very** important to replenish your child's lunch account. As you are aware, any funds remaining in a student's account at the end of the school year will stay in their account for next year. This includes a fifth grader who moves to a Troy School District middle school.

Please call Troy Food Services at 248.823.5089 with questions.

Thank You!

Crayola ColorCycle

Since October of 2013, Costello has recycled 6,820 markers, 76.4 pounds of markers!

Crayola and schools across North America are banding together to help kids understand the importance of their role in protecting the environment.

That's why we launched Crayola ColorCycle. Through this initiative, students in K-12 schools across the continental United States and parts of Canada can collect and repurpose used Crayola markers.

ColorCycle is also a great opportunity for teachers and their students to explore eco-friendly practices. Specially developed standards-based lesson plans are available to enrich instruction and promote lively class discussions.

On behalf of the school faculty members and all of Costello's staff, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to all of the wonderful Costello students and their families for making this 2018/2019 school year another grand success!

We wish you all a safe and pleasant summer.

Enjoy!

Looking Ahead...

The first day back to school will be Tuesday, August 27, 2019. It will be a half day. Students will be dismissed at 1:00. Please visit the Troy School District website for a complete 2019/2020 school calendar. Happy Summer ☺



Camp C.A.R.E.



Camp Hours 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Camp Costs:

Full Week (5) Days—\$37/Day

Partial Week (3-4) Days—\$47/Day

Before & After Camp CARE

AM —7:00-9:00 - PM—4:00-6:00

CARE Costs:

\$6.00 each for AM or PM/child

REGISTER ONLINE:

www.troyceonline.com

**FOR CHILDREN ENTERING
1ST GRADE THROUGH 5TH GRADES**

LOCATIONS:

BEMIS, LEONARD & WASS ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

CAMP FOCUS:

Physical Fitness, Literature , Science, The Arts, Character Building, Community Outreach

Partners include: Ann Arbor Hands On Museum, The Art Lady, Art Box Studio, Beaumont Hospital, Bordines, Coach Suzy. Drama Kids, Drummunity, Great Clips, Jimmy John's Field, Kids Are Scientist Too, Louie the Lightning Bug, On Your Mark Fitness, Telly's Greenhouse, Therapy Dogs International, Troy Public Library, Troy Police Department...and more

WEEK 1- 6/17-21

All About Me

Stuffed Animal Workshop

WEEK 2— 6/24-28

Stars & Stripes

Jimmy John's Field



WEEK 3 - 7/1-3 (no camp 7/4 or 7/5)

Creative Campers

BBQ & Water Day

WEEK 4 —7/8-12

Step Into the Time Machine

ON YOUR MARK FITNESS

WEEK 5—7/15-19

Rockstars

Imagine Theater

WEEK 6— 7/22-26

Around the World

The New Rink

WEEK 7—7/29-8/2

Animal Planet

ANIMAL PRESENTATION

WEEK 8— 8/5-9

Challenge Week

Rising Phoenix Archery 3rd-5th

Bounce U—K-2nd

WEEK 9—8/12-16

Kids Choice

DNR Outdoor Adventure

Spray Park

Costello Summer Reading

Summer Open Library Dates at Costello:
10am - Noon

- 
- June 26th
 - July 17th
 - August 14th

@Costello_Tweets



#CostelloReads

Tweet a picture of your
child in their favorite
summer reading spot to
#CostelloReads
or tag @Costello_Tweets





Name: _____ Teacher: _____ Minutes Read: _____

June 2019

Costello is excited about our Super Summer Reading Program! Reading is important to maintain academic stamina and beat the summer slide!

We want every child to read throughout the summer and record their minutes so that we can reach our school goal of 500,00 minutes!

To honor students' hard work, we will offer an incentive for each grade including a top reader award and a book raffle:
Grades K-1 get (1) ticket for every 300 min. read.
Grades 2-3 get (1) ticket for every 500 min. read.
Grades 4-5 get (1) ticket for every 1000 min. read.

Write the minutes you read each night and have your parent sign and total your minutes.

DUE: September 3, 2019

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| 23 / 30 | 24 | 25 | 26 Costello Library Open 10 - 12 | 27 | 28 | 29 |



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July 2019

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August 2019

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| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 First Day of School 1/2 Day | 28 School All Day | 29 School All Day | 30 No School | 31 |