



September 23, 2026

VOLUNTEERS: Are you interested in Volunteering this Year? Please attend one of the following orientation meetings. You must complete a volunteer orientation before volunteering in a classroom or chaperoning a field trip. **Please note that if you have attended an orientation in the past, you do not have to attend again.** Each orientation will begin at 8:15 am in room 114.

Visitor/Volunteer Orientation Dates:

Wednesday, September 30, 2026 at 8:15 AM

Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 8:15 AM

Tuesday, November 17, 2026 at 8:15 AM

Monday, February 8, 2027 at 8:15 AM

Thursday, March 18, 2027 at 8:15 AM

ATTENDANCE NOTES: When you have a student that will be absent, please email an absence note to the following address for Dover Air Base Middle students: DABM_Attendance@cr.k12.de.us

Welch students: WEL_Attendance@cr.k12.de.us. Please include your child's full name, teacher's name, and grade level as well as the reason for the absence in the note. It is the responsibility of the person in control of a child to send a note to school no later than 3 days following the student's return from an absence describing the reason for the absence. Any accumulated absences totaling more than 14 days per school year will be considered an unexcused absence. Attendance requests may also be submitted in the parent portal.

BREAKFAST STUDENTS: Students may enter the main door entrance by the flagpole at 7:00 AM. Those arriving later in the morning and eating breakfast will be marked tardy if they arrive late to class at 7:30 AM. All other students may enter at 7:15 AM at their designated doors. Students arriving after 7:30 AM are considered tardy and will need to be signed into school by a parent or guardian. Students do wait outside until those designated times. Please make sure they are dressed appropriately for the weather. School will dismiss at 2:30 PM. Students will exit the building at their respective doors.

DROP OFF IN THE MORNING: Parents dropping off in the morning by car are reminded to stay in their vehicles and have their child ready to exit the vehicle when they pull up. Do not get out of your car or park in the circle in the front of the building in the mornings before 7:00 AM. Parents should not be dropping children off or parking in the staff parking lots on either side of the building. Those are reserved specifically for staff members.

SECURITY: For security reasons ALL visitors must report to the main office door to gain access to the building. There is a buzzer for the main office located on the right side of the main school entrance for you to communicate with the office to gain access. Please get in the habit of bringing your driver's 98413 license with you when entering the school for identification.

NURSE AND HEALTH INFORMATION: Please notify the nurse if you have any health concerns for your students. Please turn in all required immunizations and other required health documents.

Throughout the fall, the nurse will be conducting state-mandated vision, hearing and postural screenings. Students in grades K, 2, 4 and 7, along with students new to Delaware schools, will receive vision and hearing screenings. Students in grades 5, 6, 7, and 8 will also have postural screenings. Parents will be notified if follow-up is needed.

PLEASE TURN OVER

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT: The middle school Parent Information Night is on Thursday from 5:30-7 PM. Parents will go through a shortened version of their child's schedule so please arrive at 5:30 to meet all your child's teachers.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS: Middle school students may carry a gym bag for gym class only. All other bookbags, purses, satchels, fanny packs, etc. must be left in the student's locker.

DONUTS WITH GROWN UPS: The Welch PTA is hosting Donuts with Grown Ups on October 2nd for elementary school families. Flyers will be in this week's Wednesday folder. All students will receive a donut. Grownups only need to RSVP if you want a donut too.

SPIRIT WEAR: Welch Spirit wear is available for purchase all year long! Go to <http://www.welch.spiritweardirect.com> to order!

DEPLOYMENT GROUP: If you would like your child supported in a Deployment Group when a caregiver is away, please contact your child's teacher or the MFLC directly at 302-605-2366 for a permission slip. The MFLC is also available for other support or concerns as needed.

SAVE THE DATE

September 23 rd	Boys Soccer vs Smyrna MS Home at 4 PM
September 23 rd	Girls Volleyball @ Magnolia MS at 4 PM (bus leaving at 1:45 PM)
September 24 th	Middle School Parent Information Night at 5:30-7 PM
September 24 th	Middle School Honor Society Students Helping with Open House
September 24 th	Anchored For Life (New to DE) meeting in Room 126 during lunch
September 28 th	Girls Volleyball vs Woodbridge MS Home at 4 PM
September 30 th	Volunteer Orientation @ 8:15 AM
September 30 th	Boys Soccer vs Milford MS Home at 4 PM
September 30 th	Girls Volleyball vs Fifer MS at Home at 4 PM
October 2 nd	PTA Donuts with Grownups 8-8:30 AM
October 2 nd	Middle School Dance 6-8 PM
October 2 nd -9 th	Honor Society Soctober
October 5 th	School Picture Day
October 5 th	Girls Soccer @ Smyrna MS at 4 PM (bus leaving at 1:15 PM)
October 5 th	Boys Soccer @ Chipman MS at 4 PM (bus leaving at 1:15 PM)
October 7 th	Interims Issued
October 7 th	Girls Volleyball vs Milford MS Home at 4 PM
October 7 th	Boys Soccer vs Posthlewait MS Home at 4PM
October 9 th	Rider Pride Day Party @ 1-2 PM
October 10 th	Rider Pride Day 10 AM to 1 PM
October 10 th	Rider Pride Day Welch Chorus Performance @ 10:15 AM
October 12 th	Board of Education Meeting @ PMS
October 12 th	Girls Volleyball @ Dover MS at 4 PM (bus leaving at 1:25 PM)
October 12 th	Boys Soccer @ Laurel Intermediate MS at 4 PM (bus leaving at 2 PM)
October 13 th	ABMS PTO Dine Out and Donate @ Chipotle in Camden
October 13 th	Volunteer Orientation @ 8:15 AM
October 14 th	Boys Soccer vs Campus Community Home @ 4 PM
October 15 th	Welch PTA Meeting
October 16 th	CRHS Homecoming
October 16 th	Half Day
October 16 th	CRHS Homecoming parade
October 19 th	Boys Soccer vs Woodbridge MS Home at 4 PM
October 19 th	Girls Volleyball @ Chipman MS at 4 PM (bus leaving at 1:15 PM)
October 20 th	ABMS PTO Meeting