



**Camp Road Middle School**

**January 24, 2022**

## **Cougar News**

### **Parler's Ponderings:**

My random thoughts for the week:

1. Along with this Cougar News you should have received a grade level specific Q3 instructional newsletter, prepared by grade level teachers and our instructional coach, Sonja Raines.
2. I still am not able to "pinpoint" the day this week when report card will be sent home. When that is determined all parents will receive an email reminder as well as a dial out from me.
3. As you will see in this newsletter, CRMS is now a COVID testing site. However, while it does not indicate so on the roadway sign, the testing is only for CCSD students and staff. Sorry, I am not responsible for the sign that was placed on the road; it thinks it was the independent vendor operating the site.
4. Please consider signing up for our February 18, blood drive. We know how critically short blood supplies are now.
5. Please note that Friday, February 4, is now an eLearning day that the CCSD Board of Trustees added to the academic calendar in a Board meeting prior to winter break.

Have a great week and stay healthy

## **NEWS FROM MRS. BOUTON IN THE MEDIA CENTER**

### **Got Legos?**

It's time for the library team to take advantage of the great makerspace area adjacent to the media center. We haven't tapped its potential due to COVID restrictions and precautions, but the dream is that this spring will give us opportunities to get creative together. As a first step, we hope to beef up our Lego collection through donations from CRMS families. If you can part with any Legos (I know, they are valuable and should be saved for your future grandchildren!), please send them to school with your name and your CRMS student's name. The debut will be Jan. 27 with Lego sessions as part of our Thrilling Thursday activities. Thank you in advance! Mrs. Bouton and Ms. Bailey

# FACE Expo

CCSD is inviting all district parents and personnel to its first-ever FACE Expo. Please help us spread the word by sharing [this flyer](#).

Flyers are also linked here:

<https://bit.ly/ExpoFlyerEnglish> for the flyer in English

or <https://bit.ly/EXPOFlyerSpanish> for the flyer in Spanish

## CRMS IS NOW A TESTING SITE

Beginning Monday, January 24, Camp Road Middle School will be COVID testing site for CCSD STUDENTS AND STAFF. The testing site is the POD located in the far corner of the main parking lot, The site is open Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM



**COVID-19 TESTING**  
BREATH EASIER KNOWING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE SAFE

Free COVID Testing, Non-Invasive  
**CCSD students and staff only**

**REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Visit to <https://rrtesting.app/SCSchools> or scan this QR code:
2. Scroll down to "Click Here to Register"
3. Enter your email and create a password.
4. Wait for an email from no-reply@ambulnz.com to arrive, then click "Confirm My Account"
5. Log into your account if prompted, then enter your information in the fields.
6. Click "Create" on the bottom. A message will appear that that says "Success"
7. Alert one of our staff in order to be checked in and to receive your HIPAA consent form.
8. To view your results, visit [app.rrtesting.com](http://app.rrtesting.com) or scan this QR code:

**RAPID  
RELIABLE  
TESTING**

## GUIDANCE UPDATES



Coaches for Character is proud to announce that it is expanding its "Unsung Hero" program to Charleston. Called The CHAMP Awards, it will be an annual event that honors 70 Charleston County students. Two students will be chosen from every eighth grade and twelfth grade. The award is designed to honor true "Unsung Heroes." The nomination process, managed by Charleston County school counselors, will focus on identifying and selecting students who often go unnoticed, even though they have accomplished wonderful things in their community, church, home, or school. Their selection is based on character, community service, academic effort, and overcoming odds. Please contact your counselor (Ciucci) for more information and click [here](#) to listen to the media promotion for this event

## NEWS FROM THE NURSE

### **Upcoming Blood Drive**

Camp Road Middle School is teaming up with "*The Blood Connection*" to sponsor a blood drive on Friday, February 18, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM. There is a hope that 22 units of blood will be donated. Donors will receive \$10.00 and the school will receive \$10.00 for each unit of blood donated. See the information below:

**Donor Link** – [https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/186020](https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/186020)

Please share this link with any possible donor. This link allows them to schedule their donation and learn about The Blood Connection

Please feel free to share this information to your community as it will hopefully entice more donors to come out and save lives! Also, please encourage your community to make appointments.

Please contact me with any question or thoughts you may have. Thank you for helping us save lives!

All the best,

**Chasity Benjamin**  
Account Manager


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**THE BLOOD CONNECTION**

Your Community Blood Center

# Blood Drive

## Middle School

1825 Camp Road  
Charleston, SC 29412

**02/18/2022 | 11:00 AM–03:00 PM**

To make an appointment, please scan the QR Code and search for the Sponsor Code 7627.

Scan to make an appointment!



All donors will receive a \$10 eGift card & a \$10 charitable donation will be made for every blood donor!



“Everyone wants to know that they've left things better than it once was.  
***It's up to us to make a difference.***”

**Temoor, Blood Drive Host**

The Blood Connection is a non-profit organization. Blood can be donated every 56 days. Donors must be 16 years or older and over 110 lbs. to donate. Separate your gifts are required to have written consent to donate blood. Before you donate blood, make sure that you drink plenty of water and eat a healthy meal. 100 Blood ID Card (printed on photo ID) required to donate. ID's with and without names are not acceptable.





thebloodconnection.org

## PTO UPDATES FOR THE WEEK

## Spirit Wear Design Contest DEADLINE EXTENDED:

We are looking for a new design for our t-shirts, hoodies, beanies and other spirit wear!  
If you have an idea, submit your drawing on a regular sized sheet of paper to Mr. Brown by **FRIDAY, JANUARY 28.**

The image should be somewhat simple, not too detailed, and will be just one color once finalized and printed. Use our current designs as reference; those were designed by former Cougars too! Have an idea but need a little help? Ask our talented resident artist Mr. Brown for some guidance. Our Top 3 designers will receive a small prize and the overall winner will go down in history as a Cougar Super Fan!

Good luck and have fun!



### Upcoming Silent Auction:

Do you own a business or know someone who does? The PTO is hosting its 2nd Annual Online Auction March 28- April 4. Please contact Jennie Ridgeway ([jennieridgeway@gmail.com](mailto:jennieridgeway@gmail.com)) if you are able to donate items, services or a gift certificate. All donations are due by March 21st.

### Amazon Smiles:

**Amazon Smiles** is an easy way to support your school and has already provided our budget with \$151 this year! Amazon Smiles donates .5% of your purchase to the designated non-profit and while it may not seem like much from one household, collectively our 500 families could really make a difference. Just go to [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com/smiles) to sign up and designate Camp Road Middle School PTO as your non-profit charity and shop away with Amazon Smiles.

If you've already designated us as your non-profit charity, **don't forget to shop and purchase** through Amazon Smiles for our school to benefit.

The PTO budget provides classroom allowances to all teachers and special areas, library books, honor roll treats, teacher appreciation events, 8th grade graduation ceremony and field day, playground equipment and much more!

We really appreciate your continued support!

## BASKETBALL UPDATES



*6<sup>th</sup> grade girls in action on Saturday, January 15, 2022 against Cario Middle School*

We have five basketball teams this year: 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys, 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls, and combined 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade girls. The school is very grateful to the parents and community volunteers to be coaching our teams and giving our students a chance to play a sport they enjoy while representing their middle school. Thanks to: 6<sup>th</sup> grade dads, **Brian Fisher** and **David Stroup**, for coaching the 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys; community volunteer **Ryan Weekley**, for coaching the 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys; community volunteer **D. Brown**, for coaching the 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys; community volunteer **Jennifer Hayes**, for coaching the 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls; and 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent, **Kendra Heyward**, for coaching the combined 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade girls.

Most of the teams have had a very successful season and are either first, second, or third in their division and moving to playoffs soon. Catch all the teams in action this Saturday, January 28 in the JICHS gym. Game times are:

**1:00 PM-7<sup>th</sup> grade boys**  
**2:00 PM-6<sup>th</sup> grade boys**  
**3:00 PM-6<sup>th</sup> grade girls**  
**4:00 PM-8<sup>th</sup> grade boys**  
**5:00 PM-7/8 grade girls**

## Calendar

### **January**

January 26-28	Report cards will be issued, TBD
January 27	Flu vaccines
January 27	Thrilling Thursday
January 28	Spirit wear deadline ends
January 31	Tentative date for Q2 honor roll recognition

### **February**

February 4	eLearning day, students work from home
February 5	FACE Expo
February 18	Early release day at 1:30 PM
February 18	School blood drive
February 21	eLearning day, students work from home
February 22	Q 3 progress reports sent home
February 22	National School Bus Drivers' Appreciation Day

### **March**

March 11	eLearning day, students work from home
March 21	Auction items due for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Online Auction
March 22	End of Quarter 3
March 23	Teacher workday
March 24	First day of Quarter 4, students return
March 28	Report cards will be issued this week, TBD
March 28-April 4	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual PTO Online Auction

