

A copublication of CTE & the CTE PTO

February 8, 2024

CHERRY TREE CHATTER

KEY DATES

Feb 6, 13, 20

Lego Club Session 2

Feb 7 & 8

Science Fair

Feb 14

Valentine's Day Parties

Feb 19

Presidents' Day -
No School

Feb 24

Ultimate Ninjas Event

Feb 27, Mar 5, 12

Lego Club Session 3

Mar 1-16

Spring Auction

Mar 3-5

Teacher Fun Club
Registration

Mar 4

Dine to Donate
Event at MCL

Mar 7 & 8

Parents & Pastries

Mar 11-15

Food Staff
Appreciation Week

Mar 16

Parent Night Out:
Parent Prom

For announcements, updates, and reminders for CTE activities,
follow Cherry Tree PTO on social media!

[Facebook](#) | [Twitter](#) | [Instagram](#)

For a working calendar of
events, please click [HERE](#).

VALENTINE'S DAY PARTIES

Valentine's Day parties will be held on February 14th.

Students will receive a Food Services Sugar Cookie. Those with food allergies will be contacted by Nurse Pertile regarding an alternative snack option. All students who would like to participate should plan to bring in Valentine's Day cards for every child in their class. Please note that student valentines CANNOT contain food items. Room parents are securing volunteers for classrooms. All volunteers must have a current background check on file with CCS.

SPRING AUCTION

The Spring Auction will take place
March 1st - 16th.

Bid on fun experiences with
teachers and staff!
Stay tuned for more information!

We are accepting donations of
items or experiences!
If you or your business would like to
donate an item for the auction,
which raises funds to support CTE,
please contact Mary Ajango by
February 16th.

maryajango@gmail.com

TEACHER FUN CLUBS

Teacher Fun Clubs are back!

A favorite CTE student and teacher
experience, multiple CTE staff host
a variety of fun after school
activities for students.

Most clubs begin after Spring Break
and occur once per week for four
weeks from 2:45-3:30 pm.

SAVE THE DATE

Fun Club Registration is on
Sunday, March 3rd, at 7pm
Clubs fill up quickly!

More details on specific club offerings and
registration information COMING SOON!



SAFETY MESSAGE FROM OFFICER GREGORY

Parents, please review some additional details regarding the parking reminder that is shared weekly in the Chatter.

Be advised of the Carmel city parking ordinance 8-48:(f)

No person shall Park a motor vehicle within a roadway segment, located within the City's corporate limits and within two thousand five hundred (2,500) feet of any Carmel-Clay School property, from 7:00 a.m. EST to 5:00 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday, while Carmel-Clay Schools are in session, and where "No Parking or Idling" signs, or an equivalent thereof, have been installed by the City of Carmel.

The residential permit information can be found on the CPD website or contact CPD's records department.

We have received a complaint from one of the residents and want to ensure these circled areas are in compliance with the ordinance.



ULTIMATE NINJAS EVENT

Join CTE for a fun night at Ultimate Ninjas!

Entry cost is \$20 per Ninja, and 40% goes back to the CTE PTO!

See flier for more details.

Saturday, February 24th, 5:30–8pm

DINE TO DONATE AT MCL

Register [HERE](#) to support the CTE PTO by dining with MCL Restaurant & Bakery!

20% of all proceeds are donated to the CTE PTO!
See flier for more details.

Monday, March 4th, Noon-8pm



PARENTS & PASTRIES

Join us for Parents & Pastries!

March 7th (Last names A-K)
March 8th (Last names L-Z)



**7:00 – 7:40 a.m. in the
CTE Cafeteria**

PARENT NIGHT OUT

"Glitz and Glam" Parent Prom!

Join us for an unforgettable evening of music, food, auction items, and FUN!

Saturday, March 16th, at 7pm

Woodland Country Club

\$40 per person

Ticket includes 2 drink tickets, appetizers, and a live band.

Ticket purchase information coming soon!

This is an adults only event.
All proceeds benefit CTE PTO.

PTO COMMITTEE CHAIR POSITIONS

Attention all Cherry Tree parents!
We need your help filling 2024-2025
PTO committee chair positions.

Interested in learning more?
Click [here](#) to learn more about each role,
and complete the interest form.

Please submit form by February 16.

A member of the PTO nominating committee
will reach out in late February/early March
to share more about the position.



TREASURER'S REPORT

The current [Treasurer's Report](#) is available,
as well as previous reports.

Learn how your PTO dollars were used to
enhance students' experiences at CTE.

Budget for the 2023-2024 school year
can be viewed [HERE](#).

REVEAL MATH VOLUNTEERS

Assist with Reveal Math game prep!

Volunteers will cut, laminate, and organize
math games from the Reveal curriculum.

Please review the available volunteer spots
[HERE](#), and click on the button to sign up!
Volunteers need a current background
check on file with CCS.



MEDIA CENTER VOLUNTEERS

We need your help!

If interested, sign up [here](#).

Contact Becky Downing
(becky.downing@gmail.com)
with any questions!

2023 – 2024 PTO SLATE

Click [HERE](#) to view the PTO Slate for the
Executive and General Board for the 2023-
2024 school year.

Thank you to all parents who are
willing to fill these roles!

CTE STUDENT DIRECTORY

Have you signed up for the optional
[Cherry Tree Directory](#)?

If you are already a member, please
update your child's teacher!

Once you create a Membership Toolkit
account, you will have access to the
directory and upcoming calendar events.

This is a free, optional directory for all
Cherry Tree families.

ULTIMATE NINJAS EVENT



FAMILY & FRIENDS NINJA NIGHT

Cherry Tree Elementary

SATURDAY
24 FEB

**5:30PM-
8PM**

ENTRY

\$20
OPEN GYM

40%

GOES BACK TO
CHERRY TREE
ELEMENTARY



SIGN WAIVER
HERE
PAY AT THE
DOOR

**Play to
Donate**

DINE TO DONATE AT MCL

Carmel!

Eat to support

Cherry Tree PTO



♥ 20% Donated Back

📅 Monday, March 4th / 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM

🎫 RSVP below

groupraise.com/events/271326

MCL Restaurant & Bakery

1390 Keystone Way East, Carmel

CARMEL POLICE YOUTH ACADEMY

2024 Carmel Police Youth Academy



Who We Are

The Carmel Youth Academy will provide children, ages 11-12, an introduction to the field of law enforcement and an understanding of law enforcement's role in our community.

Our academy will include guest speakers, tours of the police department and fire department facilities, team building exercises, a service project to give back to our community, a mock crime scene investigation, games, and more!



When?

- Academy #1 June 10th - 14th
- Academy #2 July 22nd - 26th

Monday - Thursday 8 am - 3 pm
Friday Noon - 6 pm

Where?

Carmel Middle School
300 S. Guilford Road
Carmel, IN 46032

Other Info

- Price: FREE!
- Age Requirements: 11 & 12 years old
- Applications open March 1st at 10 am
- Applications will be accepted on a "first come, first served" basis



Apply at

www.Carmel.IN.gov > Community Resource Programs > Youth Academy

CCS KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

STARTING JANUARY 22, 2024

**KINDERGARTEN
REGISTRATION**

Where
*Potential
Finds
Opportunity*

www.ccs.k12.in.us/explore

GOOD NEWS CLUB

It's
Free!



HAVE A BLAST
AFTER SCHOOL AT:

GOOD NEWS CLUB®

It's
Fun!



FREE



Happening at: Cherry Tree Elementary

When: Mondays Feb. 26 - March 25, 2024

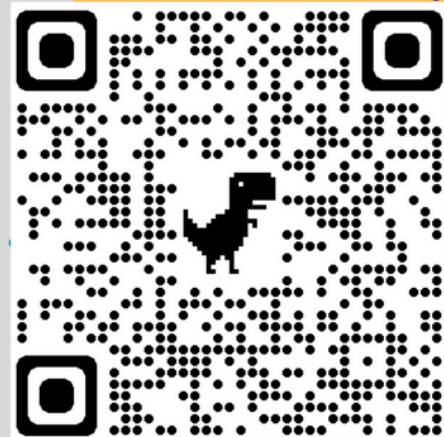
Time: 2:30pm - 4:00pm

Contact: Haley Filbert: 812-499-4730

Kids *must* have parental permission to attend.

**REGISTER
HERE!**

Go to cefcentralindiana.com/register.html or scan
the code to register your child(ren) today!



Your child will have fun and LOVE learning about
developing good character qualities, and moral
values based on Biblical principles through:

- Dynamic Storytelling
- Meaningful Songs
- Creative Learning Activities
- Life-Changing Scripture Memory
- And more!

All Good News Club volunteers are trained and regularly screened in accordance with the
Child Evangelism Fellowship® Child Protection Policy.

JOIN THE CCS TEAM



**CARMEL CLAY
SCHOOLS**
TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE

JOIN OUR TEAM

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

- Work in a professional environment with a flexible schedule you control
- Positively impact the education of students in your own community
- Have the ability to select your preferred school site
- Daily Rate is \$80- \$90



For more information, contact Kelli Hackett at
khackett@ccs.k12.in.us or (317) 844-9961.



Visit our website

www.ccs.k12.in.us

APPLY HERE WWW.APPLITRACK.COM/CCS/ONLINEAPP/

ASCENSION CARMEL CLAY SCHOOLS STUDENT THERAPY SERVICES

Ascension behavioral health partners with Carmel Clay Schools to provide on-site counseling services and skills training to children and families. Services are provided all year (including school and summer breaks).



Ascension



Parents can call Ascension directly at 317-338-4951 to register and schedule your child with one of our licensed school-based counselors.

Ascension therapy services are administered through Ascension Stress Center and billed to the family's insurance. Financial assistance options are also available.

EASY, NO COST WAYS TO SUPPORT CHERRY TREE



Cherry Tree PTO is thrilled to announce a fundraising opportunity with Shutterfly.

With their help, we've created a custom online storefront where you can shop the extensive Shutterfly collection, and for every purchase made, Shutterfly will donate 8% to our Organization. Plus, you can even use applicable Shutterfly discount codes!

Please feel free to share this website with friends and family!

<http://cherrytreepto.shutterflystorefront.com/>



Kroger has a community rewards program!

Log in to your Kroger account and choose Community Rewards to add Cherry Tree Elementary PTO from the list of organizations.

Kroger donates a percentage of your spending to our school.

This is an easy no-cost way to support Cherry Tree!
Register for these programs today!



CHERRY TREE REMINDERS



PARKING

A new city ordinance now restricts using neighborhood streets near school property as a school drop off alternative. 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.



CARPOOL

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.



CHROMEBOOKS

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. In addition to being charged it is very important they are brought to school each day. Unfortunately, we will no longer be able to offer loaner computers to students who forget them at home.

*Also, please remind your students to treat them with special care. We have seen an increased number of broken devices, and we are very limited in our inventory of replacement Chromebooks.



ATTENDANCE

Cherry Tree Elementary is now using School Dismissal Manager to report absences (both in advance and same-day), late arrivals, and appointments. This online tool is preferred to phone calls. Visit www.schooldismissalmanager.com.



SUPPORT CHERRY TREE

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!

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.

These are simple ways for friends and families to support the Cherry Tree PTO at **NO COST** and they are an integral part of our fundraising efforts. Thanks for your support!



STUDENT BELONGINGS

Be sure to label your student's personal belongings, such as coats/jackets, water bottles, lunch boxes, etc. If an item is missing, please be sure to have your student check the Lost and Found!

