



# Cherry Tree Chatter

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## Upcoming Events at CTE

**February 16th & 17th**  
**Science & Engineering Fair**

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**Marco's Pizza Dine to Donate**

**February 18th-25th**  
**Papa John's Dine to Donate**

**February 21st**  
**President's Day - No Classes**

**February 23rd**  
**Late Start**

**February 27th**  
**Registration opens for Teacher Fun Clubs - details available soon!**

### **Important Carpool Information!**



With the potential for winter weather, please remember: Car rider drop off starts each morning at 7:15 a.m.; the tardy bell rings at 7:45 a.m. Ideally, we welcome students into the building by 7:40 a.m. to allow them to be in class for a 7:45 a.m. start. The end of the day dismissal begins at 2:25 p.m. daily.





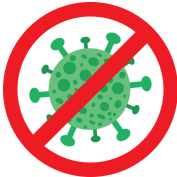



A new city ordinance now restricts using neighborhood streets near school property as a school drop off alternative. This can cause traffic congestion and the potential for unsafe traffic movement around children where there is no additional supervision off school property. If you are using a car to get children to/from school, please follow the procedure to bring them in/pick up on school property in the lot to the east of the school/facing Hazel Dell Pkwy.

We do our best each day to keep the line moving in an efficient way. You can help by having students ready to exit the car upon arrival, pulling all the way down in the morning to allow more cars to drop off and by having all students exit the passenger side of the car for safety. Thank you for your partnership in helping us welcome and safely deliver home 700+ students each day.

### **Bikers & Walkers**



Please remember that students who walk or ride their bikes to school will not be able to enter the building until 7:35 a.m. With the colder, darker mornings we want to make sure that children are not standing outside for long periods of time. **Thanks so much for helping keep our CTE kids safe!**

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| <p><b>Reminder for Bus Riders</b></p>                  | <p>Due to reduced bus routes and seats, students are not allowed to ride the bus home with a friend. It is recommended if students are getting together after school that they be picked up in the car rider line or dropped off directly at their friend's house by a parent/guardian.</p>   |
| <p><b>Mask Reminder</b></p>                            | <p>Please send your child(ren) to school with a mask and if you can, pack one or two extra in their backpack(s). We do have extras available in the office but our supply is dwindling. Thank you for your help with this!</p>  |
| <p><b>Chromebooks</b></p>                              | <p>Please remember to charge your Chromebooks every night! They are a very important part of our daily routine and need to be charged and ready to go at the beginning of each day.</p>   |
| <p><b>Attendance</b></p>                               | <p>Remember to please call us and let us know if your child will be absent or arriving late to school. Call 846-3086 and press <b>1</b> for attendance.</p> <p><b>Please make sure to leave to the reason for the <u>late arrival</u> or <u>all day absence</u></b></p>   |
| <p><b>Covid Related Illnesses</b></p>                | <p>When reporting a Covid related illness, please email our school nurse at <a href="mailto:apertile@ccs.k12.in.us">apertile@ccs.k12.in.us</a> and leave a message on our attendance line. Please make sure to include a <b>return to school date</b> in both messages.</p> <p><b><i>*Return to school dates must be based on the new district guidelines.*</i></b></p> |
| <p><b>Lost and Found</b></p>                         | <p>Don't forget to have your child check the Lost and Found often! We have a lot of new items already. Most of the items are sweatshirts and water bottles.</p> <p><b><i>**Please label all items such as coats, water bottles, jackets, and hats for the rest of the school year so they can be returned if found!</i></b></p>   |
| <p><b>Parking Reminder</b></p>                       | <p>With the cold weather our carpool line is getting longer every day. Please remember that if you are visiting the school or picking up your child early, we need to keep the front and bus parking lots clear. You are free to park in the staff lot (north side of building).</p>  |
| <p><b>The CTE Science and Engineering Fair!</b></p>  | <p>The Cherry Tree Science and Engineering Fair is ready to make its return after a two year break! <b>This year's fair will be February 16th and 17th.</b> Good luck to all participants!</p>  |

## 2022 CPD Carmel Youth Academy



The Carmel Police Department will be offering a summer youth academy. Applications will be accepted starting March 1st and space is extremely limited. **This is a great summer opportunity and best of all it's FREE!!!**

### 2022 Carmel Youth Academy:

#### Carmel Police Department's Carmel Youth Academy 2022

**When:** June 27<sup>th</sup> - July 1<sup>st</sup> - Academy 1

July 11<sup>th</sup> - July 15<sup>th</sup> - Academy 2

**Time:** Monday - Thursday 8am-3pm

Friday 12pm-6pm

**Where:** Carmel Middle School

300 S. Guilford Rd

Carmel, IN 46032

**Price:** FREE

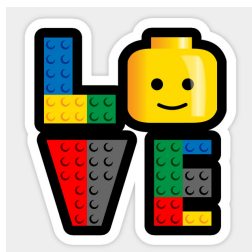
**Age Requirements:** 11-12 years old

Applications open March 1<sup>st</sup>

Apply Online at [www.carmel.in.gov](http://www.carmel.in.gov)



## -NEW- Lego Challenge Week 1



**Cherry Tree LOVES Legos!** Join our virtual Lego Club Challenge - open to ALL students!

### Lego Challenge Week 1

February 13 - February 19: Valentine's Day themed, anything that you could be given as a valentine. Examples: Heart, bracelets, pendants, flowers, etc.

All submissions\* (please share a picture of your child's design, along with the student's first name and the teacher's name and grade) should be sent to [cteptopatriotlegoclub@gmail.com](mailto:cteptopatriotlegoclub@gmail.com).

<https://www.ccs.k12.in.us/pto-cte/activities/lego-club>

*\*By sending in a picture of your child's creation, you agree to it being shared on the Cherry Tree PTO's social media accounts and website.*

## Marco's Pizza Dine to Donate Fundraiser

EAT DOUGH  
RAISE DOUGH

Feb. 16th, 2022 (A-L), Feb. 17th, 2022 (M-Z) 11:00am - 9:00pm



### Eat Dough! Raise Dough!

Mark your calendars for a fundraiser with MARCO'S PIZZA!

Wed., Feb. 16th (A-L) and Thur., Feb. 17th (M-Z)

Order lunch or dinner by calling or go online [www.marcos.com](http://www.marcos.com) from 11am-9pm, and let them know you want to support Cherry Tree Elementary!! CTE will earn 20% from each order!

<https://www.ccs.k12.in.us/pto-cte/fundraising/shop-dine-events>

14641 Gray Rd Westfield, IN 46033  
(317) 581-1200

**-NEW-  
Papa John's Dine to  
Donate Fundraiser**



**Papa John's Fundraiser benefiting each Carmel Clay School and the Carmel Education Foundation (CEF)**

Simply include the CTE school code (CEF02) when ordering ANYTHING from any Carmel-area Papa John's between **Fri., Feb. 18th - Fri., Feb. 25th.**

<https://tinyurl.com/4czj32sv>

PTO's will receive 10% of purchase price for all orders placed using their school code and CEF will receive 10%.

**-NEW-  
Teacher Fun Clubs**



**Save the date! Registration will open on Sunday, Feb. 27th.**

The PTO and your CTE teachers are excited to offer Teacher Fun Clubs this year! More details on club types, dates, costs and the registration process will be sent out no later than Feb. 25th. Clubs will begin the week of March 14.

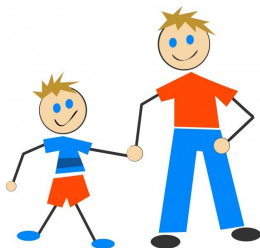
Questions? Contact [cherrytreepto@gmail.com](mailto:cherrytreepto@gmail.com).

**2nd Semester Volunteer Opportunities**



**The PTO needs your time and talent for 2nd semester events and activities!** Please complete this [form](#) to show your interest and the corresponding committee will contact you with details. This is a great way to engage with students and show your support to our teachers. ***Don't forget - a satisfactory criminal history check is required to volunteer.***

**POPs**



POPS is always looking to add more male figures to our roster. There are fun upcoming events to help with and get together to be part of.

Join us on [GroupMe](#) and/or email David Glenn at [dglenniu@gmail.com](mailto:dglenniu@gmail.com).

**Yearbook Orders**

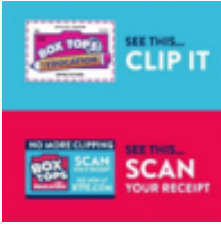





Order your yearbook from Lifetouch today! Simply go to [www.ybpay.com](http://www.ybpay.com) and enter code 14483122 to make your selections. Order deadline is March 25, 2022.

**Spring Pictures are coming soon!**



Spring Picture Day is right around the corner. LifeTouch will be here on **March 22** to take our spring photos. Please be on the look for more information to come!

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| <p><b>Box Tops</b></p>                                       | <p>Box Tops are a simple way to support Cherry Tree! Just download the Box Tops for Education App and scan your grocery receipts after you shop! Box Tops donates \$0.10 for each participating product you buy and there are always new bonus box tops opportunities! Having trouble remembering to scan your receipts? Set a customized scan reminder through the app that fits your shopping schedule!</p>  |
| <p><b>Simple, No Cost Ways to Support Cherry Tree!</b></p>  | <p>If you haven't yet, make sure to link your Amazon account to Cherry Tree Elementary! On the Amazon app, go to programs and features, click Amazon Smile and choose "Cherry Tree Elementary Parent Teacher Organization Inc." as your charity. To link your account on a computer, simply log into your Amazon account through <a href="https://www.amazon.com/amazonsmile">amazonsmile.com</a>, select our organization and shop through the Amazon Smile website. For every purchase you make Amazon donates a percentage to Cherry Tree!</p> <p>Kroger has a community rewards program as well! Log into your Kroger account and choose Community Rewards to add the Cherry Tree Elementary PTO from the list of organizations. Kroger donates a percentage of your spending to our school.</p> <p>These are simple ways for friends and families to support the Cherry Tree PTO at <b>NO COST!</b> Last quarter the PTO received \$740 from these programs, they are an integral part of our fundraising efforts and we encourage everyone to take a couple minutes to link their accounts! Thanks for your support!</p> |
| <p><b>PTO General Board Meetings</b></p>                  | <p>Thank you to everyone who was able to join our Jan. 24th General Board meeting of the PTO. If you missed it, the minutes are located <a href="#">online</a>.</p> <p>Save the date for our next meeting where we will vote on the 2022-2023 slate for PTO leadership as well as the 2022-2023 budget.</p> <p>Monday, May 16   10:45-11:45<br/>Hosted virtually via Zoom</p>  |
| <p><b>Treasurer's Report</b></p>                          | <p><a href="#">Learn more</a> about how your PTO dollars were used last month to enhance the student experience at CTE.</p>  |