

East Points



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Sept. 25th, 2020

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News from Principal Holm

I hope this message finds you well, and congratulations on navigating another week of learning with your student. This is no small endeavor. I shared with our teachers last week that they are creating learning opportunities and experiences for students that prior to this fall have not existed. Our staff continues to support students as we traverse through different schedules and procedures by putting students' needs first. Our focus continues to be on our learners' academic, social, and emotional well-being, while keeping them safe and healthy.

How we go about that work has changed significantly and I am grateful for the partnership and feedback from you, our families.

Beth Holm, Principal

Important Dates

Education MN (MEA)	Oct. 15th - 16th No School
OLA Student School Picture Day	Oct, 28 CMSE
Picture Re-take Day	Nov. 4th
We will run our 7 Period day schedule	Thur. Nov. 5th click here for schedule
Workshop Day	Nov. 6th No School Students
Thanksgiving Break	Nov. 25th-27th No School Students
Workshop Day	Nov. 30th No School Students

PTO

We want to encourage any parents/guardians to join us for our next virtual PTO/Partnering with Parents meeting on **Friday, October 9th at 2:00 p.m.** [Click here](#) and register ahead to join the meeting.

[Click here for September Meeting Minutes](#)

Want to show your Thunderbird pride? You can wear CMSE apparel. Order it through Squad Locker and have it shipped directly to your home.

[Click here to order](#)

Looking for a way to get connected with the school? Consider joining the CMSE PTO. We are looking for a Chair/Co-Chair, Treasurer, and some committee chairs. If you have an interest or any questions, please contact tmgoodcope@msn.com.

Keep scanning grocery receipts for Box Tops, turn in Coca-Cola product codes, and mention CMSE when you are shopping at Office Depot.

Nurse Notes

Please [click here](#) for important reminders from School Nurse Amanda Johnson.

OLA School Pictures

October 28th is OLA Student Picture Day.

All middle school OLA students will be coming to East to take their school pictures. We will be sending out a message that will include a sign up link and flyer with order ID specific to that school.

The message will include more details for how we will run these sign ups.

November 4th is re-take day for all students.

Watch for more details to come.

3-Day Meal Kit Changes

Daily hot meal pick up at the 112 Drive-In will end on **Friday, Sept. 25**, as our high schools move to a hybrid learning model on Monday, Sept. 28.

Starting Monday, students will now put in their own request for meal kits on distance learning days. Kits contain 3 breakfasts and 3 lunches and should be refrigerated as soon as your student gets home.

[Click here](#) for the weekly school menu.

- Students following the "A" schedule will fill out an order form during their Tuesday Advisory Group or first-hour class. Students will pick up meal kits at the end of the school day on Tuesdays.
- Students following the "B" schedule will fill out an order form during their Friday morning Advisory Group or first-hour class. Students will pick up meal kits at the end of the day on Fridays.

Parents you can help each week by accessing the form on the landing page of your child's chromebook.

Please note there are no more standing orders.

[CMSE Chromebook Landing Page](#)

The meal request is under the scrolling bulletin.

OLA Meal Kits

We have 5-day meal kits available for students enrolled in the Online Learning Academy and distance learning 5-days/week, or for students who are temporarily learning remotely due to quarantine.

- Students can pick up a 5-day meal kit (5 breakfasts and 5 lunches) from Chaska High School, curbside near the east Activity Entrance, on Wednesdays, from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- The meals can be delivered to students who are unable to get to Chaska High School for the Wednesday pick-up.

Parents, to order your student's 5-day meal kits, or to request delivery, contact Sarah Laabs, Nutrition Services at laabss@district112.org or 952-556-6150.

When requesting the meal kits, please include your name and phone number, along with your student's name, and home school.

Visit the [Nutrition Services webpage](#) for more info.

Attendance Procedures

A parent/guardian should be calling or emailing when their child will be absent for illness, appointments, or on vacation -- whether they are in person or online learning that day.

If your child is going to be gone on an in-person, Hybrid day, but is able to participate in class virtually, please let us know as we will code this as "online other" rather than absent.

You can leave a message on the attendance line at 952-556-7699

CMEAttendance@district112.org

Health & Safety

Parents and families, your partnership is vital to our work around health and safety. [Linked here](#) is the attendance guide from the State of MN. Your child must NOT go to school if they:

- Test positive for COVID-19
- Show Symptoms of COVID-19
- May have been exposed to COVID-19
- Are waiting to get tested, or waiting for COVID-19 test results.

Linked here is an [At Home Screening Tool](#) you can use if you need help to determine if you should send your child to school.

International Travel

Due to COVID, anyone from our district who is **traveling internationally to a moderate to high risk country** will be required to self-quarantine for 14 days before they can return to school.

We will be following the CDC Travel Recommendations. This would include anyone enrolling into our district from another country and foreign exchange students.

Student Pick-up /Visitors

We understand that parents and other family members may need to visit our school buildings during the school year. The district has made changes to our visitor practices and protocols to ensure the safety and security of our students and staff.

- In most cases, if parents are bringing an item to school for their child, they will be asked to leave it inside the secured entrance to the school. Office staff will communicate with parents using the intercom system inside the vestibule.
- If parents drop off a student after school starts, the parent does not need to accompany the student in the building. They should call the attendance line or main office to give the reason for being tardy. Students should check into the office and get a pass to class.
- Parents picking up a child during the day to leave early or their child is ill, they will communicate with the office through the intercom system and

may need to enter the office to scan their drivers license. The student will be brought to the parent.

- At this time, parent visits related to classroom visits, lunches with students, etc. are not allowed.
- Meeting with parents related to an IEP or other meeting with staff will be held in a meeting room space located in the school's office area.
- Masks are mandatory and appointments are preferred for all other visitors.

Online Academy Landing Page

There is a new place to find information and resources for our online families on our website.

[Click here to view](#)



Chromebook Tech Tips

Tech Tips to help with Chromebooks for Distance and Online Learners

[Click here](#)

Bus rider Agreement

If you have not already filled out the bus rider agreement form, [click here](#). Please go over the form with your child sign it, and return to the office as soon as possible.

This form is needed in the event your child rides a bus to get to school, attends a field trip, or for after school activities anytime throughout the school year.

We are not allowing bus passes for students to ride another student's bus home at this time.

