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CPHS JOURNALISM EARNS TOP AWARDS

Back-To-School Information

As we begin the 2025-2026 school year, I want to extend my sincere thanks to you - our families, staff, neighbors, and local businesses - for your continued partnership and support. This past spring, your vote to renew our operating referendum at a reduced rate reaffirmed a powerful truth: strong schools make strong communities. Because of you, we can retain exceptional educators, continue investing in safety and security, and provide learning experiences that prepare every student for a successful future. We are honored by your trust and remain committed to being responsible stewards of these resources.

In the past five years, our district has experienced an extraordinary amount of change: historic investments in facilities, expanded student programs at every level, and shifting educational landscapes. Crown Point Community School Corporation has not only endured, but thrived. Thanks to our incredible teachers and staff, careful district planning, and unwavering community support, we are more future-ready than ever. Our classrooms are alive with opportunities, reflecting that when students are supported, challenged, and inspired, they achieve incredible things.

The 2024-2025 school year offered countless examples of that spirit in action. From the launch of new STEM and career-focused programs to state and national recognition for journalism, athletics, robotics, performing arts, and more, our schools were filled with moments of achievement, creativity, and pride. These successes are a direct result of the strong partnerships between educators, families, and our larger community.

While academics and achievement are important, what truly sets us apart is our sense of community. Because of you, our students have the resources, staff, and opportunities they need to thrive - not just academically, but as whole individuals. I am deeply grateful for your support and look forward to continuing our shared mission of excellence in education.

With gratitude,

Dr. Todd Terrill, Superintendent of Schools





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1. The Class of 2025 included 746 graduates. In 2024-2025, CPHS students earned more than 5,800 Dual Credits - these college credits prepare students for future studies while also saving parents thousands of dollars. CPHS students also took 1,632 Advanced Placement (AP) exams.

2. The launch of elementary STEM for students in grades K-5 was a success. Students completed more than 39,841 projects in SAM Labs, an online coding program. This is one of the highest for a district in the nation! The addition of 70 robotics kits means every student in grades 2-5 receives experience with VEX Robotics.



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3. CPCSC is able to provide meaningful events, like Field Day, for our students with the help of parent and community volunteers. This year, more than 3,200 people volunteered time in our schools and during events.

4. This future bulldog is ready to become a member of the Royal Regiment Marching Band. CPCSC middle school and high school music programs received numerous awards, including All-Department Awards from ISSMA. The honor recognizes schools that demonstrate excellence across the entire spectrum of events offered by ISSMA.

5. Across CPCSC elementaries, Grandparents Day returned this year! Hundreds of grandparents and other special visitors joined students to experience their schools. For residents who are 62 and over, don't forget to get a free CPCSC event pass to attend games, performances, and other events (see page 9 for more info)!



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winning VOICES

CPHS journalists take top honors

Most students don't begin their school day in a suit and tie, or with camera-ready hair and makeup. But for seniors Ryan Welsh and Ari Pantoja, they're dressed in their best before 7:30 in the morning. That's because they're about to be today's on-air anchors for CPHS's Crown Town Media. Crown Town Media (home to *Excalibur* yearbook, *Inklings* newspaper, CPTV Broadcasting, and Dog Radio) are producing some of the most impactful and decorated student journalism in the state.

At the heart of this student-led operation is more than just a drive for awards. It's a commitment to storytelling, teamwork, and the kind of collaboration that prepares students not just for a newsroom, but for life.

"We're not here to convince anyone to become a broadcaster," says Chris Gloff, one of the instructors for the radio and TV program. "We're here to help them develop confidence,

leadership, writing and speaking skills - and to find their voice."

Students join journalism for a variety of reasons. For MiRey Fernandez, it started as a gut decision. "I joined this class my freshman year after deciding to choose it over culinary," he said. "The skills I've learned from broadcasting class don't only apply to student journalists. We were taught about teamwork and unity from day one. A goal of this program is to help students find their voice—whether that's speaking into a microphone, communicating professionally, or standing up for yourself." Fernandez credits the program with preparing him to study journalism at Indiana University Bloomington.

The CPHS courses begin with foundational skills in Principles of Broadcasting or Photojournalism, and build to advanced electives like Mass Media Production, Digital Design, and Advanced Journalism.

Students learn to report news, create publications, anchor broadcasts, write editorials, produce shows, and publish content across platforms.

The results speak for themselves. In the last two years, CPTV and Dog Radio have earned more than 30 major awards, including a national Crystal Pillar (an Emmy-affiliated contest) for Best Newscast and top state honors from the Indiana Association of School Broadcasters. Crown Town Media's website is a two-time Hoosier Star winner, presented by the Indiana High School Press Association (IHSPA) to student media outlets that demonstrate excellence in journalism.

For senior Rana Stevens, the experience has been significant. "Broadcasting wasn't my focus at first, but it became a passion," she said. "This program helped me develop a strong work ethic and skills in anchoring, writing, editing,

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and broadcasting. It taught me to aim for excellence, even in the hard tasks. Now I want to study multimedia journalism in college.”

Excalibur yearbook has also earned national recognition, including National Scholastic Press Association and Columbia Scholastic Press Association awards. It likewise has consecutive awards from the IHSPA. Excalibur staff work to capture the full story of the school year through creative layouts and reporting.

“The yearbook isn’t just names and faces,” says adviser Lisa Keene. “It’s about telling the story of the school—its students, challenges, and celebrations.”

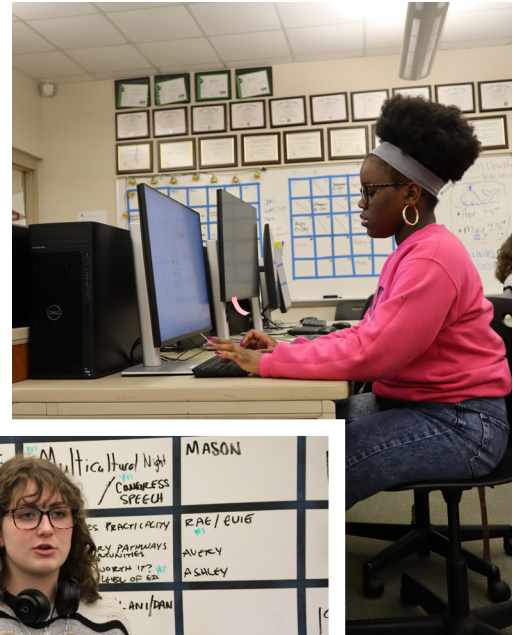
Inklings, the student newspaper, has undergone a recent design overhaul, giving it a fresh, energetic look to match its voice. Students brainstorm stories, report, write, and edit, while learning media law and ethics along the way.

“We really wanted our paper to feel like us,” said one student editor. “We cover stories that matter, and we’re learning to do it responsibly and creatively.”

Across all three programs, students build more than media skills. They become problem-solvers, collaborators, and communicators – skills that will serve them wherever they go. “Our hope,” says Inklings adviser Jennifer Bianchi, “is that they leave here happy, confident, and ready to lead, wherever life takes them.”

From studio to newsroom, written page to webpage, Crown Town Media is more than a journalism program. It’s a launchpad. And while the awards line the shelves, the students’ voices remain most important.

Left: Excalibur yearbook students take and edit all of the photographs for their annual publication. **Right:** Inklings contributor Ma’Rae Wallace works on the crossword puzzle for April’s issue. The wall behind her is lined with awards. **Below:** Inklings editor Ashley Johnson kicks off class with a review of assignments for the upcoming issue. **Far Below:** CPTV students film a news broadcast in the TV studio at CPHS. The space was recently updated as part of the district’s capital projects.



Check out all of the Crown Town Media awards online. Scan the QR code with your smartphone’s camera.



*space
for every
student*



Top: A few members of the CPHS Railroad Club pose for a photo at the Monon Museum.
Left: Eisenhower Elementary students show each other their photos during Photography Club.

At CPCSC, the needs and interests of students take center stage. From model trains to crochet, photography to brain teasers, Crown Point teachers continue to create opportunities for students to connect with their passions and with each other through unique clubs.

Railroad Club

The Railroad Club at CPHS began with a simple request from a few students who loved model trains. When they couldn't find a sponsor, two staff members who already knew the students well stepped in.

"We weren't model train people," sponsor Sandra Specker admitted. "But we knew these students, and their passion was contagious."

The club started with a single piece of plywood and personal train collections brought from home. Over time, it grew into a permanent layout in a classroom and a community-wide effort, with donations from Crown Point staff, local enthusiasts, and even an unofficial partnership with a local train store.

The club meets weekly and has developed a rhythm of "build days" and "run days." On build days, students work together on projects like creating a mountain tunnel for the layout. On run days, the real fun begins: operating their trains, trading tips, and enjoying one another's company. The club is open to all students - no train sets or prior knowledge required.

Field trips are also part of the club experience. Students have traveled to the Monon Connection Museum and Whistle Stop Cafe, which houses the largest private collection of railroad items shared with the public in the United States.

"In a school of over 3,000 students, they found their people," sponsor Mary Rhee said. "More than anything, we want them to build friendships."

Photography Club

At Eisenhower Elementary, a love of creativity is at the heart of Photography Club. Teacher Amanda Alliss saw a need for a non-academic outlet and recognized that not all students thrive in traditional clubs.

"I've always loved photography, and I wanted to offer something for kids who needed a creative space," she said. "The response was incredible."

With support from the PTO and parents, the club raised money for DSLR cameras and began offering lessons. Students learn camera basics, technical skills, and artistic composition, all while receiving encouragement from peers.

The club culminates each year with a "photo walk," where students showcase their work in the school library. "They're so proud," Alliss said. "And they should be. They're learning how to see the world differently and how to express that with confidence."

Crochet Club

At Timothy Ball Elementary, creativity takes the form of yarn and hooks in the school's Crochet Club, sponsored by teacher Michelle Way. The idea for the club actually came from a fifth-grade student, and Way immediately volunteered to lead it along with her mother, who taught her to crochet.

"Watching the students' creativity and confidence grow each week has been inspiring," Way said.

Open to fourth and fifth graders, the club begins with basics like single-chain stitches before progressing to more challenging techniques. Students have made everything from water bottle sleeves and coasters to scrunchies, pandas, and even a crocheted rose with a sewn stem for Mother's Day.

What began as a simple craft has become a way for students to learn perseverance, develop fine motor skills, and find joy in creating something with their own hands.

Thinkers' Club

For students who enjoy puzzles, strategy, and brain teasers, the Thinkers' Club at Taft Middle School offers the perfect escape. Led by teacher Chris Manley, the club meets twice a month and features board games, riddles, logic puzzles, and even mini-escape rooms.

"Relationships are key to having a fun and successful educational experience," Manley said. "This club gives students a chance to challenge their minds while making friends along the way."

The Thinkers' Club has created a niche for students who enjoy thinking outside the box, offering games and experiences they may not typically encounter during the school day. The focus is on fun, respectful engagement, and building community.

Opportunities as Unique as Students

These clubs, and many others across the district, exist because teachers saw something in their students and responded.

At Taft Middle School, students in the Bulldog Millionaire Investment Club are learning how to manage real investments. Topics include understanding stocks and mutual funds, retirement planning options, real estate investing, and other options such as art and collectibles. The goal is to give students real experience of managing a portfolio and understanding the importance of financial discipline and long term savings.

In the Crafts for Charity Club, students make blankets, cards, and lanyards for shelters and service members.

Each club reflects the same guiding principle: that every student deserves a place where their interests are celebrated, they can connect with peers, and their potential can flourish.

together we teach



CPCSC employs hundreds of licensed teachers but it takes hundreds of additional support staff to make our district move.

Join our team and discover why our schools are a great place to work. Find more information or apply at www.cps.k12.in.us/careers.

CPCSC will host open interviews for support positions listed below on Thursday, July 17 from 8-11 a.m. and 3-5 p.m. at our Administration Center, 1050 S. Main St., Crown Point. No appointment is necessary. Please bring your resume if you have one.

Starting pay:

- Substitute: \$115+/day. Subs are employed through ESS.
- Bus Driver: \$25.53+/hr. We will train and pay for your CDL!
- Paraprofessional: \$14.95+/hr
- Custodial: \$17.56+/hr.
- Cafeteria: \$14.19+/hr.

Find more information on our website.



game ON!

*New opportunities
for girls take the field*



This fall, Crown Point High School will officially add girls flag football and girls lacrosse to its list of high school athletic programs. These sports are recent additions to the Indiana High School Athletic Association's (IHSAA) "emerging sports" initiative which is designed to help schools respond to rising student interest and increase participation in new activities.

Emerging sports are those that are growing in popularity and may eventually become fully sanctioned IHSAA sports. Schools that offer them are part of a pilot-style phase, helping gather data and build support across the state. The addition of these sports at CPHS is part of CPCSC's ongoing commitment to offer extracurricular opportunities that reach all students.



Photo courtesy of Ernesto Huizar

Girls flag football is launching with help from the Indianapolis Colts, who are partnering with schools across Indiana by providing start-up funding, equipment, and support. The sport is non-contact, fast-paced, and open to students regardless of previous football experience. It's also growing quickly. More than 20 states now offer it at the



high school level, and it was recently added to the 2028 Olympic Games.

“I’m really looking forward to coaching this future group of students and developing new skills and a love for the game,” said coach and CPHS teacher Gabrielle Argenta. “Launching a flag football program is a great opportunity to introduce more female athletes to the importance of teamwork, stepping outside of your comfort zone and creating a fun, competitive environment that helps everyone grow. These young ladies will help build a strong foundation for the future of flag football at CPHS.”

“We’re excited to offer two new sports that students asked for and are excited about,” said Bill Dorulla, athletic director at Crown Point High School. “Flag football especially is a new way for students to experience the game in a school setting, and our connection with the Colts gives the program a strong foundation.”

More than 20,000 girls now play high school lacrosse across the United States. A group of Crown Point students and families expressed local interest in taking the sport from a community team to a school activity, and this fall marks the program’s first official season as a school team. Boys lacrosse will continue to operate as a community club in Crown Point, a decision made by their program leaders to best fit their current needs and schedule.

Crown Point Schools believes in supporting a wide range of student interests so every student can find their place and feel connected. You can find a schedule of games and updates through the season for these new teams at www.crownpointathletics.com.

62+ Activity Pass

Residents age 62 and older of Center and Winfield Townships will be admitted to home student extracurricular and school corporation sponsored activities with a valid activity pass. This does not include post-season athletic contests.

A 62+ Pass from the district is available at the Administration Building at 1050 S. Main St. Bring a photo ID that shows your in-district address.

Be an Ambassador

The CPCSC Ambassador Program is a seven-session, behind-the-scenes look at our district. It is open to residents who live in the CPCSC boundaries and would like to learn more about our schools and what we do.

Topics include finances, operations, curriculum and instruction, and student services. This small group meets for two hours one morning a month. Meetings are during the school day so you can see teaching and learning in action!



community CONNECTION

CPCSC is proud to be part of an active and supportive community. Check out these opportunities to connect with our schools. **Find more info at www.cps.k12.in.us/community.**

staff of the year

Elementary Teacher of the Year - Hannah Rizzo

Hannah Rizzo, special education teacher at Solon Robinson Elementary, is the 2025 Elementary Teacher of the Year. Rizzo teaches in an Applied Skills setting, serving students with more specific or significant needs. Currently pursuing a Master's in Applied Behavior Analysis from Purdue University, Rizzo brings evidence-based strategies, compassion, and high expectations to her classroom. "Hannah is a passionate advocate for inclusive education," said Melanie Pociask, assistant principal at Solon. "She is an exceptional communicator and unrelentingly dedicated to her students and our school community."



Left to right: Kristen Maurer, Mike Malaski, Hannah Rizzo, Carrie Quinn

Finalists for Elementary Teacher of the Year were:

- Jennifer Ciochina – Eisenhower
- Sheridan Moore – Lake Street
- Jennifer Hochstetler – MacArthur
- Kate Chance – Timothy Ball
- Beth Morey – Winfield
- Shira Murzyn – Jerry Ross

Secondary Teacher of the Year - Carrie Quinn

Carrie Quinn, art teacher at Crown Point High School, has been named the 2025 Secondary Teacher of the Year. A proud graduate of Crown Point High School herself, Quinn returned to the district to fulfill her dream of teaching in the very classroom that inspired her career. In addition to leading the Art Department, she sponsors the National Art Honor Society, the Junior and Sophomore classes, and the Events Committee. Known for her vibrant classroom culture and emphasis on creativity, resilience, and community service, Quinn has created a home where students are seen and supported. "Carrie understands that each student brings different talents and interests to her class," said principal Russ

Marcinek. "She is an instructional leader and an example of the teaching excellence we value in our district."

Finalists for Secondary Teacher of the Year were:

- Tammy Betz – Colonel Wheeler Middle School
- Ryan Voss – Taft Middle School

Employee of the Year - Kristen Maurer

Kristen Maurer, treasurer at Eisenhower Elementary, is the CPCSC Employee of the Year. Eisenhower principal Calli Dado described her as "the heart of our school's front office," adding, "Kristen's positive attitude makes everyone-staff, parents, and students-feel valued and supported. She goes above and beyond, stepping in wherever help is needed, always with a smile."

Finalists for Employee of the Year were:

- Brandee Newell – Media Center, Colonel Wheeler Middle School
- Mandy Adams – PBIS Paraprofessional, Winfield Elementary

Administrator of the Year - Mike Malaski

CPCSC is also proud to announce Mike Malaski, Director of Buildings and Grounds, as the 2025 Administrator of the Year. Mike has been with the district for 29 years. In recent years, he helped navigate the \$350 million in capital improvements throughout the district, including the new Taft Middle School. He implemented an attendance program to target a 96% attendance rate in his department. Mike also serves as the voice of the Bulldogs at Friday night football games. Mike goes above and beyond to provide personalized care and service to employees and students.

2025 Retirements

CPCSC retirees have a combined 297 years of service! Read more about them on our website by scanning the QR code with your smartphone's camera.





CROWN POINT COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

2025-2026 Calendar

August 2025

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March 2026

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May 2026





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 No school	 Start of 9 weeks	 End of 9 weeks
 E-learning day	1st & last student day	Teacher work days

Crown Point Community School Corporation

1050 S. Main St., Crown Point, IN 46307

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Open Monday-Friday, 7am-4pm

Aug. 11 - First teacher day, no students

Aug. 13 - First student day

Sept. 1 - Labor Day, no school

Sept. 17 - E-learning day; staff professional dev.

Oct. 10 - End of 1st 9 weeks

Oct. 13-17 - Fall Break, no school

Nov. 4 - K-5 Parent/Teacher conferences: e-learning
for elementary students only

Nov. 26-28 - Thanksgiving Break, no school

Dec. 19 - End of 2nd 9 weeks and 1st semester

Dec. 22-Jan. 5 - Winter Break, no school

Jan. 5 - Teacher work day, no students

Jan. 19 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day, no school

Feb. 16 - Presidents Day, no school

Mar. 3 - E-learning day: staff professional dev.

Mar. 13 - End of 3rd 9 weeks

Mar. 30 -Apr. 3 - Spring Break, no school

May 25 - Memorial Day, no school

May 29 - Last student day, End of 4th 9 weeks
& 2nd semester

June 1 - Last teacher day

School & Building Directory

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

School day: 9:05 am - 3:44 pm

Eisenhower Elementary



219-663-8800
www.ike.cps.k12.in.us
1450 S. Main St.
Crown Point, IN 46307

Jerry Ross Elementary



219-663-3010
www.jerryross.cps.k12.in.us
11319 Randolph St.
Crown Point, IN 46307

Lake Street Elementary



219-663-5683
www.lake.cps.k12.in.us
475 E. Lake St.
Crown Point, IN 46307

MacArthur Elementary



219-662-3600
www.mac.cps.k12.in.us
12900 Fairbanks St.
Cedar Lake, IN 46303

Solon Robinson Elementary



219-663-2525
www.solon.cps.k12.in.us
601 Pettibone St.
Crown Point, IN 46307

Timothy Ball Elementary



219-663-0047
www.tball.cps.k12.in.us
720 Summit St.
Crown Point, IN 46307

Winfield Elementary



219-663-2287
www.winfield.cps.k12.in.us
13128 Montgomery St.
Crown Point, IN 46307

MIDDLE SCHOOLS

School Day: 7:40 am - 2:55 pm

Taft Middle School



219-663-1507
www.taft.cps.k12.in.us
5235 E. 121st Ave.
Crown Point, IN 46307

Colonel Wheeler Middle School



219-663-2173
www.wheeler.cps.k12.in.us
401 W. Joliet St.
Crown Point, IN 46307

CROWN POINT HIGH SCHOOL

School day: 7:35 am - 2:37 pm



219-663-4885
Guidance: ext. 11028
Athletics: ext. 11131
www.cphs.cps.k12.in.us
1500 S. Main St.
Crown Point, IN 46307

CPCSC EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Open 7 am - 4 pm



219-663-4330
720 Summit St.
Crown Point, IN 46307

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENTS

Open 7 am - 4 pm



Central Office: 219-663-3371
Transportation: 219-663-1465
Food Services: 219-662-6480



CPCSC SAFETY TIPLINE

Call or text: 219-306-8063

Email: 1789@alert1.us

<https://cps-k12-in.safeschoolsalert.com>

In May, Taft Middle School held its annual military appreciation event, which this year featured a meaningful piece of history from the former Taft campus. Last summer, CPCSC administration received an email from a community member to address the condition of a Vietnam memorial at the old Taft site. Upon investigation, it was discovered the memorial was installed in 1994 by Taft teachers Carol Borowski and Jim Saksa, along with their students, to honor 16 Crown Point men who gave their lives in service to our country. At that time, students researched each individual, planted trees and tulips, and held a ceremony in their memory.

Over the years, the small memorial—located near Main Street—became largely unknown, even to some local veteran leaders. To restore its visibility and honor, CPCSC worked with Mr. Saksa, Mrs. Borowski, and representatives from the Crown Point American Legion Post 20 to determine how best to preserve and relocate it. Today, the memorial sits prominently beside the Taft Middle School flagpole. Thanks to Mrs. Borowski, CPCSC digitized the photos and papers she kept to ensure better records of this important project.

During this year's event, Taft students learned about the 16 individuals listed and placed flags to pay their respects. CPCSC is proud to once again make this memorial part of Taft's tradition. Community members who wish to visit this memorial can find it at the front of the Taft building, located at 5235 E. 121st Ave.

The men listed on the memorial include:

William Ahart
James Blevins
Richard Ellsworth
David Hammett
Matthew Renner
Preston Winland

David Baum
Robert Brix
Gerald Fiegle
Thomas Hoeckelberg
Bruce Staehli

Robert Biegel
David Dluzak
Daryl Grothaus
James Pintar
Ronald Van Sessen

moving a memorial



1994

2025



Imagine a preschool where...

...curiosity is always the right answer. Hands get messy & discovery abounds. Children learn together by playing together.

Bulldog Buddies Preschool is for children ages 3-5 who live in the Crown Point Community School Corporation district. Space is limited. Visit our website for more information.

www.cps.k12.in.us/preschool





welcome! 2025-26 info

REGISTRATION

RETURNING STUDENTS

Online registration for returning students will open at 9 a.m. on Thursday, July 24, 2025. This includes kindergarten & preschool students who enrolled in the spring of 2025. New students or students who were withdrawn during the school year must follow new student procedures below. More information will be on the district's website at www.cps.k12.in.us/register.

If you are moving over the summer, you must update your address before August 7. This can be done by visiting your child's school and providing proof of address. If you submit a change of address after August 7, transportation will be available starting August 19.

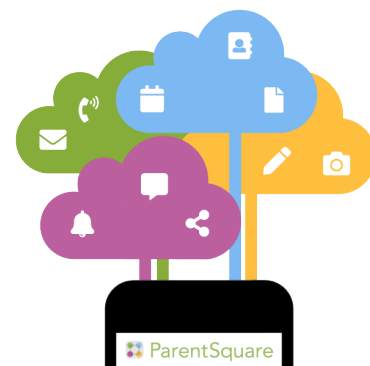
NEW STUDENTS

New elementary and middle school students can enroll by contacting their school. New middle school students will receive a call to set a scheduling appointment. New elementary students will receive an email with instructions to finalize your enrollment.

High school students new to the district may enroll at Crown Point High School throughout the summer on Mondays. An appointment is required. Call 219-663-4885, ext. 11028.

New students who enroll after Thursday, August 7 will not receive transportation services until August 19, 2025.

School Begins
**Wednesday,
August 13, 2025**



CPCSC uses ParentSquare!
Find all of your messages in one place, volunteer for events, sign permission slips, and view photos of your child's day. Download the ParentSquare app for iOS or Android. Log in with the phone number or email you provided at registration.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES Middle & high school supplies vary based on each course. Please come to school with the basics the first week (pencil/pen, paper, folders).

Most supplies for elementary students are paid for by the district. Students will also need a backpack (no wheels), pencil case, headphones or earbuds, and a reusable water bottle. A Chromebook case cover is strongly recommended. Chromebook dimensions are 12 x 9 inches.



FOOD SERVICES If your child purchases breakfast or lunch, you will need to put money in their account via My MealTime. Applications for free and reduced lunch are available in My MealTime. Lunch prices are \$2.55 for elementary, \$2.75 for middle school, and \$3.10 for high school. Find more info at www.cps.k12.in.us/food.



CHILD FIND Child Find is a program to identify, locate and evaluate all children who are suspected of having a disability. Any individual (parent, teacher, principal) who suspects a student may have a disability and could benefit from special education services should initiate a referral by contacting the building principal to share specific concerns.



CHILDCARE CPCSC offers a before/after school child care program at each elementary before school from 6-9 a.m. and after school from 3:45-6 p.m. On scheduled e-Learning days, child care will be available from 6 a.m.-6 p.m. at Solon Robinson and Jerry Ross Elementary.

Child care fees are \$9 before school each day and \$9 after school each day. On e-Learning days the fee is \$9 for up to 4 hours, \$18 between 4 and 8 hours, and \$27 for more than 8 hours. There is an annual \$10 non-refundable sign-up fee. To register for child care and to find more information about the program, visit the CPCSC website at www.cps.k12.in.us/childcare.



SCHEDULES/TEACHERS Schedules for middle and high school students will be available in PowerSchool at the end of the day on Tuesday, August 5, 2025. Teachers for elementary students will be listed in PowerSchool at the end of the day on Friday, August 8, 2025.



TRANSPORTATION Bus routes will be posted the afternoon of Monday, August 11. You must complete registration or address changes before August 7 to have transportation on the first day of school. Students who enroll or make a change of address after August 7 will have transportation starting August 19. A practice bus ride for kindergarteners will be held on August 12. More information is available at www.cps.k12.in.us/transportation.



OPEN HOUSE/BULLDOG RUSH Please see the back cover for dates of back-to-school events throughout the district. Times and more details are available on each school's website, Facebook page, and parent newsletters.



SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

The regular business meetings of the CPCSC Board of School Trustees are held the fourth Monday of the month at 6 p.m. Meetings are at the Administration Center at 1050 S. Main St. The public is invited to attend in person or watch the livestream on CPCSC's YouTube channel. Board meeting agendas and policies are available on the CPCSC website at www.cps.k12.in.us/board.

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newsletters for times and more
information about each item.**

- **July 24** - Registration opens online: www.cps.k12.in.us/register
- **August 5** - 9th grade Chromebook exchange
- **August 6** - CPHS 9th grade parent meeting. 9th grade Chromebook exchange
- **August 7** - Middle school Bulldog Rush and parent meetings (for 6th grade). CPHS new student/family orientation grades 10-12
- **August 8** - CPHS Bulldog Rush (freshmen students only)
- **August 11** - Open houses for MacArthur, Timothy Ball
- **August 12** - Open houses at Eisenhower, Jerry Ross, Lake Street, Solon Robinson, Winfield and Education Center
- **August 13** - First day of school. Welcome back!
- **August 14** - Middle school open houses at Taft and Colonel Wheeler
- **August 27** - Open house at Crown Point High School

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