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Upcoming Events at CTE:

September 23rd

Late Start Day - 8:35 Tardy Bell

September 26th

Hamilton County Coat Drive "Drive Thru" Carmel Middle School Door 2-10am-2pm

Sept. 28th-October 2nd

PTO Box Top Collection Week

September 30th

Chipotle Restaurant Night

October 6th

Spirit Day

October 7th

Late Start-8:35 Tardy Bell

October 15th & 16th

Fall Break-No School

October 21st

Late Start

October 27th

Picture Retake Day

October 30th

Fall Parties (No Parent Volunteers)

~NEW~ Coats For Kids



Hamilton County Kids Coats is preparing for their 2020 give-a-way in Hamilton County. Because of COVID-19, things will work a bit different, however, the cause will be the same. Due to these changes, they have become creative in changing the way they collect coats and the way we distribute them. Rather than bringing donation bins to our school this year they will be having a Coat Drive "Drive-thru" on September 26th at Carmel Middle School Door 2 parking lot from 10 am to 2 pm. Kids Coats staff will be masked-up and ready to take donations out of people's cars and put them in our box truck to be delivered to our warehouse.

Click on the link if you are interested in receiving a coat: 2020 Kids Coat Sign Up

~NEW~

School Pictures Purchasing Info

All CTE students in attendance on September 15th got their picture taken by Interstate Studos. Interstate has 3 options to placing orders:

- 1) You can also visit their website at <u>inter-state.com/order</u> and use order code 52046MB to place your order.
- 2) An emailed proof will go to each family. The email will have instructions on how to place an order.
- 3) For those families who do not order either via the website or using the email will receive a paper proof to place an order.

~ INFO~ Birthday Books



For a donation of \$10, your child can choose a brand new book to be part of the Cherry Tree library collection. The books chosen will feature a bookplate with your child's name and birthday. All funds generated will be used for purchasing new books for our collection and materials for all students to use in the MakerSpace. Click here for more information. What a wonderful way to leave a legacy here at Cherry Tree!

~ INFO~ Late Start Calendar



Click on the link below to see calendar dates for late starts. On late start days school will begin at 8:35 am. Bus routes will arrive 40 minutes later. Please log on to your <u>Parent Powerschool Portal</u> for exact pick up times.

Late Start Calendar Dates

ESE (Carmel Parks & Recreation Student Enrichment Program) will offer a Late Start Program for all CTE Students. Pre-registration is required. Click on the link for registration instructions.

ESE Late Start Program

~ INFO~ Virtual Student Library Holds



We want to be sure that all our students' reading needs are being met in a variety of ways this school year. One way we can do that is offering our virtual students the ability to place library books on hold and pick them up when ready. You'll find a flyer attached with all the instructions needed to assist your child in accessing the books from our Cherry Tree Media Center. Also coming soon will be some video tutorials to assist students with accessing library databases, conducting safe research using the online catalog, and exploring our brand new Capstone Interactive Books. (I am SO excited about our new Interactive book collection!!!) As these tutorials are shared with our in-person students at CTE, we will send them along to you as well.

Media Center Check Out Instructions

~ INFO ~ Box Tops Going Digital



Box Top Collections week will be **September 28 - October 2**; however, Box Tops for Education is moving away from clipped Box Tops! To keep "clipping" Box Tops and supporting our school you'll need to download the Box Tops for Education app and scan your grocery receipts. You can even submit receipts from online grocery orders!

If you do purchase a product that has the old Box Top to clip make sure you clip it in addition to scanning your receipt and send it in during collection week (as long as it's not expired!). Please send UNEXPIRED Box Tops to school in sandwich bags labeled with the amount of Box Tops in the bag or on this collection sheet.

Your help in scanning your receipts and clipping any of the old Box Tops is greatly appreciated! We will continue to collect clipped Box Tops but as the program is becoming digitized we will be moving away from competition weeks and towards year round collection.

Chipotle Restaurant Night



Please dine out and help support Cherry Tree with our Chipotle fundraiser on Wednesday, September 30th from <u>4-8pm</u> only. 33% of the proceeds go to help support our PTO!

New this year, you can order online through the Chipotle app and pick up with promo code 4X2H7EZ (put this in the promo code box for proceeds from your sale to go to Cherry Tree!). If you don't order online make sure to show the cashier our flyer (printed or on your phone) so proceeds count towards Cherry Tree sales! See flyer at end of newsletter.

The fundraiser is only available at the Chipotle location 2420 E. 146th St., Carmel.

~NEW~ POPs Wants YOU!

POPS is an energetic group of male parents/guardians that plan, support and volunteer at various CTE and PTO events throughout the year. It's flexible and fun - all are welcome and no cost to join!

Email David Glenn with questions or to sign up at dglenniu@gmail.com.

Don't forget: you must have a criminal history check (CHC) on file A link to the online CHC application and more information can be found on the CTE PTO website at https://www.ccs.k12.in.us/pto-cte/volunteer.



Wellness Wednesday is getting a makeover! Keep an eye on Chatter for more details.

Easy Ways to Support the PTO



There are several easy ways to support the PTO as we start a great new school year!

- Purchase Spirit Wear
- Collect and Submit Box Tops
- Link your Kroger and Amazon Accounts to Cherry Tree

See more details at the end of the Chatter!!

~ INFO~ Spirit Wear Shop is Still Open!

Spirit wear is still available, Patriots! Shop for the next all-school spirit day at www.ctespiritshop.com.



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Media Center
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~ INFO~

Hello all parents of Patriots!! Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity at school this year? The media center is looking for volunteers to help the kids and Mrs Lima. Volunteer hours for the morning are either 8 -10am or 9 - 11am. Our greatest need will be in the afternoon from 11:40-1:40pm when the kindergartners and first graders will be in the Media Center.

For more info you can email Melissa Putts at melissaputts@yahoo.com, Megan Droste at medroste@gmail.com or simply click on the google form to submit your request to volunteer. Thank you!

Treasurer's Report



Learn more about how your PTO dollars were used last month to enhance the student experience at CTE by visiting the PTO's budget documents on our website. The monthly report can be found <u>HERE</u> under the Treasury Summaries.



We continue our great efforts at Cherry Tree to raise productive and safe digital citizens! Please see the linked family resource from Common Sense Media. These are great resources!

Control Your Phone. Don't Let It Control You

~ INFO~
Stopit App

Click on the \underline{link} for the newest "Stopit App" information. The code to use is CTECARES

~ INFO~ Carpool

All thank you for your work in making carpool efficient and safe! You can reference the procedures here:

Morning

<u>Afternoon</u>

~ INFO~ Walk to School Day

CCS will not be participating in the national Walk to School Day this fall.

SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Cherry Tree Elementary School. Come in to the Chipotle at **2420 E 146th St** in Carmel on **Wednesday**, **September 30th** between **4:00pm** and **8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Cherry Tree Elementary School.

NEW! ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP

Use code 4X2H7EZ before checkout in 'promo' field. Orders placed on Chipotle.com or through the Chipotle app for pickup using this unique code will be counted towards the fundraiser.



All online orders must be placed for pickup at the same time/location of the fundraiser. Delivery cannot be counted at this time. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

CHERRY TREE ELEMENTARY PTO

Easy Ways to Support Cherry Tree!

Box Tops for Education

Cut out labels or scan receipts to earn

2020-2021 Collection Dates for Clipped Box Tops

September 28 - October 2

Box Tops are moving away from clipped Box Tops. Please download the app and scan grocery receipts to earn money for CTE!

TWO WAYS TO COLLECT!





Did you know there are Special Offers available to earn even more points?

Here are a few!







Check the Box Tops app or website frequently for new bonus offers liks these!

Buy Spirit Wear!

\$5 flat-rate shipping on all orders this year!



Don't forget to add

Cherry Tree Elementary to your

Kroger and Amazon accounts.

Donation Summary

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Organization Name: CHERRY TREE ELEMENTARY PTO Kroger Community Rewards

Login in to your Kroger account and choose Community Rewards



You shop. Amazon gives.

Amazon Smile

Login in to your Amazon account > Under Accounts & Lists > Choose Your AmazonSmile

Questions? Email the PTO at CherryTreePTO@gmail.com