

Center Moriches School District



2019-2020

Mission Statement of the Center Moriches School District

Enriched by our diversity, the Center Moriches School District, in partnership with parents and the community, strives to provide a supportive, nurturing, and innovative learning environment. Our aim is to develop in young people a love of learning, self-confidence, and respect for others. We seek to promote critical thinking and individual excellence for all students through academic achievement, physical and emotional wellness, and social responsibility.

2019-2020 Board of Education

George Maxwell, President
(term expires June 30, 2021)
Danielle Dench, Vice-President
(term expires June 30, 2020)
Marcus Babzien, Trustee
(term expires June 30, 2022)
Joshua P. Foster, Trustee
(term expires June 30, 2020)
Thomas Kelly, Trustee
(term expires June 30, 2022)

Patricia Galietta, *District Clerk*
Diane M. Smith, *District Treasurer*
Guercio and Guercio, LLP
School Attorneys

The five member Board of Education, elected by the people and serving without salary, is responsible for district policy development and management. Each member is elected for a three-year term. Elections are held in May at the same time as the annual school budget vote.



Board of Education 2019 - 2020
Pictured front row: Joshua P. Foster, Thomas Kelly, Marcus Babzien
Standing: George Maxwell, Danielle Dench

District Office Administration

Dr. Ronald M. Masera, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Raina Ingoglia, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, Data Coordination and Buildings/Grounds
Mr. Ricardo Soto, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services, Personnel and Instructional Technology
Ms. Keri Loughlin, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Ms. Linda Greening, Director of Guidance, Middle School Assistant Principal, and Coordinator of Grants
Mr. Jeremy Thode, Director of Health, Physical Education, Business, Fine & Applied Arts and Athletics

Important Board of Education Dates

- August 28, 2019 - Meeting
- September 11, 2019 - Meeting
- September 25, 2019 - Meeting
- October 16, 2019 - BOE Appreciation Meeting
- November 13, 2019 - Meeting
- December 11, 2019 - Meeting
- January 15, 2020 - Meeting
- January 29, 2020 - Meeting
- February 12, 2020 - Meeting
- March 11, 2020 - Meeting
- March 25, 2020 - Meeting
- April 15, 2020 – Meeting – Budget Adoption
- April 21, 2020 - Meeting
- May 6, 2020 - Budget Hearing Meeting
- May 19, 2020 - Budget Vote & Trustee Election
- May 19, 2020 - Meeting
- June 17, 2020 - Meeting

District Supervisory Support Staff

Mrs. Irene Marie Navas, Reservation Community Liaison, Coordinator of Native American Education
Mr. William Nofi, Network & Systems Administrator
Mr. Jose E. Paltan, Supervisor of Grounds
Mr. William Thompson, Maintenance Supervisor
Mr. Joseph Townsend, Security Coordinator and Supervisor
Mr. Brian Von Braunsberg, Coordinator of Custodial Services

Center Moriches UFSD
District Office
529 Main Street
Center Moriches, NY 11934
631-878-0052
Fax # 631-878-4326
www.cmschools.org

**Clayton Huey
Elementary School
511 Main Street
Center Moriches, NY 11934
631-878-9780
Fax # 631-878-0238
(Grades K – 5)
School Hours:
9:00 am – 3:15 pm**

**Clayton Huey Elementary
School Directory**

Mr. Dennis Ricci, Principal
Assistant Principal - To Be Announced

Ms. Christine Schmutzler, School Nurse, ext. 120
Ms. Katharine Cunningham,
School Psychologist, ext. 339
Dr. Sherri Thomas, School Psychologist, ext. 341

**Center Moriches Middle School
311 Frowein Road
Center Moriches, NY 11934
631-878-2519
Fax # 631-878-0362
(Grades 6 – 8)
School Hours:
7:20 am – 8:01 am Band/Chorus
8:04 am – 2:30 pm**

**Center Moriches Middle
School Directory**

Dr. Melissa L. Reggio, Principal
Ms. Linda Greening, Director of Guidance,
Middle School Assistant Principal

Mr. Glenn Pepe, Guidance Counselor, ext. 264
Ms. Sefika Dimaggio, School Nurse, ext. 221
Ms. Courtney Fabian, Social Worker, ext. 272
Ms. Lynda Trujillo, School Psychologist, ext. 217

**Center Moriches High School
311 Frowein Road
Center Moriches, NY 11934
631-878-0092
Fax # 631-878-1796
(Grades 9 – 12)
School Hours:
7:20 am – 2:25 pm*
*includes extra-help period**

Center Moriches High School Directory

Mr. Edward Casswell, Principal
Mr. Jeremy Thode, Associate Principal

Guidance Office, ext. 243
Ms. Lisa Hession, Guidance Counselor
Mr. Henry Mack, Guidance Counselor
Ms. Nina Marino, Guidance Counselor

Ms. Sefika Dimaggio, School Nurse, ext. 221
Ms. Courtney Fabian, Social Worker, ext. 272
Ms. Lynda Trujillo, School Psychologist, ext. 217

Center Moriches PTA

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CMPTABoard@gmail.com

Ms. Maria Cipolla, President
Ms. Vickie Brockmann, Vice President
Ms. Shaquille Magee, Vice President
Mrs. Lisa Marrin, Vice President
Ms. Christine Curley, Treasurer
Ms. Dawn Russo, Recording Secretary
Ms. Gina Benzie, Corresponding Secretary

Center Moriches SEPTA

Email contact:
CMSepta16@gmail.com

Mrs. Sarah Baldock, President
Mr. Kevin Gwinn, Vice President
Mrs. Lori Gwinn, 2nd Vice President
Mrs. Tracy Sigerson, Treasurer
Mrs. Sandra Larsen, Secretary

Red Devil Pride Club

**The Center Moriches
Athletic Booster Club**

Email Contact:
CMABC@optonline.net

Mrs. Stacy Hermsdorf, President
Mrs. Lisa Castellano, Vice President
Ms. Loriann Patanjo, Treasurer
Mrs. Corinne Bernath, Secretary
Mrs. Danielle Raimondi, Membership
Chairperson

Emergency School Closings

When extremely hazardous weather conditions threaten, schools may be closed for any part of the entire day. The decision always will be based on potential hazards that students, parents and staff will be exposed to by being in cars and buses or on the streets.

For early dismissals, visit our website at www.cmschools.org. A Connect-Ed telephone call will be made to each student household as soon as practicable following the decision.

Announcements concerning our action will be made on:

NEWS OUTLETS

News 12 Long Island
www.news12.com
www.walkradio.com

RADIO

WBLI 106.1 FM
 WALK 97.5 FM



New York State High School Traditional Diploma Pathways

	Regents Diploma (22 credits & 5 exams)	Advanced Regents Diploma (22 credits & 8 Regents Exams)
English	4 credits, 1 exam	4 credits, 1 exam
Social Studies	4 credits, 2 exams	4 credits, 2 exams
Mathematics	3 credits, 1 exam	3 credits, 3 exams
Science	3 credits, 1 exam	3 credits, 2 exams
L.O.T.E.	1 credit	3 credits, 1 exam
Health	.5 credits	.5 credits
Art or Music	1 credit	1 credit
Physical Education	2 credits	2 credits
Electives	3.5 credits	1.5 credits
TOTAL REQUIRED	22 CREDITS	22 CREDITS

For additional information on graduation pathways, please visit:
<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/gradreq/2015GradReq11-15.pdf>

Special Education Safety Net: To earn a Regents diploma, students must take and pass the required course work and five required Regents examinations with grades of 65 or higher (English, Math, Global History, U.S. History and Government and Science). Students with disabilities can earn a *local diploma* by satisfying any one of two options:

1. Achieve a 55-64 score: The student obtains only a score of 55-64 on one or more of the required Regents examinations.
2. Compensate for a 45-54 score: A student that scores at least a 55 on the English and Math Regents examinations can compensate a score of 45-54 on any other Regents exam with a score of 65 or higher on separate Regents examinations, and meets additional school attendance and course grade requirements.

Our guidance department works with individual students and their parents to plan a rigorous and academically challenging program for each student to best prepare them for higher education and the work world. Please feel free to contact the guidance department at the Middle School or High School for further information at 631-878-0092.

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AUGUST 2019

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18	19 V/JV Football 1st Day of Practice	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 HS Fall Sports 1st Day of Practice PTA Kindergarten Buddies CH Playground 6 pm - 7 pm	27 PTA School Supply Pick Up HS 5 pm - 8 pm Grade 6 Orientation HS Auditorium 6 pm	28 Grade 9 Orientation HS LGI 10 am "Survive the Drive" HS LGI 7 pm Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm	29 Staff Conference Day	30	31

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SEPTEMBER 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 SCHOOLS CLOSED Labor Day	3 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL MS Fall Sports 1st Day of Practice	4	5 RDPC Meeting HS Library 7 pm	6	7
8	9	10	11 Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm	12 CH Open House Gr. 3-5 6 pm - 7:15 pm	13 HS Course Add/Drop Deadline Sports Physicals HS 8 am HS Homecoming Pep Rally	14 Homecoming Parade 9 am Homecoming Bonfire 8:30 pm
15	16 Senior Picture Make-Up Day PTA Charleston Fundraiser Starts MS/HS Fall Mandatory Athlete/Parent Meeting 7 pm	17 Senior Picture Make-Up Day PTA Morning Meet & Greet 9:30 am - 10:30 am PTA/SEPTA Meeting 7:30 pm	18	19 CH Open House Gr. K-2 6 pm - 7:15 pm	20	21 RDPC Athletic Car Wash CH Busloop
22	23 MS Open House 7 pm - 9 pm	24 "Survive the Drive" HS LGI 7 pm	25 Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm	26 MS/HS Picture Day Senior College Application Night	27 MS/HS Picture Day PTA Charleston Fundraiser Ends	28
29	30 SCHOOLS CLOSED Rosh Hashanah			Note: Dates may change; verify details before an event by calling the school or logging onto the district's website at www.cmschools.org		

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>To avoid interruption of current free/reduced lunch eligibility, applications must be submitted by October 18.</p>		<p>1</p> <p>SCHOOLS CLOSED Rosh Hashanah</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>CH Book Fair Family Night 6 pm - 8 pm</p> <p>HS Open House 6:30 pm - 9 PM</p> <p>← CH PTA Book Fair →</p>	<p>4</p> <p>MS/HS 1st Quarter Halfway Point</p>	<p>5</p> <p>SAT Exam</p>
	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>SCHOOLS CLOSED Yom Kippur</p>	<p>10</p> <p>RDPC Meeting HS Library 7 pm</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>SCHOOLS CLOSED Columbus Day</p>	<p>15</p> <p>PTA/SEPTA Meeting 7:30 pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>HS PSAT Exam</p> <p>HS Financial Aid Night 7 pm</p> <p>Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Fall College Fair 12:30 pm - 2 pm</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>CH Picture Day Gr. K-2</p>	<p>22</p> <p>CH Picture Day Gr. 3-5</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Social Studies Honor Society Induction 6 pm</p> <p>English Honor Society Induction 7 pm</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>SCMEA PEAK Festival</p>
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					1 SCMEA Tuba Day	2 SAT Exam
3 Daylight Saving Time Ends	4 MS Early Winter Sports 1st Day of Practice National Honor Society Induction 6 pm	5 Staff Conference Day No School for Students	6 NYSCAME All-County	7	8 Sports Physicals HS 8 am MS/HS 1st Quarter Ends	9
10	11 SCHOOLS CLOSED Veterans Day	12 MS/HS Picture Make-Up Day HS Winter Sports 1st Day of Practice	13 Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm	14 RDPC Meeting HS Library 7 pm NYSCAME All-County	15 MS/HS 1st Quarter Report Cards Posted NYSCAME All-County	16 Senior Class Chinese Auction Holiday Bazaar HS Gym 5:30 pm
17	18 MS/HS Winter Mandatory Athlete/Parent Meeting 7 pm	19 Grade 6 Frost Valley Parent Meeting 6 pm Grade 8 Washington DC Parent Meeting 6:45 pm PTA/SEPTA Meeting 7:30 pm	20	21	22	23
24	25 CH Parent/Teacher Conference Night 5 pm - 9 pm	26 MS/HS Parent/Teacher Conference Night 5 pm - 9 pm	27 Parent/Teacher Conferences No School for Students	28 SCHOOLS CLOSED Thanksgiving	29 SCHOOLS CLOSED	30
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1	2 College Applications Due to Guidance	3 CH Picture Make-Up Day	4	5 NYSSMA All State	6 CH End of First Trimester NYSSMA All-State	7 SAT Exam NYSSMA All-State
8 NYSSMA All-State	9 CH Winter Holiday Concert Gr. 4 - 6 pm Gr. 5 - 7:30 pm	10 CH Winter Caroling	11 Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm	12	13 CH Report Cards Distributed MS/HS 2nd Quarter Halfway Point	14 Parade of Lights
			← CH PTA Holiday Boutique →			
15	16 PTA Holiday Meeting HS Cafe 7 pm	17 CH Family Movie Night	18 MS Holiday Concert 7 pm	19 MS In-School Concert HS Holiday Concert 7 pm	20 CH In-School Concert Secondary Music Dept. Holiday Tour	21
22	23 SCHOOLS CLOSED	24 SCHOOLS CLOSED	25 SCHOOLS CLOSED Christmas Day	26 SCHOOLS CLOSED	27 SCHOOLS CLOSED	28
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29	30 SCHOOLS CLOSED	31 SCHOOLS CLOSED				
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			1 SCHOOLS CLOSED New Year's Day	2 SCHOOLS CLOSED	3 SCHOOLS CLOSED	4
			← Winter Recess →			
5	6	7	8	9 RDPC Meeting HS Library 7 pm	10 Harlem Wizards Game HS Gym 7 pm	11 MS HMEA
12	13 NYSSMA Forms Available	14 "Survive the Drive" HS LGI 7 pm	15 Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm	16 Incoming 9th Grade Orientation HS Auditorium 7 pm	17 MS HMEA SCMEA Day of Horn	18 MS HMEA
19	20 SCHOOLS CLOSED Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	21 MS Late Winter Sports 1st Day of Practice PTA/SEPTA Meeting 7:30 pm	22	23	24 MS/HS 2nd Quarter Ends MS Musical	25 HS SCMEA MS Musical
		← HS Regents Exams →				
26	27 MS/HS 2nd Semester Begins	28	29 Board of Education Budget Workshop #1 7:30 pm	30	31 HS Course Add/Drop Deadline - 2nd Semester HS HMEA MS/HS 2nd Quarter Report Cards Posted	NYS TAX CODE FOR Center Moriches School District is: 096

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FEBRUARY 2020

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Universal Pre-K Pre-registration Application for Lottery must be completed and submitted by 3 pm on February 14, 2020						1 HS HMEA
2	3	4	5	6 College Information Night 7 pm	7	8
9	10	11 CH Family Craft Night PTA/SEPTA Meeting 7:30 pm	12 UPK Pre-Registration District Office 9 am-3 pm Board of Education Budget Workshop #2 & Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm	13 UPK Pre-Registration District Office 9 am - 3 pm & 7 pm - 8 pm RDPC Meeting HS Library 7 pm	14 Sports Physicals HS 8 am Universal Pre-K Application Due by 3 pm District Office NYSSMA Piano Registration Deadline	15
16	17 SCHOOLS CLOSED Presidents' Day	18 SCHOOLS CLOSED	19 SCHOOLS CLOSED Mid-Winter Recess	20 SCHOOLS CLOSED	21 SCHOOLS CLOSED	22
23	24	25 Universal Pre-K Lottery District Office 7 pm	26	27	28 NYSSMA Registration Deadline HS Musical	29 HS Musical

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1 HS Musical	2	3	4	5	6 MS/HS 3rd Quarter Halfway Point MS/HS NYSBDA Symposium	7 SCMEA Rehearsals MS/HS NYSBDA Symposium
8 Daylight Saving Time Begins MS/HS NYSBDA Symposium	9 PTA Blood Drive 11 am - 7 pm HS Spring Sports 1st Day of Practice	10 CH Spring Pictures Gr. K-5 PTA/SEPTA Meeting 7:30 pm	11 Board of Education Budget Workshop #3 7:30 pm	12 RDPC Meeting HS Library 7 pm	13 SCMEA Rehearsals	14 SAT Exam SCMEA Rehearsals SCMEA Division III Concert
15 St. Patrick's Day Parade SCMEA Div. I & II Concerts	16	17	18	19	20	21 SCMEA Recorder Festival
22	23 MS Spring Sports 1st Day of Practice CH End of 2nd Trimester MS/HS Spring Mandatory Athlete/Parent Meeting 7 pm	24	25 Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm	26 Jazz Concert & Pasta Night ← NYS ELA Exam Grades 3-8 →	27	28 Underclassmen Chinese Auction HS Gym
29	30	31 Spring College Fair 10 am - 11:30 am CH Report Cards Distributed LIU Post Band Festival		PTA SPRING BOOK FAIR IS COMING SOON! Check the Center Moriches PTA Facebook page for updates!		DEADLINE FOR BUSING APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL IS APRIL 1.

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			1 CH Spring Drama Club Performance 6 pm	2 LIU Post Band Festival	3 MS/HS 3rd Quarter Ends LIU Post Band Festival	4
5	6 SCHOOLS CLOSED	7 SCHOOLS CLOSED	8 SCHOOLS CLOSED	9 SCHOOLS CLOSED	10 SCHOOLS CLOSED	11
	← Spring Recess →					
12	13 NYSSMA Piano Festival FIRST RETURNED UNUSED SNOW DAY	14 NYSSMA Piano Festival PTA/SEPTA Meeting 8 pm	15 NYSSMA Piano Festival Board of Education Budget Workshop #4 & Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm	16 Kindergarten Registration District Office 9 am - 3 pm & 7 pm - 8 pm RDPC Meeting HS Library 7 pm NYSSMA Piano Festival Music in the Parks	17 Kindergarten Registration District Office 9am - 3 pm MS/HS 3rd Quarter Report Card Posted Music in the Parks	18 High School Music in the Parks
19	20 Technology Honor Society Induction 7 pm	21 Board of Education Meeting TBD	22	23 Science Honor Society Induction 6:30 pm Math Honor Society Induction 7:30 pm	24 RDPC Springfest	25
		← NYS Math Exam Grades 3-8 →				
26	27	28 Tri-M Honor Society Induction & Recital	29	30 French & Spanish Honor Society Induction 7 pm		

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MAY 2020

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	NOTE: Dates may change; verify details before an event by calling the school or logging onto the district's website at www.cmschools.org		Last day to register for the school election is May 14, 2020 Contact the District Clerk for details		1 Music in the Parks	2 SAT Exam
3	4 PTA Staff Appreciation Lunch HS Advanced Placement Exams Begin NYSSMA Solo Festival	5	6 PTA Plant Sale Pre-Sale Pick Up Annual Budget Hearing & Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm	7 PTA Plant Sale Grade 6 Frost Valley Trip	8 Sports Physicals HS 8 am PTA Plant Sale	9
10	11	12 PTA Meeting 7 pm PTA Meet the BOE Candidates HS LGI Room 7:30 pm	13 MS Spring Concert & Art Show 7 pm	14 RDPC Meeting HS Library 7 pm	15 HS Advanced Placement Exams Conclude MS/HS 4th Quarter Halfway Point	16
17 PTA Car Show	18 CH Spring Concert Grade 4 — 6 pm Grade 5 — 7:30 pm	19 BUDGET VOTE 7 am - 9 pm Clayton Huey CH Chamber Music & Art Show Board of Education Meeting 9:30 pm @ Main Street Gym	20 Grade 8 Washington, DC Trip	21 CH In-School Concert	22 THIRD RETURNED UNUSED SNOW DAY	23
24	25 SCHOOLS CLOSED Memorial Day Parade	26	27 JV Sports Awards	28 HS Spring Concert & Art Show 7 pm	29 NYSSMA All State	30 NYSSMA All State
31 PTA Car Show Rain Date		SECOND RETURNED UNUSED SNOW DAY		NYS Science Performance Assessment Gr. 4 & 8		

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JUNE 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 NYS Gr. 4 & 8 Science Written Exam	2 U.S. History Regents Exam PTA/SEPTA Meeting 7:30 pm Kindergarten Orientation	3 Varsity Sports Awards Dinner	4	5 Music in the Parks LI Music Festival CH CH STEAM Day	6 SAT Exam
7	8 NJHS Induction Ceremony	9 Senior Awards Night 7 pm	10	11 RDPC Meeting HS Library 7 pm	12 Last day of MS/HS Regular Classes CH Field Day Celebration MS 8th Grade Dance 7 - 9 pm	13
14	15 CH Flag Day Celebration PTA Volunteer Dinner HS Café 7 pm	16	17 Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm	18	19 Kindergarten Celebration CH End of 3rd Trimester	20
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21	22 CH Grade 5 Moving Up Ceremony 7 pm	23	24 MS Grade 8 Moving Up Ceremony 7 pm CH Early Dismissal	25 Pre-Prom & Prom CH Early Dismissal	26 MS/HS Report Cards Posted CH Early Dismissal	27 High School Graduation 10 am
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District Programs for Student Success

UNIVERSAL PRE-KINDERGARTEN

Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) programs provide high-quality instruction to prepare Center Moriches children for elementary school. Center Moriches Schools provides a free UPK program that is completely grant funded by the New York State Education Department. Our program serves Center Moriches children who turn 4 years old on or before December 1st and are not age eligible for Kindergarten. Applications for next year's program will be mailed to all households in early January. Please check the calendar for the application deadline. If you haven't received your application by the third week in January, please call 631-878-0052 for an application. All applications received prior to the deadline will be put into a lottery for placement in one of our Community Based UPK sites. You need not be present to be selected and selection is completely random.



SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Center Moriches is committed to providing opportunities for all of our students to be successful, productive members of society. In order to meet the needs of students with disabilities, the district provides a continuum of services in the least restrictive environment as per Federal IDEA mandates. Pre-schoolers with disabilities are referred to the Committee on Pre-school Special Education (CPSE). Services for identified school aged students begin with a referral to the Committee on Special Education. Services are tailored to meet the individual student's academic needs. Call Mr. Ricardo Soto, for more information at 631-878-0052.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS (ELL) IN THE ENGLISH AS A NEW LANGUAGE PROGRAM (ENL)

To assist the academic development of our students whose primary language is not English, the district provides the federally-mandated Limited English Proficiency/English Language Learner program. This program services students whose proficiency ranges from beginning to transitional. Pursuant to NCLB regulations, parents or guardians will be notified of their child's placement in an LEP/ELL program within 30 days of the start of the school year, or within two weeks of placement if the child was not identified as limited English proficient before the start of the school year. Parents will also be notified within 30 days of any failure of their child to meet annual measurable objectives relating to the development and attainment of English Language Proficiency as measured during the annual administration of the NYSESLAT examination.

C.H.A.M.P. – SCHOOL AGED CHILD BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM

The Center Moriches School District's Before and After School Program will begin on September 3, 2019. This program is offered at an additional fee. The before care hours are 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. The aftercare hours are 3:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Children must be picked up no later than 5:30 p.m. Arts and crafts, computers, indoor and outdoor play, homework, quiet time, and a daily nutritious snack will be offered.

PARENT eSCHOOL PORTAL

Parents are now able to get real-time information on their children as they go through their school day. Schedules, bus routes, attendance, and grading information is available online for all middle school and high school students through eSchool, our student management system. To create an account, please access our Center Moriches website. Contact Mrs. Leslie Murray for more information at 631-878-0052, ext. 331.

INTERNET ACCESS

Periodically, students will need access to the internet for scholastic purposes. Before gaining access to the district network, students are required to sign a network use agreement. If you do not want your child to have access to the Internet at school, please send a letter to "opt out" of internet and network access to the Office of the Superintendent.

News and Notices

TITLE IX OFFICER

The Center Moriches School District hereby advises parents, students, employees and the general public that it offers employment and educational opportunities, including vocational educational opportunities, without regard to gender, race, national origin, or handicap. Inquiries regarding this policy may be directed to Mr. Ricardo Soto, 631-878-0052.

NOTICE TO HEARING – IMPAIRED PARENTS

In meeting the needs of hearing-impaired parents, the district is required to provide the services of a language interpreter for pertinent conferences and meetings. This service must be requested in advance by calling the Superintendent of Schools at 631-878-0052.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Center Moriches School District and each school maintains an Emergency Management Plan to ensure the safety and health of students and staff. The plan has four primary emergency response actions, which are related to students, staff and facilities: school cancellation, early dismissal, evacuation and sheltering. Staff, emergency personnel, law enforcement officials, and consultants recognized as experts in this field jointly developed the plan.

SMOKING IS PROHIBITED: IT IS THE LAW!

It is the law that there is no smoking allowed on school grounds or in any building of the school district at any time (including parking lots & athletic fields). This applies to staff and students as well as visitors. Students who smoke on school grounds are subject to in-school or out-of-school suspension for up to five days.

FAMILY EDUCATION RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

Students' parents and eligible students (age 18 or enrolled in a post-secondary school) have the right to inspect and review the student's educational records. The intent of the Center Moriches School District is to limit the disclosure of information contained in a student's educational records except:

- by the written consent of the student's parent or eligible student,
- as directory information, or
- under certain circumstances as permitted by FERPA.

PESTICIDE NOTIFICATION

All students, persons in parental relation, and staff are advised that pesticide applications may take place during the school year. For further information, please contact Mr. Jose Paltan, Supervisor of Grounds, at 631-878-0052.

If you would like to register for written notification of pesticide applications, please forward your request to: Ms. Keri Loughlin, Assistant Superintendent for School Business, 529 Main Street, Center Moriches, NY 11934.

ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN

As per 40 CFR Part 763.93, the AHERA Management Plan has been updated accordingly with the most recent Triennial Reinspection, Periodic Surveillance, Sampling and Analysis and Response Actions. Please consider this the annual notification that these documents are available for review upon request from the District's Buildings & Grounds Office. For further information, please contact Mr. William Thompson, Maintenance Supervisor, at 631-878-0052.

SEX OFFENDERS NOTIFICATIONS

In order to provide parents/guardians and residents with information concerning convicted sex offenders who are living or working in this district, our school district participates in a no-cost sex offender alert notification program. Parents for Megans' Law (PFML) will email district residents who have registered, informing them of any new sex offender's presence and direct them to their website where they can access a full copy of the notifications. If you have not already registered to receive sex offender notifications, please contact the "Parents for Megans" Law helpline at 631-689-2672 or go to their website at www.parentsformeganslaw.com and click on the "Email Alert Program" link.

DIGNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS ACT

In accordance with the New York State Dignity Act (effective July 1, 2012) and New York State Education Law (Article 2, Section 801), the Board of Education recognizes that all students in the Center Moriches School District are to be provided an environment free of discrimination and harassment. This applies to incidents on school property, in a school building, athletic playing field, playground, parking lot, and/or school bus. Additionally, it applies to school sponsored functions (school sponsored extracurricular events or activities). The Board of Education will appoint and train one employee as a Dignity Act Coordinator accessible to students and other employees for consultation and advice as needed.

For more information, please contact Mr. Jeremy Thode, the District-wide DASA Coordinator, at 631-878-0052.

Policies and Procedures

CHILD-LIKENESS OPT OUT POLICY

During the course of educational practices, there are times when the Center Moriches School District may produce or participate in television, videotape, motion picture, audio recordings, web site, and still photograph productions that may use your child's name, likeness, or voice. Such production may be used for educational purposes and may be copyrighted, edited, and distributed by the CMSD. You have the right to opt out if you do not want your child's image, name, or voice featured in such productions. CMSD does not control the disclosure or use of photographs or video taken by participants at events that are open to parents, community members, and/or the media. These activities and events include, but are not limited to, school performances, graduation and awards ceremonies, class parties, and athletic events. To the extent that CMSD controls media access during school hours, it will deny the media access to photograph, videotape, or broadcast likenesses of any student whose parents have selected to opt out. Regardless of whether you select to opt out, your child may be photographed or videotaped by CMSD staff members or by vendors working for CMSD for use within the district for education-related activities, for example, student identification pictures or videotapes of classroom activity used for teacher training or student evaluation purposes. If you want to opt out, please send your notarized request, in writing to the Superintendent's Office prior to the beginning of the school year. You must renew your opt out request each school year.

STANDARDIZED TESTING

The New York State Board of Regents has adopted state-wide next generation learning standards for all students. Assessments have been developed in three core areas to allow students to demonstrate their level of proficiency on these standards. All students in Grades 3-8 will be assessed in English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics. Grades 4 and 8 will also be assessed in science.

STUDENT CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PREMISES

Each building principal is responsible for the enforcement of student conduct in his/her school during the school day. He/She may suspend students for infractions of the Code of Conduct for up to five days. See school handbooks for rules governing conduct on school premises.

SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION REGULATIONS

The district strives to provide safe and efficient transportation in buses where the atmosphere is pleasant and safe. To make this possible, you are asked to review these rules and regulations. Student cooperation will serve to assure the safety and comfort of all our student passengers. Students should be at the bus stop 5 minutes prior to scheduled pick-up time. The driver is the authority on the bus – students are responsible for following the directions of the driver.

PROHIBITED BEHAVIORS:

- Rude, annoying or unacceptable language,
- Loud talking, yelling or screaming,
- Eating, drinking, littering or smoking,
- Disorderly conduct: Pushing, shoving, fighting, standing or changing seats without permission of driver,

- Possessing illicit or illegal substances, and
- Opening windows, extending any part of the body outside the bus, or throwing objects out of the bus.

Penalties for failure to obey regulations can result in bus privileges being suspended. Parents are responsible for providing transportation when bus privileges have been suspended.



FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

The Center Moriches School District values the partnership of home and school as a way to ensure student success. As such, the district is committed to making certain that parents are afforded multiple opportunities to be involved in their child(ren)'s education. The Family Engagement Plan invites parents to play an integral role in assisting their child's learning; to be actively involved in their child's education at school and to be included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child. To encourage active participation the district:

- ✓ Invites all parents to serve on Board of Education committees;
- ✓ Invites all parents to serve on each building's Site-Based Management Team;
- ✓ Publishes the dates and times of public Board of Education meetings; and
- ✓ Invites all parents to evaluate and, if necessary, revise this plan.

Policies and Procedures (continued)

THE EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT (ESSA)

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) provides federal funds to improve elementary and secondary education in the nation's schools. ESSA requires states and Local Educational Agencies (i.e., school districts and charter schools) to take a variety of actions to ensure that all children, regardless of race, socioeconomic status, gender, disability status, primary language, or ZIP code, receive the education that they need to be prepared for success in postsecondary education, careers, and citizenship. ESSA includes many provisions that will help to ensure success for all students and all schools.

Below are just a few:

- Advances equity by upholding critical protections for all students.
- Requires that all students be taught to high academic standards that will prepare students to succeed in college and careers, and that all students be assessed on these standards to provide important information to educators, families, students, and communities.
- Maintains an expectation that there will be accountability, support, and action to create positive change in all our schools, including our lowest-performing schools.
- Provides for culturally responsive instruction and other services to students, parents, school employees, and community members.

<http://www.nysed.gov/common/nysed/files/programs/essa/nys-essa-plan-summary.pdf>
<http://www.nysed.gov/essa/fact-sheets>

STATE ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT REPORTING

Parents have the right to know their own child's performance on State academic assessments. This information is individually mailed home to

households, following all FERPA guidelines, as soon as practicable once this information is released by NYSED.

ACADEMIC INTERVENTION SERVICES

Students who are not making adequate yearly progress in their academic subjects are provided, by law, with additional assistance targeted to increase success.

RELEASE OF STUDENT RECORDS & FERPA

School districts may disclose appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent, unless you have advised the Superintendent to the contrary in accordance with district policy. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow the Center Moriches School District to include this type of information from your child's education records in certain school and district publications. Examples include:

- A playbill, showing your student's role in a drama production;
- The annual yearbook;
- Honor roll or other recognition lists;
- Photo and caption on the school's or district's webpage;
- Graduation, choir, band, programs; and Sports activity sheets/programs

Directory information, which is information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, can also be disclosed to outside organizations without a parent's prior written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to, companies that manufacture class rings or publish yearbooks. In addition, two federal laws require school districts receiving federal funding to provide military recruiters, upon request, with the following information—names, addresses, and telephone listings— unless parents have advised us they do not want their student's

information released without prior, written consent. Either opt-out request must be made in writing to the Superintendent prior to the beginning of the school year.

EDUCATION OF HOMELESS CHILDREN

All children who have been designated homeless will be provided with a free appropriate public education that keeps the child in the school of origin except when doing so is contrary to the wishes of the child's parent or guardian. Please contact Social Worker, Mrs. Courtney Fabian, 631-878-0052 ext. 272.

DISTRICT ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

All teachers and principals are annually evaluated as mandated by the New York State Education Department. Our current APPR can be found on our website.

NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

Requests for transportation to private/parochial schools must, by State law, be received at District Office no later than April 1st each year. Requests will not be honored unless proof of residency is supplied in accordance with school registration documentation.

SCHOOL FACILITIES

Community groups in the district may use school buildings and grounds for meetings and sports activities when they are not in use for school purposes. Applications must be made at least 30 days in advance. Applications and copies of the regulations governing the use of school facilities may be obtained from the Business Office. Fees charged for facilities use are established by Board of Education policy.

Residency and Registration

Children 5-21 years of age are eligible for enrollment in the Center Moriches Union Free School District. The child must be a resident domiciled within the boundaries of the Center Moriches School District.

Listed below is a checklist of registration items that are required for a child to be admitted to our school district:

- a. Proof of Residency – The Center Moriches School District requires **three** proofs of residency in order to register a student. The following are the only acceptable proofs of residency:

For Homeowners:

- o Deed to house
- o Town of Brookhaven – Statement of Taxes
- o Mortgage Statement
- o Closing documents
- o Homeowner’s insurance policy
- o PSEGLI, Keyspan or telephone bill (cell phone bill not acceptable)
- o Suffolk County Water Authority Bill
- o Driver’s license
- o Voter registration
- o Employment pay stub (no P.O. Box acceptable)

For Renters:

- o Rental/ Lease agreement (notarized) included with a copy of Town of Brookhaven tax statement in landlord’s name

Plus two additional proofs:

- o Renter’s insurance policy
- o PSEGLI, Keyspan or telephone bill (cell phone bill not acceptable)
- o Suffolk County Water Authority Bill
- o Driver’s license
- o Voter registration
- o Employment pay stub (no P.O. Box acceptable)

- b. Birth certificate, passport, or baptismal certificate

- c. Physical Examination Form

New York State Education Department requires a physical exam for new entrants and students in Grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7 9 & 11; annually for interscholastic sports; and working papers as needed; or as required by the Committee on Special Education (CSE) or Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE). This examination must be administered by a New York State licensed physician and dated within 12 months of the first day of school.

- d. Immunization Record

Under Section 2164 of the New York State Public Health Law, no child shall be admitted to school without satisfactory written evidence that the student has been immunized. New York State laws prohibit us from admitting students into our schools who have not received at least one of each of the required immunizations:

Grade K – 12

- 3 doses of diphtheria toxoid-containing vaccine and pertussis
- 3 doses of polio (IPV, OPV or any combination of IPV and OPV)
- 2 doses of measles
- 1 dose of mumps and rubella
- 3 doses of hepatitis B (Hep B)
- 1 dose of varicella (chicken pox) for students born on or after 01/01/1998 AND for students born on or after 01/01/1994 entering, repeating, or transferring into the 6th grade and students in gradeless classes born on or after 01/01/1994 and age equivalent of the 6th grade
- 3 doses of Haemophilus influenza type b (Hib) if less than 15 months of age or 1 dose administered on or after 15 months of age
- 4 doses of pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV) born on or after 01/01/2008

Registration and/or inquiries handled by: Mrs. Leslie Murray, Registrar, Center Moriches Schools, 529 Main Street, Center Moriches, NY, 631-878-0052, Ext. 331.

The Superintendent or the Superintendent’s designee shall make decisions regarding whether or not a student has the right to attend the Center Moriches Schools based on the student’s current residency and/or custodial parent student association.

Registration, Screening and Attendance

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The child to be registered for kindergarten must be five years of age on or before December 1 of the school year of entry. Registration will be held at the Clayton Huey Elementary School in the spring. A birth certificate and three (3) proofs of residency are required to be shown at the time of registration. Prior to admission to kindergarten, the following requirements (and proof thereof) must be met: a physical and dental examination; immunization for polio, rubella, measles, diphtheria, mumps; Hepatitis B, chicken pox (Varicella) vaccine and other medical history. The Clayton Huey Elementary School will provide parents with complete information concerning kindergarten registration, date, and time of registration.

SCREENING

Commissioner's Regulations require local districts to screen all new entrants to determine those students that may be possibly gifted or may have a disability. New entrants include students entering kindergarten, students entering a public school for the first time, and students re-entering a public school with no available records. New entry students are also screened to determine if they are limited English proficient.

STUDENT ABSENCE

In order to derive maximum benefit from educational opportunities, it is important for students to attend all class sessions to receive the information and material presented. The students' educational growth and development is weakened by prolonged or frequent disruptions.

The district attendance policy permits an excused absence from school for the following reasons only:

- Sickness
- Medical appointments
- Appointments at health clinics
- Required to be in court
- Approved college visits
- Death in Family
- Dental appointments
- Quarantine
- Religious observance

- School-sponsored experiences/trips pre-approved by the building principal or his/her designee
- Administrative Approval/Emergency Situations covers unexpected events, which keep a student from attendance. These cases will be considered individually by the principal of his/her designee

Students must present a signed note from the parent/guardian giving child's full name, date, days of absence, and a reason for the absence, on the day of return to school.

If a student arrives after the start of the school day in each building, he/she will be considered tardy and should report immediately to the designated sign-in area. A written excuse is required explaining why the student is late. If the student does not have an excuse explaining his/her tardiness, he/she must submit a note from his/her parents the following school day explaining the reason for the tardiness.

An absence, tardiness or early departure is considered unexcused if the reason for the lack of attendance does not fall into the approved categories.



Health Services Information

NEW ENTRANTS OR TRANSFER STUDENTS AND IMMUNIZATION

All schools are obliged to enforce the requirements of New York State Public Health Law, Section 2164. As of July 1, 2015, no child shall be admitted to school, or in the case of students entering from outside New York, be allowed to attend school, in excess of 14 days without satisfactory written evidence that the student has been immunized. Below is a summary of the changes to School Immunization Requirements for the 2019-20 School Year based on NYSDOH amended regulations:

- MMR (grades K-12) 2 doses; PreK-1 dose
- Tdap (Grades 6-12) 1 dose
- DTaP (grades PreK-6) 4-5 doses - if the 4th dose is received after age 4 then only 4 doses required; (grades 6-12) 3 doses
- Polio (grades K-4 and 6-10) 4 doses - if the 3rd dose was received after the age of 4, then 3 doses required; (Grades PreK, 5, 11 and 12) 3 doses required
- Varicella
2 doses (Grades K-4, 6-10)
1 dose (Grades PreK, 5, 11, 12)
- Hepatitis B 3 doses (Grades PreK-12)
- Meningococcal (Grades 7, 8 & 9) 1 dose; (grade 12) 2 doses - 1 dose acceptable if given after age 16
- Haemophilus Influenzae Type B (HIB) (PreK) 1-4 doses
- Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV) (PreK) 1-4 doses

Any student who does not meet the above-stated criteria is in violation of New York State Public Health Law, Section 2164, and **will not be admitted to school** until the student presents satisfactory written evidence of compliance. Doses must meet proper intervals established by ACIP.

RELEASE OF STUDENTS DURING SCHOOL HOURS

Students shall not be released from school activities during school hours except by proper authority and in accordance with appropriate procedures as established by the school administration.

Students will be released only to their parents, guardians or to persons properly authorized by the parent or guardians. In cases of family dissension or divorce, requests by either parent to release students will be honored unless the school is placed under legal restraint.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS

Parents and guardians are urged to have their children examined by their private physicians and dentists on an annual basis. The law requires new entrants, kindergartners, and students in Grades 2, 4, 7 and 10, to furnish a physical examination report. The school physician will examine all students whose parents have not provided verification of a valid up-to-date (within 90 days) physical examination.

MEDICATION DURING SCHOOL HOURS

Medication may be administered during school hours only under the following conditions.

1. The parents may come to the health office with the medication and give it to the child at the appointed time.
2. The nurse may administer medicine if it is in a bottle labeled by a pharmacist with the pupil's name, dosage and frequency of dosage. This must be accompanied by a doctor's note identifying the medicine and stating the dosage. A note from the parent giving the school permission to medicate the child must also be on file with the nurse. This rule applies to aspirin, antihistamines, decongestants, cough medicines, nose drops, or other non-prescription drugs as well.

ATHLETIC PHYSICALS

All students that participate in a sport must have an athletic physical prior to the season.



Annual Election and Budget Voting

ANNUAL VOTING

For the 2019-2020 school year, voting will take place on the third Tuesday in May; this year's date is Tuesday, May 19, 2020. This day is the regularly scheduled school budget voting date across New York State. Along with the school budget vote, members of the Board of Education and special items will be decided at that time. You will be notified in advance of the budget vote with regard to the public budget hearing and other related presentations. At the public hearing the Board of Education presents the proposed budget for the upcoming school year to the voters of the school district.

VOTING DETAILS AND ELIGIBILITY

Voting is conducted by voting machine in the Main Street gym of the Clayton Huey Elementary School from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. prevailing time. To vote, a person must be:

- 18 years old on the day of the vote,
- A citizen of the U.S.,
- A resident for 30 days before the vote,
- Registered for school elections – has voted in a general election in the district during the past four years.

Absentee ballots may be obtained by those eligible under the provisions of Section 2018-a of Election Law at the office of the District Clerk.



Budget 2019-2020

BUDGET PROCESS

The budget process involves administrators, staff, parents and community members. Its development is driven by the needs of our students and the fiscal concerns of the community. Expenses include salaries and benefits, equipment, textbooks and other services for students. Revenue sources include state aid and property taxes. These two sources account for over 80-90% of all dollars received by the district. A budget brochure is typically mailed to all residents prior to the budget vote outlining the proposed expenses and sources of revenue for the next school year.

SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLICATION

The official publication of the district is the *District News*. The *District News* is mailed to all residents periodically. Information regarding news, district news and other special events are included in each publication. If you are not receiving your copy, please call the district office at 631-878-0052.



PTA

PURPOSE

The PTA serves the Center Moriches Schools and cooperates with school staff in solving any school-related problems. PTA helps build friendly relations between parents and teachers and promotes parent/teacher cooperation. As a member of the PTA, you will belong to a nationwide, democratic, voluntary organization – the National Congress of Parents and Teachers – that centers its whole interest on the welfare and education of children and youth.

WHY PARTICIPATE IN PTA?

Among the most important influences on the effectiveness of teaching is the overall atmosphere of the home. Above all, the children need the genuine concern, guidance, discipline, and affection of their parents. The standards parents set and the attitudes they express have a decisive influence on the child's progress. Parental cooperation is, therefore, of great importance if the school is to be effective. If interested in joining the PTA, you may call your child's school for information.

HOW PARENTS CAN ASSIST THE SCHOOL

A child's parents or guardians and the school share the same responsibility for establishing an educational climate, which will encourage each child's maximum growth. As the parent looks to the school to provide the facilities and the personnel, which are essential to the child's proper development, the school looks to the parent to assume certain obligations, which cannot be delegated to others. No school can be fully effective in teaching the commonly accepted virtues of honesty, respect for authority, consideration for the rights and property of others, and adequate standards of personal morality and integrity unless the basic principles have been established and are held in sufficiently high regard in the home. If the parents have confidence in the school and cooperate with its programs and if they show respect for the sincerity and integrity of its teachers and actively support their authority by appropriate action in the home, this is quite likely to be reflected in wholesome attitudes on the part of their children. There are specific, as well as general, areas in which you can assist the local school and your child by:

1. taking an interest in your child's work and by encouraging maximum effort, and by not establishing goals which are beyond the child's ability to attain;
2. becoming acquainted with the school, its program and its staff through scheduled teacher conferences, attendance at "Parents' Night" programs and participation in PTA affairs;
3. providing adequate supervision over study habits, the meeting of school obligations, health habits and recreational activities;
4. cooperating with and supporting teachers who find it necessary to contact you regarding your child's progress or problems he or she may be having in school;

5. timing your vacations, when possible to coincide with periods when the schools are closed - and by notifying the school if you expect to be away from home and your child is to be left with others;
6. making your child understand that school is the pupil's business and that regular and punctual attendance is expected, as is appropriate dress; and
7. obtaining firsthand information on district policies and school regulations.

SEPTA

PURPOSE

The Center Moriches Special Education Parent Teacher Association (CM SEPTA) provides education, training and support to help parents and educators become more effective advocates for special needs students in our school community and surrounding areas. Our goal is to promote awareness and empathy while building tolerance, understanding and a support system for children and families. CM SEPTA offers meetings, workshops and speakers on a wide range of topics, disabilities, learning styles and health issues. These insightful forums bring parents and educators together in conversation to explore the latest research and strategies that can be applied in the classroom and at home.

WORKING TOGETHER: A POWERFUL VOICE FOR ALL CHILDREN

Connected to the State and National Parent Teacher Association (PTA), the local SEPTA is a valuable resource in the school community with access to programs that benefit all children and families. By joining our local SEPTA, you become a member of both the State and National PTAs – a powerful, nationwide network that influences the formulation of education laws, policies and practices. Individuals may belong to any number of SEPTAs and PTAs by paying dues in each.

SEPTA'S VISION: HAND IN HAND WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

CM SEPTA aims to bridge the gap between general and special education, promising a united school community where every student can succeed without prejudice and regardless of ability. Our vision includes strong partnerships within our school district and community centered on collaboration, commitment, inclusivity and integrity. We welcome new members and volunteers to help create a learning community where each child can achieve their greatest potential in an environment of respect, compassion, safety and tolerance for all learners.

For more information on the PTA and SEPTA, visit www.cmschools.org and click on the "Parents" tab.

Lunch Program

One of the best ways to help children in the classroom is to provide them with the nutrition necessary for the healthy growth of their minds and bodies. Consequently, breakfast and lunch programs are provided in both schools daily.

Breakfast:	Elementary	\$1.50
	Secondary	\$2.00
Lunch:	Elementary	\$2.85
	Secondary	\$3.15

REDUCED PRICE MEALS

Children from households that meet federal income guidelines are eligible for free or reduced meals. Reduced prices for elementary and secondary students are 25¢ per meal.

Information will be forthcoming concerning the new income eligibility guidelines.

2019-2020 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS OR FREE MILK

Total Family Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$23,107	\$1,926	\$963	\$889	\$445
2	\$31,284	\$2,607	\$1,304	\$1,204	\$602
3	\$39,461	\$3,289	\$1,645	\$1,518	\$759
4	\$47,638	\$3,970	\$1,985	\$1,833	\$917
5	\$55,815	\$4,652	\$2,326	\$2,147	\$1,074
6	\$63,992	\$5,333	\$2,667	\$2,462	\$1,231
7	\$72,169	\$6,015	\$3,008	\$2,776	\$1,388
8	\$80,346	\$6,696	\$3,348	\$3,091	\$1,546
*Each additional household member add	\$8,177	\$682	\$341	\$315	\$158

HOW TO APPLY:

To get reduced price meals for your children, you may submit a Direct Certification letter that you have received from the Department of Social Services or carefully complete an application which will be sent to you from your child's school.

INCOME CHART:

The chart on the left lists income levels earned yearly, monthly, or weekly. If your total income is the same or less than the amounts on the chart, your children are eligible for reduced meals. If you think you might be eligible, please call Mrs. Leslie Murray, District Registrar, at 631- 878-0052 ext. 331 for the form or contact your child's school social worker.

VERIFICATION:

The school may ask you, at any time during the school year, to verify your eligibility. You will be notified, in writing, if you have been selected for verification. School officials may ask you to send papers showing that your child should receive reduced price meals.

Food Stamp/ADC/TANF/FDPIR Households:

Households which currently include children who receive Food Stamps or Aid to Dependent Children (ADC)/ Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), or the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) must complete an application listing the child's name, a food stamp, ADC/TANF, or FDPIR number and the significance of an adult household member, or provide a Direct Certification letter from the Department of Social Services. Children in the household with the same case number may be included on the same application. Separate applications are required for children in the same household with different case numbers. If the family does not list a food stamp, ADC/TANF, or FDPIR number for all children for whom they are applying, then the application must contain all the information as required for other households.

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Please note that due to space limitations, this calendar may not list all the activities and events that will take place. Every effort will be made to notify our students, staff members and residents of changes that occur through the District website, www.cmschools.org, as well as various District and school publications, in order to provide up-to-date information.