

A copublication of CTE & the CTE PTO

April 11, 2024

CHERRY TREE CHATTER

KEY DATES

April 13

Dine to Donate:
Verde Mexican Grill

April 19

Volunteer Appreciation
Breakfast

April 24

Late Start

April 25

Dine to Donate:
Kizuki Ramen

May 8

Late Start

Dine to Donate:
City BBQ

May 13

PTO General Meeting

May 20

Field Day

May 23

Students' Last Day
Fifth Grade
Recognition Ceremony

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](#).

PTO GENERAL MEETING

Monday, May 13th, 10:45 – 11:45 a.m.

Cherry Tree Elementary LGI Room

All parents & guardians are welcome & encouraged to attend!

Come hear about updates for next school year, including details on the
upcoming building renovation that will begin this summer.
We will also vote on the PTO Slate & budget for the '24-'25 school year!

All who attend in person will be entered in a drawing for
\$50 Amazon Gift Card for themselves + their child's teacher.

FIFTH GRADE PARENTS

- We are collecting photos of students throughout their time at
Cherry Tree for a special slide show shown during the
Fifth Grade Recognition Ceremony on Thursday, May 23.
Submit photos here: <https://forms.gle/QKBzIzfWhBrCiyYjZ>
- Order yard signs to recognize your Fifth Grader by April 11
<https://cherrytreeyardsigns.itemorder.com/shop/sale/>
- Save the date for the Fifth Grade Recognition
Ceremony on Thursday, May 23.
Volunteer opportunities will be available on
May 22nd & 23rd – more information coming soon.



VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

Friday, April 19th, 8:30–9:30 a.m.
CTE Cafeteria

Thank you to all of our wonderful
volunteers this school year!

We want to show you our appreciation by
providing you with breakfast!

This is a drop-in event; If you are unable
to attend the entire time, stop by to
grab some breakfast!

PLEASE RSVP [HERE](#)

TEACHER FUN CLUBS

Teacher Fun Clubs begin next week!

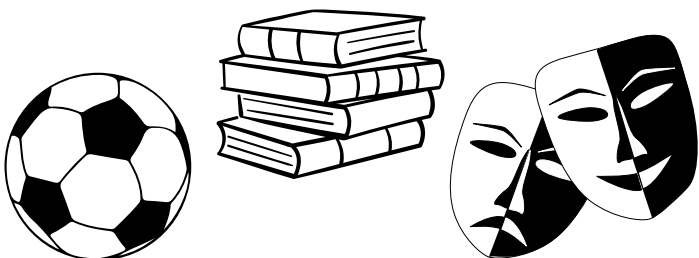
Reminders:

Fun Clubs run for 4 weeks from
April 15 – May 10

Clubs meet once a week on their assigned
day – Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday –
after school from 2:45–3:30pm.

IMPORTANT: A transportation change **MUST**
be completed for your student in School
Dismissal Manager for **EACH** day the club
meets. Students cannot be released to
Teacher Fun Clubs without the proper
dismissal changes.

Please prepare to pick-up your student
promptly by 3:30pm via the Carpool lane
(or other pickup location designated by
the club's sponsor), with the exception of
those students reporting to ESE.



CARMEL MARATHON VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Carmel Marathon will make a donation of
\$150 for every 10 volunteers
volunteering on behalf of Cherry Tree

Opportunities include:

Friday, April 12: packet pickup
(help runners check in for the race)

Saturday, April 13: hand out medals and
food at the finish line, manage a
water stop along the course, etc.

You can find a full list of volunteer
opportunities [here](#).

When signing up, include 'Cherry Tree'
after your name.

(Example: John Smith – Cherry Tree)

If you have already signed up to help with
the Carmel Marathon, please email
cherrytreeperto@gmail.com to notify us, and
we will relay to the Carmel Marathon team.



PTO CHAIRPERSON POSITIONS OPEN

We are still looking for parents to fill some of
our PTO Chairperson positions for the 2024–
2025 school year, including the roles of
Assistant Treasurer, Auditor, Fall Family Fun
Night Co-Chair, Spring Auction & Winter
Family Fun Night Co-Chair.

If you are interested in learning more about
any of these positions, please email
cherrytreeperto.nominating@gmail.com.

FREE WEBINAR FOR PARENTS

Parents and caregivers!
Do you have an anxious child or wonder how to best help your student who is struggling?

Join us for any or all of the upcoming webinar series, hosted by Hillary Blake.

Register now:
linktr.ee/carmelclayschools



MANAGING CHILDHOOD ANXIETY
WEBINAR SERIES

MAY 1, 2024
12-1 PM

- COMMON DIAGNOSES
- RESEARCH
- ROLE OF PARENTS

MAY 8, 2024
12-1 PM

- PARENTING TECHNIQUES TO CHANGE BEHAVIOR

MAY 15, 2024
12-1 PM

- ANXIETY DISORDERS
- POTENTIAL TREATMENTS & STRATEGIES

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ART MATERIALS NEEDED

Third Graders will soon begin their Trash to Trophies unit!

Please send in any “junk” to Mrs. Crispin!

Items may include:

- old costume jewelry
- McDonald's toys
- plastic animals, figurines, cars, etc
- plastic vases, cups, bowls, etc.
- anything non-breakable that has an interesting shape

No paper products please.

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.

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.

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!

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

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SCHOOLS**
TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE

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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
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Visit our website

www.ccs.k12.in.us

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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!

